

QGIS Desktop 3.22 User Guide

QGIS Project

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KAPITEL 1

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1.1 Was ist neu in QGIS 3.22

Diese Version von QGIS enthält Hunderte von Fehlerkorrekturen und viele neue Funktionen und Verbesserungen gegenüber QGIS 3.16. Eine Liste der neuen Funktionen finden Sie in den Änderungsprotokollen unter https://qgis.org/de/site/forusers/visualchangelogs.html.

KAPITEL 2

Vorwort

Willkommen in der wunderbaren Welt der Geographischen Informationssysteme (GIS)!

QGIS ist ein freies (Open Source), geografisches Informationssystem. Die Idee zu dem Projekt wurde im Mai 2002 geboren und bereits im Juni desselben Jahres bei SourceForge etabliert. Wir haben hart daran gearbeitet, GIS Software (die bisher üblicherweise teuer und proprietär ist) kostenfrei für jeden, der Zugang zu einem PC hat, bereitzustellen. QGIS kann unter den meisten Unix Systemen, Windows und MacOSX betrieben werden. QGIS wurde mit Hilfe des Qt Toolkit (https://www.qt.io) und C++ entwickelt. Dadurch ist QGIS sehr benutzerfreundlich und besitzt eine einfach und intuitiv zu bedienende grafische Benutzeroberfläche.

QGIS soll ein benutzerfreundliches GIS sein, das allgemeine Funktionen und Merkmale bietet. Das ursprüngliche Ziel des Projekts war die Bereitstellung eines GIS-Datenviewers. QGIS hat einen Punkt in seiner Entwicklung erreicht, an dem es für den täglichen Bedarf zur GIS-Datenbetrachtung, für die Datenerfassung, für fortgeschrittene GIS-Analysen und für Präsentationen in Form von anspruchsvollen Karten, Atlanten und Berichten verwendet wird. QGIS unterstützt eine Vielzahl von Raster- und Vektordatenformaten, wobei die Unterstützung neuer Formate durch die Plugin-Architektur leicht erweitert werden kann.

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Tipp: Aktuellste Dokumentation

Die aktuellste Version dieses Dokuments können Sie immer im Dokumentationsbereich der QGIS Internetseite unter https://www.qgis.org/en/docs/ finden.

KAPITEL 3

Gebrauch der Dokumentation

Dieser Abschnitt beschreibt die in diesem Handbuch benutzten einheitlichen Schreibstile.

3.1 GUI Schreibstile

Die GUI Schreibstile sollen das Erscheinungsbild der Grafischen Benutzeroberfläche nachahmen. Im Allgemeinen gibt eine Darstellung das normale Erscheinungsbild wieder, also ohne das der Mauszeiger darüber ist, so dass der Benutzer die GUI nach etwas, das wie die Darstellung im Handbuch aussieht, absuchen kann.

- Menü Optionen: *Layer* ► *Rasterlayer hinzufügen* oder *Einstellungen* ► *Werkzeugkasten* ► *Digitalisierung*
- Werkzeug:  Rasterlayer hinzufügen
- Schaltfläche: *Als Vorgabe speichern*
- Titel einer Dialogbox: *Layereigenschaften*
- Reiter: *Allgemein*
- Kontrollkästchen:  *Darstellen*
- Radiobutton:  *Postgis SRID*  *EPSG ID*
- Wähle eine Zahl: 
- Wähle ein Wort: 
- Datei auswählen: …
- Wähle eine Farbe: 
- Schieberegler: 
- Eingabetext: 

Ein Schatten zeigt, dass dieses GUI Element mit der Maus anwählbar ist.

3.2 Text oder Tastatur Schreibstile

Dieses Handbuch enthält auch Darstellungen, die sich auf Texte, Tastaturbefehle und Codes beziehen, um verschiedene Einheiten, wie Klassen oder Methoden anzuzeigen. Diese Stile entsprechen aber nicht dem tatsächlichen Aussehen von Texten oder Codezeilen innerhalb von QGIS.

- Querverweise: https://qgis.org
- Tastenkombinationen: Drücken Sie `Strg+B`, was heisst dass Sie doe Strg-Taste drücken und halten sollen und dann die B-Taste drücken sollen.
- Name einer Datei: `lakes.shp`
- Name einer Klasse:**New Layer**
- Methode: *classFactory*
- Server: *myhost.de*
- User Text: `qgis --help`

Codezeilen werden durch eine Schriftart mit festgelegter Breite angezeigt:

```
PROJCS["NAD_1927_Albers",
  GEOGCS["GCS_North_American_1927",
```

3.3 Betriebssystemspezifische Anweisungen

GUI Sequenzen und kleine Textzeilen werden wie folgt formatiert: Klicken Sie *Datei* ► *QGIS* ► *QGIS beenden*. Dies beschreibt dass Sie unter Linux, Unix und Windows Betriebssystemen erst das Datei-Menü und dann ‚QGIS beenden' klicken sollten während Sie unter dem macOS-Betriebssystem erst das QGIS-Menü klicken und dann ‚Verlassen' klicken sollten.

Größere Texte können als Liste formatiert werden:

- Mache dies
- Mache das
- Oder jenes

oder als Paragraph

Mache dies und dies und dies. Dann mache dies und dies und dies, und dies und dies und dies, und dies und dies und dies.

Tun Sie das. Dann tun sie das und das und das, das und das und das, das und das und das, das und das.

Screenshots, die im Benutzerhandbuch erscheinen, wurden auf verschiedenen Plattformen erstellt.

KAPITEL 4

Funktionalitäten

QGIS bietet eine Fülle von GIS Funktionen, bereitgestellt durch Kernfunktionen und Erweiterungen. Die Suchleiste macht es einfach nach Funktionen, Datensätzen und mehr zu suchen.

Im Folgenden finden Sie eine kurze Zusammenfassung von sechs allgemeinen Kategorien von Funktionen und Plugins, gefolgt von ersten Einblicken in die integrierte Python-Konsole.

4.1 Daten visualisieren

Es ist möglich, Vektor- und Rasterdaten (in 2D und 3D) in unterschiedlichen Formaten und mit verschiedenen Projektionen zu visualisieren, ohne die Daten selbst in ein internes oder gemeinsames Format konvertieren zu müssen. Zu den unterstützten Datenformaten gehören:

- Tabellen und Views aus räumlichen Datenbanken wie PostGIS, SpatiaLite und MS SQL Spatial, Oracle Spatial, Vektorformate die durch die installierte OGR Bibliothek unterstützt werden, darunter GeoPackage, ESRI Shapedateien, MapInfo, SDTS, GML und viele mehr. Siehe Kapitel *Arbeiten mit Vektordaten*.
- Raster- und Bilddatenformate die von der installierten GDAL (Geospatial Data Abstraction Library) Bibliothek unterstützt werden wie z.B. GeoTIFF, ERDAS IMG, ArcInfo ASCII GRID, JPEG, PNG und viele mehr. Siehe Kapitel *Arbeiten mit Rasterdaten*.
- Mesh Daten (siehe *Working with Mesh Data*)
- Vektorkacheln (Vector Tiles; siehe *Arbeiten mit Vektorkacheln (Vector Tiles)*)
- GRASS Raster- und Vektordaten aus GRASS Datenbanken (Location/Mapset). Siehe Kapitel *GRASS GIS Integration*.
- Online-Geodaten, die als OGC-Webdienste bereitgestellt werden, einschließlich WMS, WMTS, WCS, WFS und WFS-T. Siehe Abschnitt *Arbeiten mit OGC / ISO-Protokollen*.

  Die QGIS-Authentifizierungsinfrastruktur hilft Ihnen bei der Verwaltung von Benutzern/Passwörtern, Zertifikaten und Schlüsseln für Webdienste und andere Ressourcen.
- Tabellen (ODS, XLS(X), …)

Temporäre Daten werden unterstützt.

4.2 Daten erkunden, abfragen und Karten layouten

Sie können Karten zusammenstellen und interaktiv räumliche Daten mit einer benutzerfreundlichen GUI erkunden. Die vielen in der GUI erhältlichen hilfreichen Werkzeuge beinhalten:

- QGIS Browser
- Spontanreprojektion
- 2D und 3D Kartendarstellungen
- DB Manager
- Drucklayout
- Berichte
- Kartenübersichtsfenster
- Räumliche Lesezeichen
- Beschriftungswerkzeuge
- Identifizieren/Selektieren von Objekten
- Editieren/Visualisieren/Suchen von Attributdaten
- Datendefinierte Objektbeschriftung
- Datendefinierte Vektor- und Rastersymbolisierungswerkzeuge
- Atlas Kartenzusammenstellung mit Gradnetz-Layern
- Nordpfeil, Maßstabsbalken und Urheberrechtsnachweis für Karten
- Unterstützung für das Speichern und Wiederherstellen von Projekten

4.3 Daten erstellen, editieren, verwalten und exportieren

Sie können Vektor- und Rasterlayer erstellen, bearbeiten und in zahlreiche Formate exportieren. QGIS bietet folgendes:

- Werkzeuge zur Vektordigitalisierung
- Erzeugen und Bearbeiten vieler verschiedener Dateiformate und GRASS Vektorlayer
- Georeferenzierungsplugin um Bilder zu geokodieren
- GPS-Werkzeuge zum Im- und Export von GPX-Daten, zur Konvertierung anderer GPS-Datenformate ins GPX-Format sowie das direkte Hoch-/Runterladen direkt auf/von einem GPS-Gerät (unter GNU/Linux wurde usb: zur Liste der GPS-Geräte hinzugefügt)
- Unterstützung für das Darstellen und Bearbeiten von OpenStreetMap-Daten
- Erzeugen von Tabellen in räumlichen Datenbanken aus Dateien mit der DB-Verwaltung
- Verbesserte Handhabung von räumlichen Datenbanktabellen
- Werkzeuge um Vektorattributtabellen zu verwalten
- Möglichkeit Screenshots als georeferenzierte Bilder zu speichern
- DXF - Export-Tool mit erweiterten Funktionen um Stile und Plugins zu exportieren und CAD -ähnliche Funktionen auszuführen

4.4 Daten analysieren

Sie können räumliche Datenanalysen mit räumlichen Datenbanken und anderen OGR-unterstützten Formaten durchführen. QGIS bietet derzeit Werkzeuge für Vektoranalyse, Rasteranalyse, Stichproben, Geoprocessing, Geometrie und Datenbankmanagement. Sie können auch die integrierten GRASS-Werkzeuge verwenden, die die gesamte GRASS-Funktionalität von mehr als 400 Modulen umfassen (siehe Abschnitt *GRASS GIS Integration*). Oder Sie können mit dem Processing-Plugin arbeiten, das ein leistungsfähiges Framework für die Geodatenanalyse bietet, um native Algorithmen aus QGIS und Algorithmen von Drittanbietern aufzurufen, wie z.B. GDAL, SAGA, GRASS, OTB, R und mehr (siehe Abschnitt *Einführung*). Alle Analysefunktionen werden im Hintergrund ausgeführt, so dass Sie Ihre Arbeit fortsetzen können, während die Verarbeitung läuft.

Mit dem grafischen Modellierer können Sie in einer intuitiven grafischen Umgebung Funktionen zu einem vollständigen Arbeitsablauf kombinieren/verketten.

4.5 Karten im Internet veröffentlichen

QGIS kann als WMS-, WMTS-, WMS-C-, WFS-, OAPIF- und WFS-T-Client verwendet werden (siehe Abschnitt *Arbeiten mit OGC / ISO-Protokollen*), und QGIS Server (siehe QGIS-Server-manual) ermöglicht es Ihnen, Ihre Daten über die WMS-, WCS-, WFS- und OAPIF-Protokolle mit Hilfe eines Webservers im Internet zu veröffentlichen.

4.6 Erweiterte QGIS Funktionalität durch Erweiterungen

QGIS kann an Ihre speziellen Bedürfnisse mit seiner erweiterbaren Plugin-Architektur und Bibliotheken, die zum Erstellen von Plugins benutzt werden können, angepasst werden. Sie können sogar neue Anwendungen mit C++ oder Python erstellen!

4.6.1 Kern-Plugins

Kern-Plugins sind:

1. DB Manager (austauschen, bearbeiten und darstellen von Layern und Tabellen in die und aus Datenbanken; Ausführen von SQL-Abfragen)
2. Geometrieprüfung (Geometrien auf Fehler prüfen)
3. GDAL-Georeferenzierung (Projektionsinformationen mit GDAL zu Rasterdatensätzen hinzufügen)
4. GPS Werkzeuge (GPS Daten laden und importieren)
5. GRASS (integriertes GRASS GIS)
6. MetaSearch Catalogue Client (mit Metadatenkatalogdiensten kommunizieren, die den Catalog Service for the Web (CSW) -Standard unterstützen)
7. Offline-Bearbeitung (Ermöglicht die Offline-Bearbeitung und Synchronisation mit Datenbanken)
8. Verarbeitung (der Verarbeitungswerkzeugkasten für räumliche Daten für QGIS)
9. Topologie-Prüfung (Topologiefehler in Vektorlayern finden)

4.6.2 Externe Python Plugins

QGIS bietet eine steigende Anzahl von externen Python Plugins, die von der Community bereitgestellt werden, an. Diese Plugins werden in dem offiziellen Plugins Repository vorgehalten und können auf einfache Art und Weise mit der Python Plugin Installation installiert werden. Siehe Kapitel *Der Erweiterungen Dialog*.

4.7 Python-Konsole

Um Skripte zu schreiben können Sie die integrierte Python-Konsole benutzen, die Sie mit dem Menü *Erweiterungen* ► *Python-Konsole* öffnen können. Die Konsole öffnet sich als nicht-modales Fenster. Für das Zusammenspiel mit der QGIS Umgebung gibt es die Variable `qgis.utils.iface`, die eine Instanz von `QgisInterface` ist. Diese Schnittstelle ermöglicht den Zugang zum Kartenfenster, zu Menüs, Werkzeugleisten und anderen Teilen der QGIS-Anwendung. Sie können ein Skript schreiben und ins QGIS-Anwendungsfenster ziehen und es wird automatisch ausgeführt.

Weitere Informationen zum Arbeiten mit der Python-Konsole und das Programmieren von QGIS Erweiterungen und Anwendungen finden Sie unter PyQGIS-Developer-Cookbook.

4.8 Bekannte Probleme

4.8.1 Begrenzung der Anzahl von geöffneten Dateien

Wenn Sie ein großes QGIS-Projekt öffnen und Sie sicher sind dass alle Layer gültig sind aber einige Layer als schlecht markiert sind, stehen Sie wahrscheinlich vor diesem Problem. Linux (und auch andere Betriebssysteme) hat eine prozessbezogene Begrenzung von geöffneten Dateien. Ressourcengrenzen beziehen sich auf einen Prozess und werden vererbt. Der `ulimit` Befehl, den die Shell zur Verfügung stellt, verändert die Begrenzung nur für den aktuellen Shell-Prozess; die neue Begrenzung wird von allen untergeordneten Prozessen geerbt.

Sie können sich alle Informationen zu ulimit anzeigen lassen, indem Sie folgenden Befehl eingeben:

```
$ ulimit -aS
```

Sie können die aktuell zulässige Anzahl von geöffneten Dateien pro Prozess mit dem folgenden Befehl in der Konsole sehen:

```
$ ulimit -Sn
```

Um die Begrenzungen für eine **vorhandene Sitzung** zu ändern, können Sie so etwas verwenden:

```
$ ulimit -Sn #number_of_allowed_open_files
$ ulimit -Sn
$ qgis
```

Um es für immer zu beheben

Unter den meisten Linux-Systemen werden die Ressourcenbegrenzungen beim Login durch das `pam_limits` Modul gemäß den Einstellungen in `etc/security/limits.conf` oder `/etc/security/limits.d/*.conf` eingestellt. Sie müssten in der Lage sein die Dateien zu editieren wenn Sie Root-Rechte haben (auch über sudo), die Änderungen werden jedoch erst wirksam wenn Sie sich erneut anmelden.

Mehr Informationen:

https://www.cyberciti.biz/faq/linux-increase-the-maximum-number-of-open-files/ https://linuxaria.com/article/open-files-in-linux

KAPITEL 5

Erste Schritte

Dieses Kapitel gibt einen schnellen Überblick über die Installation von QGIS, den Download von QGIS-Beispieldaten und die Durchführung einer ersten einfachen Sitzung zur Visualisierung von Raster- und Vektordaten.

5.1 QGIS installieren

Das QGIS-Projekt bietet verschiedene Möglichkeiten, QGIS in Abhängigkeit von Ihrer Plattform zu installieren.

5.1.1 Installation mit Binärdateien

Standardinstallationen sind für MS Windows und macOS verfügbar. Binärpakete (rpm und deb) oder Software-Repositorys werden für viele Varianten von GNU/Linux bereitgestellt.

Weitere Informationen und Anweisungen für Ihr Betriebssystem finden Sie unter https://download.qgis.org.

5.1.2 Kompilieren des Quellcodes

Wenn Sie QGIS mit Hilfe des Quellcodes erstellen wollen, lesen Sie bitte die Installationsanweisungen. Sie erhalten diese zusammen mit dem QGIS-Quellcode in einer Datei namens `INSTALL`. Sie können sie auch online unter https://github.com/qgis/QGIS/blob/release-3_22/INSTALL.md finden.

Wenn Sie eine bestimmte Version und nicht die in der Entwicklung befindliche Version erstellen möchten, sollten Sie `Master` durch den Release-Zweig (üblicherweise im Formular `release-X_Y`) im oben genannten Link ersetzen (Installationsanweisungen können abweichen).

5.1.3 Auf externen Medien installieren

Es ist möglich, QGIS (mit allen Plugins und Einstellungen) auf einem Flash-Laufwerk zu installieren. Dies wird durch die Definition einer Option *–profiles-path* erreicht, die den standardmäßigen Pfad *user profile* überschreibt und **QSettings** zwingt, auch dieses Verzeichnis zu verwenden. Siehe Abschnitt *Systemeinstellungen* für weitere Informationen.

5.1.4 Beispieldaten herunterladen

Dieses Benutzerhandbuch enthält Beispiele, die auf dem QGIS-Beispieldatensatz (auch `Alaska-Datensatz` genannt) basieren. Laden Sie die Beispieldaten von https://github.com/qgis/QGIS-Sample-Data/archive/master.zip herunter und entpacken Sie das Archiv an einem beliebigen Ort auf Ihrem System.

Der QGIS-Beispieldatensatz enthält Geodaten von Alaska und deckt sämtliche Übungen und Screenshots dieser Dokumentation ab, inklusive einer kleinen GRASS GIS Datenbank. Das Koordinatenbezugssystem ist Albers Equal Area mit der Maßeinheit 'feet' (EPSG-Code 2964).

```
PROJCS["Albers Equal Area",
GEOGCS["NAD27",
DATUM["North_American_Datum_1927",
SPHEROID["Clarke 1866",6378206.4,294.978698213898,
AUTHORITY["EPSG","7008"]],
TOWGS84[-3,142,183,0,0,0,0],
AUTHORITY["EPSG","6267"]],
PRIMEM["Greenwich",0,
AUTHORITY["EPSG","8901"]],
UNIT["degree",0.0174532925199433,
AUTHORITY["EPSG","9108"]],
AUTHORITY["EPSG","4267"]],
PROJECTION["Albers_Conic_Equal_Area"],
PARAMETER["standard_parallel_1",55],
PARAMETER["standard_parallel_2",65],
PARAMETER["latitude_of_center",50],
PARAMETER["longitude_of_center",-154],
PARAMETER["false_easting",0],
PARAMETER["false_northing",0],
UNIT["us_survey_feet",0.3048006096012192]]
```

Wenn Sie beabsichtigen, QGIS als grafisches Frontend für GRASS zu verwenden, finden Sie eine Auswahl von Beispielorten (z.B. Spearfish oder South Dakota) auf der offiziellen GRASS GIS Website https://grass.osgeo.org/download/data/.

5.2 QGIS starten und beenden

QGIS kann wie jede andere Anwendung auf Ihrem Computer gestartet werden. Das bedeutet, dass Sie QGIS wie folgt starten können:

- über das Anwendungsmenü, das Startmenü oder das Dock
- Doppelklicken Sie das QGIS Icon oder die Desktop Verknüpfung
- Doppelklicken Sie auf eine vorhandene QGIS-Projektdatei (mit der Erweiterung `.qgz` oder `.qgs`). Beachten Sie, dass dadurch auch das Projekt geöffnet wird.
- `qgis` in die Kommandozeile eintippen, vorausgesetzt, QGIS wurde ihrem PFAD hinzugefügt oder Sie befinden sich im Installationsordner

Um QGIS zu stoppen, benutzen Sie:

- die Menüoptionen *Projekt* ► *QGIS beenden* oder benutzen Sie das Tastenkürzel `Strg+Q`

- *QGIS* ► *QGIS beenden*, oder benutzen Sie das Tastenkürzel `Ctrl+Q`
- oder benutzen Sie das rote Kreuz in der rechten, oberen Ecke des Hauptfensters der Anwendung.

5.3 Beispielsitzung: Laden von Raster- und Vektorlayern

Nachdem Sie nun *QGIS installiert* und einen *Beispiel-Datensatz* zur Verfügung haben, werden wir eine erste Beispielsitzung demonstrieren. In diesem Beispiel werden wir einen Raster- und einen Vektorlayer laden. Wir verwenden:

- den `landcover` Rasterlayer (`qgis_sample_data/raster/landcover.img`)
- und den `lakes` Vektorlayer (`qgis_sample_data/gml/lakes.gml`)

Wobei `qgis_sample_data` der Pfad zum ausgepackten Datensatz ist.

1. Starten Sie QGIS wie in *QGIS starten und beenden* gezeigt
2. Laden Sie die Dateien in QGIS:
    1. Klicken Sie auf die Schaltfläche  Datenquellenverwaltung öffnen. Die Datenquellenverwaltung sollte sich im Browsermodus öffnen.
    2. Navigieren Sie zum Verzeichnis `qgis_sample_data/raster/`
    3. Wählen Sie die ERDAS IMG-Datei `landcover.img` und doppelklicken Sie darauf. Der Landbedeckungslayer wird im Hintergrund geladen während das Fenster Datenquellenverwaltung geöffnet bleibt.

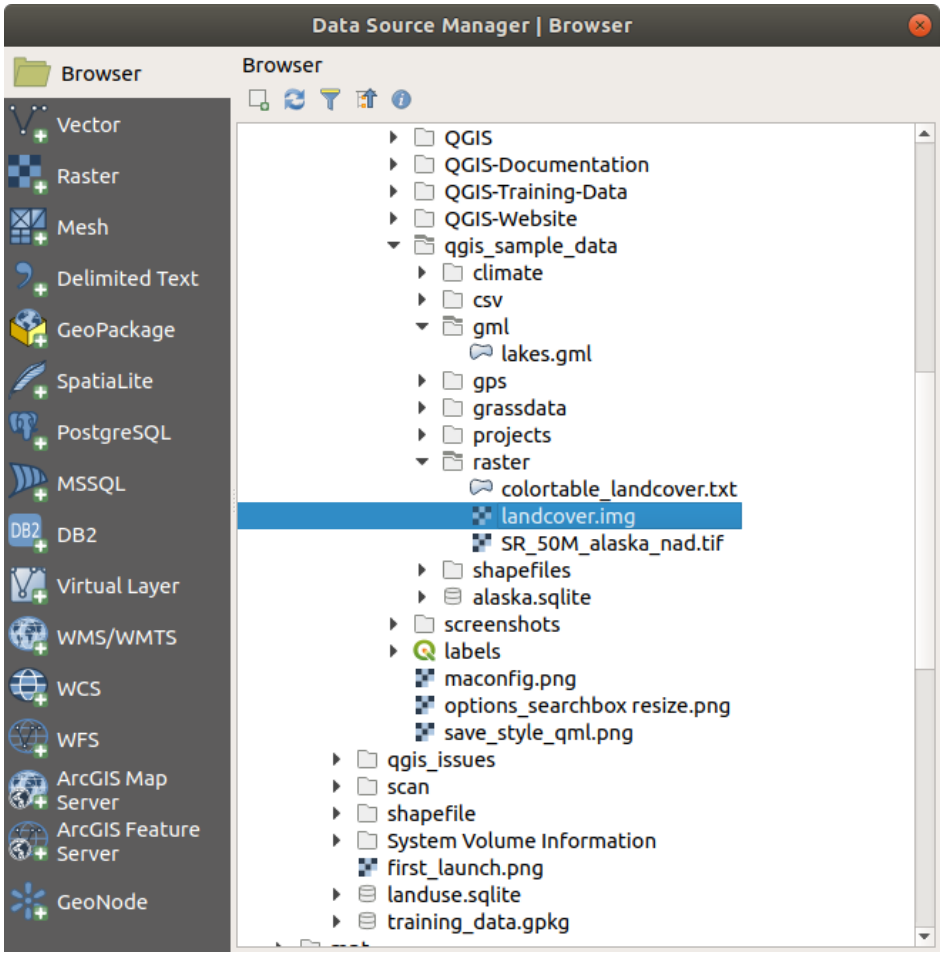


Abb. 5.1: Daten zu einem neuen Projekt in QGIS hinzufügen

4. Um die Daten mit den Seen zu laden, navigieren Sie zum Ordner `qgis_sample_data/gml/` und doppelklicken Sie auf die Datei `lakes.gml`, um sie zu öffnen.
5. Ein Dialog *Koordinatenbezugssystemsauswahl* öffnet sich. Im Menü *Filter* tippen Sie `2964`, um die darunter befindliche Liste der Koordinatenbezugssysteme zu filtern.

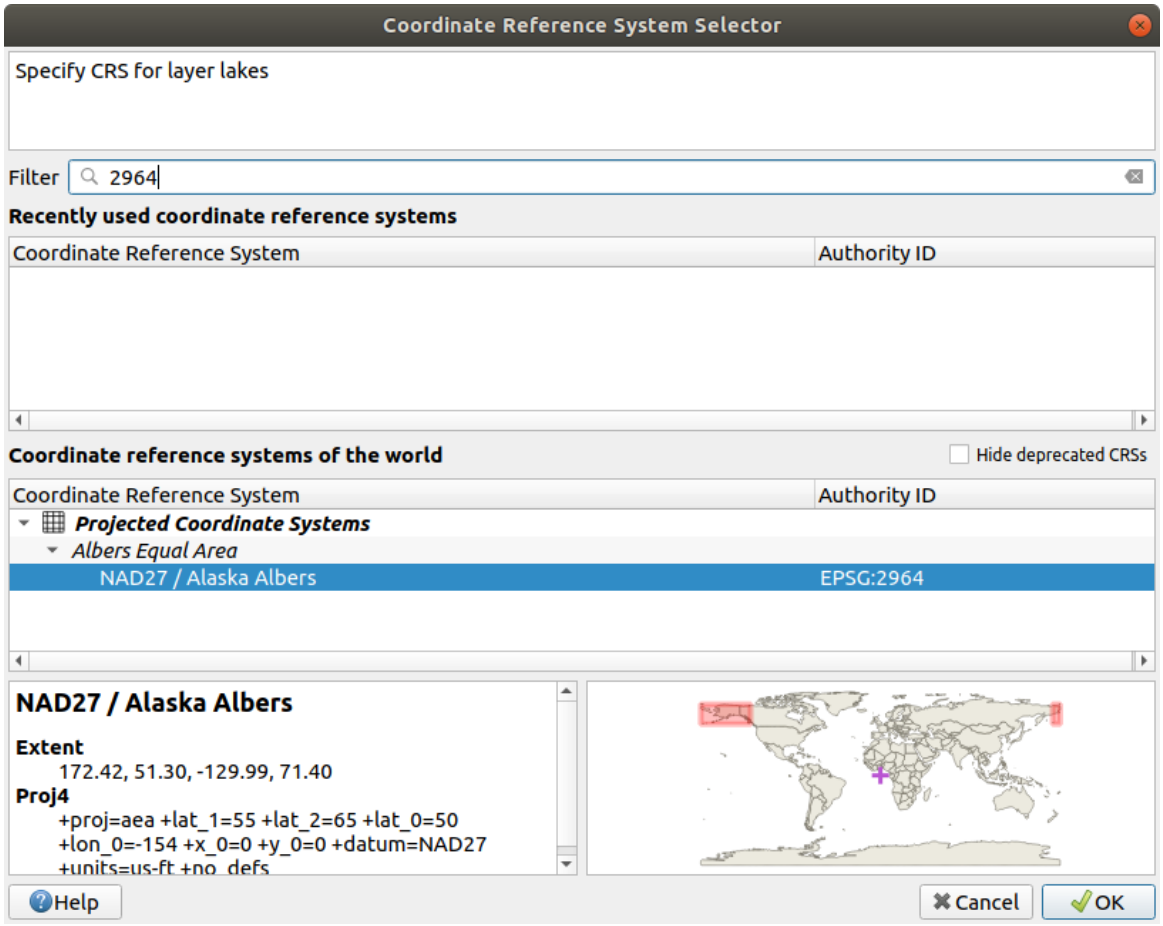


Abb. 5.2: Wählen Sie das Koordinatenbezugssystem der Daten aus

6. Wählen Sie den Eintrag *NAD27 / Alaska Albers*
7. Klicken Sie auf *OK*
8. Schließen Sie das Fenster Datenquellenverwaltung

Jetzt haben Sie die beiden Layer in Ihrem Projekt, dargestellt mit zufälligen Farben. Los geht's, machen wir einige Anpassungen am Layer mit den Seen.

1. Wählen Sie das Werkzeug Hineinzoomen in der Werkzeugleiste *Kartennavigation* aus
2. Zoomen Sie in ein Gebiet, in dem sich ein paar Seen befinden.
3. Doppelklicken Sie auf den Layer `lakes` in der Legende. Der Dialog *Layereigenschaften* öffnet sich
4. So ändern Sie die Farbe der Seen:
    1. Klicken Sie auf den Reiter *Symbolisierung*
    2. Wählen Sie blau als Füllfarbe aus.

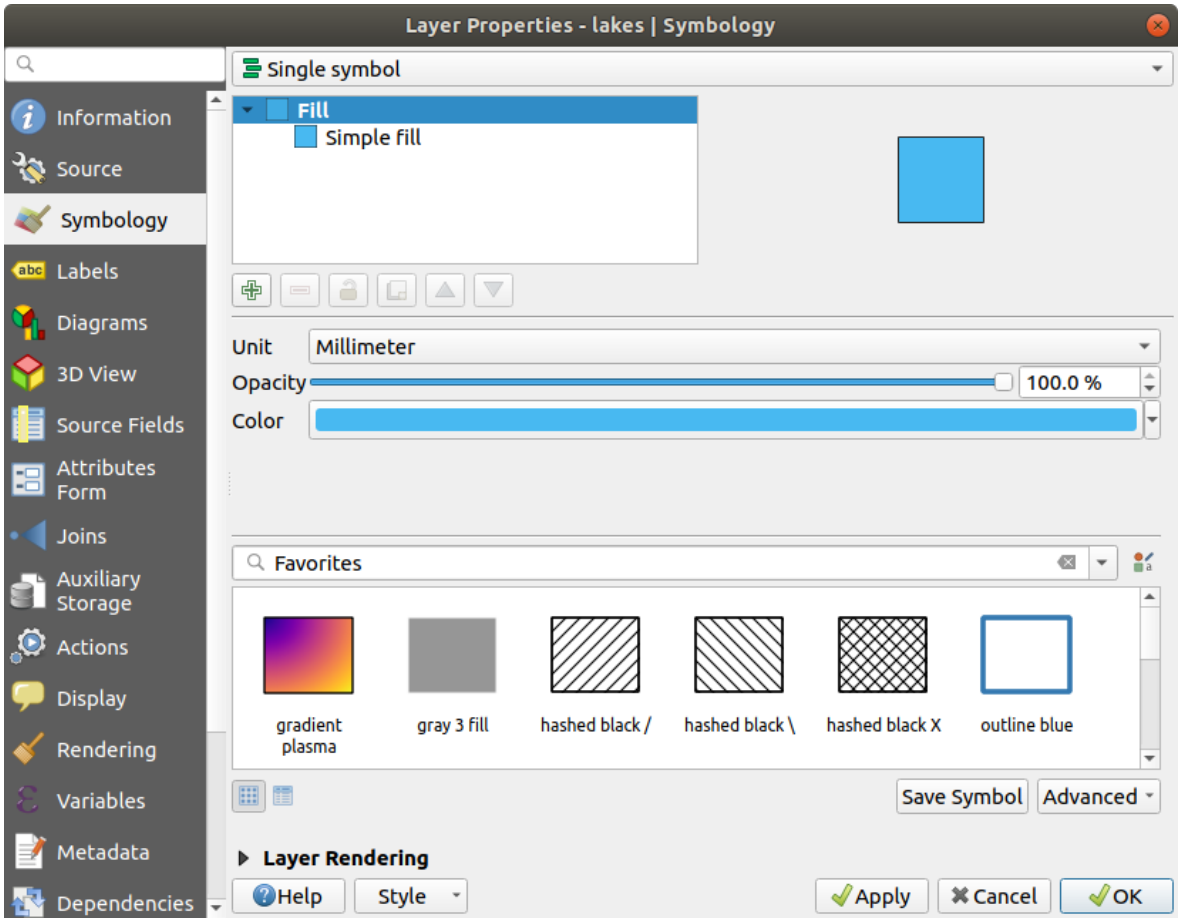


Abb. 5.3: Farbe für die Seen auswählen

3. Drücken Sie *OK*. Die Seen werden in der Kartenansicht jetzt in blau dargestellt.

5. So stellen Sie die Namen der Seen dar:
   1. Öffnen Sie den Dialog *Eigenschaften* des Layers `lakes`
   2. Klicken Sie auf den Reiter *Beschriftungen*
   3. Wählen Sie *Einzelne Beschriftungen* aus dem Aufklappmenü aus, um die Beschriftung anzuschalten.
   4. Wählen Sie aus der Liste *Beschriften mit* das Feld `NAMES`.

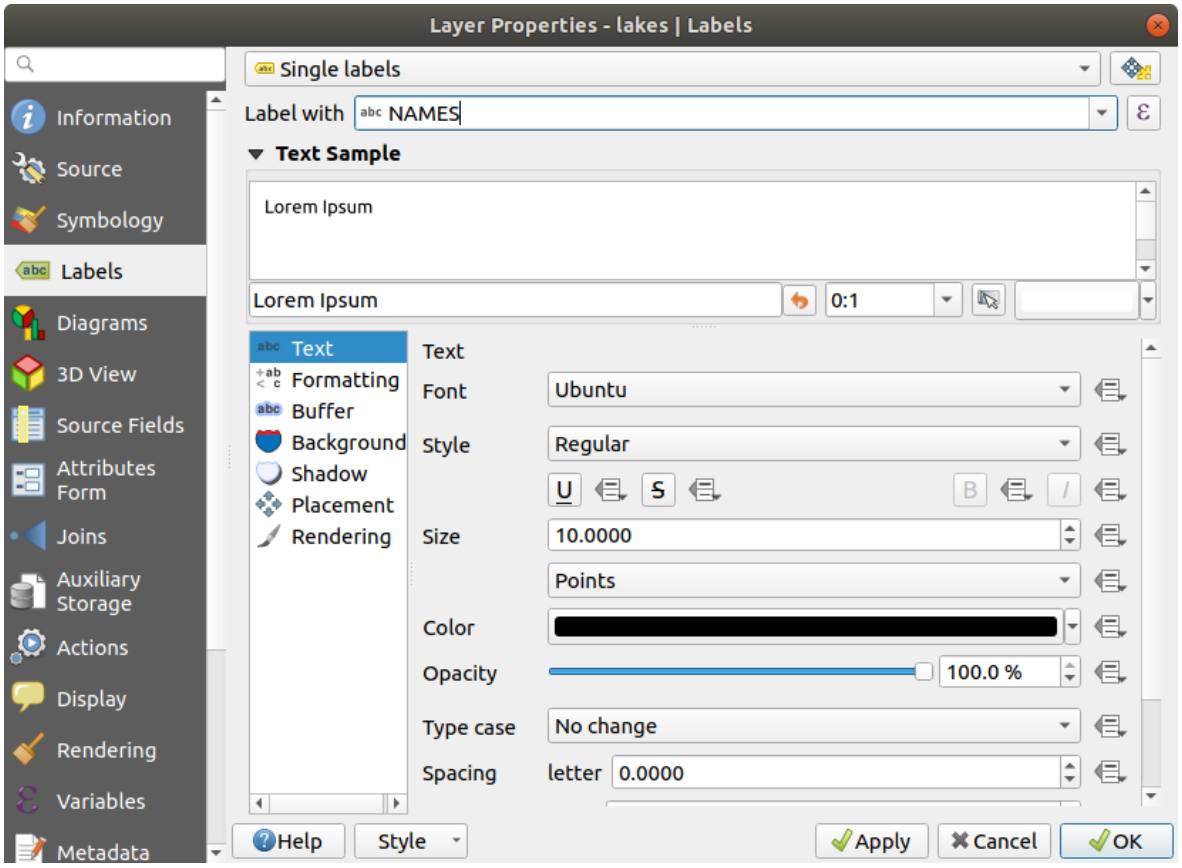


Abb. 5.4: Die Namen der Seen anzeigen

5. Drücken Sie auf *Anwenden*. Die Namen werden nun über den Grenzen dargestellt.

6. Sie können die Lesbarkeit der Beschriftungen verbessern, indem Sie einen weißen Puffer drumherum legen:

   1. Klicken Sie auf den Reiter *Puffer* in der Liste links
   2. Haken Sie *Textpuffer zeichnen* an
   3. Wählen Sie``3`` als Größe aus
   4. Klicken Sie auf *Anwenden*
   5. Prüfen Sie nach, ob das Ergebnis gut aussieht und verändern Sie den Wert, falls nötig.
   6. Klicken Sie abschließend auf *OK*, um den *Layereigenschaften* Dialog zu schließen und die Änderungen zu übernehmen.

Jetzt wollen wir einige Dekorationen hinzufügen, um die Karte in Form zu bringen und aus QGIS zu exportieren:

1. Wählen Sie im Menü *Ansicht* ► *Dekorationen* ► *Maßstab* aus
2. Im Dialog, der sich öffnet, haken Sie *Aktiviere Maßstab* an
3. Passen Sie die Einstellungen des Dialogs nach Ihren Wünschen an
4. Drücken Sie auf *Anwenden*
5. Auf die gleiche Art können Sie aus dem Menü Dekorationen weitere Objekte (Nordpfeil, Urheberrechtshinweis…) mit Ihren Einstellungen zur Kartenansicht hinzufügen
6. Klicken Sie auf den Menüpunkt *Projekt* ► *Import/Export* ► *Karte als Bild speichern…*
7. Drücken Sie auf *Speichern* im geöffneten Dialog

8. Wählen Sie einen Speicherpfad und ein Format aus, indem Sie nochmals auf *Speichern* drücken.

9. Drücken Sie auf *Projekt* ►  *Speichern unter…*, um Ihre Änderungen als Projektdatei `.qgz` zu speichern.

Das war's. Sie sehen, wie einfach es ist, Raster- und Vektorlayer in QGIS darzustellen, ihre Eigenschaften zu ändern und Ihre Karte in einem Bildformat zu speichern, die Sie in anderer Software benutzen können. Lassen Sie uns nun weitergehen und lernen Sie mehr über die verfügbaren Funktionen und Einstellungen und wie Sie sie benutzen können.

Bemerkung: Lesen Sie das Training manual, um mit schrittweisen Übungen beim Lernen von QGIS weiterzumachen.

KAPITEL 6

Arbeiten mit Projektdateien

6.1 Vorstellung von QGIS-Projekten

Der aktuelle Zustand Ihrer QGIS-Sitzung heißt Projekt. QGIS hat stets nur ein Projekt in Arbeit. Eine Einstellung kann projektspezifisch oder eine anwendungsweite Voreinstellung für neue Projekte (siehe Abschnitt *Optionen*) sein. QGIS kann den aktuellen Zustand in eine *QGIS-Projektdatei* speichern; benutzen Sie dafür das Menü *Projekt* ► *Speichern* oder *Projekt* ► *Speichern als…*.

Bemerkung: Sobald das Projekt verändert wurde, erscheint das Zeichen * in der Titelleiste und QGIS wird Sie standardmäßig fragen, ob Sie die Änderungen speichern wollen. Dieses Verhalten steuern Sie über die Einstellung *Bei Bedarf nachfragen, ob geänderte Projekte und Datenquellen gespeichert werden sollen*, die Sie unter *Einstellungen* ► *Optionen* ► *Allgemein* finden.

Sie können bereits vorhandene Projekte über das Bedienfeld Browser öffnen oder über die Menüpunkte *Projekt* ► *Öffnen…*, *Projekt* ► *Neu aus Vorlage* oder *Projekt* ► *Zuletzt verwendet* ►.

Beim Programmstart wird Ihnen eine Liste mit *Projektvorlagen* und *zuletzt geöffneten Projekten* angezeigt, die Screenshots, Namen und Dateipfade (für bis zu zehn Projekte) enthält. Die Liste *Kürzlich verwendet* ist praktisch, um an Ihre zuletzt verwendeten Projekte zu kommen. Doppelklicken Sie auf einen der Einträge, um ein Projekt oder eine Projektvorlage zu öffnen. Klicken Sie mit rechts auf einen Eintrag, um ihn *der Liste hinzu[zu]fügen*, das *Verzeichnis [zu] öffnen…* oder ihn *von der Liste [zu] entfernen*. Sie können auch einen neuen Layer hinzufügen und damit automatisch ein neues Projekt erzeugen. Die Liste verschwindet dann und die Kartenansicht wird sichtbar.

Wenn Sie Ihre Sitzung löschen und neu beginnen möchten, gehen Sie zu *Projekt* ► *Neu*. Dabei werden Sie aufgefordert, das bestehende Projekt zu speichern, wenn seit dem Öffnen oder letzten Speichern Änderungen vorgenommen wurden.

Sobald Sie ein neues Projekt erzeugen, zeigt die Titelleiste bis zum Speichern den Titel `Unbenanntes Projekt` an.

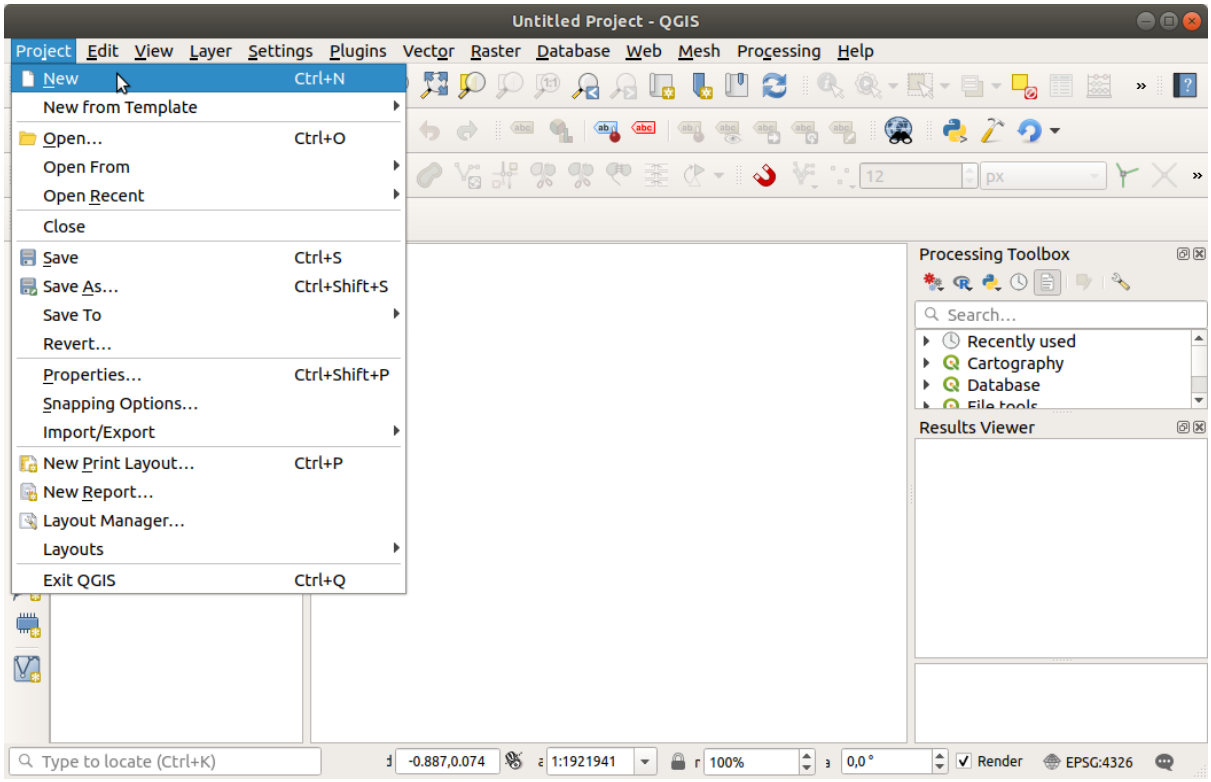


Abb. 6.1: Start eines neuen Projekts in QGIS

In einer Projektdatei sind folgende Informationen gespeichert:

- Hinzugefügte Layer
- Welche Layer können abgefragt werden
- Layereigenschaften, inklusive Symbologie und Styles
- Bemerkungen zu Layern
- Projektion für das Kartenfenster
- Zuletzt gewählte Ausdehnung im Kartenfenster
- Drucklayouts
- Drucklayout Elemente mit Einstellungen
- Drucklayouts Atlas Einstellungen
- Digitalisierungseinstellungen
- Tabellen Beziehungen
- Projekt Makros
- Projekt Vorgabestile
- Plugin-Einstellungen
- QGIS-Servereinstellungen aus der Registerkarte QGIS-Server in den Projekteigenschaften.
- Im DB-Manager gespeicherte Abfragen

Die Projektdatei wird im XML-Format gespeichert (siehe *QGS/QGZ - Das QGIS-Projekt-Dateiformat*). Damit ist es möglich, die Datei außerhalb von QGIS zu bearbeiten, wobei Sie aber wissen sollten, was Sie tun. Das Dateiformat der Projektdatei wurde bereits mehrere Male erneuert. Deshalb kann es sein, dass Projektdateien älterer QGIS-Versionen nicht mehr richtig funktionieren.

Bemerkung: Standardmäßig warnt Sie QGIS, wenn es Versionskonflikte gibt. Dieses Verhalten steuern Sie im Reiter *Allgemein* im Menü *Einstellungen* ► *Optionen* (*Warnung ausgeben, wenn QGIS-Projekt einer früheren Version geöffnet wird*).

Immer wenn Sie eine `.qgs`-Projektdatei speichern, wird eine Sicherungsdatei im selben Verzeichnis angelegt, die die Dateierweiterung `.qgs~` hat.

Die Dateierweiterung für QGIS-Projekte ist `.qgs`, aber wenn Sie aus QGIS heraus speichern, wird standardmäßig ein gepacktes Format mit der Dateierweiterung `.qgz` verwendet. Die `.qgs`-Datei ist in die `.qgz`-Datei (ein zip-Archiv) eingebettet, zusammen mit der dazugehörenden SQLite-Datenbank (`.qgd`) für *Hilfsdaten*. Sie können die `.qgz`-Datei entpacken, um zu diesen Dateien zu gelangen.

Bemerkung: Der Mechanismus *Auxiliary Storage Properties* macht ein gepacktes Projekt besonders nützlich, weil es die Hilfsdaten einbettet.

Projekte können auch über die folgenden Menüeinträge des Projekts in eine PostgreSQL-Datenbank gespeichert bzw. geladen werden:

- *Projekt* ► *Öffnen aus*
- *Projekt* ► *Speichern als*

Beide Menüeinträge haben ein Untermenü mit Listen von zusätzlichen Projektspeichermöglichkeiten (PostgreSQL und GeoPackage). Wenn Sie darauf klicken, öffnet sich ein Dialog, in dem Sie eine GeoPackage-Verbindung und darin ein Projekt oder eine PostgreSQL-Verbindung, ein Schema und ein Projekt auswählen können.

Sie können Projekte, die in GeoPackage oder PostgreSQL gespeichert wurden, auch über das Bedienfeld Browser laden; entweder durch Doppelklick auf den entsprechenden Eintrag oder indem Sie sie in die Kartenansicht ziehen.

6.2 Behandlung von zerstörten Dateipfaden

Wenn Sie ein Projekt öffnen, kann QGIS daran scheitern einzelne Datenquellen zu erreichen, weil ein Dienst oder eine Datenbank nicht erreichbar ist oder weil eine Datei umbenannt oder verschoben wurde. QGIS öffnet dann den Dialog *Nicht verfügbare Layer behandeln*, der die nicht gefundenen Layer auflistet. Sie können:

- auf das Feld *Datenquelle* doppelklicken, den Pfad jedes Layers anpassen und auf *Änderungen anwenden* klicken;
- eine Zeile auswählen, auf *Durchsuchen* klicken, den korrekten Ort auswählen und danach auf *Änderungen anwenden* klicken;
- auf *Auto-Finden* klicken, die Verzeichnisse durchsuchen und versuchen alle oder die ausgewählten zerstörten Dateipfade automatisch zu reparieren. Achtung: das Durchsuchen kann eine Weile dauern. Klicken Sie danach auf *Änderungen anwenden*.
- Die Nachricht ignorieren und Ihr Projekt mit dem oder den zerstörten Pfaden öffnen, indem Sie auf *Nicht verfügbare Layer behalten* klicken. Der Layer wird dann im Bedienfeld *Layer* angezeigt, aber er enthält keine Daten, bis Sie den Pfad durch einen Klick auf Nicht verfügbarer Layer! neben dem jeweiligen Layer im Bedienfeld *Layer* oder auf *Datenquelle reparieren…* im Kontextmenü des Layers reparieren.

  Sobald Sie mit dem Werkzeug *Datenquelle reparieren…* erstmals einen Dateipfad repariert haben, sucht QGIS durch alle anderen zerstörten Pfade und versucht selbständig alle anderen zu reparieren, die den selben zerstörten Dateipfad haben.
- *Nicht verfügbare Layer entfernen* entfernt alle nicht verfügbaren Layer aus dem Projekt.

6.3 Ausgaben erzeugen

Es gibt mehrere Möglichkeiten, um Ausgaben aus Ihrer QGIS-Sitzung zu erzeugen. Wir haben das Speichern als Projektdatei bereits in *Vorstellung von QGIS-Projekten* besprochen. Andere Möglichkeiten, Ausgabedateien zu erzeugen, sind:

- Bilder erzeugen: *Projekt* ► *Import/Export* ►  *Karte als Bild speichern…* gibt die Kartenansicht in einem Bildformat (PNG, JPG, TIFF…) im gewünschten Maßstab, in der gewünschten Auflösung und Größe usw. aus. Sie können das Bild auch georeferenzieren. Für eine genauere Beschreibung siehe *Exporting the map view*.
- PDF-Dateien erzeugen: *Projekt* ► *Import/Export* ► *Karte als PDF exprotieren…* gibt die Kartenansicht als PDF im gewünschten Maßstab, in der gewünschten Auflösung und mit einigen erweiterten Einstellungen (Vereinfachung, Georeferenzierung, …) aus. Für eine genauere Beschreibung siehe *Exporting the map view*.
- DXF-Dateien erzeugen: *Project* ► *Import/Export* ► *Projekt als DXF speichern…* startet einen Dialog, in dem Sie den ‚Symbolisierungsmodus', den ‚Symbolisierungsmaßstab' und die Vektorlayer, die Sie nach DXF exportieren möchten, festlegen. Mithilfe des ‚Symbolisierungsmodus' können Sie Symbole des QGIS-Symbolsatzes mit hoher Ähnlichkeit exportieren (siehe Abschnitt *Creating new DXF files*).
- Karten herstellen: *Projekt* ►  *Neues Drucklayout…* öffnet einen Dialog, in dem Sie die aktuelle Kartenansicht layouten und drucken können (siehe Abschnitt *Kartenlayout*).

KAPITEL 7

QGIS GUI

Die grafische Benutzeroberfläche (GUI) von QGIS ist in der unteren Abbildung dargestellt (die Zahlen 1 bis 5 in den gelben Kreisen kennzeichnen wichtige Elemente der Oberfläche und werden nachfolgend erläutert).

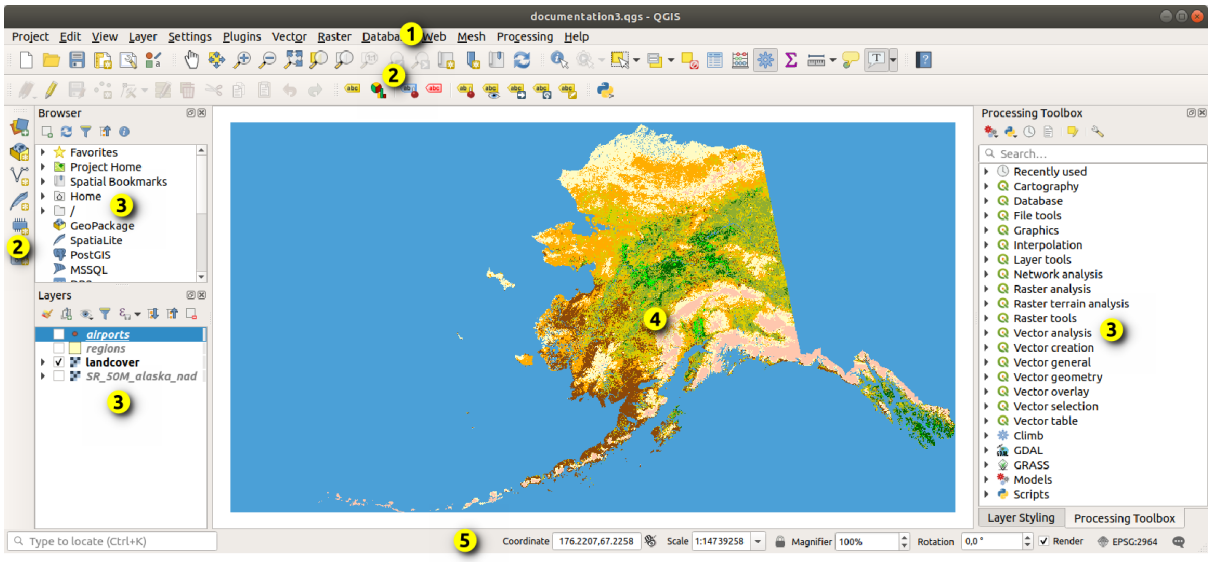


Abb. 7.1: QGIS GUI mit Alaskabeispieldatensatz

Bemerkung: Das Aussehen einzelner Bereiche (Titelleiste, etc.) kann in Abhängigkeit vom Betriebssystem und dem Fenstermanager abweichen.

Das QGIS-Hauptfenster (Abb. 7.1) setzt sich aus fünf Bestandteilen bzw. Arten von Bestandteilen zusammen:

1. *Menu Bar*
2. *Toolbars*
3. *Panels*
4. *Map View*

5. *Status Bar*

Scroll down for detailed explanations of these.

7.1 Menüleiste

The Menu bar provides access to QGIS functions using standard hierarchical menus. The Menus, their options, associated icons and keyboard shortcuts are described below. The keyboard shortcuts can be reconfigured (*Settings* ► *Keyboard Shortcuts*).

Most menu options have a corresponding tool and vice-versa. However, the Menus are not organized exactly like the toolbars. The locations of menu options in the toolbars are indicated below in the table. Plugins may add new options to Menus. For more information about tools and toolbars, see *Werkzeugkästen*.

Bemerkung: QGIS is a cross-platform application. Tools are generally available on all platforms, but they may be placed in different menus, depending on the operating systems. The lists below show the most common locations, including known variations.

7.1.1 Projekt

The *Project* menu provides access and exit points for *project files*. It provides tools to:

- Create a *New* project file from scratch or use another project file as a template (see *Project files options* for template configuration)
- *Open…* a project from a file, a GeoPackage or a PostgreSQL database
- *Close* a project or revert it to its last saved state
- *Save* a project in `.qgs` or `.qgz` file format, either as a file or within a GeoPackage or PostgreSQL database
- Export the map canvas to different formats or use a *print layout* for more complex output
- Set project properties and snapping options for geometry editing.

Menüleiste	Tastenkürzel	Werkzeugleiste	Referenz
Neu	Ctrl+N	*Projekt*	*Vorstellung von QGIS-Projekten*
Neu aus Vorlage ►			*Vorstellung von QGIS-Projekten*
Open…	Strg+O	*Projekt*	*Vorstellung von QGIS-Projekten*
Open from ►			
► *GeoPackage…*			*Vorstellung von QGIS-Projekten*
► *PostgreSQL…*			*Vorstellung von QGIS-Projekten*
Zuletzt verwendetes ►	Alt+J + R		*Vorstellung von QGIS-Projekten*
Schließen			*Vorstellung von QGIS-Projekten*
Speichern	Strg+S	*Projekt*	*Vorstellung von QGIS-Projekten*
Speichern als…	Strg+Shift+S	*Projekt*	*Vorstellung von QGIS-Projekten*
Save to ►			
► *Templates…*			*Vorstellung von QGIS-Projekten*
► *GeoPackage…*			*Vorstellung von QGIS-Projekten*
► *PostgreSQL…*			*Vorstellung von QGIS-Projekten*
Revert…			
Properties…	Strg+Shift+P		*Projekteigenschaften*
Fangoptionen…			*Optionen für das Einrasten und Digitalisieren*
Import/Export ►			
► *Export Map to Image…*			*Exporting the map view*
► *Export Map to PDF…*			*Exporting the map view*
► *Export Project to DXF…*			*Creating new DXF files*
► *Import Layers from DWG/DXF…*			*Importing a DXF or DWG file*
New Print Layout…	Strg+P	*Projekt*	*Kartenlayout*
New Report…			*Creating a Report*
Layout-Verwaltung…		*Projekt*	*Kartenlayout*
Layouts ►			*Kartenlayout*
QGIS beenden	Strg+Q		

Under macOS, the *Exit QGIS* command corresponds to *QGIS* ► *Quit QGIS* (Cmd+Q).

7.1.2 Bearbeiten

The *Edit* menu provides most of the native tools needed to edit layer attributes or geometry (see *Editierfunktionen* for details).

Menüleiste	Tastenkürzel	Werkzeugleiste	Referenz
Rückgängig	Strg+Z	*Digitalisierung*	*Rückgängig und Wiederholen*
Wiederholen	Strg+Shift+Z	*Digitalisierung*	*Rückgängig und Wiederholen*
Ausgewählte Objekte ausschneiden	Strg+X	*Digitalisierung*	*Objekte ausschneiden, kopieren und einfügen*

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Menüleiste	Tastenkürzel	Werkzeugleiste	Referenz
Objekte kopieren	Strg+C	*Digitalisierung*	*Objekte ausschneiden, kopieren und einfügen*
Objekte einfügen	Strg+V	*Digitalisierung*	*Objekte ausschneiden, kopieren und einfügen*
Paste Features as ►			*Mit Attributtabelle arbeiten*
► *New Vector Layer…*			*Mit Attributtabelle arbeiten*
► *Temporary Scratch Layer…*	Ctrl+Alt+V		*Mit Attributtabelle arbeiten*
Delete Selected		*Digitalisierung*	*Ausgewählte Objekte löschen*
Auswahl ►			*Selecting features*
► *Select Feature(s)*		*Selection*	*Selecting features*
► *Select Features by Polygon*		*Selection*	*Selecting features*
► *Select Features by Freehand*		*Selection*	*Selecting features*
► *Select Features by Radius*		*Selection*	*Selecting features*
► *Select Features by Value…*	F3	*Selection*	*Selecting features*
► *Select Features by Expression…*	Ctrl+F3	*Selection*	*Selecting features*
► *Deselect Features from All Layers*	Ctrl+Alt+A	*Selection*	*Selecting features*
► *Deselect Features from the Current Active Layer*	Strg+Umschalt+A	*Selection*	*Selecting features*
► *Reselect Features*			*Selecting features*
► *Select All Features*	Strg+A	*Selection*	*Selecting features*
► *Invert Feature Selection*		*Selection*	*Selecting features*
Add Record	Strg+.	*Digitalisierung*	
Add Point Feature	Strg+.	*Digitalisierung*	*Objekte digitalisieren*
Add Line Feature	Strg+.	*Digitalisierung*	*Objekte digitalisieren*
Add Polygon Feature	Strg+.	*Digitalisierung*	*Objekte digitalisieren*
Add Circular String		*Shape Digitizing*	*Kreisbogen hinzufügen*
Add Circular String by Radius		*Shape Digitizing*	*Kreisbogen hinzufügen*
Add Circle ►		*Shape Digitizing*	*Kreise zeichnen*
► *Add Circle from 2 Points*		*Shape Digitizing*	*Kreise zeichnen*
► *Add Circle from 3 Points*		*Shape Digitizing*	*Kreise zeichnen*
► *Add Circle from 3 Tangents*		*Shape Digitizing*	*Kreise zeichnen*

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Menüleiste	Tastenkürzel	Werkzeugleiste	Referenz
► *Add Circle from 2 Tangents and a Point*		*Shape Digitizing*	*Kreise zeichnen*
► *Add Circle by a Center Point and Another Point*		*Shape Digitizing*	*Kreise zeichnen*
Add Rectangle ►		*Shape Digitizing*	*Rechtecke zeichnen*
► *Add Rectangle from Extent*		*Shape Digitizing*	*Rechtecke zeichnen*
► *Add Rectangle from Center and a Point*		*Shape Digitizing*	*Rechtecke zeichnen*
► *Add Rectangle from 3 Points (Distance from 2nd and 3rd point)*		*Shape Digitizing*	*Rechtecke zeichnen*
► *Add Rectangle from 3 Points (Distance from projected point on segment p1 and p2)*		*Shape Digitizing*	*Rechtecke zeichnen*
Add Regular Polygon ►		*Shape Digitizing*	*Regelmäßige Polygone zeichnen*
► *Add Regular Polygon from Center and a Point*		*Shape Digitizing*	*Regelmäßige Polygone zeichnen*
► *Add Regular Polygon from Center and a Corner*		*Shape Digitizing*	*Regelmäßige Polygone zeichnen*
► *Add Regular Polygon from 2 Points*		*Shape Digitizing*	*Regelmäßige Polygone zeichnen*
Add Ellipse ►		*Shape Digitizing*	*Ellipsen zeichnen*
► *Add Ellipse from Center and 2 Points*		*Shape Digitizing*	*Ellipsen zeichnen*
► *Add Ellipse from Center and a Point*		*Shape Digitizing*	*Ellipsen zeichnen*
► *Add Ellipse from Extent*		*Shape Digitizing*	*Ellipsen zeichnen*
► *Add Ellipse from Foci*		*Shape Digitizing*	*Ellipsen zeichnen*
Add Annotation ►			*Beschriftungstools*
► *Text Annotation*		*Annotations*	*Beschriftungstools*
► *Form Annotation*		*Annotations*	*Beschriftungstools*
► *HTML Annotation*		*Annotations*	*Beschriftungstools*
► *SVG Annotation*		*Annotations*	*Beschriftungstools*
Edit Attributes ►			
► *Modify Attributes of Selected Features*		*Digitalisierung*	*Editiere Attributwerte*
► *Merge Attributes of Selected Features*		*Advanced Digitizing*	*Attribute gewählter Objekte vereinen*
Edit Geometry ►			

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Menüleiste	Tastenkürzel	Werkzeugleiste	Referenz
► *Move Feature(s)*		*Advanced Digitizing*	*Objekt(e) verschieben*
► *Copy and Move Feature(s)*		*Advanced Digitizing*	*Objekt(e) verschieben*
► *Rotate Feature(s)*		*Advanced Digitizing*	*Objekt(e) drehen*
► *Scale Feature(s)*		*Advanced Digitizing*	*Objekt skalieren*
► *Simplify Feature*		*Advanced Digitizing*	*Objekt vereinfachen*
► *Add Ring*		*Advanced Digitizing*	*Ring hinzufügen*
► *Add Part*		*Advanced Digitizing*	*Teil hinzufügen*
► *Fill Ring*		*Advanced Digitizing*	*Ring füllen*
► *Delete Ring*		*Advanced Digitizing*	*Ring löschen*
► *Delete Part*		*Advanced Digitizing*	*Teil löschen*
► *Reshape Features*		*Advanced Digitizing*	*Objekte überarbeiten*
► *Offset Curve*		*Advanced Digitizing*	*Linie versetzen*
► *Split Features*		*Advanced Digitizing*	*Objekte trennen*
► *Split Parts*		*Advanced Digitizing*	*Teile zerlegen*
► *Merge Selected Features*		*Advanced Digitizing*	*Gewählte Objekte verschmelzen*
► *Vertex Tool (All Layers)*		*Digitalisierung*	*Das Knotenwerkzeug*
► *Vertex Tool (Current Layer)*		*Digitalisierung*	*Das Knotenwerkzeug*
► *Reverse Line*		*Advanced Digitizing*	*Linie umkehren*
► *Trim/extend Feature*		*Advanced Digitizing*	*Objekt abschneiden/ausdehnen*
Punktsymbole drehen		*Advanced Digitizing*	*Punktsymbole drehen*
Offset Point Symbols		*Advanced Digitizing*	*Punktsymbolversatz*

Tools that depend on the selected layer geometry type i.e. point, polyline or polygon, are activated accordingly:

Menüleiste	Punkt	Polyline	Polygon
Move Feature(s)			
Copy and Move Feature(s)			

7.1.3 Ansicht

The map is rendered in map views. You can interact with these views using the *View* tools (see *Working with the map canvas* for more information). For example, you can:

- Create new 2D or 3D map views next to the main map canvas
- *Zoom or pan* to any place
- Query displayed features' attributes or geometry
- Enhance the map view with preview modes, annotations or decorations
- Access any panel or toolbar

The menu also allows you to reorganize the QGIS interface itself using actions like:

- *Toggle Full Screen Mode*: covers the whole screen while hiding the title bar
- *Toggle Panel Visibility*: shows or hides enabled *panels* - useful when digitizing features (for maximum canvas visibility) as well as for (projected/recorded) presentations using QGIS' main canvas
- *Toggle Map Only*: hides panels, toolbars, menus and status bar and only shows the map canvas. Combined with the full screen option, it makes your screen display only the map

Menüleiste	Tastenkürzel	Werkzeugleiste	Referenz
New Map View	`Ctrl+M`		*Kartenfenster*
New 3D Map View	`Strg+Alt+M`		*3D-Ansicht*
Karte verschieben		*Map Navigation*	*Zoomen und Karte verschieben*
Karte zur Auswahl verschieben		*Map Navigation*	
Hineinzoomen	`Ctrl+Alt++`	*Map Navigation*	*Zoomen und Karte verschieben*
Herauszoomen	`Ctrl+Alt+-`	*Map Navigation*	*Zoomen und Karte verschieben*
Objekte abfragen	`Strg+Shift+I`	*Attribute*	*Identifying Features*
Messen ►		*Attribute*	*Messen*
► *Measure Line*	`Ctrl+Shift+M`	*Attribute*	*Messen*
► *Measure Area*	`Ctrl+Shift+J`	*Attribute*	*Messen*
► *Measure Angle*		*Attribute*	*Messen*
Statistische Zusammenfassung		*Attribute*	*Statistical Summary Panel*
Volle Ausdehnung	`Strg+Shift+F`	*Map Navigation*	*Zoomen und Karte verschieben*
Zur Auswahl zoomen	`Strg+J`	*Map Navigation*	*Zoomen und Karte verschieben*

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Menüleiste	Tastenkürzel	Werkzeugleiste	Referenz
Zoom To Layer(s)		*Map Navigation*	*Zoomen und Karte verschieben*
Zoom To Native Resolution (100%)		*Map Navigation*	*Zoomen und Karte verschieben*
Zoom zurück		*Map Navigation*	*Zoomen und Karte verschieben*
Zoom vor		*Map Navigation*	*Zoomen und Karte verschieben*
Dekorationen ►	`Alt+V+D`		*Dekorationen*
► *Grid…*			*Gitter*
► *Scale Bar…*			*Maßstab*
► *Image…*			*Image Decoration*
► *North Arrow…*			*Nordpfeil*
► *Title Label…*			*Title Label*
► *Copyright Label…*			*Copyright Label*
► *Layout Extents…*			*Layout Extents*
Vorschaumodus ►			
► *Normal*			
► *Simulate Monochrome*			
► *Simulate Achromatopsia Color Blindness (Grayscale)*			
► *Simulate Protanopia Color Blindness (No Red)*			
► *Simulate Deuteranopia Color Blindness (No Green)*			
► *Simulate Tritanopia Color Blindness (No Blue)*			
Show Map Tips		*Attribute*	*Display Properties*
New Spatial Bookmark…	`Strg+B`	*Map Navigation*	*Räumliche Lesezeichen*
Show Spatial Bookmarks	`Strg+Shift+B`	*Map Navigation*	*Räumliche Lesezeichen*
Show Spatial Bookmark Manager			*Räumliche Lesezeichen*
Refresh	`F5`	*Map Navigation*	
Layer Visibility ►			*Layerfenster*
► *Show All Layers*	`Strg+Shift+U`		*Layerfenster*
► *Hide All Layers*	`Strg+Shift+H`		*Layerfenster*
► *Show Selected Layers*			*Layerfenster*
► *Hide Selected Layers*			*Layerfenster*
► *Toggle Selected Layers*			*Layerfenster*
► *Toggle Selected Layers Independently*			*Layerfenster*

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Menüleiste	Tastenkürzel	Werkzeugleiste	Referenz
►  *Hide Deselected Layers*			*Layerfenster*
Bedienfelder ►			*Bedienfelder und Werkzeugkästen*
► *Advanced Digitizing*			*Das Bedienfeld Erweiterte Digitalisierung*
► *Browser*			*The Browser Panel*
► *Browser (2)*			*The Browser Panel*
► *Debugging/Development Tools*	F12		*Debugging/Development Tools Panel*
► *Geometry Validation*			*Digitizing Properties*
► *GPS Information*			*Live GPS tracking*
► *GRASS Tools*			*GRASS GIS Integration*
► *Layer Order*			*Layer Order Panel*
► *Layer Styling*			*Layer Styling Panel*
► *Layers*			*Layerfenster*
► *Log Messages*			*Log Messages Panel*
► *Overview*			*Overview Panel*
► *Processing Toolbox*			*The Toolbox*
► *Results Viewer*			*The Toolbox*
► *Snapping and Digitizing Options*			*Einrasttoleranz und Suchradius einstellen*
► *Spatial Bookmark Manager*			*Räumliche Lesezeichen*
► *Statistics*			*Statistical Summary Panel*
► *Temporal Controller*			*The temporal controller panel*
► *Tile Scale*			*Tilesets*
► *Undo/Redo*			*Undo/Redo Panel*
Werkzeugkästen ►			*Bedienfelder und Werkzeugkästen*
► *Advanced Digitizing Toolbar*			*Erweiterte Digitalisierung*
► *Annotations Toolbar*			
► *Attributes Toolbar*			
► *Data Source Manager Toolbar*			*Verwaltung von Datenquellen*
► *Database Toolbar*			
► *Digitizing Toolbar*			*Einen vorhandenen Layer editieren*
► *Help Toolbar*			
► *Label Toolbar*			*The Label Toolbar*
► *Manage Layers Toolbar*			*Verwaltung von Datenquellen*
► *Map Navigation Toolbar*			
► *Mesh Digitizing Toolbar*			
► *Plugins Toolbar*			*Plugins*
► *Project Toolbar*			
► *Raster Toolbar*			
► *Selection Toolbar*			*Selecting features*
► *Shape Digitizing Toolbar*			*Formen digitalisieren*
► *Snapping Toolbar*			*Einrasttoleranz und Suchradius einstellen*

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Menüleiste	Tastenkürzel	Werkzeugleiste	Referenz
► *Vector Toolbar*			
► *Web Toolbar*			
► *GRASS*			*GRASS GIS Integration*
Volle Ausdehnung	`F11`		
Toggle Panel Visibility	`Ctrl+Tab`		
Toggle Map Only	`Ctrl+Shift+Tab`		

Under Linux KDE, *Panels* ►, *Toolbars* ► and *Toggle Full Screen Mode* are in the *Settings* menu.

7.1.4 Layer

The *Layer* menu provides a large set of tools to *create* new data sources, *add* them to a project or *save modifications* to them. Using the same data sources, you can also:

- *Duplicate* a layer to generate a copy where you can modify the name, style (symbology, labels, …), joins, … The copy uses the same data source as the original.
- *Copy* and *Paste* layers or groups from one project to another as a new instance whose properties can be modified independently. As for *Duplicate*, the layers are still based on the same data source.
- or *Embed Layers and Groups…* from another project, as read-only copies which you cannot modify (see *Embedding layers from external projects*)

The *Layer* menu also contains tools to configure, copy or paste layer properties (style, scale, CRS…).

Menüleiste	Tastenkürzel	Werkzeugleiste	Referenz
Data Source Manager	`Ctrl+L`	*Data Source Manager*	*Opening Data*
Layer erzeugen ►			*Neue Vektorlayer erstellen*
► *New GeoPackage Layer…*	`Ctrl+Shift+N`	*Data Source Manager*	*Einen neuen GeoPackage-Layer erstellen*
► *New Shapefile Layer…*		*Data Source Manager*	*Einen neuen Shapedatei-Layer erstellen*
► *New SpatiaLite Layer…*		*Data Source Manager*	*Creating a new SpatiaLite layer*
► *New Temporary Scratch Layer…*		*Data Source Manager*	*Creating a new Temporary Scratch Layer*
► *New Mesh Layer…*		*Data Source Manager*	*Creating a new Mesh layer*
► *New GPX Layer…*		*Data Source Manager*	*Creating a new GPX layer*
► *New Virtual Layer…*		*Data Source Manager*	*Creating virtual layers*
Layer hinzufügen ►			*Öffnen von Daten*
► *Add Vector Layer……*	`Strg+Shift+V`	*Manage Layers*	*Loading a layer from a file*
► *Add Raster Layer…*	`Ctrl+Shift+R`	*Manage Layers*	*Loading a layer from a file*
► *Add Mesh Layer…*		*Manage Layers*	*Loading a mesh layer*

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Menüleiste	Tastenkürzel	Werkzeugleiste	Referenz
► *Add Delimited Text Layer…*	`Ctrl+Shift+T`	*Manage Layers*	*Importing a delimited text file*
► *Add PostGIS Layer…*	`Ctrl+Shift+D`	*Manage Layers*	*Database related tools*
► *Add SpatiaLite Layer…*	`Ctrl+Shift+L`	*Manage Layers*	*SpatiaLite Layers*
► *Add MSSQL Spatial Layer…*		*Manage Layers*	*Database related tools*
► *Add Oracle Spatial Layer…*		*Manage Layers*	*Database related tools*
► *Add/Edit Virtual Layer…*		*Manage Layers*	*Creating virtual layers*
► *Add WMS/WMTS Layer…*	`Ctrl+Shift+W`	*Manage Layers*	*WMS/WMTS Layer laden*
► *Add XYZ Layer…*			*Using XYZ Tile services*
► *Add ArcGIS REST Service Layer…*		*Manage Layers*	
► *Add WCS Layer…*		*Manage Layers*	*WCS Client*
► *Add WFS Layer…*		*Manage Layers*	*WFS und WFS-T Klient*
► *Add Vector Tile Layer…*			*Using Vector Tiles services*
Eingebettete Layer und Gruppen…			*Embedding layers from external projects*
Aus Layerdefinitionsdatei hinzufügen…			*Layer definition file*
Copy Style			*Save and Share Layer Properties*
Paste Style			*Save and Share Layer Properties*
Copy Layer			
Paste Layer/Group			
Attributtabelle öffnen	`F6`	*Attribute*	*Mit Attributtabelle arbeiten*
Filter Attribute Table ►			*Mit Attributtabelle arbeiten*
► *Open Attribute Table (Selected Features)*	`Shift+F6`	*Attribute*	*Mit Attributtabelle arbeiten*
► *Open Attribute Table (Visible Features)*	`Ctrl+F6`	*Attribute*	*Mit Attributtabelle arbeiten*
► *Open Attribute Table (Edited and New Features)*		*Attribute*	*Mit Attributtabelle arbeiten*
Bearbeitungsstatus umschalten		*Digitalisierung*	*Einen vorhandenen Layer editieren*
Layeränderungen speichern		*Digitalisierung*	*Änderungen speichern*
Aktuelle Änderungen ►		*Digitalisierung*	*Änderungen speichern*
► *Save for Selected Layer(s)*		*Digitalisierung*	*Änderungen speichern*
► *Rollback for Selected Layer(s)*		*Digitalisierung*	*Änderungen speichern*
► *Cancel for Selected Layer(s)*		*Digitalisierung*	*Änderungen speichern*
► *Save for all Layers*		*Digitalisierung*	*Änderungen speichern*
► *Rollback for all Layers*		*Digitalisierung*	*Änderungen speichern*
► *Cancel for all Layers*		*Digitalisierung*	*Änderungen speichern*

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Menüleiste	Tastenkürzel	Werkzeugleiste	Referenz
Save As…			*Creating new layers from an existing layer*
Save As Layer Definition File…			*Layer definition file*
Layer/Gruppe löschen	Strg+D		
Duplicate Layer(s)			
Set Scale Visibility of Layer(s)			
KBS von Layer(n) setzen	Strg+Shift+C		*Layer Coordinate Reference Systems*
Set Project CRS from Layer			*Project Coordinate Reference Systems*
Layer Properties…			*Vektorlayereigenschaften*, *Dialogfenster Rasterlayereigenschaften*, *Mesh Dataset Properties*
Filter…	Ctrl+F		*Abfrageeditor*
Beschriftung			*Labels Properties*
Show in Overview			*Overview Panel*
Show All in Overview			*Overview Panel*
Hide All from Overview			*Overview Panel*

7.1.5 Einstellungen

Menüleiste	Referenz
User Profiles ►	*Working with User Profiles*
► *default*	*Working with User Profiles*
► *Open Active Profile Folder*	*Working with User Profiles*
► *New Profile…*	*Working with User Profiles*
Style Manager…	*The Style Manager*
Custom Projections…	*Eigenes Koordinatenbezugssystem definieren*
Keyboard Shortcuts…	*Tastenkürzel*
Interface Customization…	*Anpassung*
Optionen…	*Optionen*

Under Linux KDE, you'll find more tools in the *Settings* menu such as *Panels* ►, *Toolbars* ► and *Toggle Full Screen Mode*.

7.1.6 Erweiterungen

Menüleiste	Tastenkürzel	Werkzeugleiste	Referenz
Erweiterungen verwalten und installieren…			*Der Erweiterungen Dialog*
„ *Python Console*	Strg+Alt+P	*Plugins*	*QGIS Python Konsole*

Wenn Sie QGIS das erste Mal starten werden nicht alle Erweiterungen geladen.

7.1.7 Vektor

This is what the *Vector* menu looks like if all core plugins are enabled.

Menüleiste	Tastenkürzel	Werkzeugleiste	Referenz
Check Geometries…			*Geometry Checker Plugin*
GPS Tools	Alt+O + G	*Vector*	*GPS Plugin*
Topology Checker		*Vector*	*Topology Checker Plugin*
Geoprocessing Tools ►	Alt+O + G		
► *Buffer…*			*Buffer*
► *Clip…*			*Clip*
► *Convex Hull…*			*Convex hull*
► *Difference…*			*Difference*
► *Dissolve…*			*Dissolve*
► *Intersection…*			*Intersection*
► *Symmetrical Difference…*			*Symmetrical difference*
► *Union…*			*Union*
► *Eliminate Selected Polygons…*			*Eliminate selected polygons*
Geometry Tools ►	Alt+O + E		
► *Centroids…*			*Centroids*
► *Collect Geometries…*			*Collect geometries*
► *Extract Vertices…*			*Extract vertices*
► *Multipart to Singleparts…*			*Multipart to singleparts*
► *Polygons to Lines…*			*Polygons to lines*
► *Simplify…*			*Simplify*
► *Check Validity…*			*Check validity*
► *Delaunay Triangulation…*			*Delaunay triangulation*
► *Densify by Count…*			*Densify by count*
► *Add Geometry Attributes…*			*Add geometry attributes*
► *Lines to Polygons…*			*Lines to polygons*
► *Voronoi Polygons…*			*Voronoi polygons*
Analysis Tools ►	Alt+O + A		
► *Line Intersection…*			*Line intersections*
► *Mean Coordinate(s)…*			*Mean coordinate(s)*
► *Basic Statistics for Fields…*			*Grundstatistik für Felder*
► *Count Points in Polygon…*			*Count points in polygon*
► *Distance Matrix…*			*Distance matrix*
► *List Unique Values…*			*List unique values*
► *Nearest Neighbour Analysis…*			*Nearest neighbour analysis*
► *Sum Line Lengths…*			*Sum line lengths*
Data Management Tools ►	Alt+O + D		
► *Merge Vector Layers…*			*Merge vector layers*
► *Reproject Layer…*			*Reproject layer*
► *Create Spatial Index…*			*Create spatial index*
► *Join Attributes by Location…*			*Join attributes by location*
► *Split Vector Layer…*			*Split vector layer*
Research Tools ►	Alt+O + R		
► *Select by Location…*			*Auswahl nach der Lage*
► *Extract Layer Extent…*			*Extract layer extent*
► *Random Points in Extent…*			*Random points in extent*
► *Random Points in Layer Bounds…*			*Random points in layer bounds*
► *Random Points Inside Polygons…*			*Random points inside polygons*
► *Random Selection…*			*Random selection*

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Menüleiste	Tastenkürzel	Werkzeugleiste	Referenz
► *Random Selection Within Subsets…*			*Random selection within subsets*
► *Regular Points…*			*Regular points*

By default, QGIS adds *Processing* algorithms to the *Vector* menu, grouped by sub-menus. This provides shortcuts for many common vector-based GIS tasks from different providers. If not all these sub-menus are available, enable the Processing plugin in *Plugins* ► *Manage and Install Plugins…*.

Note that the list of algorithms and their menu can be modified/extended with any Processing algorithms (read *Configuring the Processing Framework*) or some external *plugins*.

7.1.8 Raster

This is what the *Raster* menu looks like if all core plugins are enabled.

Menüleiste	Tastenkürzel	Werkzeugleiste	Referenz
Raster calculator…			*Rasterrechner*
Raster ausrichten…			*Raster Ausrichtung*
Georeferencer	`Alt+R + G`	*Raster*	*Georeferencer*
Analysis ►			
► *Aspect…*			*Aspect*
► *Fill nodata…*			*Fill nodata*
► *Grid (Moving Average)…*			*Grid (Moving average)*
► *Grid (Data Metrics)…*			*Grid (Data metrics)*
► *Grid (Inverse Distance to a Power)…*			*Grid (Inverse distance to a power)*
► *Grid (Nearest Neighbor)…*			*Grid (IDW with nearest neighbor searching)*
► *Hillshade…*			*Hillshade*
► *Proximity (Raster Distance)…*			*Proximity (raster distance)*
► *Roughness…*			*Roughness*
► *Sieve…*			*Sieve*
► *Slope…*			*Slope*
► *Topographic Position Index (TPI)…*			*Topographic Position Index (TPI)*
► *Terrain Ruggedness Index (TRI)…*			*Terrain Ruggedness Index (TRI)*
Projections ►			
► *Assign Projection…*			*Projektion zuweisen*
► *Extract Projection…*			*Projektion extrahieren*
► *Warp (Reproject)…*			*Warp (reproject)*
Miscellaneous ►			
► *Build Virtual Raster…*			*Build virtual raster*
► *Raster Information…*			*Raster information*
► *Merge…*			*Merge*
► *Build Overviews (Pyramids)…*			*Build overviews (pyramids)*
► *Tile Index…*			*Tile index*
Extraction ►			
► *Clip Raster by Extent…*			*Clip raster by extent*
► *Clip Raster by Mask Layer…*			*Clip raster by mask layer*
► *Contour…*			*Contour*
Conversion ►			
► *PCT to RGB…*			*PCT to RGB*
► *Polygonize (Raster to Vector)…*			*Polygonize (raster to vector)*
► *Rasterize (Vector to Raster)…*			*Rasterize (vector to raster)*
► *RGB to PCT…*			*RGB to PCT*

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Menüleiste	Tastenkürzel	Werkzeugleiste	Referenz
► *Translate (Convert Format)…*			*Translate (convert format)*

By default, QGIS adds *Processing* algorithms to the *Raster* menu, grouped by sub-menus. This provides a shortcut for many common raster-based GIS tasks from different providers. If not all these sub-menus are available, enable the Processing plugin in *Plugins* ► *Manage and Install Plugins…*.

Note that the list of algorithms and their menu can be modified/extended with any Processing algorithms (read *Configuring the Processing Framework*) or some external *plugins*.

7.1.9 Datenbank

This is what the *Database* menu looks like if all the core plugins are enabled. If no database plugins are enabled, there will be no *Database* menu.

Menüleiste	Tastenkürzel	Werkzeugleiste	Referenz
Offline editing…	Alt+D + O		*Offline Editing Plugin*
► *Convert to Offline Project…*		*Datenbank*	*Offline Editing Plugin*
► *Synchronize*		*Datenbank*	*Offline Editing Plugin*
DB Manager…		*Datenbank*	*DB Manager Plugin*

Wenn Sie QGIS das erste Mal starten werden nicht alle Erweiterungen geladen.

7.1.10 Web

This is what the *Web* menu looks like if all the core plugins are enabled. If no web plugins are enabled, there will be no *Web* menu.

Menüleiste	Tastenkürzel	Werkzeugleiste	Referenz
MetaSearch ►	Alt+W + M		*MetaSearch Catalog Client*
► *Metasearch*		*Web*	*MetaSearch Catalog Client*
► *Help*			*MetaSearch Catalog Client*

Wenn Sie QGIS das erste Mal starten werden nicht alle Erweiterungen geladen.

7.1.11 Mesh

The *Mesh* menu provides tools needed to manipulate *mesh layers*.

Menüleiste	Tastenkürzel	Werkzeugleiste	Referenz
Mesh Calculator…			*Mesh Calculator*
Reindex Faces and Vertices			*Reindexing meshes*

7.1.12 Verarbeitung

Menüleiste	Tastenkürzel	Werkzeugleiste	Referenz
Toolbox	`Ctrl+Alt+T`		*The Toolbox*
Grafische Modellierung…	`Ctrl+Alt+G`		*Die Grafische Modellierung*
History…	`Ctrl+Alt+H`		*Das Protokoll*
Results Viewer	`Ctrl+Alt+R`		*Konfiguration externer Anwendungen*
Edit Features In-Place			*Mit Verarbeitung Objekte innerhalb eines Layers verändern*

Wenn Sie QGIS das erste Mal starten werden nicht alle Erweiterungen geladen.

7.1.13 Hilfe

Menüleiste	Tastenkürzel	Werkzeugleiste	Referenz
Hilfe-Übersicht	`F1`	*Direkthilfe*	
API Dokumentation			
Plugins ►			
Ein Problem melden			
Brauchen Sie professionelle Unterstützung?			
QGIS-Homepage	`Strg+H`		
Check QGIS Version			
About			
QGIS Sustaining Members			

7.1.14 QGIS

This menu is only available under macOS and contains some OS related commands.

Menüleiste	Tastenkürzel
Preferences	
Über QGIS	
QGIS verbergen	
Show All	
Andere verbergen	
QGIS beenden	`Cmd+Q`

Preferences correspond to *Settings* ► *Options*, *About QGIS* corresponds to *Help* ► *About* and *Quit QGIS* corresponds to *Project* ► *Exit QGIS* for other platforms.

7.2 Bedienfelder und Werkzeugkästen

From the *View* menu (or *Settings*), you can switch QGIS widgets (*Panels* ►) and toolbars (*Toolbars* ►) on and off. To (de)activate any of them, right-click the menu bar or toolbar and choose the item you want. Panels and toolbars can be moved and placed wherever you like within the QGIS interface. The list can also be extended with the activation of *Core or external plugins*.

7.2.1 Werkzeugkästen

The toolbars provide access to most of the functions in the menus, plus additional tools for interacting with the map. Each toolbar item has pop-up help available. Hover your mouse over the item and a short description of the tool's purpose will be displayed.

Jede Werkzeugleiste kann nach eigenen Wünschen verschoben werden und kann auch an bzw. ausgeschaltet werden, indem Sie mit der Maus in einen freien Bereich der Werkzeugleiste fahren und auf den rechten Mausknopf drücken.

Available toolbars are:

Name	Main Reference for tools
Advanced Digitizing Toolbar	*Erweiterte Digitalisierung*
Annotations Toolbar	
Attribute	*Mit Attributtabelle arbeiten*, *Allgemeine Werkzeuge*
Data Source Manager	*Verwaltung von Datenquellen*
Datenbank	*DB Manager Plugin*
Digitalisierung	*Einen vorhandenen Layer editieren*
Direkthilfe	
Label	*The Label Toolbar*
Manage Layers	*Öffnen von Daten*
Map Navigation	*Working with the map canvas*
Mesh Digitizing Toolbar	
Plugins	*Plugins*
Projekt	*Arbeiten mit Projektdateien*, *Kartenlayout*, *Die Stilbibliothek*
Processing Algorithms	*Configuring the Processing Framework*
Raster	*Plugins*
Selection	*Selecting features*
Shape digitizing	*Formen digitalisieren*
Snapping	*Einrasttoleranz und Suchradius einstellen*
Vector	*Plugins*
Web	*Plugins*, *MetaSearch Catalog Client*

Bemerkung: Third-party plugins can extend the default toolbar with their own tools or provide their own toolbar.

Tipp: Werkzeugleiste wiederherstellen

If you have accidentally hidden a toolbar, you can get it back using *View* ► *Toolbars* ► (or *Settings* ► *Toolbars* ►). If, for some reason, a toolbar (or any other widget) totally disappears from the interface, you'll find tips to get it back at *restoring initial GUI*.

7.2.2 Bedienfelder

QGIS provides many panels. Panels are special widgets that you can interact with (selecting options, checking boxes, filling values…) to perform more complex tasks.

Below is a list of the default panels provided by QGIS:

- das *Erweiterte Digitalisierungsfenster*
- the *Browser Panel*
- the *Debugging/Development Tools*
- the *Geometry Validation Panel*
- das *GPS Informationsfenster*
- das *Identifizierenfenster*
- the *Layer Order Panel*
- the *Layer Styling Panel*
- the *Layers Panel*
- the *Log Messages Panel*
- the *Overview Panel*
- the *Processing Toolbox*
- the *Result Viewer Panel*
- the *Spatial Bookmark Manager Panel*
- the *Statistics Panel*
- the *Temporal Controller*
- das *Kachelmaßstabsfenster*
- the *Undo/Redo Panel*

7.3 Kartenfenster

7.3.1 Exploring the map view

The map view (also called **Map canvas**) is the „business end“ of QGIS — maps are displayed in this area, in 2D. The map displayed in this window will reflect the rendering (symbology, labeling, visibilities…) you applied to the layers you have loaded. It also depends on the layers and the project's Coordinate Reference System (CRS).

When you add a layer (see e.g. *Öffnen von Daten*), QGIS automatically looks for its CRS. If a different CRS is set by default for the project (see *Project Coordinate Reference Systems*) then the layer extent is „on-the-fly“ translated to that CRS, and the map view is zoomed to that extent if you start with a blank QGIS project. If there are already layers in the project, no map canvas resize is performed, so only features falling within the current map canvas extent will be visible.

Click on the map view and you should be able to interact with it:

- it can be panned, shifting the display to another region of the map: this is performed using the  Pan Map tool, the arrow keys, moving the mouse while any of the `Space` key, the middle mouse button or the mouse wheel is held down. When the mouse is used, the distance and direction of the pan action are shown in the status bar at the bottom.

- it can be zoomed in and out, with the dedicated Zoom In and Zoom Out tools. Hold the `Alt` key to switch from one tool to the other. Zooming is also performed by rolling the wheel forward to zoom in and backwards to zoom out. The zoom is centered on the mouse cursor position. You can customize the *Zoom factor* under the *Settings* ► *Options* ► *Map tools* menu.
- it can be zoomed to the full extent of all loaded layers (Zoom Full), to the extent of all the selected layers in the *Layers* panel (Zoom to Layer(s)) or to the extent of the selected features of all the selected layers in the *Layers* panel (Zoom to Selection)
- you can navigate back/forward through the canvas view history with the Zoom Last and Zoom Next buttons or using the back/forward mouse buttons.

Right-click over the map and you should be able to *Copy coordinates* of the clicked point in the map CRS, in WGS84 or in a custom CRS. The copied information can then be pasted in an expression, a script, text editor or spreadsheet…

By default, QGIS opens a single map view (called „main map“), which is tightly bound to the *Layers* panel; the main map *automatically* reflects the changes you do in the *Layers* panel area. But it is also possible to open additional map views whose content could diverge from the *Layers* panel current state. They can be of 2D or *3D* type, show different scale or extent, or display a different set of the loaded layers thanks to *map themes*.

7.3.2 Setting additional map views

To add a new map view, go to *View* ► *New Map View*. A new floating widget, mimicking the main map view's rendering, is added to QGIS. You can add as many map views as you need. They can be kept floating, placed side by side or stacked on top of each other.

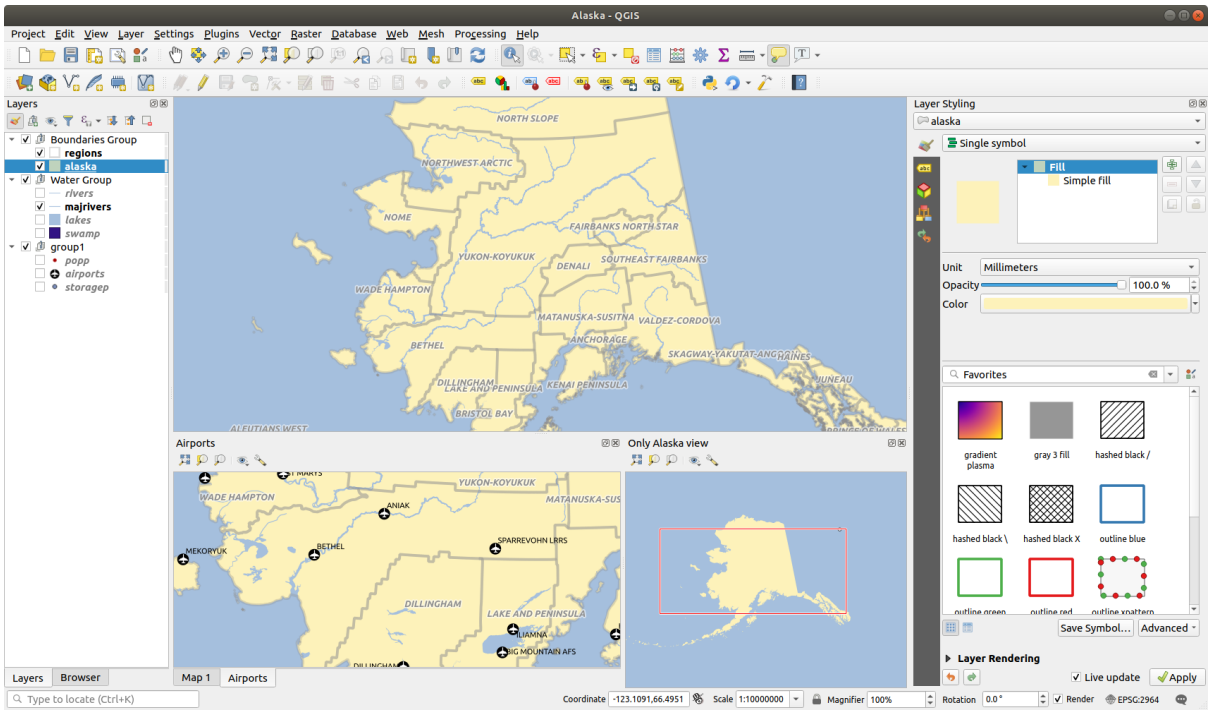


Abb. 7.2: Multiple map views with different settings

At the top of an additional map canvas, there's a toolbar with the following capabilities:

- Zoom Full, Zoom to Selection and Zoom to Layer(s) to navigate within the view

- Set View Theme to select the *map theme* to display in the map view. If set to `(none)`, the view will follow the *Layers* panel changes.
- View settings to configure the map view:
  - *Synchronize view center with main map*: syncs the center of the map views without changing the scale. This allows you to have an overview style or magnified map which follows the main canvas center.
  - *Synchronize view to selection*: same as zoom to selection
  - *Scale*
  - *Rotation*
  - *Magnification*
  - *Synchronize scale* with the main map scale. A *Scale factor* can then be applied, allowing you to have a view which is e.g. always 2x the scale of the main canvas.
  - *Show annotations*
  - *Show cursor position*
  - *Show main canvas extent*
  - *Show labels*: allows to hide labels regardless they are set in the displayed layers' properties
  - *Change map CRS…*
  - *Rename view…*

7.3.3 Time-based control on the map canvas

QGIS can handle temporal control on loaded layers, i.e. modify the map canvas rendering based on a time variation. To achieve this, you need:

1. Layers that have dynamic temporal properties set. QGIS supports temporal control for different data providers, with custom settings. It's mainly about setting the time range in which the layer would display:
   - *raster layers*: controls whether to display or not the layer.
   - *vector layers*: features are filtered based on time values associated to their attributes
   - *mesh layers*: displays dynamically the active dataset groups values

   When dynamic temporal options are enabled for a layer, an icon is displayed next to the layer in the *Layers* panel to remind you that the layer is temporally controlled. Click the icon to update the temporal settings.
2. Enable the temporal navigation of the map canvas using the *Temporal controller panel*. The panel is activated:
   - using the Temporal controller panel icon located in the *Map Navigation* toolbar
   - or from the *View* ► *Panels* ► *Temporal controller panel* menu

The temporal controller panel

The *Temporal controller* panel has the following modes:

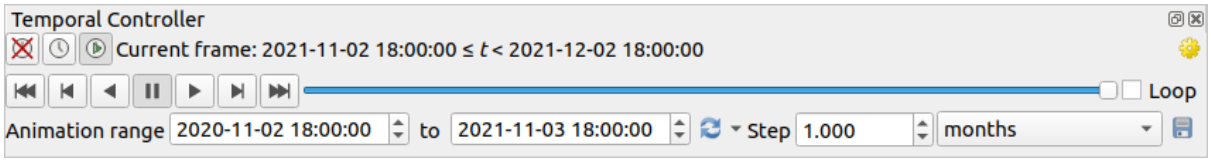


Abb. 7.3: Temporal Controller Panel in navigation mode

- Turn off temporal navigation: all the temporal settings are disabled and visible layers are rendered as usual
- Fixed range temporal navigation: a time range is set and only layers (or features) whose temporal range overlaps with this range are displayed on the map.
- Animated temporal navigation: a time range is set, split into steps, and only layers (or features) whose temporal range overlaps with each frame are displayed on the map
- Settings for general control of the animation
  - *Frames rate*: number of steps that are shown per second
  - *Cumulative range*: all animation frames will have the same start date-time but different end dates and times. This is useful if you wish to accumulate data in your temporal visualisation instead of showing a 'moving time window' across your data.

Animating a temporal navigation

An animation is based on a varying set of visible layers at particular times within a time range. To create a temporal animation:

1. Toggle on the Animated temporal navigation, displaying the animation player widget
2. Enter the *Time range* to consider. Using the button, this can be defined as:
   - *Set to full range* of all the time enabled layers
   - *Set to preset project range* as defined in the *project properties*
   - *Set to single layer's range* taken from a time-enabled layer
3. Fill in the time *Step* to split the time range. Different units are supported, from `seconds` to `centuries`. A `source timestamps` option is also available as step: when selected, this causes the temporal navigation to step between all available time ranges from layers in the project. It's useful when a project contains layers with non-contiguous available times, such as a WMS-T service which provides images that are available at irregular dates. This option will allow you to only step between time ranges where the next available image is shown.
4. Click the button to preview the animation. QGIS will generate scenes using the layers rendering at the set times. Layers display depends on whether they overlap any individual time frame.

   The animation can also be previewed by moving the time slider. Keeping the Loop button pressed will repeatedly run the animation while clicking stops a running animation. A full set of video player buttons is available.

   Horizontal scrolling using the mouse wheel (where supported) with the cursor on the map canvas will also allow you to navigate, or "scrub", the temporal navigation slider backwards and forwards.

5. Click the  Export animation button if you want to generate a series of images representing the scene. They can be later combined in a video editor software:

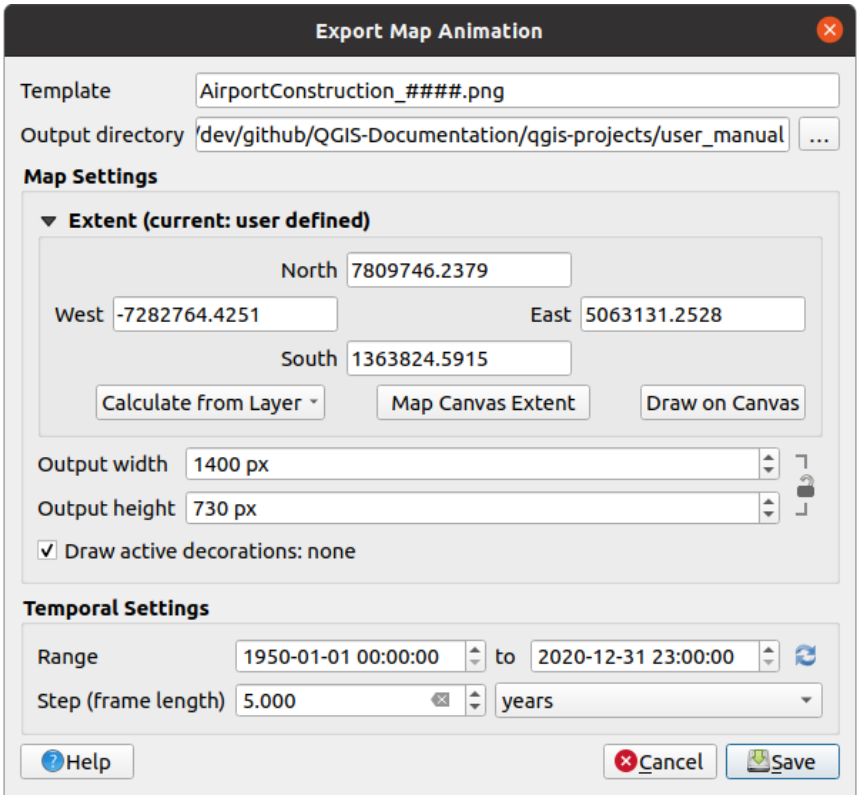


Abb. 7.4: Exporting map canvas animation scenes to images

- The filename *Template*: the #### are replaced with frame sequence number
- The *Output directory*
- Under *Map settings*, you can:
  - redefine the *spatial extent* to use
  - control the *Resolution* of the image (*Output width* and *Output height*)
  - *Draw active decorations*: whether active *decorations* should be kept in the output
- Under *Temporal settings*, you can redefine:
  - the time *Range* for the animation
  - the *Step (frame length)* in the unit of your choice

7.3.4 Exporting the map view

Maps you make can be layout and exported to various formats using the advanced capabilities of the *print layout or report*. It's also possible to directly export the current rendering, without a layout. This quick „screenshot" of the map view has some convenient features.

To export the map canvas with the current rendering:

1. Go to *Project* ► *Import/Export*
2. Depending on your output format, select either
   -  *Export Map to Image…*

- or *Export Map to PDF…*

The two tools provide you with a common set of options. In the dialog that opens:

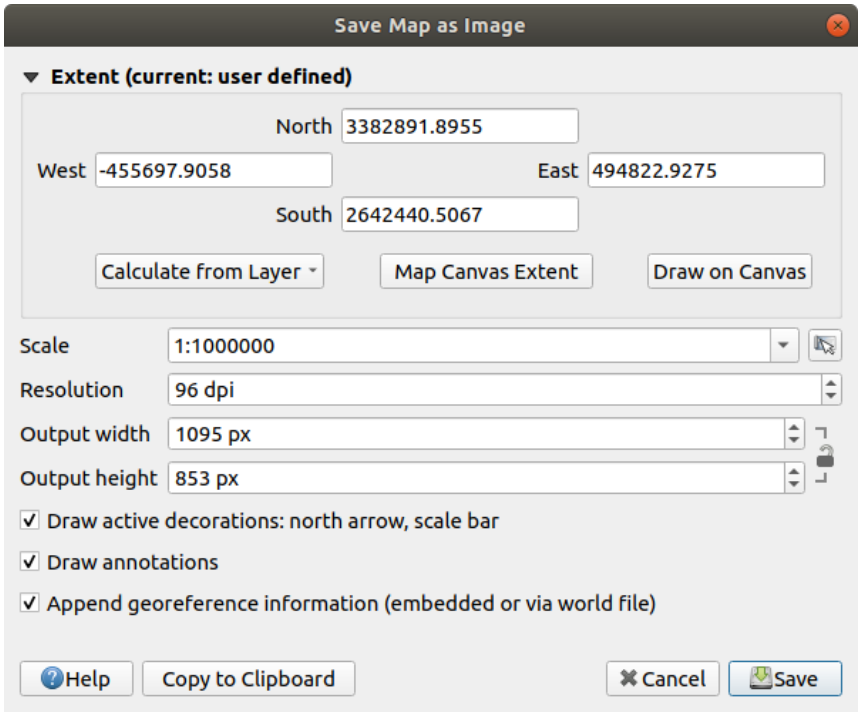


Abb. 7.5: The Save Map as Image dialog

1. Choose the *Extent* to export: it can be the current view extent (the default), the extent of a layer or a custom extent drawn over the map canvas. Coordinates of the selected area are displayed and manually editable.
2. Enter the *Scale* of the map or select it from the *predefined scales*: changing the scale will resize the extent to export (from the center).
3. Set the *Resolution* of the output
4. Control the *Output width* and *Output height* in pixels of the image: based by default on the current resolution and extent, they can be customized and will resize the map extent (from the center). The size ratio can be locked, which may be particularly convenient when drawing the extent on the canvas.
5. *Draw active decorations*: in use *decorations* (scale bar, title, grid, north arrow…) are exported with the map
6. *Draw annotations* to export any *annotation*
7. *Append georeference information (embedded or via world file)*: depending on the output format, a world file of the same name (with extension `PNGW` for `PNG` images, `JPGW` for `JPG`, …) is saved in the same folder as your image. The `PDF` format embeds the information in the PDF file.
8. When exporting to PDF, more options are available in the *Save map as PDF…* dialog:

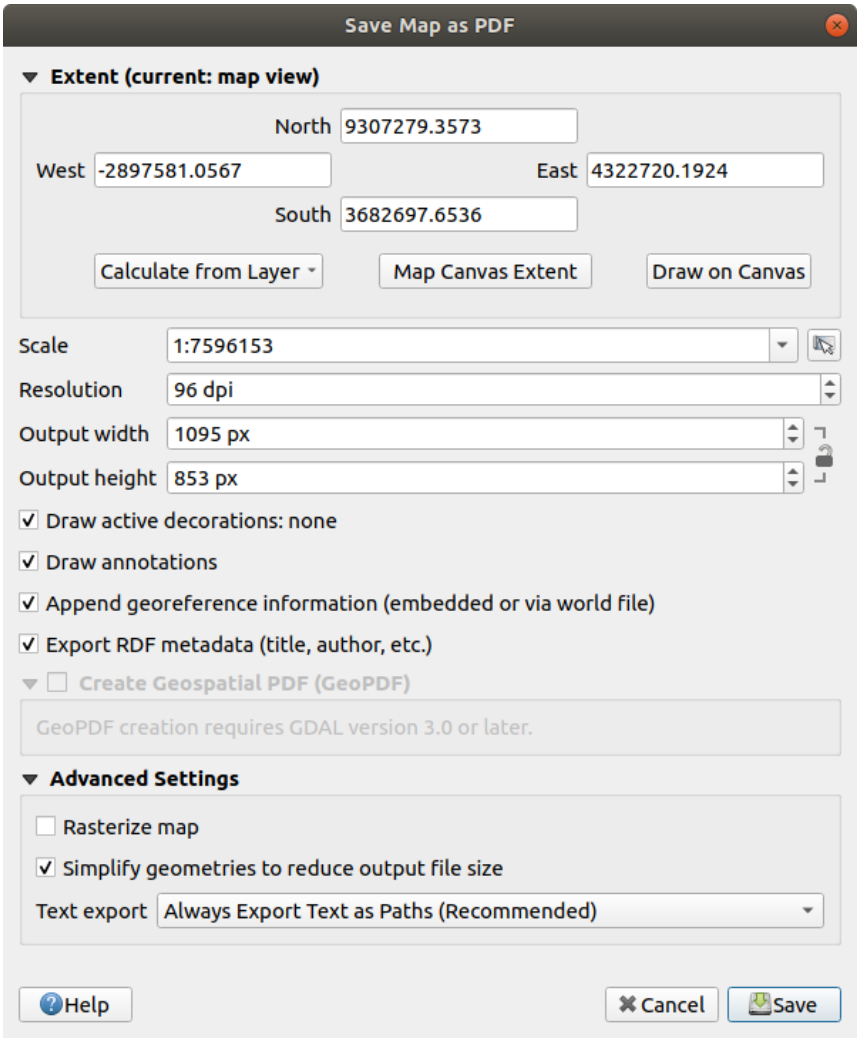


Abb. 7.6: The Save Map as PDF dialog

- *Export RDF metadata* of the document such as the title, author, date, description…
- *Create Geospatial PDF (GeoPDF)*: Generate a georeferenced PDF file (requires GDAL version 3 or later). You can:
  - Choose the GeoPDF *Format*
  - *Include vector feature information* in the GeoPDF file: will include all the geometry and attribute information from features visible within the map in the output GeoPDF file.

Bemerkung: Since QGIS 3.10, with GDAL 3 a GeoPDF file can also be used as a data source. For more on GeoPDF support in QGIS, see https://north-road.com/2019/09/03/qgis-3-10-loves-geopdf/.

- *Rasterize map*
- *Simplify geometries to reduce output file size*: Geometries will be simplified while exporting the map by removing vertices that are not discernably different at the export resolution (e.g. if the export resolution is `300 dpi`, vertices that are less than `1/600 inch` apart will be removed). This can reduce the size and complexity of the export file (very large files can fail to load in other applications).
- Set the *Text export*: controls whether text labels are exported as proper text objects (*Always export texts as text objects*) or as paths only (*Always export texts as paths*). If they are exported as text objects then they can be edited in external applications (e.g. Inkscape) as normal text. BUT the side effect is that the

rendering quality is decreased, AND there are issues with rendering when certain text settings like buffers are in place. That's why exporting as paths is recommended.

9. Click *Save* to select file location, name and format.

   When exporting to image, it's also possible to *Copy to clipboard* the expected result of the above settings and paste the map in another application such as LibreOffice, GIMP…

7.4 3D-Ansicht

3D visualization support is offered through the 3D map view. You create and open a 3D map view via *View* ►  *New 3D Map View*. A floating QGIS panel will appear. The panel can be docked.

To begin with, the 3D map view has the same extent and view as the 2D main map canvas. A set of navigation tools are available to turn the view into 3D.

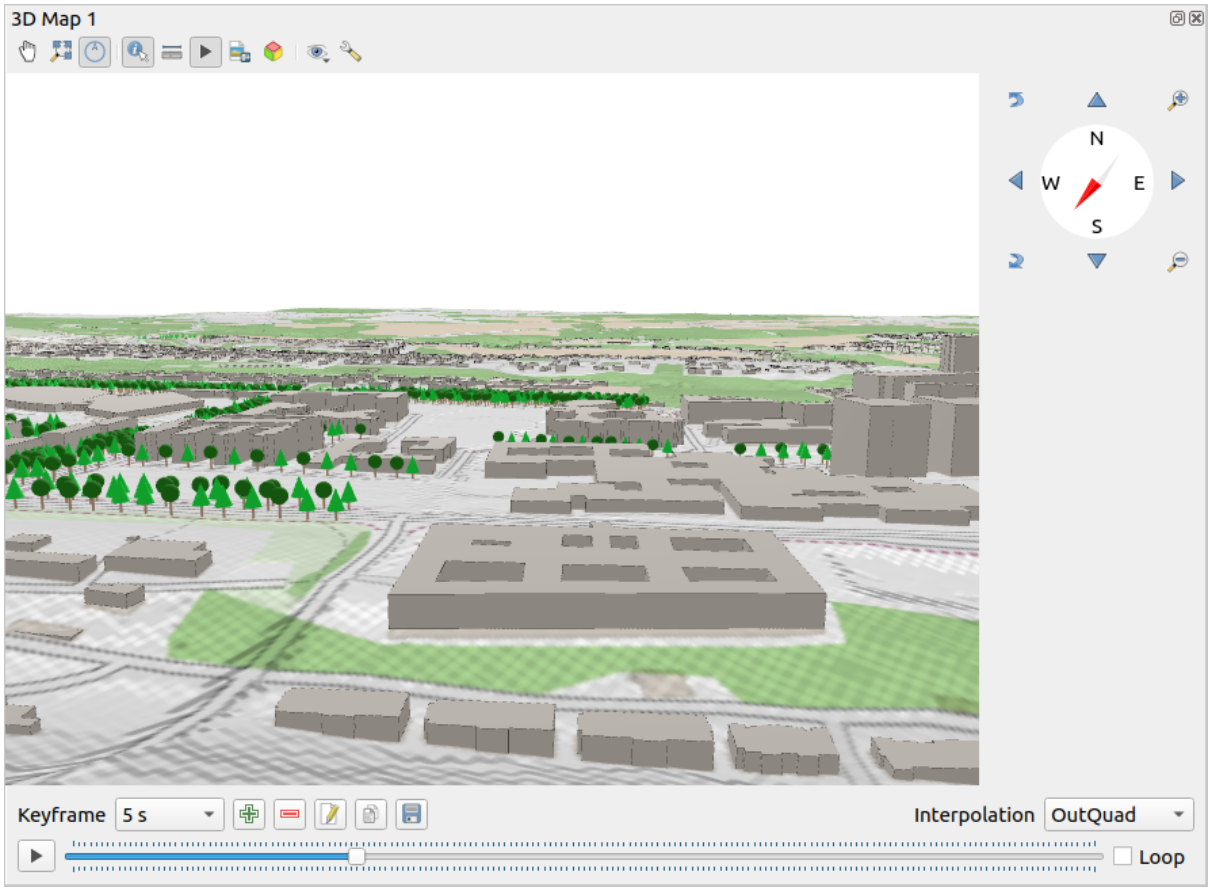


Abb. 7.7: The 3D Map View dialog

The following tools are provided at the top of the 3D map view panel:

-  Camera control: moves the view, keeping the same angle and direction of the camera
-  Zoom Full: resizes the view to the whole layers' extent
-  Toggle on-screen notification: shows/hides the navigation widget (that is meant to ease controlling of the map view)
-  Identify: returns information on the clicked point of the terrain or the clicked 3D feature(s) – More details at *Identifying Features*

- Measurement line: measures the horizontal distance between points
- Animations: shows/hides the *animation player* widget
- Save as image…: exports the current view to an image file format
- Export 3D Scene…: exports the current view as a 3D scene (`.obj` file), allowing post-processing in applications like Blender… The terrain and vector features are exported as 3D objects. The export settings, overriding the layers *properties* or map view *configuration*, include:
  - *Scene name* and destination *Folder*
  - *Terrain resolution*
  - *Terrain texture resolution*
  - *Model scale*
  - *Smooth edges*
  - *Export normals*
  - *Export textures*
- Set View Theme: Allows you to select the set of layers to display in the map view from predefined *map themes*.
- Configure the map view *settings*

7.4.1 Scene Configuration

The 3D map view opens with some default settings you can customize. To do so, click the Configure… button at the top of the 3D canvas panel to open the *3D configuration* window.

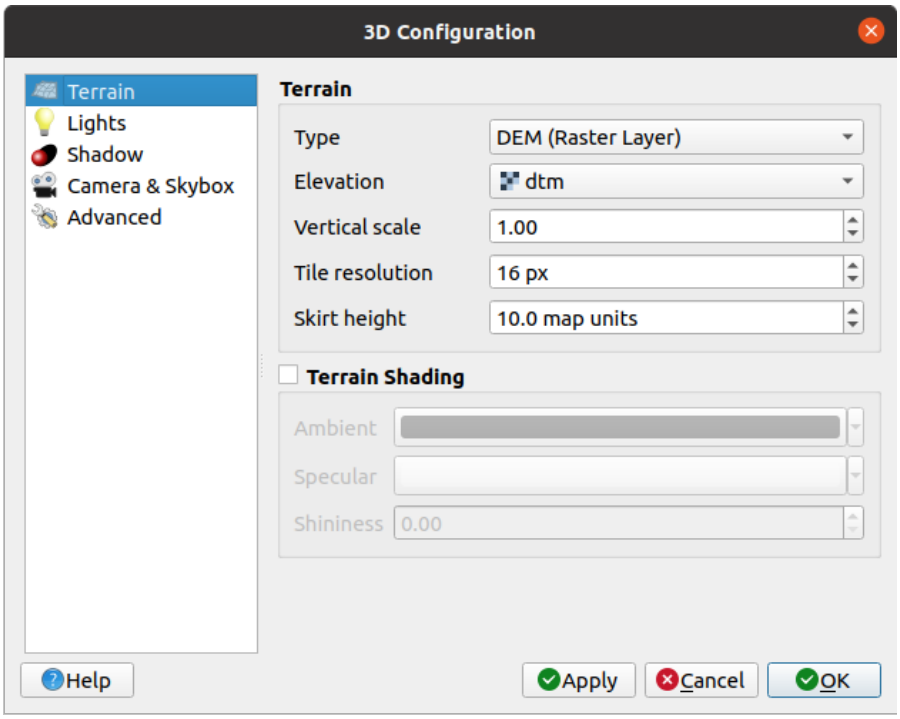


Abb. 7.8: The 3D Map Configuration dialog

In the 3D Configuration window there are various options to fine-tune the 3D scene:

Terrain

- *Terrain*: Before diving into the details, it is worth noting that the terrain in a 3D view is represented by a hierarchy of terrain tiles and as the camera moves closer to the terrain, existing tiles that do not have sufficient details are replaced by smaller tiles with more details. Each tile has mesh geometry derived from the elevation raster layer and texture from 2D map layers.
  - The elevation terrain *Type* can be:
    - a *Flat terrain*
    - a loaded *DEM (Raster Layer)*
    - an *Online* service, loading elevation tiles produced by Mapzen tools – more details at https://registry.opendata.aws/terrain-tiles/
    - a loaded *Mesh* dataset
  - *Elevation*: Raster or mesh layer to be used for generation of the terrain. The raster layer must contain a band that represents elevation. For a mesh layer, the Z values of the vertices are used.
  - *Vertical scale*: Scale factor for vertical axis. Increasing the scale will exaggerate the height of the landforms.
  - *Tile resolution*: How many samples from the terrain raster layer to use for each tile. A value of 16px means that the geometry of each tile will consist of 16x16 elevation samples. Higher numbers create more detailed terrain tiles at the expense of increased rendering complexity.
  - *Skirt height*: Sometimes it is possible to see small cracks between tiles of the terrain. Raising this value will add vertical walls („skirts“) around terrain tiles to hide the cracks.
  - *Terrain elevation offset*: moves the terrain up or down, e.g. to adjust its elevation with respect to the ground level of other objects in the scene.

    This can be useful when there is a discrepancy between the height of the terrain and the height of layers in your scene (e.g. point clouds which use a relative vertical height only). In this case adjusting the terrain elevation manually to coincide with the elevation of objects in your scene can improve the navigation experience.
- When a mesh layer is used as terrain, you can configure the *Triangles settings* (wireframe display, smooth triangles, level of detail) and the *Rendering colors settings* (as a uniform color or *color ramp based*). More details in the *Mesh layer 3D properties* section.
- *Terrain shading*: Allows you to choose how the terrain should be rendered:
  - Shading disabled - terrain color is determined only from map texture
  - Shading enabled - terrain color is determined using Phong's shading model, taking into account map texture, the terrain normal vector, scene light(s) and the terrain material's *Ambient* and *Specular* colors and *Shininess*

Lights

From the *Lights* tab, press the menu to add

- up to eight *Point lights*: emits light in all directions, like a sphere of light filling an area. Objects closer to the light will be brighter, and objects further away will be darker. A point light has a set position (*X*, *Y* and *Z*), a *Color*, an *Intensity* and an *Attenuation*
- up to four *Directional lights*: mimics the lighting that you would get from a giant flash light very far away from your objects, always centered and that never dies off (e.g. the sun). It emits parallel light rays in a single direction but the light reaches out into infinity. A directional light can be rotated given an *Azimuth*, have an *Altitude*, a *Color* and an *Intensity*.

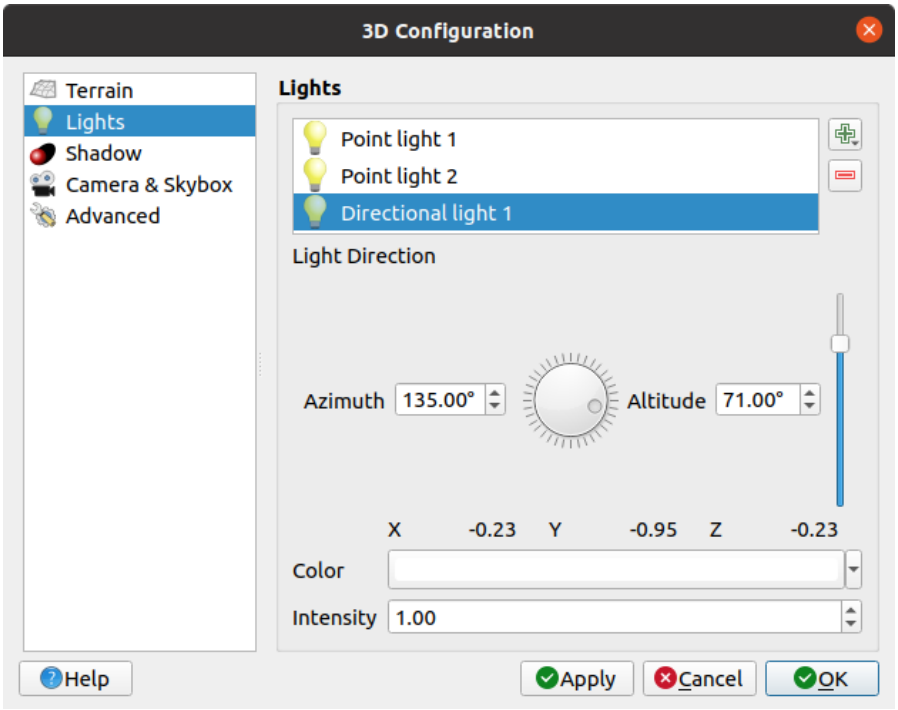


Abb. 7.9: The 3D Map Lights Configuration dialog

Shadow

Check *Show shadow* to display shadow within your scene, given:

- a *Directional light*
- a *Shadow rendering maximum distance*: to avoid rendering shadow of too distant objects, particularly when the camera looks up along the horizon
- a *Shadow bias*: to avoid self-shadowing effects that could make some areas darker than others, due to differences between map sizes. The lower the better
- a *Shadow map resolution*: to make shadows look sharper. It may result in less performance if the resolution parameter is too high.

Camera & Skybox

In this tab, you can override some *default camera settings* made in the *Settings* ► *Options* ► *3D* dialog.

Furthermore, check *Show skybox* to enable skybox rendering in the scene. The skybox type can be:

- *Panoramic texture*, with a single file providing sight on 360°
- *Distinct faces*, with a texture file for each of the six sides of a box containing the scene

Texture image files of the skybox can be files on the disk, remote URLs or embedded in the project (*more details*).

Advanced

- *Map tile resolution*: Width and height of the 2D map images used as textures for the terrain tiles. 256px means that each tile will be rendered into an image of 256x256 pixels. Higher numbers create more detailed terrain tiles at the expense of increased rendering complexity.
- *Max. screen error*: Determines the threshold for swapping terrain tiles with more detailed ones (and vice versa) - i.e. how soon the 3D view will use higher quality tiles. Lower numbers mean more details in the scene at the expense of increased rendering complexity.
- *Max. ground error*: The resolution of the terrain tiles at which dividing tiles into more detailed ones will stop (splitting them would not introduce any extra detail anyway). This value limits the depth of the hierarchy of tiles: lower values make the hierarchy deep, increasing rendering complexity.
- *Zoom levels*: Shows the number of zoom levels (depends on the map tile resolution and max. ground error).
- ☐ *Show labels*: Toggles map labels on/off
- ☐ *Show map tile info*: Include border and tile numbers for the terrain tiles (useful for troubleshooting terrain issues)
- ☐ *Show bounding boxes*: Show 3D bounding boxes of the terrain tiles (useful for troubleshooting terrain issues)
- ☐ *Show camera's view center*
- ☐ *Show light sources*: shows a sphere at light source origins, allowing easier repositioning and placement of light sources relative to the scene contents

7.4.2 Navigation options

To explore the map view in 3D:

- Tilt the terrain (rotating it around a horizontal axis that goes through the center of the window)
  - Press the Tilt up and Tilt down tools
  - Press `Shift` and use the up/down keys
  - Ziehen Sie die Maus bei gedrückter mittlerer Maustaste vorwärts/rückwärts.
  - Drücken Sie `Shift` und ziehen Sie die Maus mit gedrückter linker Maustaste vorwärts/rückwärts.
- Rotate the terrain (around a vertical axis that goes through the center of the window)
  - Turn the compass of the navigation widget to the watching direction
  - Press `Shift` and use the left/right keys
  - Drag the mouse right/left with the middle mouse button pressed
  - Press `Shift` and drag the mouse right/left with the left mouse button pressed
- Change the camera position (and the view center), moving it around in a horizontal plan
  - Drag the mouse with the left mouse button pressed, and the Camera control button enabled
  - Press the directional arrows of the navigation widget
  - Use the up/down/left/right keys to move the camera forward, backward, right and left, respectively
- Change the camera altitude: press the `Page Up`/`Page Down` keys
- Change the camera orientation (the camera is kept at its position but the view center point moves)
  - Press `Ctrl` and use the arrow keys to turn the camera up, down, left and right
  - Press `Ctrl` and drag the mouse with the left mouse button pressed

- Zoom in and out
  - Press the corresponding  Zoom In and  Zoom Out tools of the navigation widget
  - Scroll the mouse wheel (keep `Ctrl` pressed results in finer zooms)
  - Drag the mouse with the right mouse button pressed to zoom in (drag down) and out (drag up)

To reset the camera view, click the  Zoom Full button on the top of the 3D canvas panel.

7.4.3 Creating an animation

An animation is based on a set of keyframes - camera positions at particular times. To create an animation:

1. Toggle on the  Animations tool, displaying the animation player widget
2. Click the  Add keyframe button and enter a *Keyframe time* in seconds. The *Keyframe* combo box now displays the time set.
3. Using the navigation tools, move the camera to the position to associate with the current keyframe time.
4. Repeat the previous steps to add as many keyframes (with time and position) as necessary.
5. Click the  button to preview the animation. QGIS will generate scenes using the camera positions/rotations at set times, and interpolating them in between these keyframes. Various *Interpolation* modes for animations are available (eg, linear, inQuad, outQuad, inCirc… – more details at https://doc.qt.io/qt-5/qeasingcurve.html#EasingFunction-typedef).

   The animation can also be previewed by moving the time slider. Keeping the *Loop* box checked will repeatedly run the animation while clicking stops a running animation.

Click  Export animation frames to generate a series of images representing the scene. Other than the filename *Template* and the *Output directory*, you can set the number of *Frames per second*, the *Output width* and *Output height*.

7.4.4 3D vector layers

A vector layer with elevation values can be shown in the 3D map view by checking *Enable 3D Renderer* in the *3D View* section of the vector layer properties. A number of options are available for controlling the rendering of the 3D vector layer.

7.5 Statusleiste

The status bar provides you with general information about the map view and processed or available actions, and offers you tools to manage the map view.

7.5.1 Locator bar

On the left side of the status bar, the locator bar, a quick search widget, helps you find and run any feature or options in QGIS:

1. Click in the text widget to activate the locator search bar or press `Ctrl+K`.
2. Type a text associated with the item you are looking for (name, tag, keyword, …). By default, results are returned for the enabled locator filters, but you can limit the search to a certain scope by prefixing your text with the *locator filters* prefix, ie. typing `l cad` will return only the layers whose name contains `cad`.

   The filter can also be selected with a double-click in the menu that shows when accessing the locator widget.

3. Click on a result to execute the corresponding action, depending on the type of item.

Tipp: Limit the lookup to particular field(s) of the active layer

By default, a search with the „active layer features“ filter (`f`) runs through the whole attribute table of the layer. You can limit the search to a particular field using the `@` prefix. E.g., `f @name sal` or `@name sal` returns only the features whose „name“ attribute contains ‚sal‘. Text autocompletion is active when writing and the suggestion can be applied using `Tab` key.

A more advanced control on the queried fields is possible from the layer *Fields* tab. Read *Fields Properties* for details.

Searching is handled using threads, so that results always become available as quickly as possible, even if slow search filters are installed. They also appear as soon as they are encountered by a filter, which means that e.g. a file search filter will show results one by one as the file tree is scanned. This ensures that the UI is always responsive, even if a very slow search filter is present (e.g. one which uses an online service).

Bemerkung: The Nominatim locator tool may behave differently (no autocompletion search, delay of fetching results, …) with respect to the OpenStreetMap Nominatim usage policy.

Tipp: Quick access to the locator's configurations

Click on the icon inside the locator widget on the status bar to display the list of filters you can use and a *Configure* entry that opens the *Locator* tab of the *Settings* ► *Options…* menu.

7.5.2 Reporting actions

In the area next to the locator bar, a summary of actions you've carried out will be shown when needed (such as selecting features in a layer, removing layer, pan distance and direction) or a long description of the tool you are hovering over (not available for all tools).

In case of lengthy operations, such as gathering of statistics in raster layers, executing Processing algorithms or rendering several layers in the map view, a progress bar is displayed in the status bar.

7.5.3 Control the map canvas

The *Coordinate* option shows the current position of the mouse, following it while moving across the map view. You can set the units (and precision) in the *Project* ► *Properties…* ► *General* tab. Click on the small button at the left of the textbox to toggle between the Coordinate option and the *Extents* option that displays the coordinates of the current bottom-left and top-right corners of the map view in map units.

Next to the coordinate display you will find the *Scale* display. It shows the scale of the map view. There is a scale selector, which allows you to choose between *predefined and custom scales*.

On the right side of the scale display, press the button to lock the scale to use the magnifier to zoom in or out. The magnifier allows you to zoom in to a map without altering the map scale, making it easier to tweak the positions of labels and symbols accurately. The magnification level is expressed as a percentage. If the *Magnifier* has a level of 100%, then the current map is not magnified, i.e. is rendered at accurate scale relative to the monitor's resolution (DPI). A default magnification value can be defined within *Settings* ► *Options* ► *Rendering* ► *Rendering behavior*, which is very useful for high-resolution screens to enlarge small symbols. In addition, a setting in *Settings* ► *Options* ► *Canvas & Legend* ► *DPI* controls whether QGIS respects each monitor's physical DPI or uses the overall system logical DPI.

To the right of the magnifier tool you can define a current clockwise rotation for your map view in degrees.

On the right side of the status bar, there is a small checkbox which can be used temporarily to prevent layers being rendered to the map view (see section *Layeranzeige kontrollieren*).

To the right of the render functions, you find the  *EPSG:code* button showing the current project CRS. Clicking on this opens the *Project Properties* dialog and lets you apply another CRS to the map view.

Tipp: Die richtige Maßstabseinheit im Kartenfenster einstellen

When you start QGIS, the default CRS is `WGS 84 (EPSG 4326)` and units are degrees. This means that QGIS will interpret any coordinate in your layer as specified in degrees. To get correct scale values, you can either manually change this setting in the *General* tab under *Project* ► *Properties...* (e.g. to meters), or you can use the  EPSG:code icon seen above. In the latter case, the units are set to what the project projection specifies (e.g., `+units=us-ft`).

Beachten Sie, dass die KBS Wahl beim Start unter *Einstellungen* ► *Optionen* ► *KBS* eingestellt werden kann.

7.5.4 Messaging

The  Messages button next to it opens the *Log Messages Panel* which has information on underlying processes (QGIS startup, plugins loading, processing tools…)

Depending on the *Plugin Manager settings*, the status bar can sometimes show icons to the right to inform you about the availability of new () or upgradeable () plugins. Click the icon to open the Plugin Manager dialog.

KAPITEL 8

Das Browser Bedienfeld

- *Resources that can be opened / run from the Browser*
- *Browser panel top-level entries*
  - *Favorites*
  - *Räumliche Lesezeichen*
  - *Project Home*
  - *Drives and file system*
  - *Database entries*
  - *Tiles and Web Services*
- *Resources*

The QGIS Browser panel is a great tool for browsing, searching, inspecting, copying and loading QGIS resources. Only resources that QGIS knows how to handle are shown in the browser.

Using the Browser panel you can locate, inspect and add data, as described in *The Browser Panel*. In addition, the Browser panel supports drag and drop of many QGIS resources, such as project files, Python scripts, Processing scripts and Processing models.

Python scripts, Processing scripts and Processing models can also be opened for editing in an external editor and the graphical modeller.

You can drag and drop layers from the *Layers* panel to the *Browser* panel, for instance into a GeoPackage or a PostGIS database.

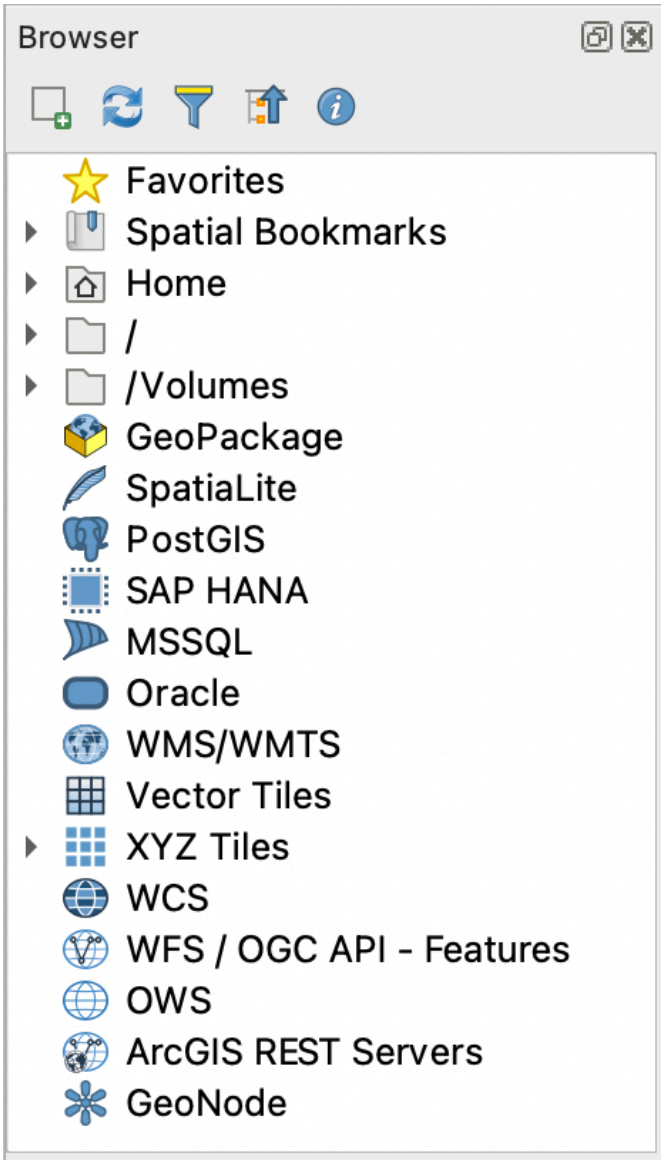


Abb. 8.1: Das Browser Bedienfeld

The browser panel (Abb. 8.1) is organised as an expandable hierarchy with some fixed top-level entries that organise the resources handled by the browser. Node entries are expanded by clicking on ▸ to the left of the entry name. A branch is collapsed by clicking on ▾. The Collapse All button collapses all top-level entries.

In *Settings* ► *Interface Customization* it is possible to disable resources. If you, for instance, would not like to show Python scripts in the browser, you can uncheck the *Browser* ► *py* entry, and if you want to get rid of your home folder in the browser, you can uncheck the *Browser* ► *special:Home* entry.

A filter (Filter Browser) can be used for searching based on entry names (both leaf entries and node entries in the hierarchy). Using the Options pull-down menu next to the filter text field, you can

- toggle *Case Sensitive* search
- set the *Filter pattern syntax* to one of
  - *Normal*
  - *Wildcard(s)*
  - *Regular Expressions*

The *Properties widget*, showing useful information about some entries / resources, can be enabled / disabled using the Enable/disable properties widget button. When enabled, it opens at the bottom of the browser panel, as shown in Abb. 8.2.

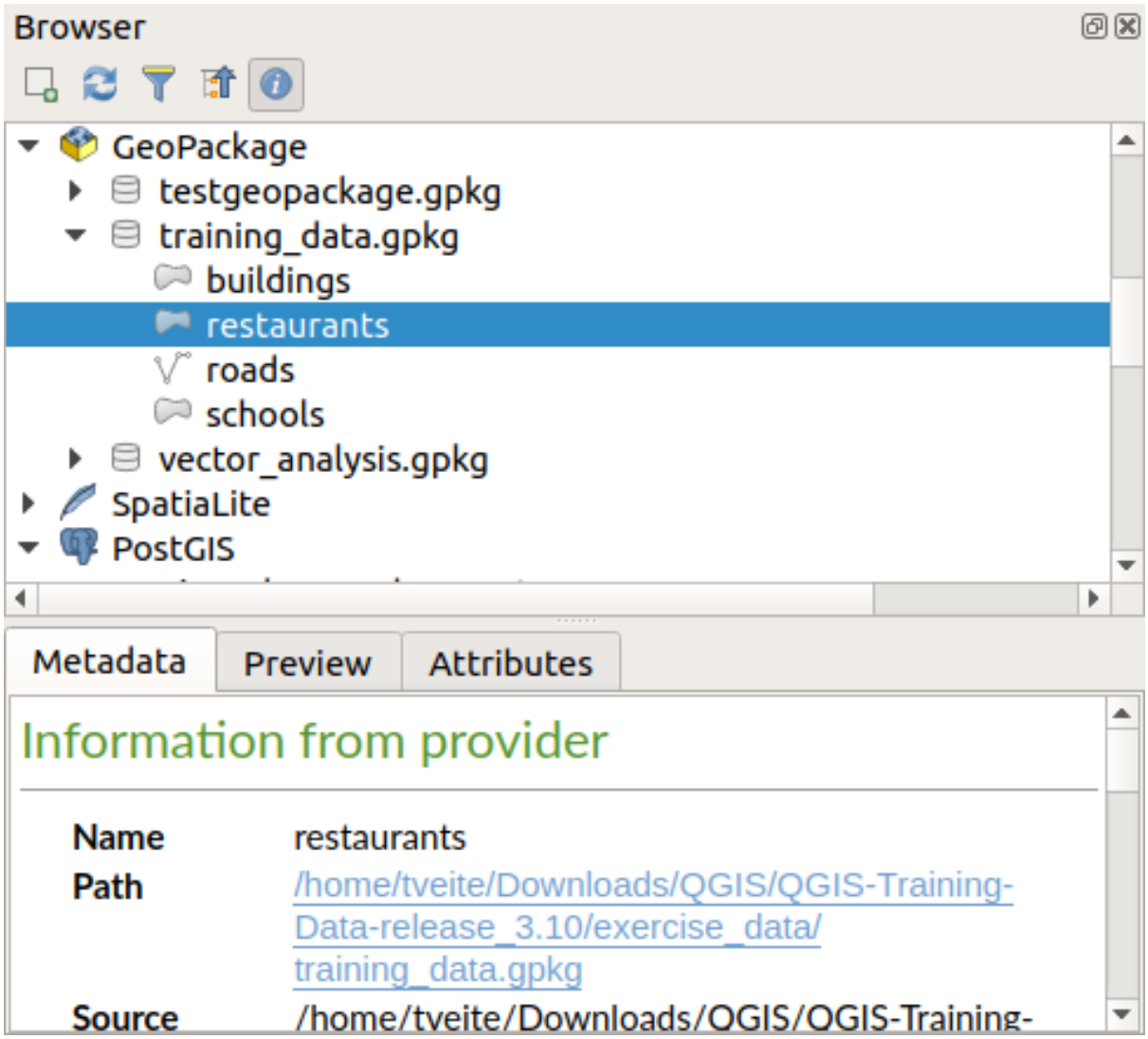


Abb. 8.2: The properties widget

A second browser panel can be opened by activating the *Browser (2)* panel in *View* ► *Panels*. Having two browser panels can be useful when copying layers between resources that are locationed deep down in different branches of the browser hierarchy.

8.1 Resources that can be opened / run from the Browser

A lot can be accomplished in the Browser panel

- Add vector, raster and mesh layers to your map by double-clicking, dragging onto the map canvas or clicking the Add Selected Layers button (after selecting layers)
- Run Python scripts (including Processing algorithms) by double-clicking or dragging onto the map canvas
- Run models by double-clicking or dragging onto the map canvas
- *Extract Symbols…* from QGIS Project files using the context menu

- Open files with their default applications (*Open <file type> Externally…* in the context menu). Examples: HTML files, spreadsheets, images, PDFs, text files, …
- Copy entries
- Rename and delete (multiple) layers (context menu: *Manage* ►)
- Open a file explorer window and directly select the file *Show in Files*

Resource specific actions are listed for the different resource groups sorted under the top-level entries listed below.

8.2 Browser panel top-level entries

8.2.1 Favorites

Often used file system locations can be tagged as favorites. The ones you have tagged will appear here.

In addition to the operations described under *Home*, the context menu allows you to *Rename Favorite…* and *Remove Favorite*.

8.2.2 Räumliche Lesezeichen

This is where you will find your spatial bookmarks, organised into *Project Bookmarks* and *User Bookmarks*.

From the top level context menu, you can create a bookmark (*New Spatial Bookmark…*), *Show the Spatial Bookmark Manager*, *Import Spatial Bookmarks…* and *Export Spatial Bookmarks…*.

For bookmark entries you can *Zoom to Bookmark*, *Edit Spatial Bookmark…* and *Delete Spatial Bookmark*

8.2.3 Project Home

Available once the project file has been saved, the *Project home* entry is a folder containing data and other contents (scripts, models, text, …) that may be used within the current project. Displayed in the *Browser* panel, it allows you to quickly access data and other files of the project.

It defaults to the project file folder but can be changed through the *Project* ► *Properties…* ► *General* ► *Project home* option, or by right-clicking on the *Project Home* item of the Browser panel and selecting *Set project home…*. Customizing that folder is especially useful in contexts where QGIS projects are not stored in the root folder of an organisational ‚project', along with datasets.

8.2.4 Drives and file system

The next items of the *Browser* panel depend on the OS in use and concern the top level entries of its file system.

They are mainly:

- The *Home* folder, pointing to the current user home folder
- on Unix-based machines, the root `/` folder
- the connected drives, either local or network. Depending on the OS, they are directly listed (eg, `C:\`, `D:\`) or through the `/Volumes` entry.

From the contextual menu of each of these folders or drives, you can:

- refresh the contents
- create a *New* ► subitem that is a *Directory*, *GeoPackage* or ESRI *Shapefile* format dataset
- hide the directory (*Hide from Browser*)
- *Set color*: customize the folder icon color, aiding in rapid browser navigation of complex folder structures

- enable *Scanning*:
  - *Monitor for changes*: allows to manually control whether a particular directory should be monitored and automatically updated. This setting applies to the selected directory and all subdirectories. This means that you can manually opt-in to monitoring of network drives if you know there's no issue, or manually opt-out of monitoring of large directories which you don't want monitored for other reasons. By default, remote or network drives are not automatically monitored.
  - *Fast scan this directory*
- open the directory in your file manager (*Open Directory…*)
- open the directory in a terminal window (*Open in Terminal…*)
- inspect the *Properties…* or the parent *Directory Properties…*

8.2.5 Database entries

Depending on your OS and installed drivers, you might have access to different database types to use in QGIS. Below are listed the different entries of contextual menu at each level of the dataset tree.

Level	Context menu	Type of database			
		GeoPackage	SpatiaLite	PostGIS	
Top menu	Create a *New Connection…* to an existing database	✓	✓	✓	✓
	Create Database…	✓	✓		
	Save Connections… details to a file			✓	✓
	Load Connections…			✓	✓
Connection / Database	*Refresh* a connection			✓	✓
	Edit Connection… settings			✓	✓
	Delete Connection	✓	✓	✓	✓
	Delete <database_name>	✓	✓		
	Compact Database (VACUUM)	✓			
	Create a *New Schema…*			✓	✓
	Create a *New Table…*	✓	✓	✓	✓
	Execute SQL… query	✓	✓	✓	✓
Schema	*Refresh* a schema			✓	✓
	Schema Operations ► Rename Schema…			✓	✓
	Schema Operations ► Delete Schema…			✓	✓
	Create a *New Table…*			✓	✓
	Execute SQL… query			✓	✓
Table / Layer	*Table Operations ► Rename Table…*			✓	✓
	Table Operations ► Truncate Table…			✓	
	Execute SQL… query	✓	✓	✓	
	Export Layer ► To file…	✓	✓	✓	✓
	Manage ► Rename Layer <layer_name>…	✓	✓		
	Manage ► Delete Layer <layer_name>…	✓	✓	✓	✓
	Manage ► Delete Selected Layers	✓	✓	✓	✓
	Manage ► Add Layer to Project	✓	✓	✓	✓

Tab. 8.1 – Fortsetzung der vorherigen Seite

Level	Context menu	Type of database			
		GeoPackage	SpatiaLite	PostGIS	
	Manage ► *Add Selected Layers to Project*	☑	☑	☑	☑
	Open *Layer Properties…* dialog	☑	☑	☑	☑
	Open *File Properties…* dialog	☑			
Fields	*Add New Field…*	☑	☑	☑	☑
Field	*Delete Field…*	☑	☑	☑	☑

8.2.6 Tiles and Web Services

Level	Context menu	Type of services						
		WMS / WMTS	Vector Tiles	XYZ Tiles	WCS	WFS / OGC API - Features	ArcGIS REST Servers	GeoNode
Top menu	Create a *New Connection…*	☑		☑	☑	☑	☑	☑
	Create a *New Generic Connection…*		☑					
	Create a *New ArcGIS Vector Tile Service Connection…*		☑					
	Save Connections… details to a file	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑
	Load Connections…	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑
Connection	*Refresh* connection	☑		☑	☑	☑	☑	☑
	Edit… connection settings	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑
	Delete connection	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑
	View Service Info in Web browser						☑	
Table / Layer	*Export Layer* ► *To File…*	☑		☑	☑	☑	☑	☑
	Add layer to Project	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑
	Open *Layer properties…* dialog	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑
	View Service Info in Web browser						☑	

8.3 Resources

- Project files. The context menu for QGIS project files allows you to:
  - open it (*Open Project*)
  - extract symbols (*Extract Symbols…*) - opens the style manager that allows you to export symbols to an XML file, add symbols to the default style or export as PNG or SVG.
  - inspect properties (*File Properties…*)

  You can expand the project file to see its layers. The context menu of a layer offers the same actions as elsewhere in the browser.
- QGIS Layer Definition files (QLR). The following actions are available from the context menu:
  - export it (*Export Layer ► To file*)
  - add it to the project (*Add Layer to Project*)
  - inspect properties (*Layer Properties…*)
- Processing models (.model3). The following actions are available from the context menu:
  - *Run Model…*)
  - *Edit Model…*)
- QGIS print composer templates (QPT). The following action is available from the context menu:
  - (*New Layout from Template*)
- Python scripts (.py). The following actions are available from the context menu:
  - (*Run script…*)
  - (*Open in External Editor*)
- Recognized raster formats. The following actions are available from the context menu:
  - delete it (*Delete File <dataset name>*)
  - export it (*Export Layer ► To file*)
  - add it to the project (*Add Layer to Project*)
  - inspect properties (*Layer Properties…*, *File Properties…*)

  For some formats you can also *Open <file type> Externally…*
- Recognized vector formats. The following actions are available from the context menu:
  - delete it (*Delete File <dataset name>*)
  - export it (*Export Layer ► To file*)
  - add it to the project (*Add Layer to Project*)
  - inspect properties (*Layer Properties…*, *File Properties…*)

  For some formats you can also *Open <file type> Externally…*

KAPITEL 9

QGIS anpassen

Sie können QGIS auf vielfache Art und Weise an Ihre Bedürfnisse anpassen. Im Menü *Einstellungen* finden Sie verschiedene Werkzeuge um:

- *Style Manager…*: create and manage *symbols, styles and color ramps*.
- *Benutzerprojektionen…*: definieren Sie Ihre eigenen *coordinate reference systems*.
- *Keyboard Shortcuts…*: define your own set of *keyboard shortcuts*. Also, they can be overridden during each QGIS session by the *project properties* (accessible under *Project* menu).
- *Oberflächenanpassung…*: passen Sie die *application interface* an, indem Sie Dialoge oder Werkzeuge verstecken, die Sie wahrscheinlich nicht brauchen.
- *Options…*: set global *options* to apply in different areas of the software. These preferences are saved in the active *User profile* settings and applied by default whenever you open a new project with this profile.

9.1 Optionen

Einige grundlegende Optionen für QGIS können Sie mit dem Dialog *Optionen* einstellen. Wählen Sie den Menüpunkt *Einstellungen* ► *Optionen*. Sie können die Optionen an Ihre Bedürfnisse anpassen. Einige Änderungen können einen Neustart von QGIS erfordern um wirksam zu werden.

Im Nachfolgenden werden die Registerkarten beschrieben, in denen Sie Optionen anpassen können.

Bemerkung: Plugins können Ihre Einstellungen in den Dialog Optionen einbetten

Beachten Sie bitte, dass, während im Folgenden nur Einstellungen der Kernanwendung beschrieben werden, *installed plugins* ihre eigenen Optionen in den Standarddialog einfügen können. Damit wird verhindert, dass jede Erweiterung einen eigenen Konfigurationsdialog mit eigenen Menüeinträgen mitbringt…

9.1.1 Allgemeine Einstellungen

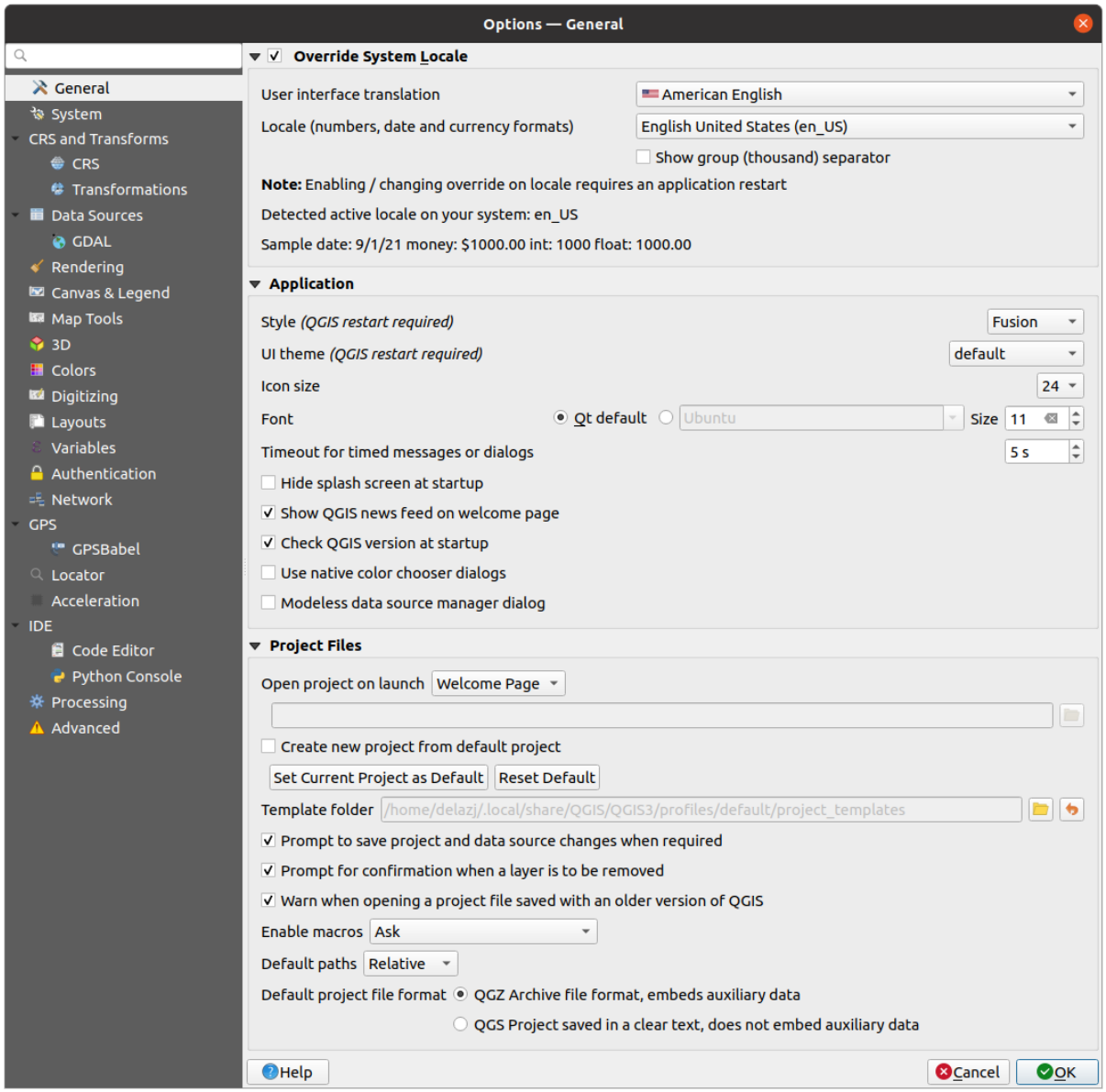


Abb. 9.1: General Settings in QGIS

Override System Locale

By default, QGIS relies on your Operating System configuration to set language and manipulate numerical values. Enabling this group allows you to customize the behavior.

- Select from *User interface translation* the language to apply to the GUI
- Select in *Locale (number, date and currency formats)* the system on which date and numeric values should be input and rendered
- *Show group (thousand) separator*

A summary of the selected settings and how they would be interpreted is displayed at the bottom of the frame.

Anwendung

- Select the *Style (QGIS restart required)* ie, the widgets look and placement in dialogs. Possible values depend on your Operating System.

- Define the *UI theme (QGIS restart required)*  . It can be ‚default', ‚Night Mapping', or ‚Blend of Gray'
- Define the *Icon size* 
- Define the *Font* and its *Size*. The font can be  *Qt default* or a user-defined one
- Change the *Timeout for timed messages or dialogs*
-  *Hide splash screen at startup*
-  *Show QGIS news feed on welcome page*: displays a curated QGIS news feed on the welcome page, giving you a direct way to be aware of project news (user/developer meetings date and summary, community surveys, releases announcements, various tips…)
-  *Check QGIS version at startup* to keep you informed if a newer version is released
-  *Use native color chooser dialogs* (see *Farbauswahl*)
-  *Modeless data source manager dialog* to keep the *data source manager* dialog opened and allow interaction with QGIS interface while adding layers to project

Projektdateien

- *Open project on launch*
  - ‚Welcome Page' (default): can display the „News" feed, the project template(s) and the most recent projects (with thumbnails) of the *user profile*. No project is opened by default.
  - ‚New': opens a new project, based on the default template
  - ‚Most recent': reopens the last saved project
  - and ‚Specific': opens a particular project. Use the … button to define the project to use by default.
-  *Neues Projekt aus Vorgabeprojekt erstellen*. Sie haben die Möglichkeit auf *Aktuelles Projekt als Vorgabe speichern* oder *Vorgabe zurücksetzen* zu drücken. Sie können durch Ihre Dateien gehen und ein Verzeichnis definieren in dem Sie ihre benutzerdefinierten Projektvorlagen festlegen. Diese werden dann dem Menü *Projekt ► Neu aus Vorlage* hinzugefügt wenn Sie erst  *Neues Projekt aus Vorgabeprojekt erstellen* aktivieren und dann ein Projekt in den Projektvorlagenordner speichern.
- Wählen Sie  *Bei Bedarf nachfragen, ob geänderte Projekte und Datenquellen gespeichert werden sollen*, um zu verhindern, dass Ihre Änderungen verloren gehen.
-  *Beim Löschen von Layern Bestätigung anfordern*
-  *Warnung ausgeben, wenn QGIS-Projekt einer früheren Version geöffnet wird*. Sie können Projekte, die mit einer älteren QGIS-Version gespeichert wurden, jederzeit öffnen, das Öffnen einer neueren Projektdatei mit einer älteren Version kann aber scheitern, weil neuere Entwicklungen in dieser Version noch nicht verfügbar sind.
- *Makros aktivieren*  . Diese Option wurde erstellt um Makros zu handhaben die geschrieben wurden um eine Aktion auf Projektereignisse auszuführen. Sie können zwischen ‚Nie', ‚Fragen', ‚Nur in dieser Sitzung' und ‚Immer (nicht empfohlen)' wählen.
- *Default paths*: defines whether paths to files and layers used in new projects are stored as ‚Absolute' or ‚Relative' to the project file. This setting can be overwritten at the project level.
- *Default project file format*
  -  *QGZ Archive file format, embeds auxiliary data* (see *auxiliary data*)
  -  *QGS Project saved in a clear text, does not embed auxiliary data*: the auxiliary data is stored in a separate `.qgd` file along with the project file.

9.1.2 Systemeinstellungen

SVG-Pfade

Add or Remove *Path(s) to search for Scalable Vector Graphic (SVG) symbols*. These SVG files are then available to symbolize or label the features or decorate your map composition.

Also read *Remote or embedded file selector* for different ways to refer to svg files in a QGIS path.

Erweiterungspfade

Fügen Sie neue *Nach zusätzlichen C++-Erweiterungsbibliotheken zu durchsuchende Pfad(e)* hinzu oder entfernen Sie welche.

Dokumentationspfade

Fügen Sie einen neuen *Pfad(e) um nach QGIS-Hilfe zu suchen* ein oder entfernen Sie einen, der für die QGIS-Hilfe benutzt wird. Als Voreinstellung finden Sie einen Link auf das offizielle QGIS-Onlinehandbuch, das der benutzen QGIS-Version entspricht. Sie können jedoch andere Links einfügen und sie in eine Reihenfolge von oben nach unten bringen: jedes mal, wenn Sie auf eine Schaltfläche *Hilfe* in einem Dialog klicken, wird der oberste Link geprüft; falls keine passende Seite gefunden wird, wird der nächste geprüft usw.

Bemerkung: Die Dokumentation wird nur für die QGIS Long Term Releases (LTR) versioniert und übersetzt. Das bedeutet, dass Sie, wenn Sie in einer regulären Version (z.B. QGIS 3.0) auf die Schaltfläche Hilfe klicken, als Voreinstellung das nächste LTR-Benutzerhandbuch angezeigt bekommen (d.h. 3.4 LTR), das aber Beschreibungen von Programmeigenschaften enthalten kann, die erst in neueren Versionen (3.2 und 3.4) enthalten sind. Falls keine LTR-Dokumentation verfügbar ist, wird die *testing*-Dokumentation angezeigt, die Programmeigenschaften von neueren und Entwicklerversionen enthält.

Settings

Dient dazu *Benutzeroberflächeneinstellungen zurücksetzen (Neustart erforderlich)* falls Sie eigene *customization* vorgenommen haben.

Umgebung

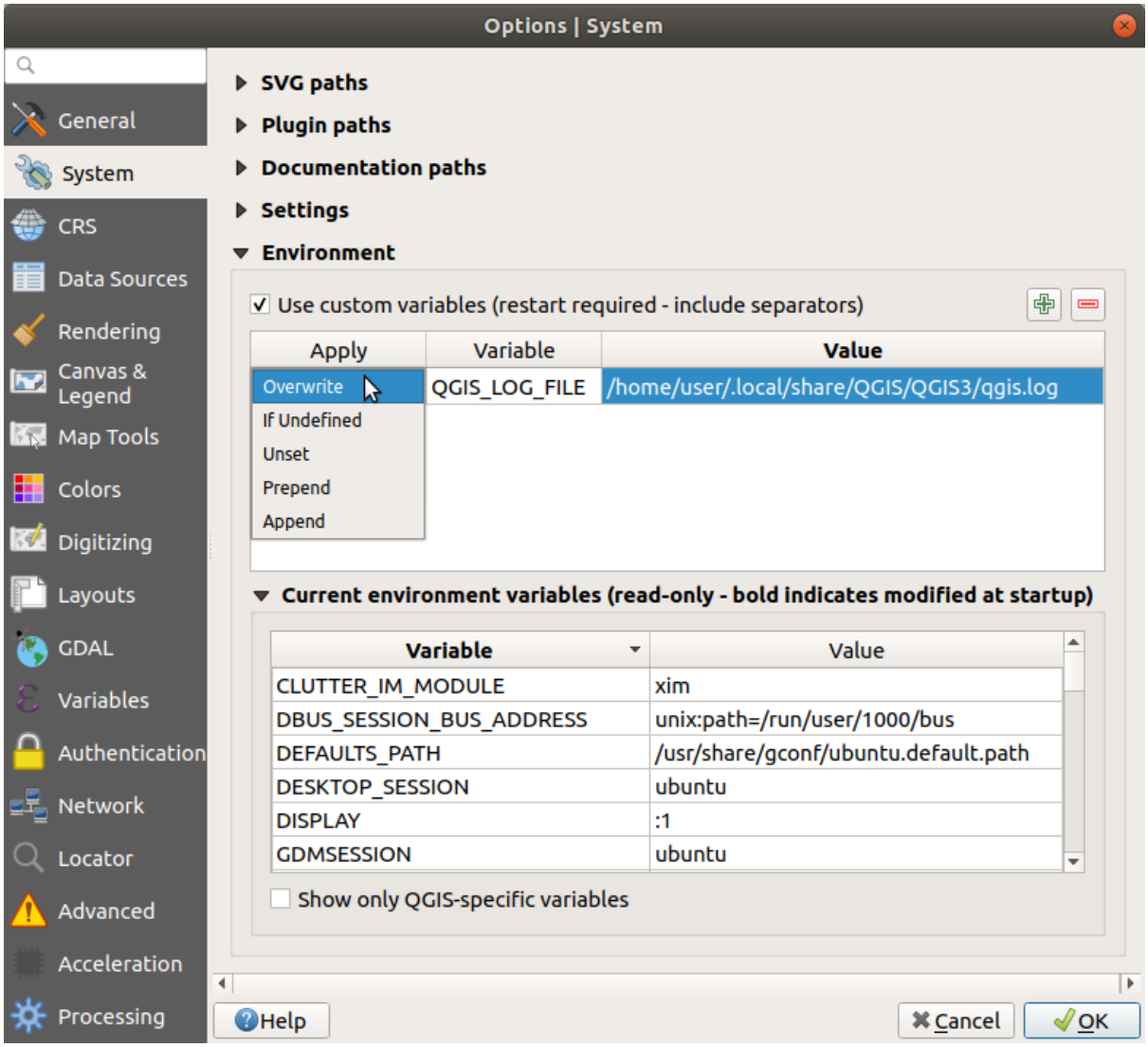


Abb. 9.2: Systemumgebungsvariablen in QGIS

System environment variables can be viewed, and many configured, in the **Environment** group. This is useful for platforms, such as Mac, where a GUI application does not necessarily inherit the user's shell environment. It's also useful for setting and viewing environment variables for the external tool sets controlled by the Processing toolbox (e.g., SAGA, GRASS), and for turning on debugging output for specific sections of the source code.

☑ *Use custom variables (restart required - include separators)*. You can *Add* and *Remove* variables. Already defined environment variables are displayed in *Current environment variables*, and it's possible to filter them by activating ☑ *Show only QGIS-specific variables*.

9.1.3 CRS Settings

Bemerkung: For more information on how QGIS handles layer projection, please read the dedicated section at *Arbeiten mit Projektionen*.

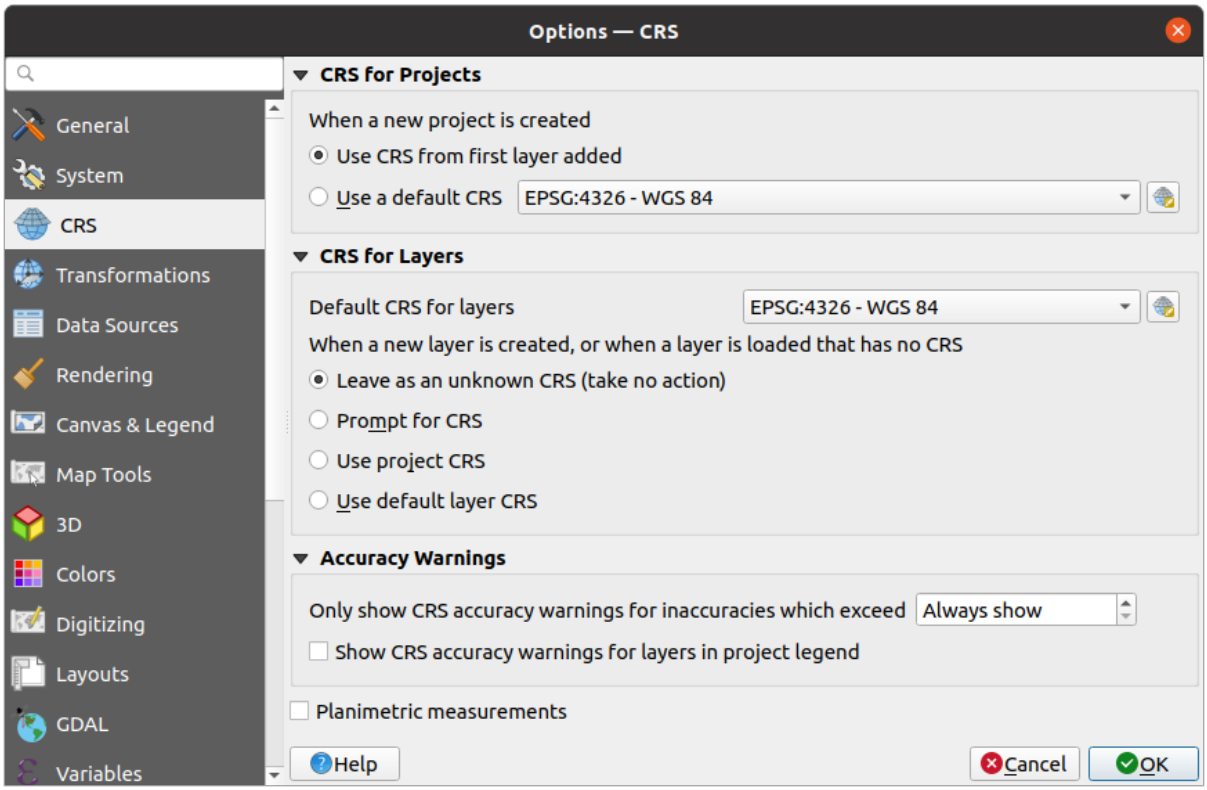


Abb. 9.3: CRS Settings in QGIS

CRS for projects

There is an option to automatically set new project's CRS:

- *Use CRS from first layer added*: the CRS of the project will be set to the CRS of the first layer loaded into it
- *Use a default CRS*: a preselected CRS is applied by default to any new project and is left unchanged when adding layers to the project.

The choice will be saved for use in subsequent QGIS sessions. The Coordinate Reference System of the project can still be overridden from the *Project* ► *Properties…* ► *CRS* tab.

CRS for layers

Default CRS for layers: select a default CRS to use when you create a layer

You can also define the action to take when a new layer is created, or when a layer without a CRS is loaded.

- *Leave as unknown CRS (take no action)*
- *Prompt for CRS*
- *Use project CRS*
- *Use a default CRS*

Accuracy warnings

Only show warnings for CRS inaccuracies which exceed a given distance: occurs when you are explicitly creating or modifying a dataset and select a CRS based on a datum ensemble with lower accuracy. The default is to `Always show` the warning if any inaccuracy. Requires a QGIS version using at least PROJ 8.0.

Show warning for CRS inaccuracies for layers in project legend: If checked, any layer with a CRS with accuracy issues (i.e. a dynamic crs with no coordinate epoch available, or a CRS based on a datum ensemble with inherent inaccuracy exceeding the user-set limit) will have the warning icon in the *Layers* panel reflecting that it is a low-accuracy layer.

This is designed for use in engineering, BIM, asset management, and other fields where inaccuracies of meter/submeter level are potentially very dangerous or expensive!

Planimetric measurements: sets the default for the „planimetric measurements“ property for newly created projects.

9.1.4 Transformations Settings

The *Transformations* tab helps you set coordinate transformations and operations to apply when loading a layer to a project or reprojecting a layer.

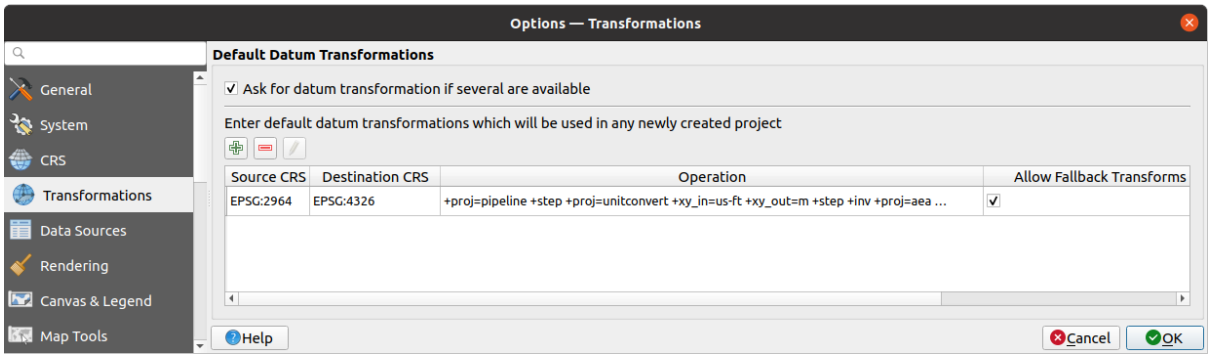


Abb. 9.4: Transformations Settings

Datumtransformationsvorgaben

In this group, you can control whether reprojecting layers to another CRS should be:

- automatically processed using QGIS default transformations settings;
- and/or more controlled by you with custom preferences such as:
  - *Ask for datum transformation if several are available*
  - a predefined list of datum transformations to apply by default. See *Datum Transformations* for more details.

9.1.5 Data Sources Settings

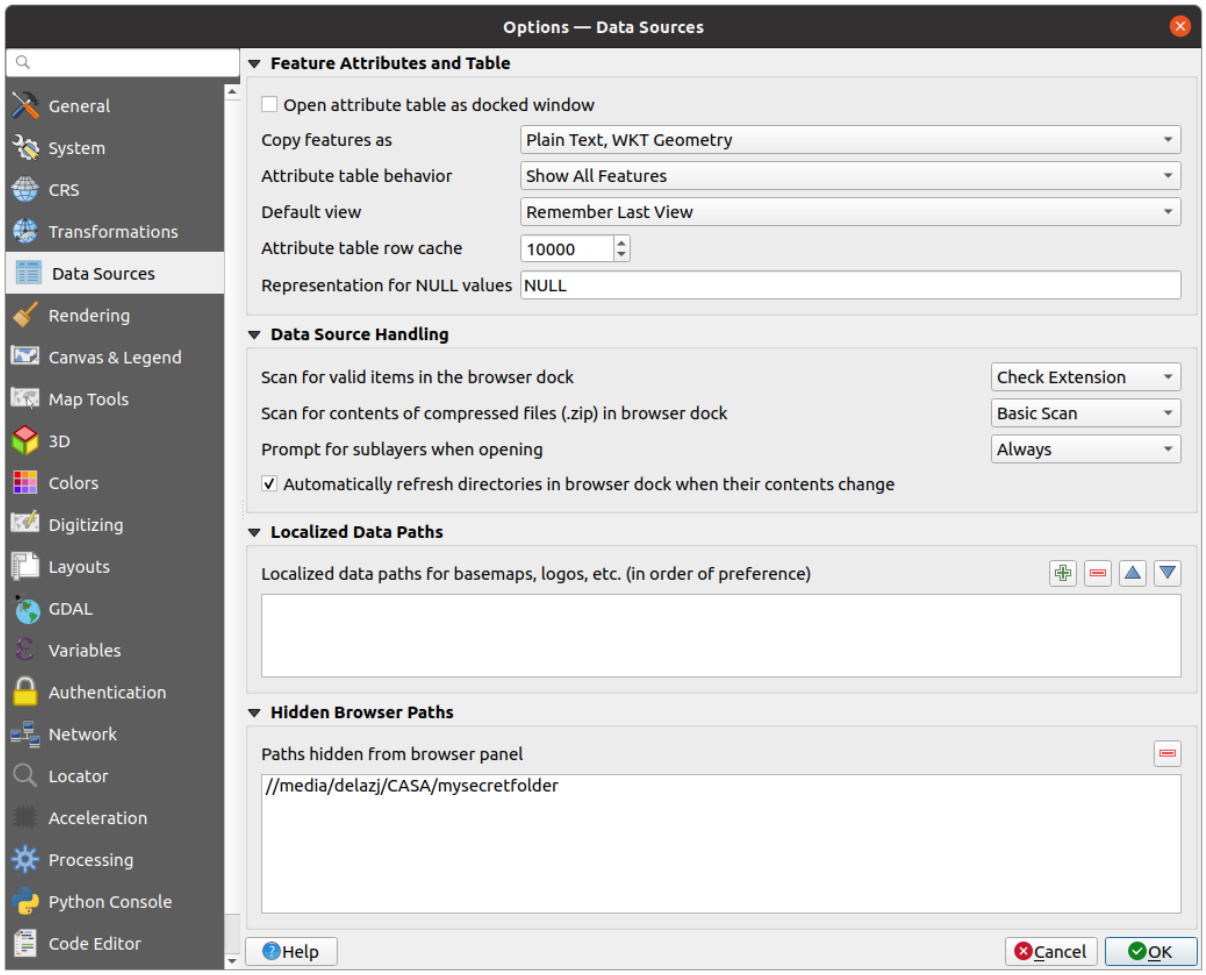


Abb. 9.5: Data Sources Settings in QGIS

Objektattribute und -tabelle

- *Open new attribute tables as docked windows*
- *Copy features as* ‚Plain text, no geometry', ‚Plain text, WKT geometry', or ‚GeoJSON' when pasting features in other applications.
- *Attribute table behavior* : set filter on the attribute table at the opening. There are three possibilities: ‚Show all features', ‚Show selected features' and ‚Show features visible on map'.
- *Default view*: define the view mode of the attribute table at every opening. It can be ‚Remember last view', ‚Table view' or ‚Form view'.
- *Attributtabellenzeilencache* 1,00 . Dieser Zeilencache erlaubt es, die N zuletzt geladenen Attributzeilen im Cache zu speichern. Dadurch wird das Arbeiten mit der Attributtabelle schneller. Der Cache wird wieder gelöscht, wenn man die Attributtabelle schliesst.
- *Repräsentation für NULL-Werte*. Hier können Sie einen Wert für Datenfelder die einen NULL-Wert enthalten festlegen.

Tipp: Improve opening of big data attribute table

When working with layers with big amount of records, opening the attribute table may be slow as the dialog request all the rows in the layer. Setting the *Attribute table behavior* to **Show features visible on map** will make QGIS request

only the features in the current map canvas when opening the table, allowing a quick data loading.

Note that data in this attribute table instance will be always tied to the canvas extent it was opened with, meaning that selecting **Show All Features** within such a table will not display new features. You can however update the set of displayed features by changing the canvas extent and selecting **Show Features Visible On Map** option in the attribute table.

Datenquellenbehandlung

- *Nach gültigen Element im Browser suchen*  . Sie können zwischen ‚Erweiterung prüfen' und ‚Dateiinhalt prüfen' wählen.
- *Scan for contents of compressed files (.zip) in browser dock*  defines how detailed is the widget information at the bottom of the Browser panel when querying such files. ‚No', ‚Basic scan' and ‚Full scan' are possible options.
- *Beim Öffnen nach Rasterunterlayern fragen*. Einige Rasterformate unterstützen Unterlayer - sie werden Subdataset in GDAL genannt. Ein Beispiel sind netCDF-Dateien - wenn es viele netCDF-Variablen gibt interpretiert GDAL jede Variable als Subdataset. Die Option ermöglicht es Ihnen zu steuern wie mit Unterlayern umgegangen wird wenn eine Datei mit Unterlayern geöffnet wird. Sie haben die folgenden Wahlmöglichkeiten:
  - ‚Immer': Immer fragen (ob es Unterlayer gibt)
  - ‚Wenn nötig': Fragen ob Layer keine Bänder aber Unterlayer hat
  - ‚Nie': Nie fragen, lädt dann nichts
  - ‚Alle laden': Nie auffordern aber alle Unterlayer laden
-  *Automatically refresh directories in browser dock when their contents change*: Allows you to manually opt-out of monitoring directories in the *Browser* panel by default (eg, to avoid potential slow down due to network latency).

Localized data paths

It is possible to use localized paths for any kind of file based data source. They are a list of paths which are used to abstract the data source location. For instance, if `C:\my_maps` is listed in the localized paths, a layer having `C:\my_maps\my_country\ortho.tif` as data source will be saved in the project using `localized:my_country\ortho.tif`.

The paths are listed by order of preference, in other words QGIS will first look for the file in the first path, then in the second one, etc.

Hidden browser paths

This widget lists all the folders you chose to hide from the *Browser panel*. Removing a folder from the list will make it available in the *Browser* panel.

9.1.6 Rendering Settings

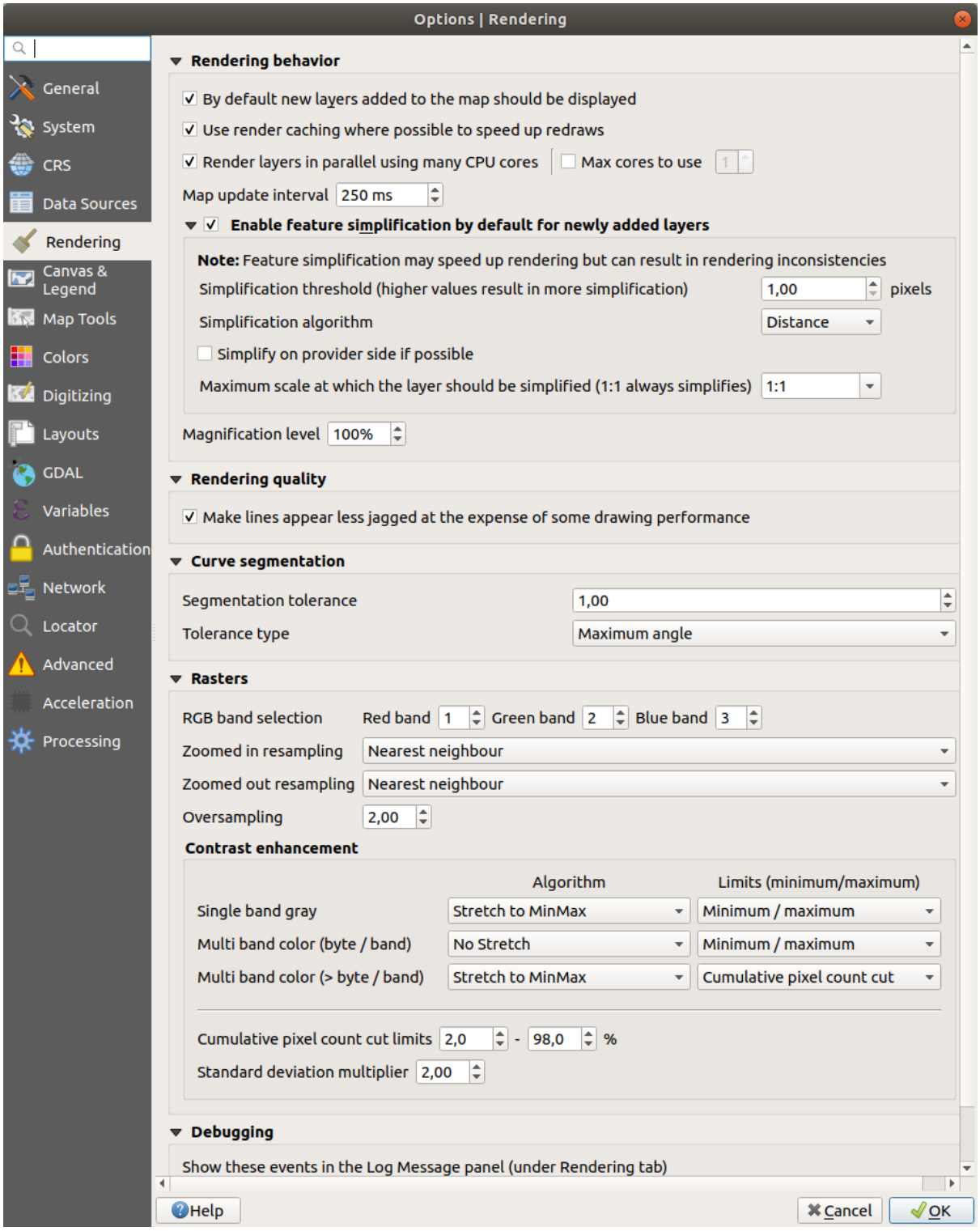


Abb. 9.6: Rendering tab of Project Properties dialog

Zeichenverhalten

- *By default new layers added to the map should be displayed*: unchecking this option can be handy when loading multiple layers to avoid each new layer being rendered in the canvas and slow down the process

- *Wo möglich den Darstellungscache benutzen, um das Neuzeichnen zu beschleunigen*
- *Layer mit vielen CPU-Kernen parallel zeichnen*
- *Max. zu benutzende Kerne*
- *Kartenaktualisierungsintervall*
- *Geometrievereinfachung für neue Layer voreinstellen*
- *Vereinfachungsschwelle*
- *Simplification algorithm*: This option performs a local „on-the-fly“ simplification on feature's and speeds up geometry rendering. It doesn't change the geometry fetched from the data providers. This is important when you have expressions that use the feature geometry (e.g. calculation of area) - it ensures that these calculations are done on the original geometry, not on the simplified one. For this purpose, QGIS provides three algorithms: ‚Distance' (default), ‚SnapToGrid' and ‚Visvalingam'.
- *Simplify on provider side if possible*: the geometries are simplified by the provider (PostGIS, Oracle…) and unlike the local-side simplification, geometry-based calculations may be affected
- *Größter Maßstab bis zu dem der Layer vereinfacht werden soll*
- *Magnification level* (see the *magnifier*)

Bemerkung: Besides the global setting, feature simplification can be set for any specific layer from its *Layer properties* ► *Rendering* menu.

Zeichenqualität

- *Linie auf Kosten der Zeichengeschwindigkeit weniger gezackt zeichnen*

Curve segmentation

- *Segmentation tolerance*: this setting controls the way circular arcs are rendered. **The smaller** maximum angle (between the two consecutive vertices and the curve center, in degrees) or maximum difference (distance between the segment of the two vertices and the curve line, in map units), the **more straight line** segments will be used during rendering.
- *Tolerance type*: it can be *Maximum angle* or *Maximum difference* between approximation and curve.

Raster

- Mit *RGB Kanalauswahl* können Sie Nummer für den Roten Kanal, Grünen Kanal und Blauen Kanal festlegen.
- The *Zoomed in resampling* and the *Zoomed out resampling* methods can be defined. For *Zoomed in resampling* you can choose between three resampling methods: ‚Nearest Neighbour', ‚Bilinear' and ‚Cubic'. For *Zoomed out resampling* you can choose between ‚Nearest Neighbour' and ‚Average'. You can also set the *Oversampling* value (between 0.0 and 99.99 - a large value means more work for QGIS - the default value is 2.0).

Kontrasverbesserung

Contrast enhancement options can be applied to *Single band gray*, *Multi band color (byte/band)* or *Multi band color (>byte/band)*. For each, you can set:

- the *Algorithm* to use, whose values can be ‚No stretch', ‚Stretch to MinMax', ‚Stretch and Clip to MinMax' or ‚Clip to MinMax'
- the *Limits (minimum/maximum)* to apply, with values such as ‚Cumulative pixel count cut', ‚Minimum/Maximum', ‚Mean +/- standard deviation'.

For rasters rendering, you can also define the following options:

- *Kommulative Pixelanzahl-Schnittgrenzen*
- *Standardabweichungsfaktor*

Fehlersuche

- *Map canvas refresh* to debug rendering duration in the *Log Messages* panel.

9.1.7 Canvas and Legend Settings

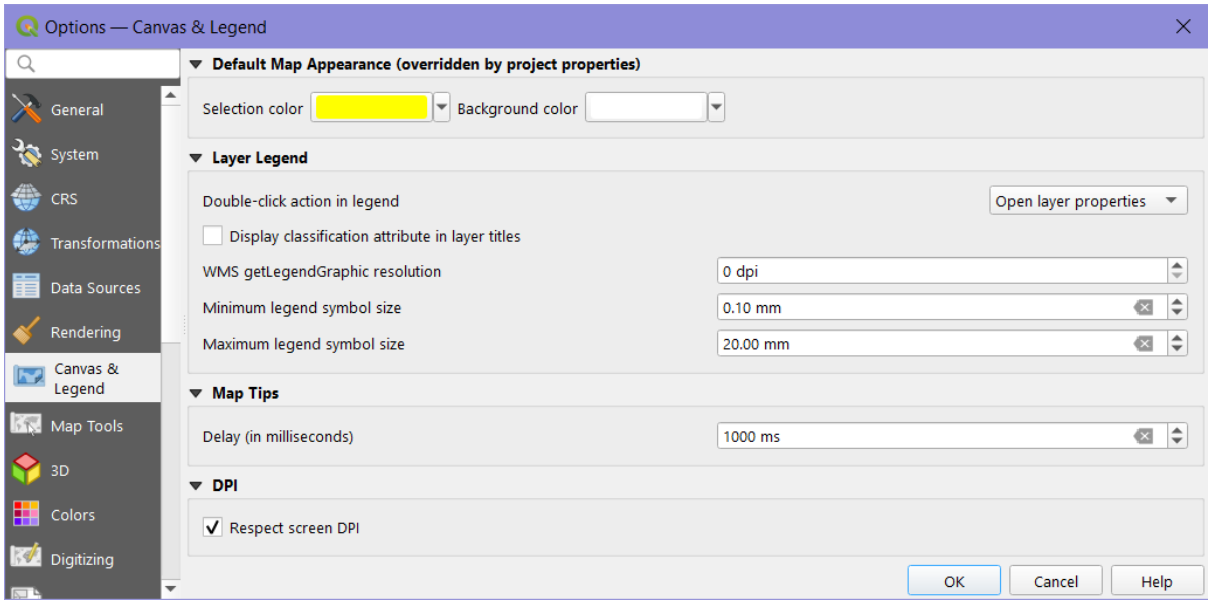


Abb. 9.7: Canvas and Legend Settings

These properties let you set:

- the **Default map appearance (overridden by project properties)**: the *Selection color* and *Background color*.
- **Layer legend** interaction:
  - *Double click action in legend* . You can either ‚Open layer properties', ‚Open attribute table' or ‚Open layer styling dock' with the double click.
  - *Display classification attribute names* in the Layers panel, e.g. when applying a categorized or rule-based renderer (see *Symbology Properties* for more information).
  - the *WMS getLegendGraphic Resolution*
  - *Minimum* and *Maximum legend symbol size* to control symbol size display in the *Layers* panel
- the *Delay* in milliseconds of layers *map tips* display
- Whether QGIS should *Respect screen DPI*: If enabled, QGIS will attempt to display the canvas with physically accurate scale on screen, depending on the monitor's physical DPI. Symbology with specified display size will also be rendered accurately, e.g. a 10mm symbol will show as 10mm on screen. However, label font sizes on canvas may differ from those in QGIS' UI or other applications. If this setting is turned off, QGIS will use the operating system's logical DPI, which will be consistent with other applications on the system. However, canvas scale and symbology size may be physically inaccurate on screen. In particular, on high-dpi screens, symbology is likely to appear too small.

  For best experience, it is recommended to enable *Respect screen DPI*, especially when using multiple or different monitors and preparing visually high-quality maps. Disabling *Respect screen DPI* will generate output that may be more suitable for mapping intended for on-screen use only, especially where font sizes should match other applications.

Bemerkung: Rendering in layouts is not affected by the *Respect screen DPI* setting; it always respects the specified DPI for the target output device. Also note that this setting uses the physical screen DPI as reported by the operating system, which may not be accurate for all displays.

9.1.8 Map tools Settings

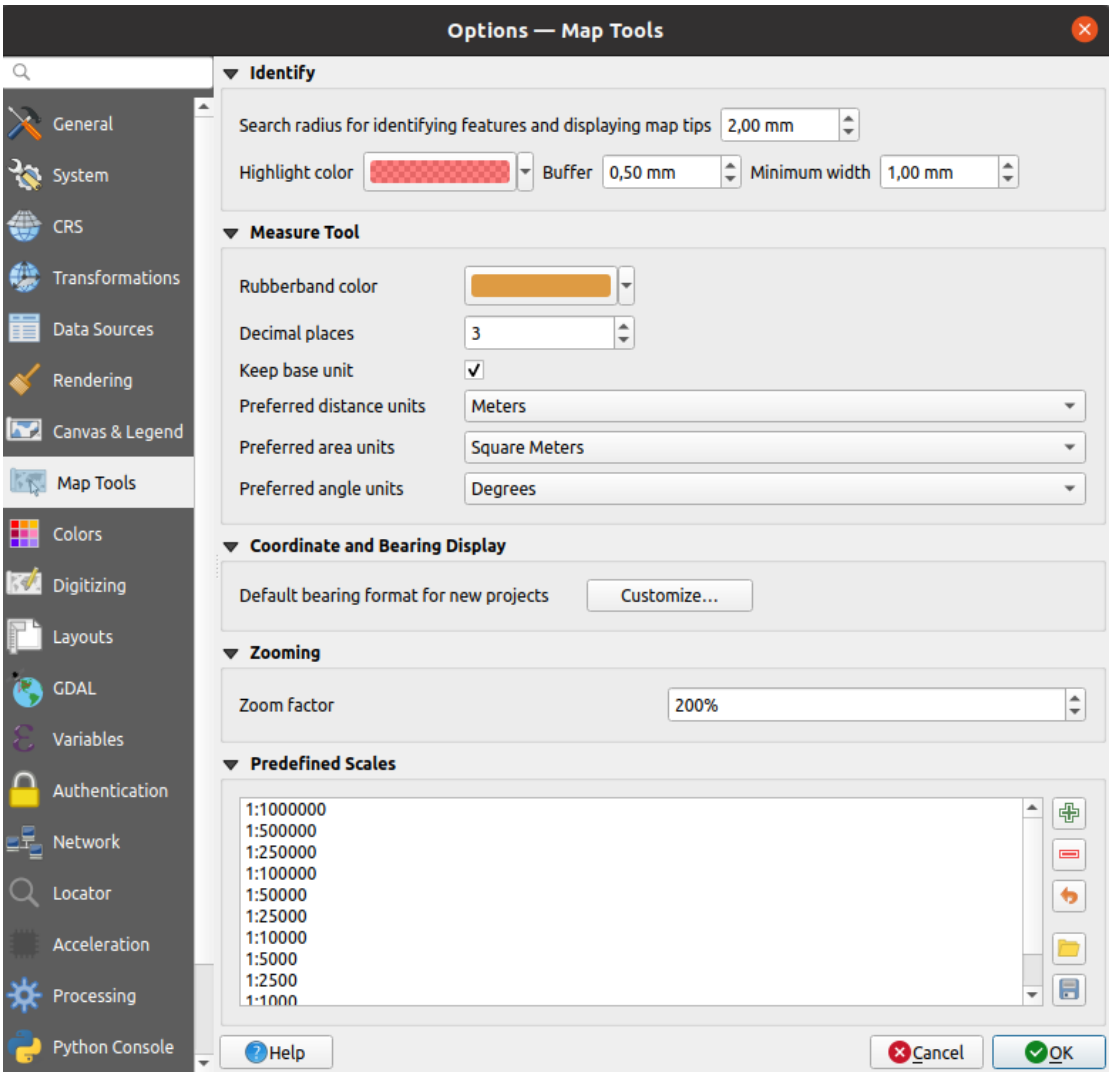


Abb. 9.8: Map tools Settings in QGIS

This tab offers some options regarding the behavior of the *Identify tool*.

- *Search radius for identifying features and displaying map tips* is a tolerance distance within which the identify tool will depict results as long as you click within this tolerance.
- *Highlight color* allows you to choose with which color features being identified should be highlighted.
- *Puffer*, legt eine Pufferdistanz, die durch die Umrisslinie der Hervorhebung dargestellt wird, fest.
- *Minimalbreite*, legt fest wie dick die Umrisslinie eines hervorgehobenen Objektes sein soll.

Messwerkzeug

- Definieren Sie *Gummibandfarbe* für das Messwerkzeug

- Definieren Sie *Dezimalstellen*
- *Keep base unit* nicht automatisch große Zahle umzuwandeln (z. B. Meter zu Kilometer)
- *Preferred distance units*: options are ‚Meters', ‚Kilometers', ‚Feet', ‚Yards', ‚Miles', ‚Nautical Miles', ‚Centimeters', ‚Millimeters', ‚Degrees' or ‚Map Units'
- *Preferred area units*: options are ‚Square meters', ‚Square kilometers', ‚Square feet', ‚Square yards', ‚Square miles', ‚Hectares', ‚Acres', ‚Square nautical miles', ‚Square centimeters', ‚Square millimeters', ‚Square degrees' or ‚Map Units'
- *Preferred angle units*: options are ‚Degrees', ‚Radians', ‚Gon/gradians', ‚Minutes of arc', ‚Seconds of arc', ‚Turns/revolutions', milliradians (SI definition) or mil (NATO/military definition)

Coordinate and Bearing Display

- Define *Default bearing format for new projects*: used to display the mouse coordinate in the status bar when panning the map canvas. It can be overridden in the project properties dialog.

Verschieben und Zoomen

- Define a *Zoom factor* for zoom tools or wheel mouse

Vordefinierte Maßstäbe

Here, you find a list of predefined scales to display in the status bar *Scale* drop-down widget, for quick zoom. With the and buttons you can add or remove your personal scales. You can also import or export scales from/to a `.XML` file. Note that you still have the possibility to remove your changes and reset to the predefined list.

9.1.9 3D Settings

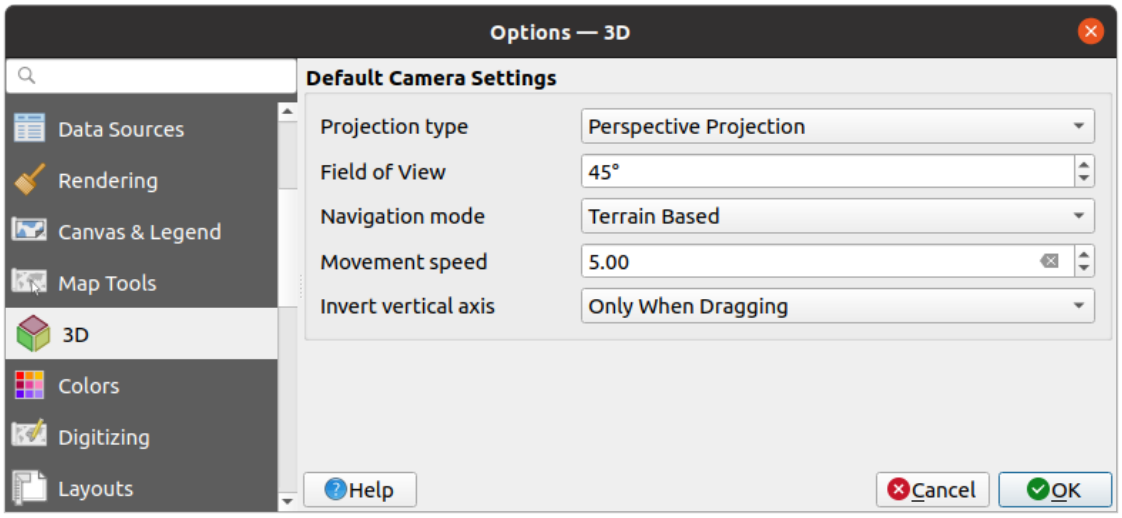


Abb. 9.9: 3D Settings

The *3D* menu helps you configure some default settings to use for any *3D Map view*. These can refer to *Default Camera Settings*:

- *Projection type*: allowing to view the 3D scene in a:
  - *Perspective projection* (default): Parallel lines appear to meet in the distance. Objects appear to shrink the farther they are from the camera.
  - or an *Orthogonal projection*: Parallel lines appear parallel. Objects appear the same size regardless of distance.

- Camera's *Field of view*: only relevant in perspective projection, specifies the current vertical field of view in degrees and determines how much of the scene is visible to the camera. Default value is 45°.
- *Navigation mode*: provides different means to interact with the 3D scene. Available modes are:
  - *Terrain based*: the camera follows around a fixed position on the surface of the terrain as the scene is navigated.
  - *Walk mode (first person)*

  Depending on the selected mode, *navigation commands* differ.
- *Movement speed*
- *Invert vertical axis*: Controls whether vertical axis movements should be inverted from their normal behaviour. Only affects movement in the *Walk mode*. It can be set to:
  - *Never*
  - *Only when dragging*: causes the vertical motion to inverted only when performing a click-and-drag camera rotation
  - and *Always*: causes the motions to be inverted when both click-and-dragging and when the camera movement is locked to the cursor (via a ~ key press)

9.1.10 Colors Settings

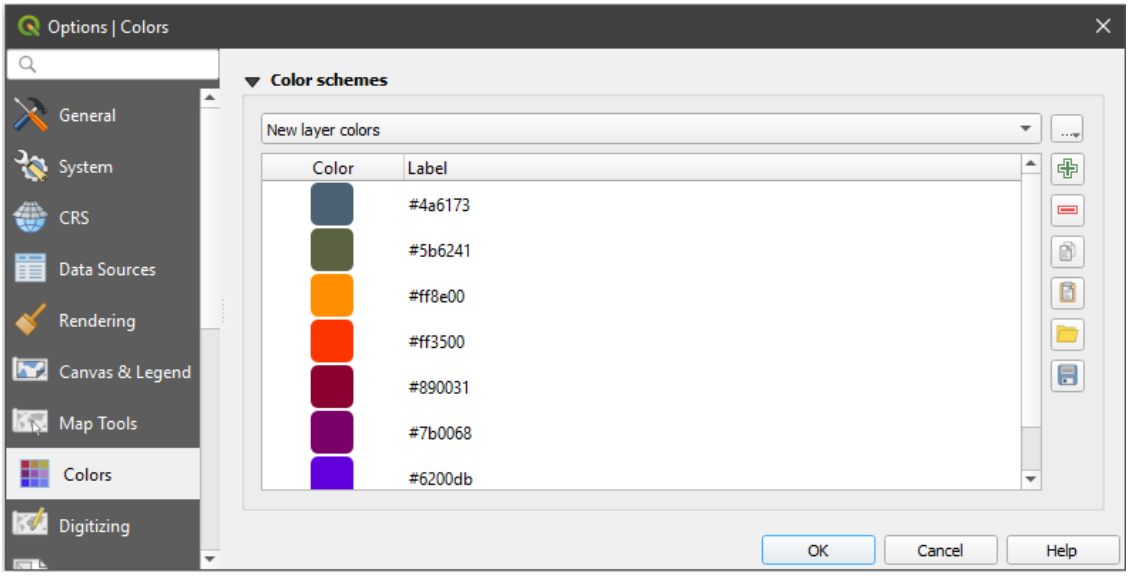


Abb. 9.10: Colors Settings

This menu allows you to create or update palettes of colors used throughout the application in the *color selector widget*. You can choose from:

- *Recent colors* showing recently used colors
- *Standard colors*, the default palette of colors
- *Project colors*, a set of colors specific to the current project (see *Default Styles Properties* for more details)
- *New layer colors*, a set of colors to use by default when new layers are added to QGIS
- or custom palette(s) you can create or import using the … button next to the palette combobox.

By default, *Recent colors*, *Standard colors* and *Project colors* palettes can not be removed and are set to appear in the color button drop-down. Custom palettes can also be added to this widget thanks to the *Show in Color Buttons* option.

For any of the palettes, you can manage the list of colors using the set of tools next to the frame, ie:

- *Add* or *Remove* color
- *Copy* or *Paste* color
- *Import* or *Export* the set of colors from/to `.gpl` file.

Double-click a color in the list to tweak or replace it in the *Color Selector* dialog. You can also rename it by double-clicking in the *Label* column.

9.1.11 Digitizing Settings

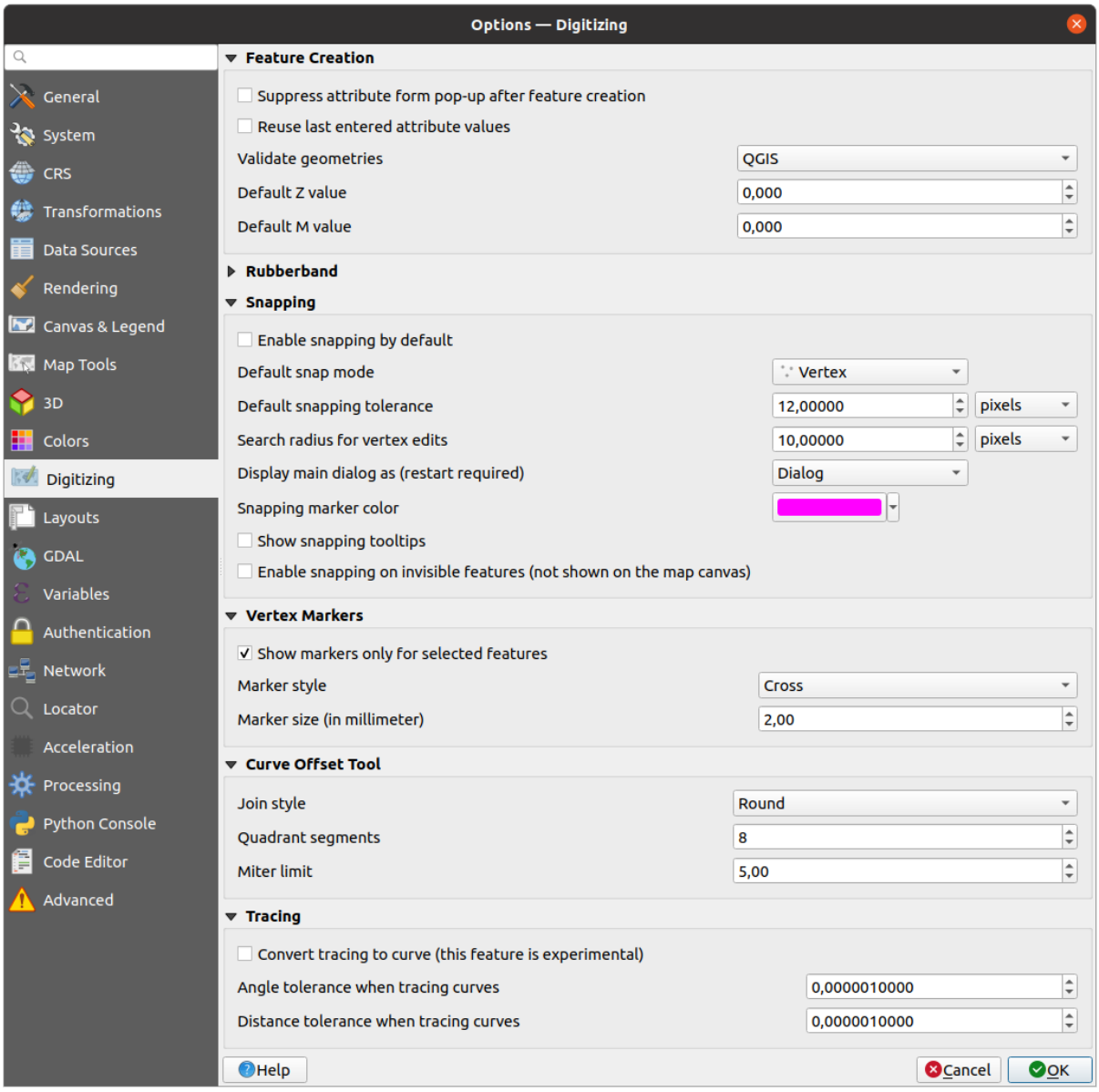


Abb. 9.11: Digitizing Settings in QGIS

This tab helps you configure general settings when *editing vector layer* (attributes and geometry).

Objekterzeugung

- *Suppress attribute form pop-up after feature creation*: this choice can be overridden in each layer properties dialog.
- *Reuse last entered attribute values*: remember the last used value of every attribute and use it as default for the next feature being digitized. Works per layer. This behavior can also be controled on a per-field basis (see *Configure the field behavior*).
- *Geometrien prüfen*. Das Bearbeiten komplexer Linien/Polygone mit vielen Stützpunkten kann zu einer erheblichen Verlangsamung der Darstellung führen. Das liegt an den Standard-Validierungsverfahren, die viel Zeit benötigen. Um die Darstellung zu beschleunigen ist es möglich die Geometrieüberprüfung von GEOS (von GEOS 3.3.an) zu wählen oder die Validierung ganz auszuschalten. Die GEOS Geometrieüberprüfung ist viel schneller, aber der Nachteil ist dass nur das erste Geometrieproblem gemeldet wird.

  Note that depending on the selection, reports of geometry errors may differ (see *Types of error messages and their meanings*)
- *Default Z value* to use when creating new 3D features.

Gummiband

- Define Rubberband *Line width*, *Line color* and *Fill color*.
- *Don't update rubberband during vertex editing*.

Objektfang

- *Enable snapping by default* activates snapping when a project is opened
- Define *Default snap mode* (‚Vertex', ‚Segment', ‚Centroid', ‚Middle of segments', Line endpoints', ‚Area')
- Definieren Sie die *Voreingestellte Fangtoleranz* in Karteneinheiten oder Pixeln
- Definieren Sie den *Suchradius für die Stützpunktbearbeitung* in Karteneinheiten oder Pixeln.
- *Display main dialog as (restart required)*: set whether the Advanced Snapping dialog should be shown as ‚Dialog' or ‚Dock'.
- *Snapping marker color*
- *Show snapping tooltips* such as name of the layer whose feature you are about to snap. Helpful when multiple features overlap.
- *Enable snapping on invisible features (not shown on the map canvas)*

Stützpunktmarken

- *Markierungen nur für gewählte Objekte anzeigen*
- Legen Sie für die Stützpunktmarken den *Markierungsstil* (‚Kreuz' (standard), ‚Teiltransparenter Kreis' oder ‚Keine') fest
- Define vertex *Marker size (in millimeter)*

Werkzeug zum Linien versetzen

Die nächsten 3 Optionen beziehen sich auf das Linie versetzen Werkzeug in *Erweiterte Digitalisierung*. Durch die verschiedenen Einstellungen ist es möglich die Form des Linienversatzes zu beeinflussen. Diese Optionen sind von GEOS 3.3 an möglich.

- *Join style*: ‚Round', ‚Mitre' or ‚Bevel'
- *Quadrantensegmente*
- *Eckengrenze*

Tracing

By activating the *Convert tracing to curve* you can create curve segments while digitizing. Keep in mind that your data provider must support this feature.

9.1.12 Layouts Settings

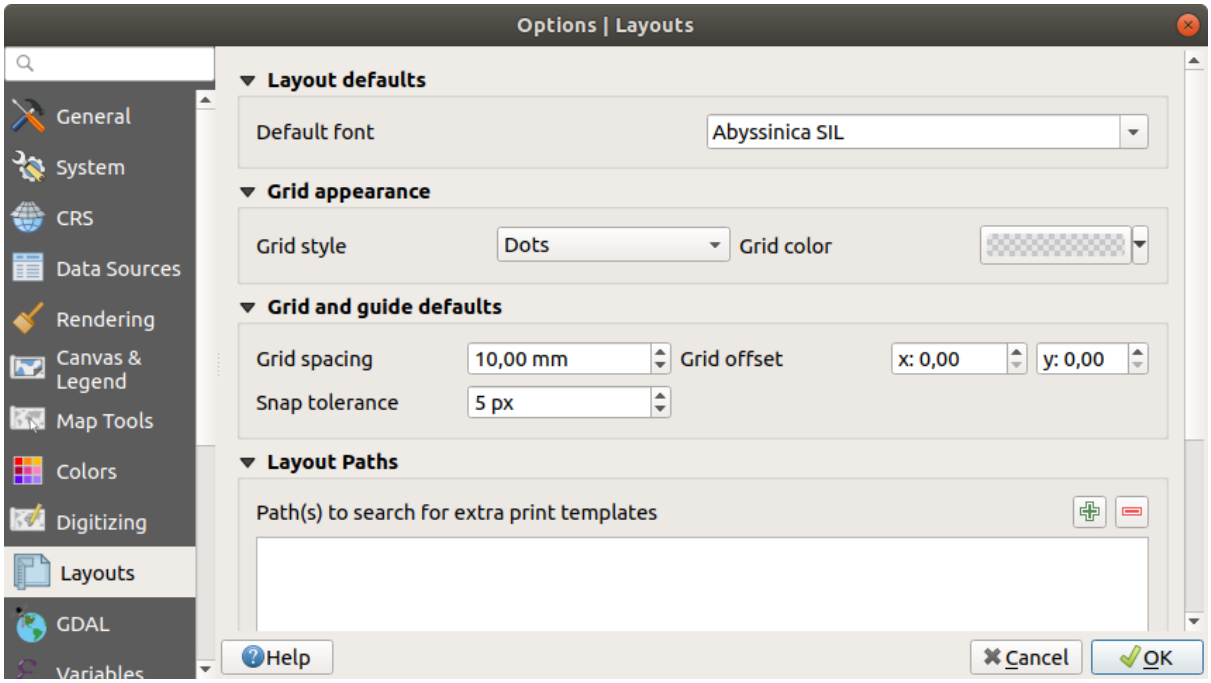


Abb. 9.12: Layouts Settings in QGIS

Zusammenstellungsvoreinstellungen

You can define the *Default font* used within the *print layout*.

Gitterdarstellung

- Definieren Sie den *Gitterstil* (‚Ausgefüllt', ‚Punkte', ‚Kreuze')
- Definieren Sie *Gitterfarbe*

Gitter- und Führungsvoreinstellungen

- Definieren Sie *Zwischenräume* 1,00
- Define the *Grid offset* 1,00 for X and Y
- Legen Sie die *Fangtoleranz* 1,00 fest

Layout Paths

- Define *Path(s) to search for extra print templates*: a list of folders with custom layout templates to use while creating new one.

9.1.13 GDAL Settings

GDAL is a data exchange library for geospatial data that supports a large number of vector and raster formats. It provides drivers to read and (often) write data in these formats. The *GDAL* tab exposes the drivers for raster and vector formats with their capabilities.

GDAL raster and vector drivers

The *Raster Drivers* and *Vector Drivers* tabs allow you to define which GDAL driver is enabled to read and/or write files, as in some cases more than one GDAL driver is available.

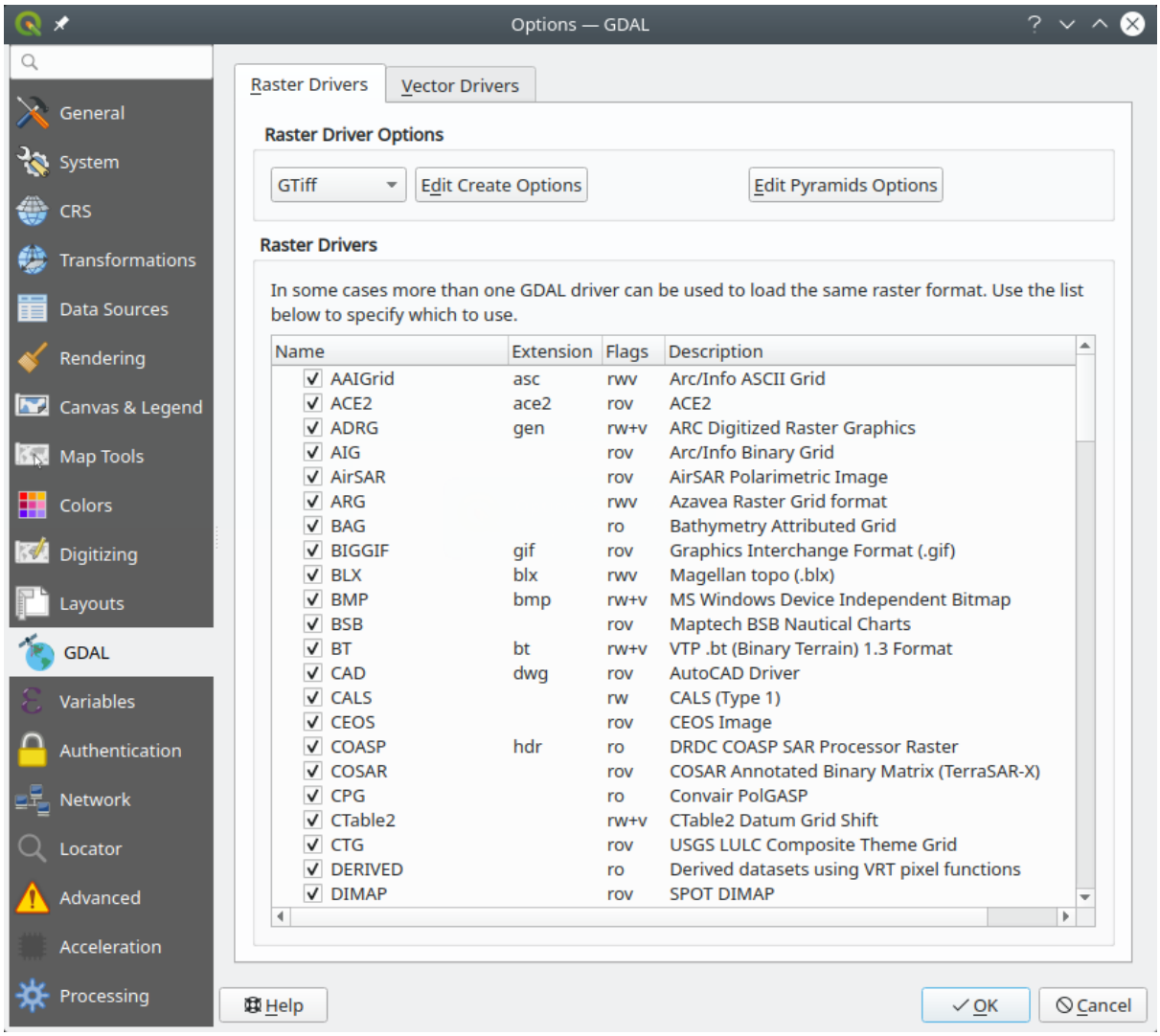


Abb. 9.13: GDAL Settings in QGIS - Raster drivers

Tipp: Double-click a raster driver that allows read and write access (`rw+(v)`) opens the *Edit Create options* dialog for customization.

Raster driver options

This frame provides ways to customize the behavior of raster drivers that support read and write access:

- *Edit create options*: allows you to edit or add different profiles of file transformation, i.e. a set of predefined combinations of parameters (type and level of compression, blocks size, overview, colorimetry, alpha…) to use when outputting raster files. The parameters depend on the driver.

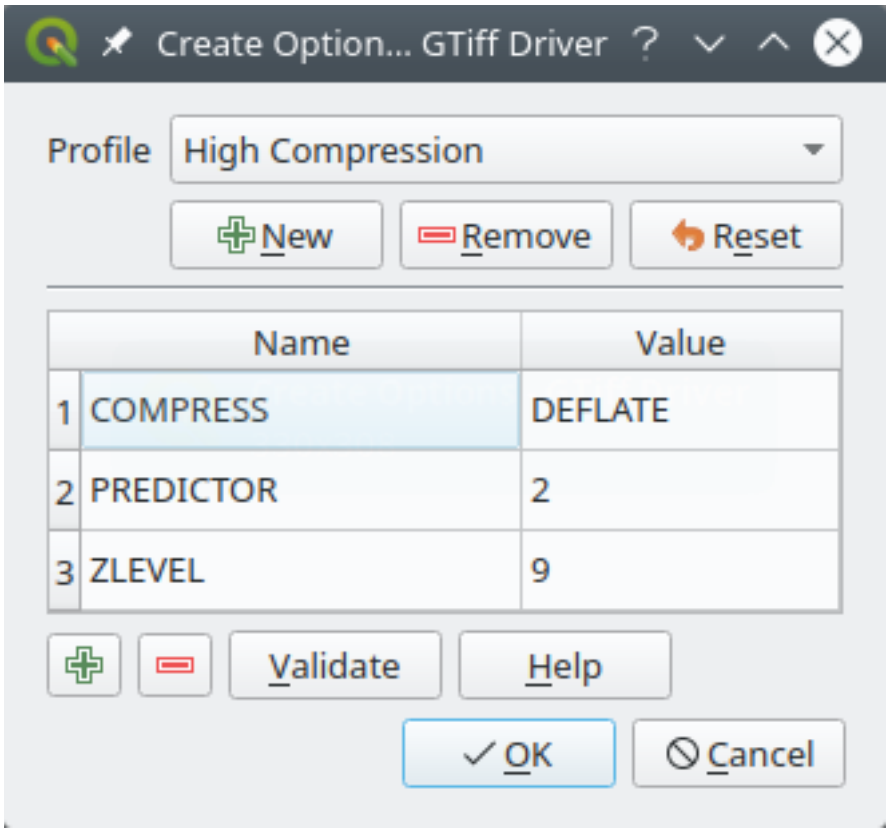


Abb. 9.14: Sample of create options profile (for GeoTiff)

The upper part of the dialog lists the current profile(s) and allows you to add new ones or remove any of them. You can also reset the profile to its default parameters if you have changed them. Some drivers (eg, GeoTiff) have some sample of profiles you can work with.

At the bottom of the dialog:

  - The button lets you add rows to fill with the parameter name and value
  - The button deletes the selected parameter
  - Click the *Validate* button to check that the creation options entered for the given format are valid
  - Use the *Help* button to find the parameters to use, or refer to the GDAL raster drivers documentation.

- *Edit Pyramids Options*

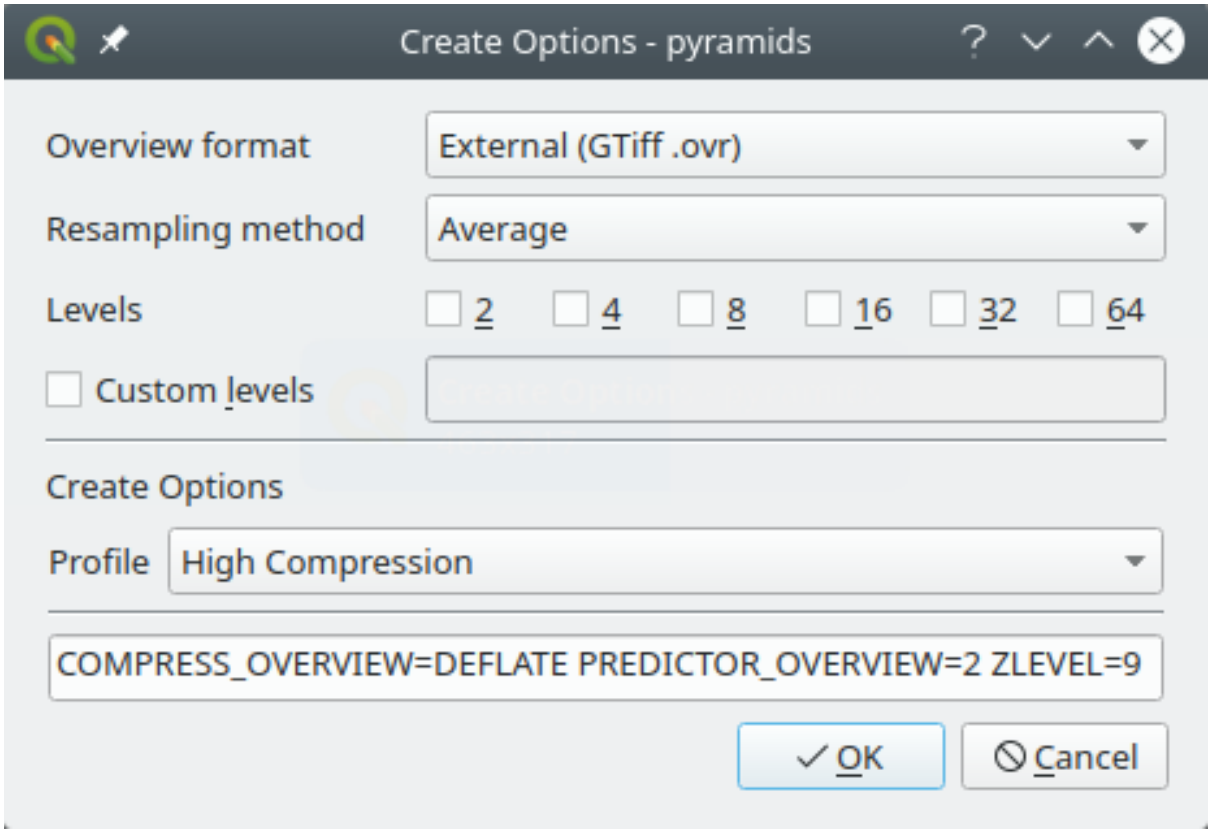


Abb. 9.15: Sample of Pyramids profile

9.1.14 Variables Settings

The *Variables* tab lists all the variables available at the global-level.

It also allows the user to manage global-level variables. Click the button to add a new custom global-level variable. Likewise, select a custom global-level variable from the list and click the button to remove it.

More information about variables in the *Storing values in Variables* section.

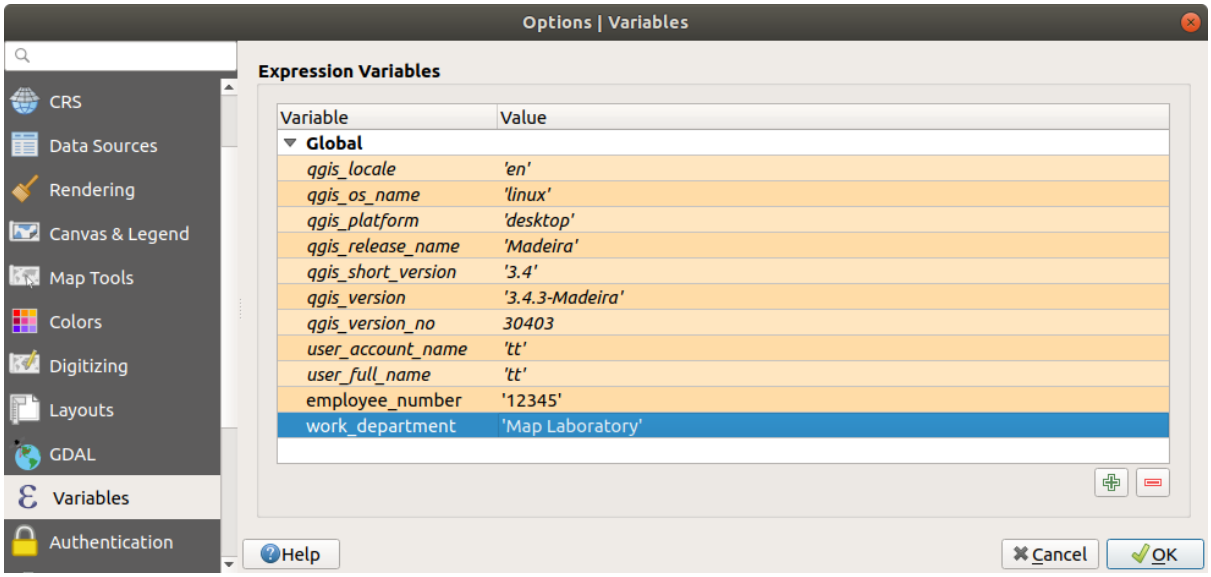


Abb. 9.16: Variables Settings in QGIS

9.1.15 Authentication Settings

In dem *Authentifikation* Reiter können Sie Authentifikationskonfigurationen vornehmen und PKI Zertifikate verwalten. Für mehr Details siehe *Authentifizierungssystem*.

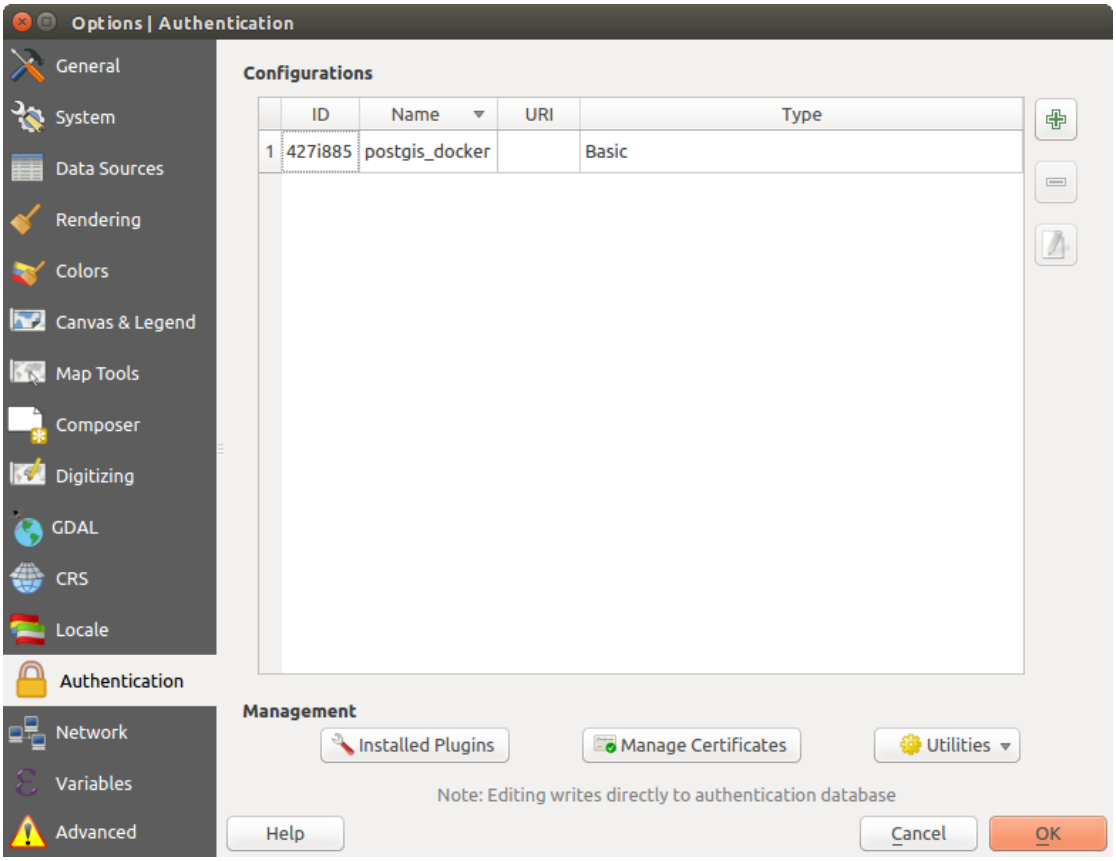


Abb. 9.17: Authentication Settings in QGIS

9.1.16 Network Settings

Allgemein

- Definieren Sie *Zeitüberschreitung für Netzwerkanfragen (ms)* - Standard ist 60000
- Define *Default expiration period for WMS Capabilities (hours)* - default is 24
- Define *Default expiration period for WMS-C/WMTS tiles (hours)* - default is 24
- Define *Max retry in case of tile or feature request errors*
- Definieren Sie *User-Agent*

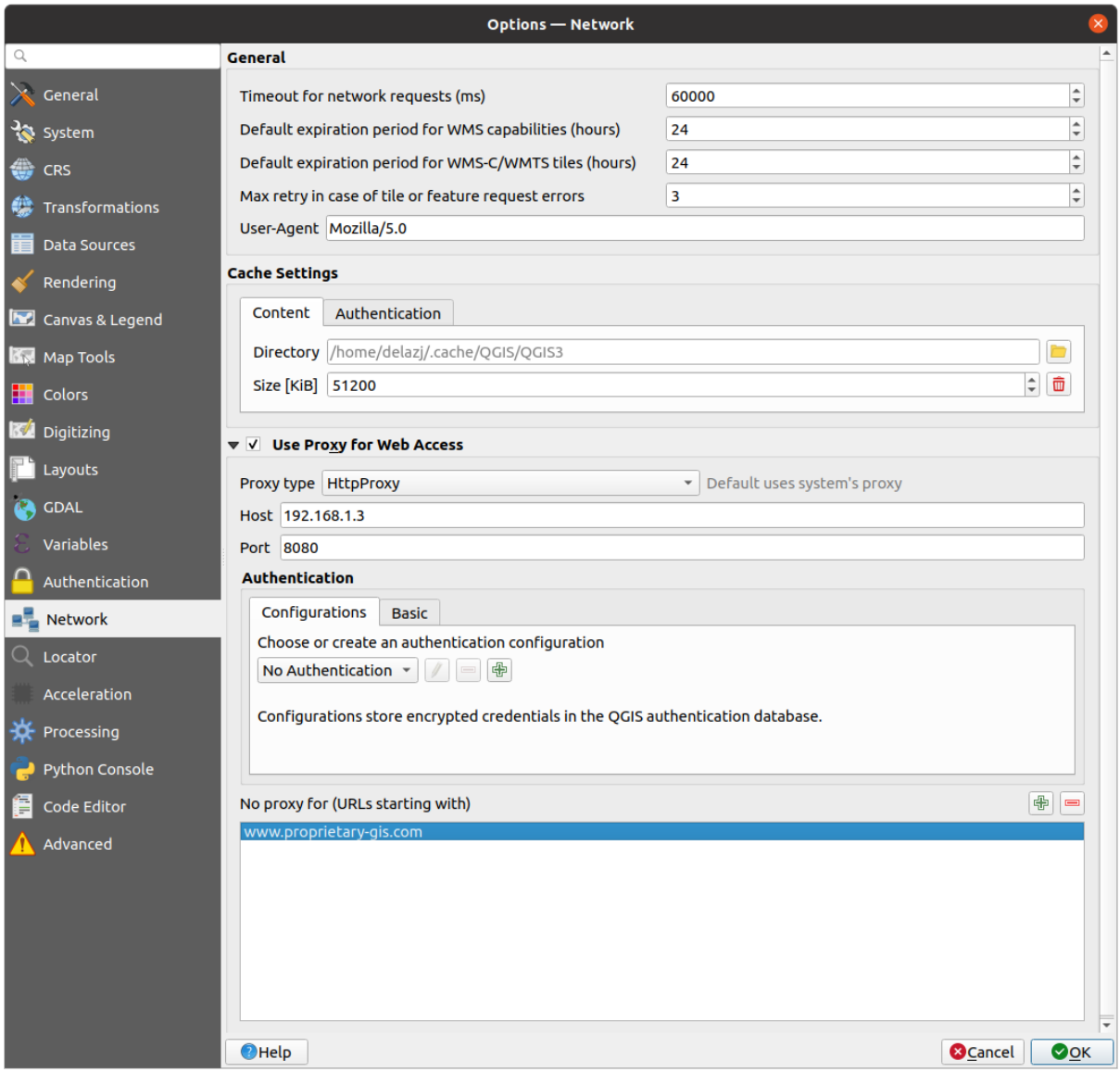


Abb. 9.18: Proxy-Einstellungen in QGIS

Cache-Einstellungen

Defines the *Directory* and a *Size* for the cache. Also offers tools to *automatically clear the connection authentication cache on SSL errors (recommended)*.

Proxy for web access

- *Use proxy for web access*

- Set the *Proxy type*  according to your needs and define ‚Host' and ‚Port'. Available proxy types are:
  - *Default Proxy*: Proxy is determined based on system's proxy
  - *Socks5Proxy* ►: Proxy für jede Art von Verbindung. Unterstützt TCP, UDP, Bindung an einen Port (eingehende Verbindungen) und Authentifizierung.
  - *HttpProxy* ►: Umgesetzt mit dem „CONNECT"-Befehl, unterstützt nur ausgehende TCP-Verbindungen und Authentifizierung.
  - *HttpCachingProxy*:Umgesetzt mit normalen HTTP Befehlen ist dies nur im Zusammenhang mit HTTP Befehlen sinnvoll einzusetzen.
  - *FtpCachingProxy*: Mit einem FTP-Proxy umgesetzt ist dies nur sinnvoll im Zusammenhang mit FTP-Anforderungen anzuwenden

Credentials of proxy are set using the *authentication widget*.

Excluding some URLs can be added to the text box below the proxy settings (see Abb. 9.18). No proxy will be used if the target url starts with one of the string listed in this text box.

If you need more detailed information about the different proxy settings, please refer to the manual of the underlying QT library documentation at https://doc.qt.io/archives/qt-5.9/qnetworkproxy.html#ProxyType-enum

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Tipp: Proxy richtig anwenden

Using proxies can sometimes be tricky. It is useful to proceed by ‚trial and error' with the above proxy types, to check if they succeed in your case.

9.1.17 Locator Settings

The *Locator* tab lets you configure the *Locator bar*, a quick search widget available on the status bar to help you perform searches in the application. It provides some default filters (with prefix) to use:

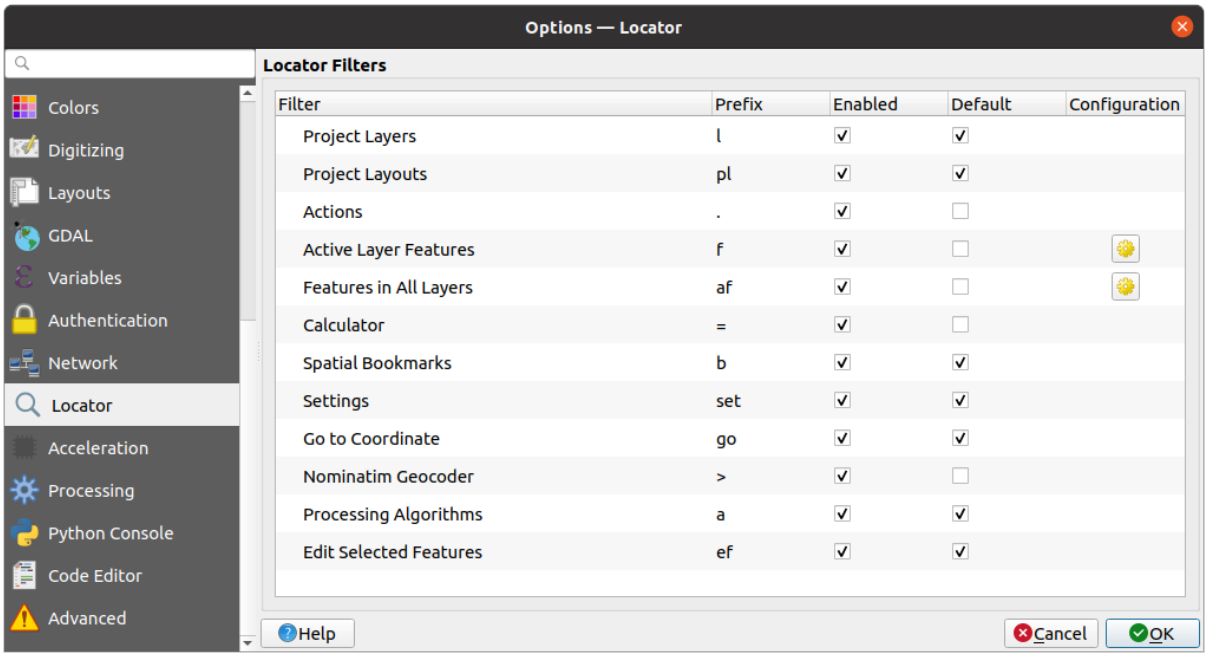


Abb. 9.19: Locator Settings in QGIS

- Project layers (`l`): finds and selects a layer in the *Layers* panel.

- Project layouts (`pl`): finds and opens a print layout.
- Actions (`.`): finds and executes a QGIS action; actions can be any tool or menu in QGIS, opening a panel…
- Active layer features (`f`): searches for matching attributes in any field from the current active layer and zooms to the selected feature. Press  to configure the maximum number of results.
- Features in all layers (`af`): searches for matching attributes in the *display name* of each *searchable layers* and zooms to the selected feature. Press  to configure the maximum number of results and the maximum number of results per layer.
- Calculator (`=`): allows evaluation of any QGIS expression and, if valid, gives an option to copy the result to the clipboard.
- Spatial bookmarks (`b`): finds and zooms to the bookmark extent.
- Settings (`set`): browses and opens project and application-wide properties dialogs.
- Go to coordinate (`go`): pans the map canvas to a location defined by a comma or space separated pair of x and y coordinates or a formatted URL (e.g., OpenStreetMap, Leaflet, OpenLayer, Google Maps, …). The coordinate is expected in WGS 84 (`epsg:4326`) and/or map canvas CRS.
- Nominatim geocoder (`>`): geocodes using the Nominatim geocoding service of the OpenStreetMap Foundation.
- Processing algorithms (`a`): searches and opens a Processing algorithm dialog.
- Edit selected features (`ef`): gives quick access and runs a compatible *modify-in-place* Processing algorithm on the active layer.

In the dialog, you can:

- customize the filter *Prefix*, i.e. the keyword to use to trigger the filter
- set whether the filter is *Enabled*: the filter can be used in the searches and a shortcut is available in the locator bar menu
- set whether the filter is *Default*: a search not using a filter returns results from only the default filters categories.
- Some filters provide a way to configure the number of results in a search.

The set of default locator filters can be extended by plugins, eg for OSM nominatim searches, direct database searching, layer catalog searches, …

9.1.18 Acceleration Settings

OpenCL acceleration settings.

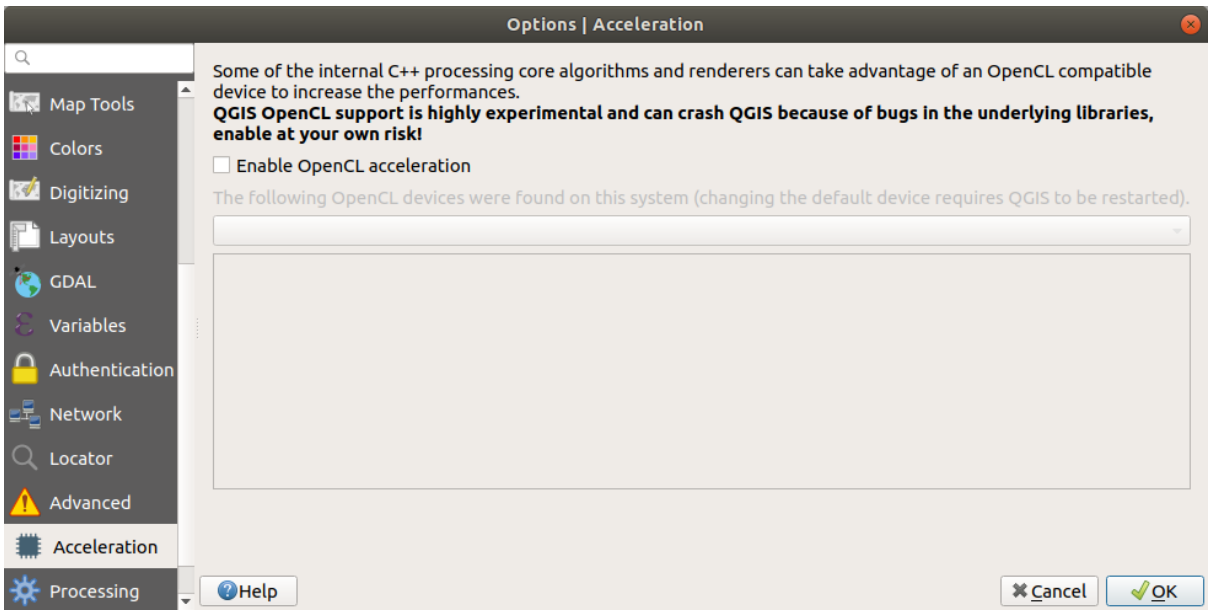


Abb. 9.20: Acceleration tab

Depending on your hardware and software, you may have to install additional libraries to enable OpenCL acceleration.

9.1.19 Processing Settings

The *Processing* tab provides you with general settings of tools and data providers that are used in the QGIS Processing framework. More information at *QGIS Verarbeitung Umgebung*.

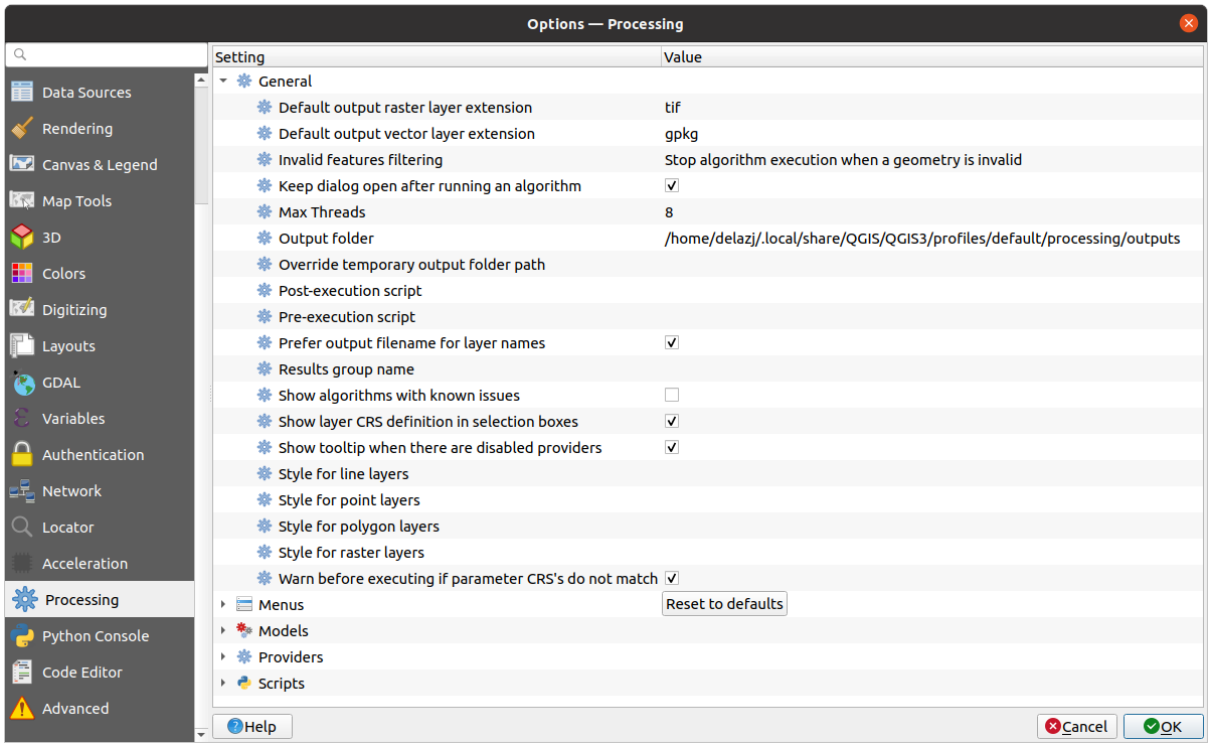


Abb. 9.21: Processing Settings tab in QGIS

9.1.20 Python Console Settings

The *Python Console* settings help you manage and control the behavior of the Python editors (*interactive console*, *code editor*, *project macros*, *custom expressions*, …). It can also be accessed using the Options… button from:

- the *Python console* toolbar
- the contextual menu of the *Python console* widget
- and the contextual menu of the code editor.

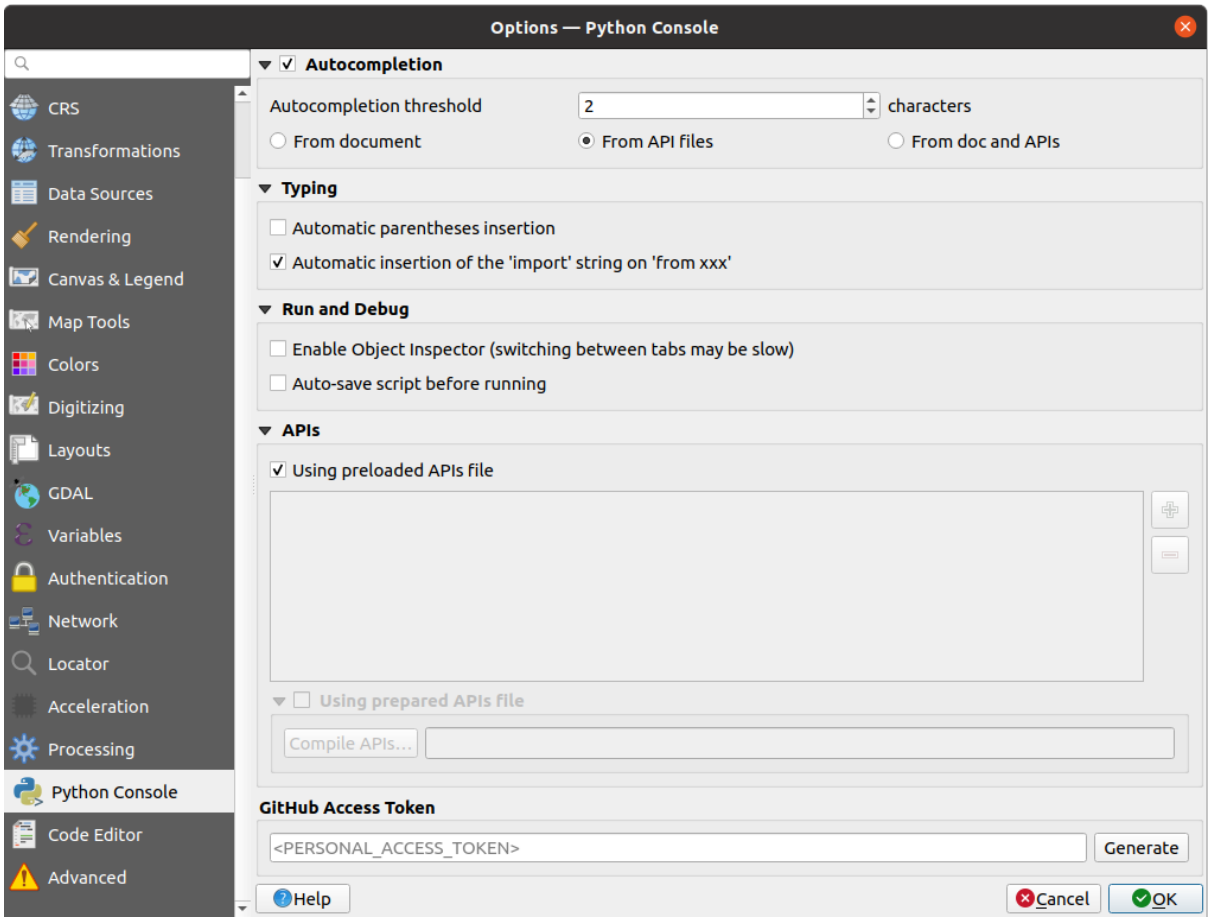


Abb. 9.22: Python Console Settings tab

You can specify:

- *Autocompletion*: Enables code completion. You can get autocompletion from the current document, the installed API files or both.
  - *Autocompletion threshold*: Sets the threshold for displaying the autocompletion list (in characters)
- under *Typing*
  - *Automatic parentheses insertion*: Enables autoclosing for parentheses
  - *Automatic insertion of the ‚import' string on ‚from xxx'*: Enables insertion of ‚import' when specifying imports
- under *Run and Debug*
  - *Enable Object Inspector (switching between tabs may be slow)*: Enable the object inspector.
  - *Auto-save script before running*: Saves the script automatically when executed. This action will store a temporary file (in the temporary system directory) that will be deleted automatically after running.

For *APIs* you can specify:

- *Using preloaded APIs file*: You can choose if you would like to use the preloaded API files. If this is not checked you can add API files and you can also choose if you would like to use prepared API files (see next option).
- *Using prepared APIs file*: If checked, the chosen `*.pap` file will be used for code completion. To generate a prepared API file you have to load at least one `*.api` file and then compile it by clicking the *Compile APIs...*

button.

Under *GitHub access token*, you can generate a personal token allowing you to share code snippets from within the Python code editor. More details on GitHub authentication

9.1.21 Code Editor Settings

In the *Code Editor* tab, you can control the appearance and behaviour of code editor widgets (Python interactive console and editor, expression widget and function editor, …).

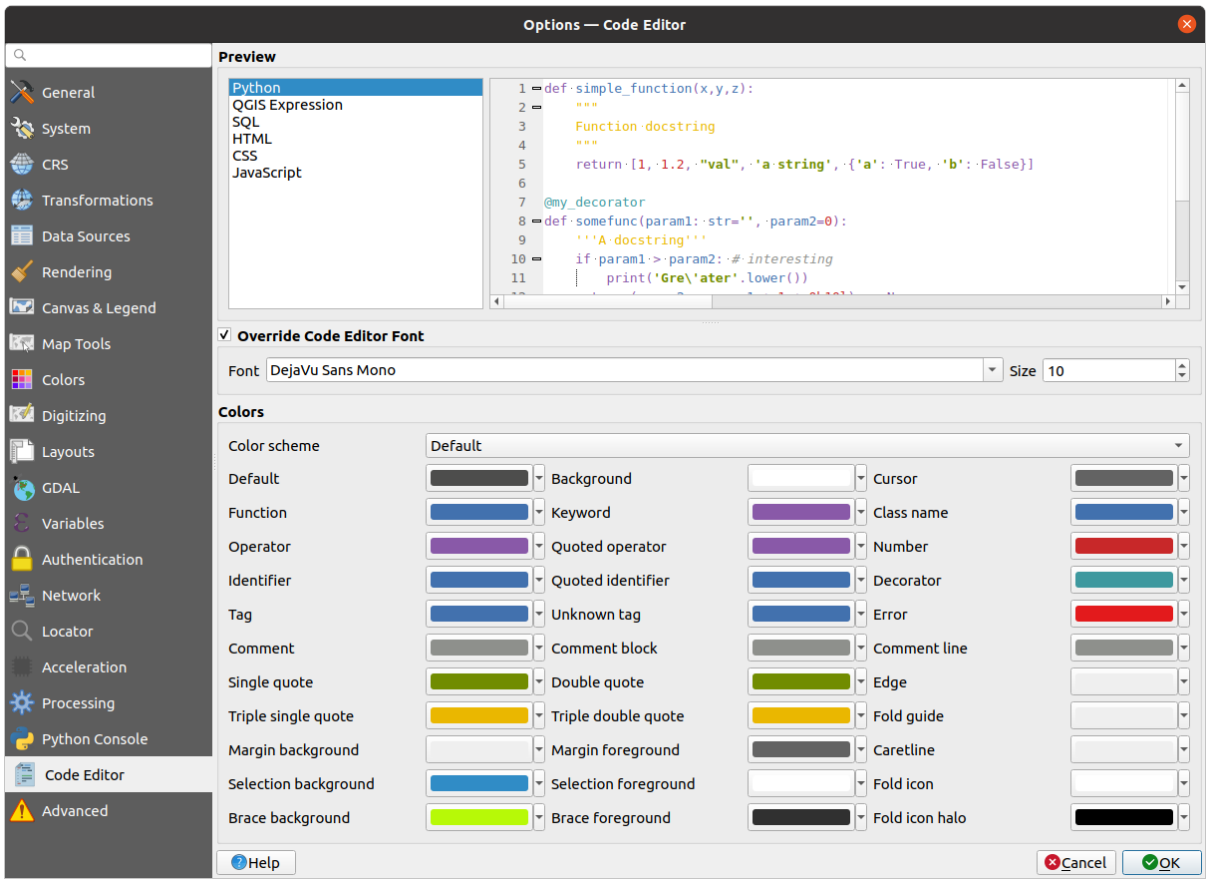


Abb. 9.23: Code Editor Settings tab

At the top of the dialog, a widget provides a live preview of the current settings, in various coding languages (Python, QGIS expression, HTML, SQL, JavaScript). A convenient way to adjust settings.

- Check *Override code editor font* to modify the default *Font* family and *Size*.
- Under the *Colors* group, you can:
  - select a *Color scheme*: predefined settings are `Default`, `Solarized Dark` and `Solarized Light`. A `Custom` scheme is triggered as soon as you modify a color and can be reset with selecting a predefined scheme.
  - change the *color* of each element in code writing, such as the colors to use for comments, quotes, functions, background, …

9.1.22 Advanced Settings

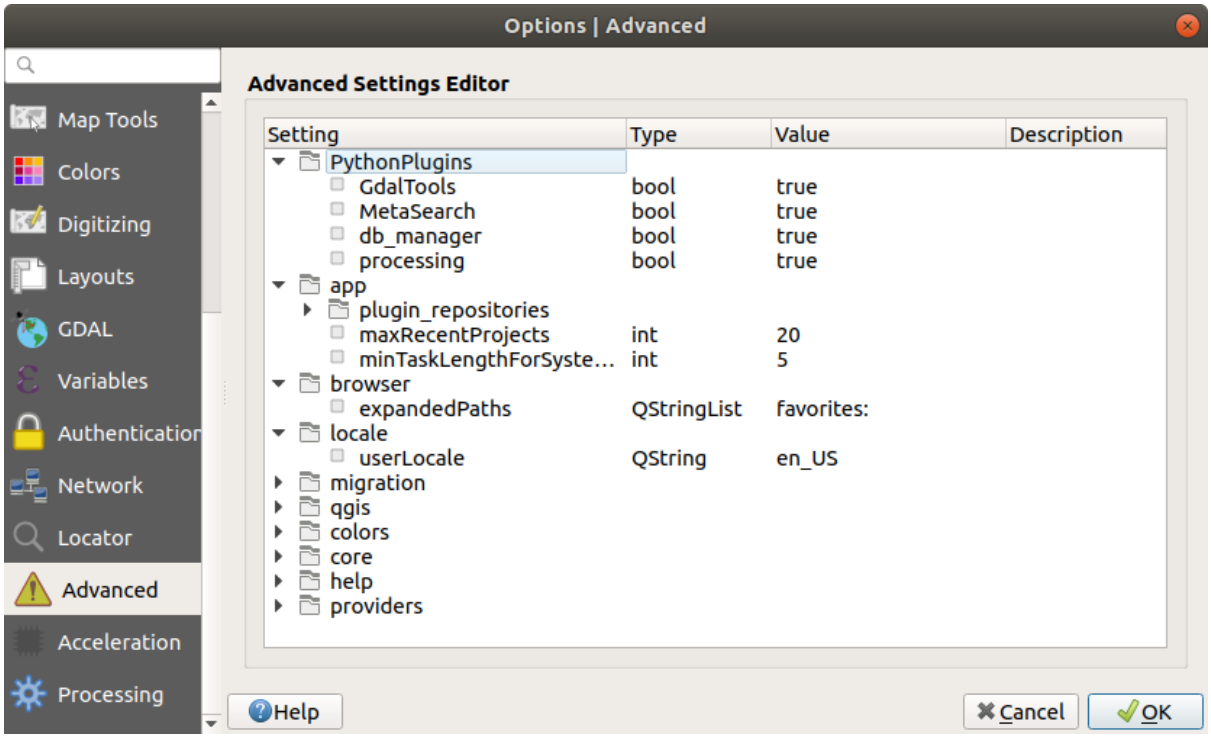


Abb. 9.24: Advanced Settings tab in QGIS

All the settings related to QGIS (UI, tools, data providers, Processing configurations, default values and paths, plugins options, expressions, geometry checks…) are saved in a `QGIS/QGIS3.ini` file under the active *user profile* directory. Configurations can be shared by copying this file to other installations.

From within QGIS, the *Advanced* tab offers a way to manage these settings through the *Advanced Settings Editor*. After you promise to be careful, the widget is populated with a tree of all the existing settings, and you can edit their value. Right-click over a setting or a group and you can delete it (to add a setting or group, you have to edit the `QGIS3.ini` file). Changes are automatically saved in the `QGIS3.ini` file.

Warnung: Avoid using the Advanced tab settings blindly

Be careful while modifying items in this dialog given that changes are automatically applied. Doing changes without knowledge can break your QGIS installation in various ways.

9.2 Working with User Profiles

The *Settings* ► *User Profiles* menu provides functions to set and access user profiles. A user profile is a unified application configuration that allows to store in a single folder:

- all the *global settings*, including locale, projections, authentication settings, color palettes, shortcuts…
- GUI configurations and *customization*
- grid files and other proj helper files installed for datum transformation
- installed *plugins* and their configurations
- project templates and history of saved project with their image preview

- *processing settings*, logs, scripts, models.

By default, a QGIS installation contains a single user profile named `default`. But you can create as many user profiles as you want:

1. Click the *New profile…* entry.
2. You'll be prompted to provide a profile name, creating a folder of the same name under `~/<UserProfiles>/` where:
   - `~` represents the **HOME** directory, which on Windows is usually something like `C:\Users\<username>`.
   - and `<UserProfiles>` represents the main profiles folder, i.e.:
     - `.local/share/QGIS/QGIS3/profiles/`
     - `%AppData%\Roaming\QGIS\QGIS3\profiles\`
     - `Library/Application Support/QGIS/QGIS3/profiles/`

   The user profile folder can be opened from within QGIS using the *Open Active Profile Folder*.
3. A new instance of QGIS is started, using a clean configuration. You can then set your custom configurations.

If you have more than one profile in your QGIS installation, the name of the active profile is shown in the application title bar between square brackets.

As each user profile contains isolated settings, plugins and history they can be great for different workflows, demos, users of the same machine, or testing settings, etc. And you can switch from one to the other by selecting them in the *Settings* ► *User Profiles* menu. You can also run QGIS with a specific user profile from the *command line*.

Unless changed, the profile of the last closed QGIS session will be used in the following QGIS sessions.

Tipp: Run QGIS under a new user profile to check for bug persistence

When you encounter weird behavior with some functions in QGIS, create a new user profile and run the commands again. Sometimes, bugs are related to some leftovers in the current user profile and creating a new one may fix them as it restarts QGIS with the new (clean) profile.

9.3 Projekteigenschaften

In the properties window for the project under *Project* ► *Project Properties*, you can set project-specific options. The project-specific options overwrite their equivalent in the *Options* dialog described above.

9.3.1 General Properties

In the *General* tab, the *General settings* let you:

- see the location of the project file
- set the folder for the project home (available in the *Project home* item of the *Browser* panel). The path can be relative to the folder of the project file (type it in) or absolute. The project home can be used for storing data and other content that is useful for the project. Convenient when dataset and project files are not stored at the same place. If not filled, the *Project home* defaults to the project file folder.
- einen Titel für das Projekt hinter dem Projektpfad vergeben
- die Farbe auswählen, die markierte Objekte haben, wenn sie ausgewählt sind
- die Hintergrundfarbe wählen: die Farbe für den Kartenhintergrund

- einstellen, ob der Pfad zu den Layern des Projekts als absolute (voll) oder als relative zu der Projektdatei gespeichert werden soll. Sie bevorzugen wahrscheinlich relative Pfade, wenn Layer und Projektdatei bewegt werden oder geteilt oder wenn Sie von Computern auf verschiedenen Plattformen auf das Projekt zugreifen wollen.
- wählen Sie Artefakte bei der Darstellung von Kartenkacheln vermeiden. Beachten Sie, dass diese Option zu Leistungseinbußen führen kann.

Calculating areas and distances is a common need in GIS. However, these values are really tied to the underlying projection settings. The *Measurements* frame lets you control these parameters. You can indeed choose:

- the *Ellipsoid*, on which distance and area calculations are entirely based; it can be:
  - **None/Planimetric**: returned values are in this case cartesian measurements.
  - a **Custom** one: you'll need to set values of the semi-major and semi-minor axes.
  - or an existing one from a predefined list (Clarke 1866, Clarke 1880 IGN, New International 1967, WGS 84…).
- Die *Einheiten für Entfernungsmessung* für Länge und Umfang und die *Einheiten für Flächenmessung*. Diese Einstellungen, die standardmäßig über die festgelegten Einheiten in den QGIS Optionen definiert sind, werden dann aber überschrieben für das aktuelle Projekt, werden eingesetzt in:
  - Attributtabellen Feld mit Aktualisierungsleiste
  - Feldrechner Berechnungen
  - Abfragewerkzeug abgeleitet von Länge, Umfang und Flächenwerten
  - Standardeinheiten gezeigt im Messen Dialog

The *Coordinate and Bearing display* allows you to choose and customize the bearing format and the format of units to use to display the mouse coordinate in the status bar and the derived coordinates shown via the identify tool.

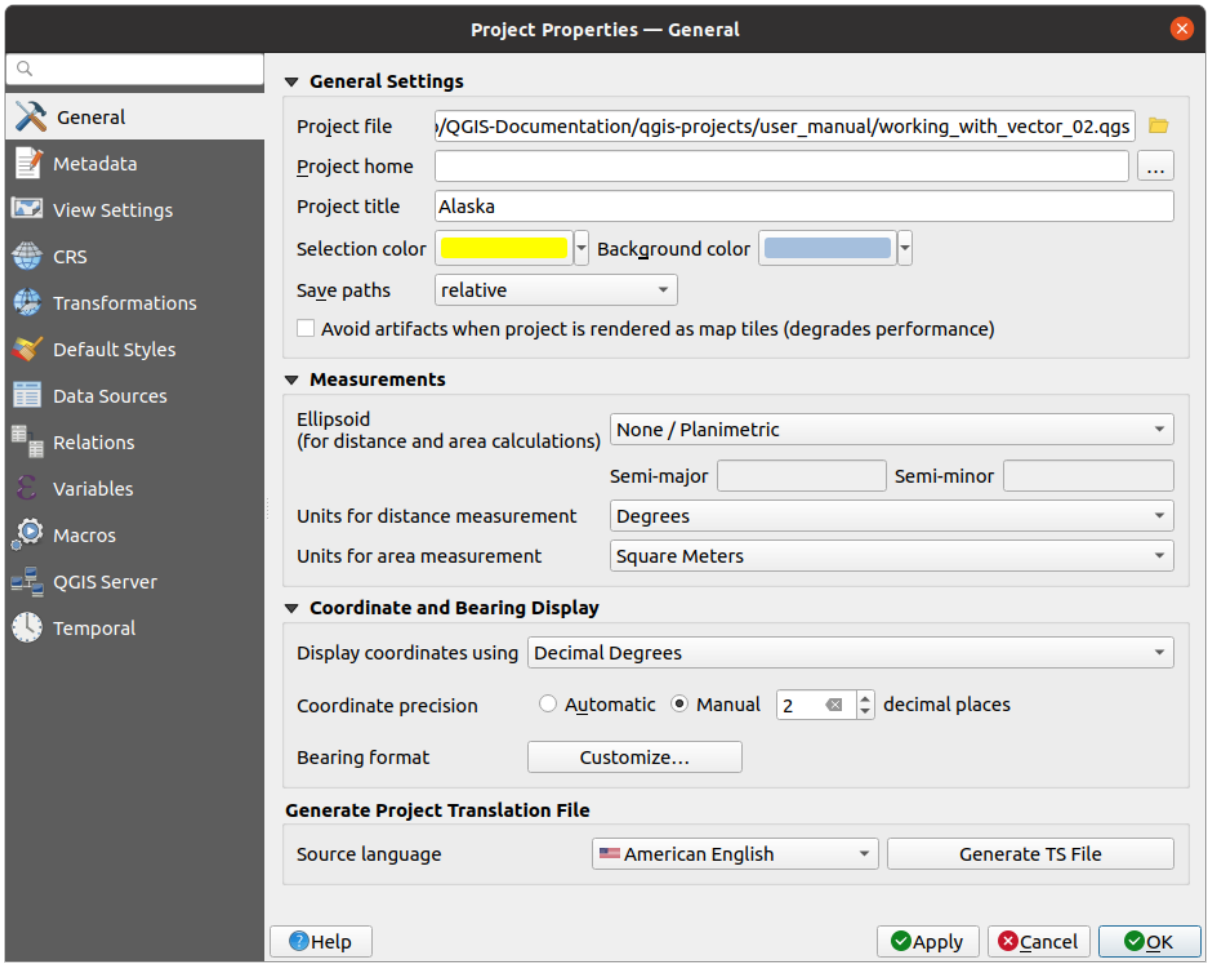


Abb. 9.25: General tab of the Project Properties dialog

9.3.2 Metadata Properties

The *Metadata* tab allows detailed metadata to be defined, including (among the others): author, creation date, language, abstracts, categories, keywords, contact details, links, history. There is also a validation functionality that checks if specific fields were filled, anyway this is not enforced. See *vector layer metadata properties* for some details.

9.3.3 View Settings

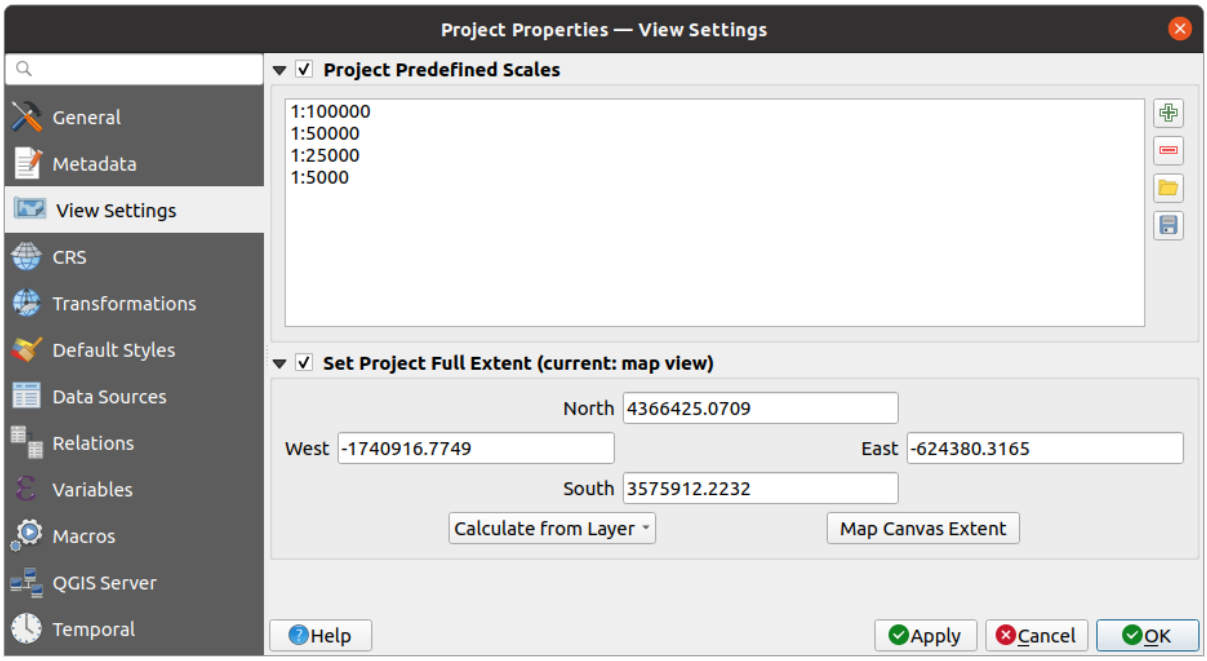


Abb. 9.26: View Settings tab of the Project Properties dialog

The *View Settings* tab provides means to control the project map canvas. You can:

- set *Project predefined scales*: the list of scales to display in the status bar *Scale* drop-down widget. This overrides the global predefined scales.
- *Set Project full Extent*: this extent will be used instead of the extent of all layers when zooming to full map extent ( ). It's useful when a project contains web layers/national layers/global layers yet the actual area of interest for the project is a smaller geographic area. The project full extent coordinates can be set with the *extent selector* widget.

9.3.4 CRS Properties

Bemerkung: For more information on how QGIS handles project projection, please read the dedicated section at *Arbeiten mit Projektionen*.

The *CRS* tab helps you set the coordinate reference system to use in this project. It can be:

- *No CRS (or unknown/non-Earth projection)*: layers are drawn based on their raw coordinates
- or an existing coordinate reference system that can be *geographic*, *projected* or *user-defined*. Layers added to the project are translated on-the-fly to this CRS in order to overlay them regardless their original CRS.

9.3.5 Transformations Properties

The *Transformations* tab helps you control the layers reprojection settings by configuring the datum transformation preferences to apply in the current project. As usual, these override any corresponding global settings. See *Datum Transformations* for more details.

9.3.6 Default Styles Properties

The *Default Styles* tab lets you control how new layers will be drawn in the project when they do not have an existing `.qml` style defined. You can:

- Set default symbols (*Marker*, *Line*, *Fill*) to apply depending on the layer geometry type as well as a default *Color Ramp*
- Apply a default *Opacity* to new layers
- *Assign random colors to symbols*, modifying the symbols fill colors, hence avoiding same rendering for all layers.

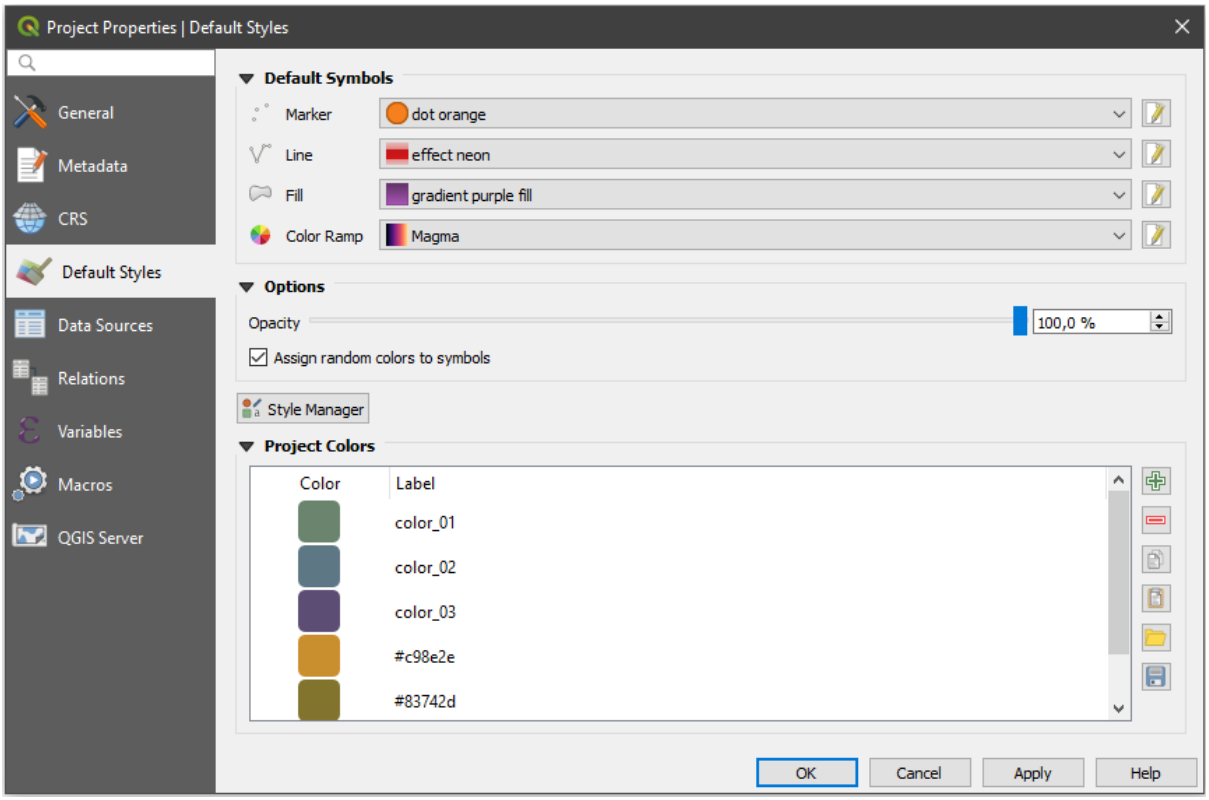


Abb. 9.27: Default Styles tab

Using the *Style Manager* button, you can also quickly access the *Style Manager* dialog and configure symbols and color ramps.

There is also an additional section where you can define specific colors for the running project. Like the *global colors*, you can:

- *Add* or *Remove* color
- *Copy* or *Paste* color

- *Import* or *Export* the set of colors from/to `.gpl` file.

Double-click a color in the list to tweak or replace it in the *Color Selector* dialog. You can also rename it by double-clicking in the *Label* column.

These colors are identified as *Project colors* and listed as part of *color widgets*.

Tipp: Use project colors to quickly assign and update color widgets

Project colors can be refered to using their label and the color widgets they are used in are bound to them. This means that instead of repeatedly setting the same color for many properties and, to avoid a cumbersome update you can:

1. Define the color as a project color
2. Click the *data defined override widget* next to the color property you want to set
3. Hover over the *Color* menu and select the project color. The property is then assigned the expression `project_color('color_label')` and the color widget reflects that color.
4. Repeat steps 2 and 3 as much as needed
5. Update the project color once and the change is reflected EVERYWHERE it's in use.

9.3.7 Data Sources Properties

In the *Data Sources* tab, you can:

- *Automatically create transaction groups where possible*: When this mode is turned on, all layers from the same database are synchronised in their edit state, i.e. when one layer is put into edit state, all are, when one layer is committed or one layer is rolled back, so are the others. Also, instead of buffering edit changes locally, they are directly sent to a transaction in the database which gets committed when the user clicks save layer. Note that you can (de)activate this option only if no layer is being edited in the project.
- *Evaluate default values on provider side*: When adding new features in a PostgreSQL table, fields with default value constraint are evaluated and populated at the form opening, and not at the commit moment. This means that instead of an expression like `nextval('serial')`, the field in the *Add Feature* form will display expected value (e.g., `25`).
- *Trust project when data source has no metadata*: To speed up project loading by skipping data checks. Useful in QGIS Server context or in projects with huge database views/materialized views. The extent of layers will be read from the QGIS project file (instead of data sources) and when using the PostgreSQL provider the primary key unicity will not be checked for views and materialized views.
- Configure the *Layers Capabilities*, i.e.:
  - Set (or disable) which layers are `identifiable`, i.e. will respond to the *identify tool*. By default, layers are set queryable.
  - Set whether a layer should appear as `read-only`, meaning that it can not be edited by the user, regardless of the data provider's capabilities. Although this is a weak protection, it remains a quick and handy configuration to avoid end-users modifying data when working with file-based layers.
  - Define which layers are `searchable`, i.e. could be queried using the *locator widget*. By default, layers are set searchable.
  - Define which layers are defined as `required`. Checked layers in this list are protected from inadvertent removal from the project.
  - Define which layers are `private`, i.e. hidden from the *Layers* panel. This is meant for accessory layers (basemap, join, lookups for value-relations, most probably aspatial layers, …) that you still need in a project but you don't want them to pollute the legend tree and other layer selection tools. If set visible, they are still displayed in the map canvas and rendered in the print layout legend. Use the *Filter*

legend ► *Show private layers* option in the *Layers* panel top toolbar to temporarily turned them on for any interaction.

The *Layers Capabilities* table provides some convenient tools to:

- Select multiple cells and press *Toggle Selection* to have them change their checkbox state;
- *Show spatial layers only*, filtering out non-spatial layers from the layers list;
- *Filter layers…* and quickly find a particular layer to configure.

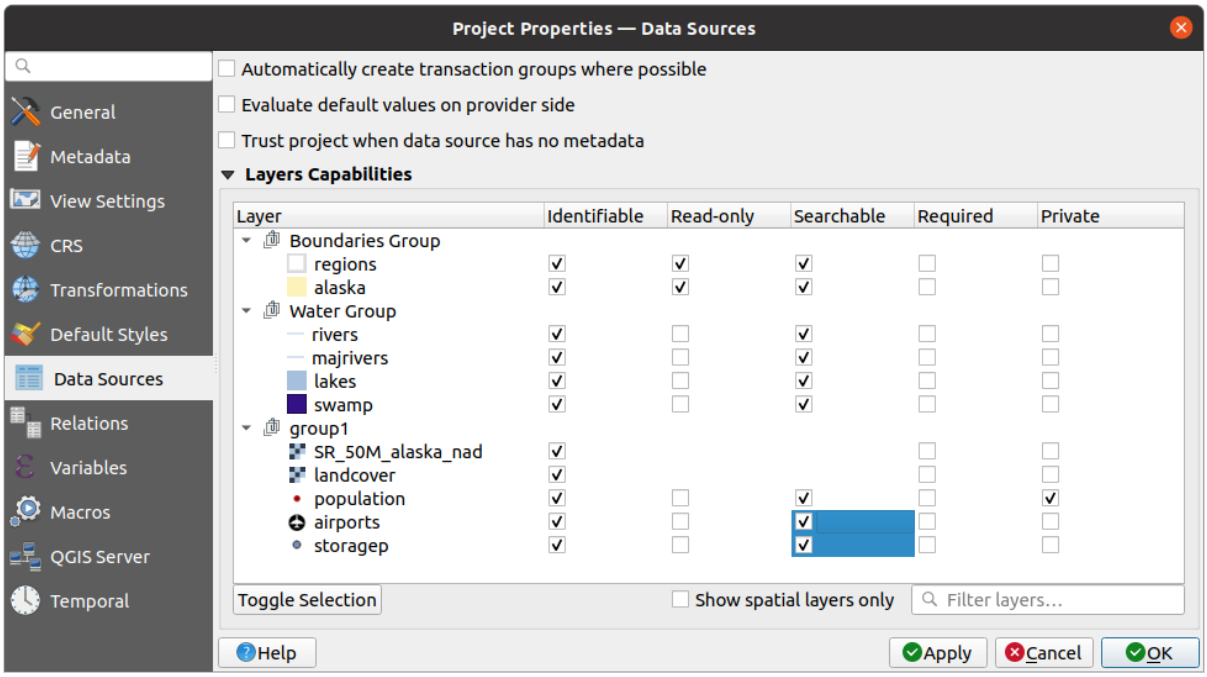


Abb. 9.28: Data Sources tab

9.3.8 Relations Properties

The *Relations* tab is used to define 1:n relations and polymorphic relations. The relations are defined in the project properties dialog. Once relations exist for a layer, a new user interface element in the form view (e.g. when identifying a feature and opening its form) will list the related entities. This provides a powerful way to express e.g. the inspection history on a length of pipeline or road segment. You can find out more about 1:n relations support in Section *Creating one or many to many relations*.

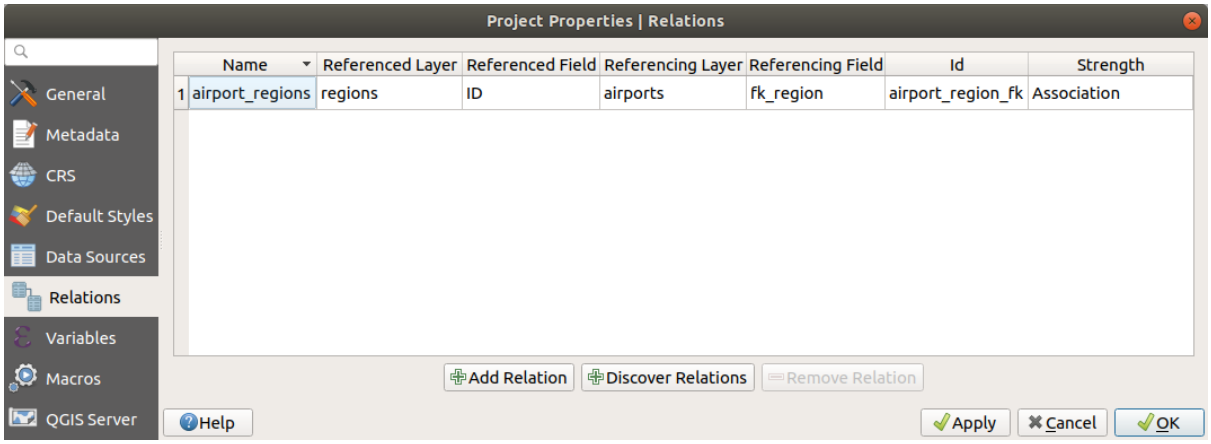


Abb. 9.29: Relations tab

9.3.9 Variables Properties

The *Variables* tab lists all the variables available at the project's level (which includes all global variables). Besides, it also allows the user to manage project-level variables. Click the button to add a new custom project-level variable. Likewise, select a custom project-level variable from the list and click the button to remove it. More information on variables usage in the General Tools *Storing values in Variables* section.

9.3.10 Macros Properties

The *Macros* tab is used to edit Python macros for projects. Currently, only three macros are available: `openProject()`, `saveProject()` and `closeProject()`.

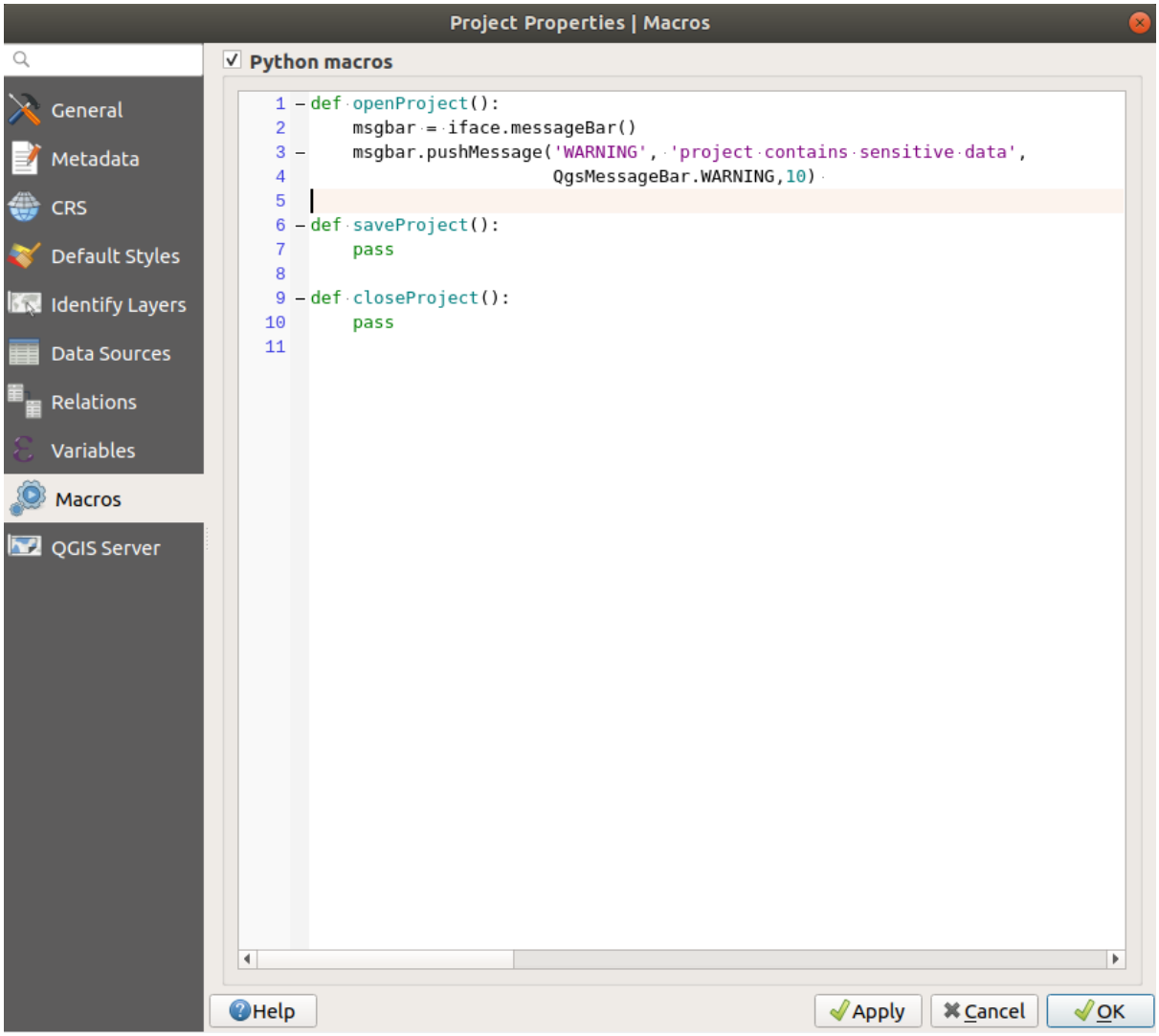


Abb. 9.30: Makroeinstellungen in QGIS

9.3.11 QGIS Server Properties

The *QGIS Server* tab allows you to configure your project in order to publish it online. Here you can define information about the QGIS Server WMS and WFS capabilities, extent and CRS restrictions. More information available in section Creatingwmsfromproject and subsequent.

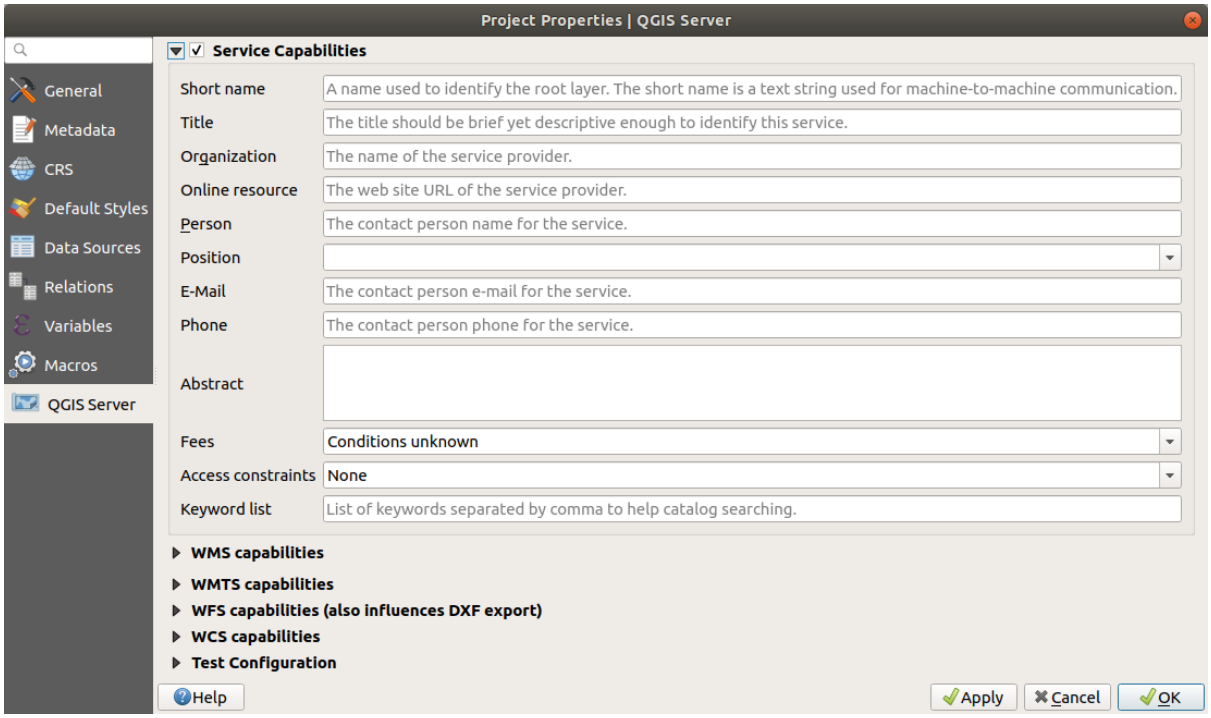


Abb. 9.31: QGIS Server settings tab

9.3.12 Temporal Properties

The *Temporal* tab is used to set the temporal range of your project, either by using manual *Start date* and *End date* inputs or by calculating it from the current project temporal layers. The project time range can then be used in the *Temporal controller panel* to manage the map canvas *temporal navigation*.

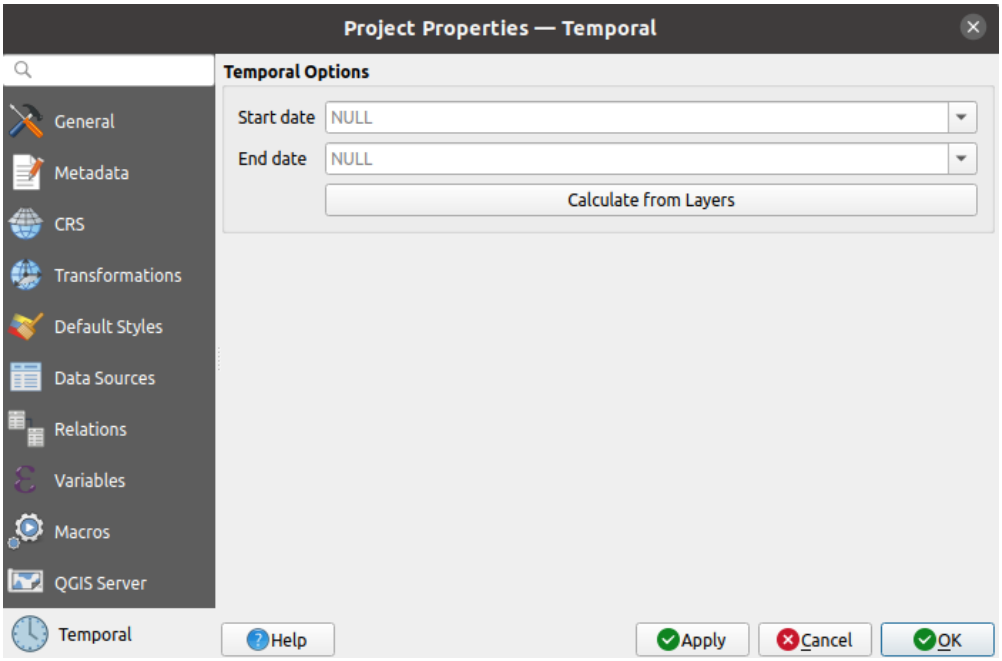


Abb. 9.32: Project Temporal tab

9.4 Anpassung

The *Customization* dialog lets you (de)activate almost every element in the QGIS user interface. This can be very useful if you want to provide your end-users with a ‚light' version of QGIS, containing only the icons, menus or panels they need.

Bemerkung: Bevor Ihre Änderungen übernommen werden, müssen Sie QGIS neu starten.

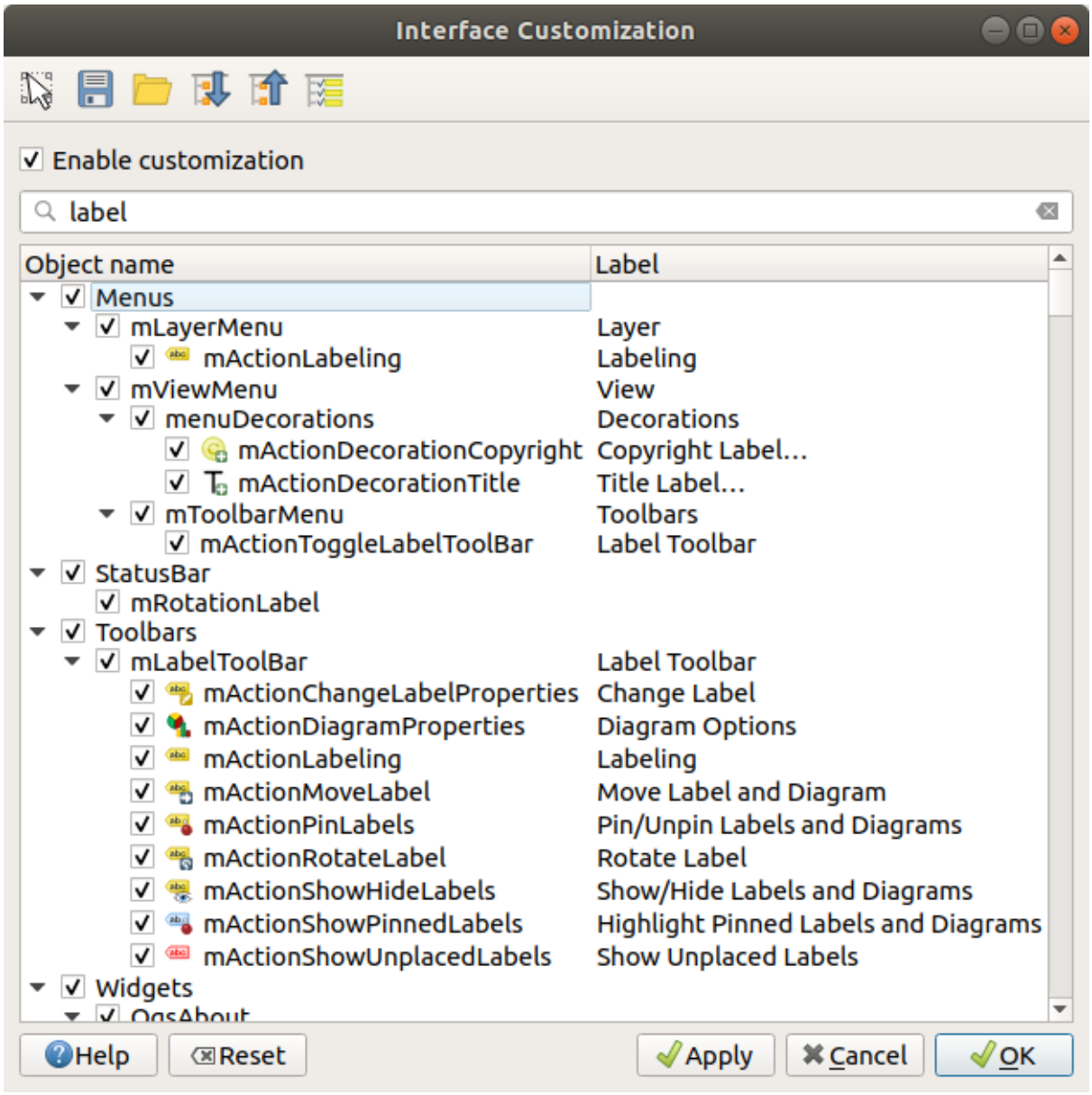


Abb. 9.33: Der Anpassung Dialog

Die *Anpassung aktivieren* Checkbox anzuklicken ist der erste Schritt, zur QGIS Anpassung. Dies aktiviert die Werkzeugleiste und das Widget-Panel, hier können Sie einige QGIS Elemente unsichtbar schalten.

Die konfigurierbaren Elemente können sein:

- ein **Menü** oder einige ihrer Untermenüs von dem *Menüleiste*
- das komplette **Panel** (siehe *Bedienfelder und Werkzeugkästen*)

- die **Statusleiste** beschrieben in *Statusleiste* oder einige ihrer Elemente
- eine **Werkzeugleiste**: die komplette oder einige ihrer Icons
- oder irgendein **Widget** aus irgendeinem QGIS Dialog: Beschriftung, Knöpfe, Komboboxen…

With  Switch to catching widgets in main application, you can click on an item in QGIS interface that you want to be hidden and QGIS automatically unchecks the corresponding entry in the Customization dialog. You can also use the *Search* box to find items by their name or label.

Once you setup your configuration, click *Apply* or *OK* to validate your changes. This configuration becomes the one used by default by QGIS at the next startup.

Die Modifikationen können auch in einer `.ini` Datei gespeichert werden unter Verwendung des  Als Datei speichern Knopfs. Dies ist eine praktische Möglichkeit, eine gemeinsame QGIS Schnittstelle zwischen mehreren Benutzern zu teilen. Klicken Sie einfach auf  Laden von Datei von dem Zielcomputer aus, um die``.ini`` Datei zu importieren. Sie können auch *command line tools* starten und verschiedene Einstellungen für verschiedene Anwendungsfälle speichern.

Tipp: Voreingestelltes QGIS einfach wiederherstellen

Die erste QGIS GUI-Konfiguration kann durch eine der Methoden unten wiederhergestellt werden:

- deaktivieren Sie  *Anpassung aktivieren* im Anpassungsdialog oder klicken Sie  Alle überprüfen
- pressing the *Reset* button in the **Settings** frame under *Settings* ► *Options* menu, *System* tab
- starte QGIS an einer Eingabeaufforderung mit der folgenden Befehlszeile `qgis --customization`
- setting to `false` the value of *UI* ► *Customization* ► *Enabled* variable under *Settings* ► *Options* menu, *Advanced* tab (see the *warning*).

In den meisten Fällen müssen Sie QGIS neu starten, damit die Änderungen angewendet werden.

9.5 Tastenkürzel

QGIS provides default keyboard shortcuts for many features. You can find them in section *Menüleiste*. Additionally, the menu option *Settings* ►  *Keyboard Shortcuts…* allows you to change the default keyboard shortcuts and add new ones to QGIS features.

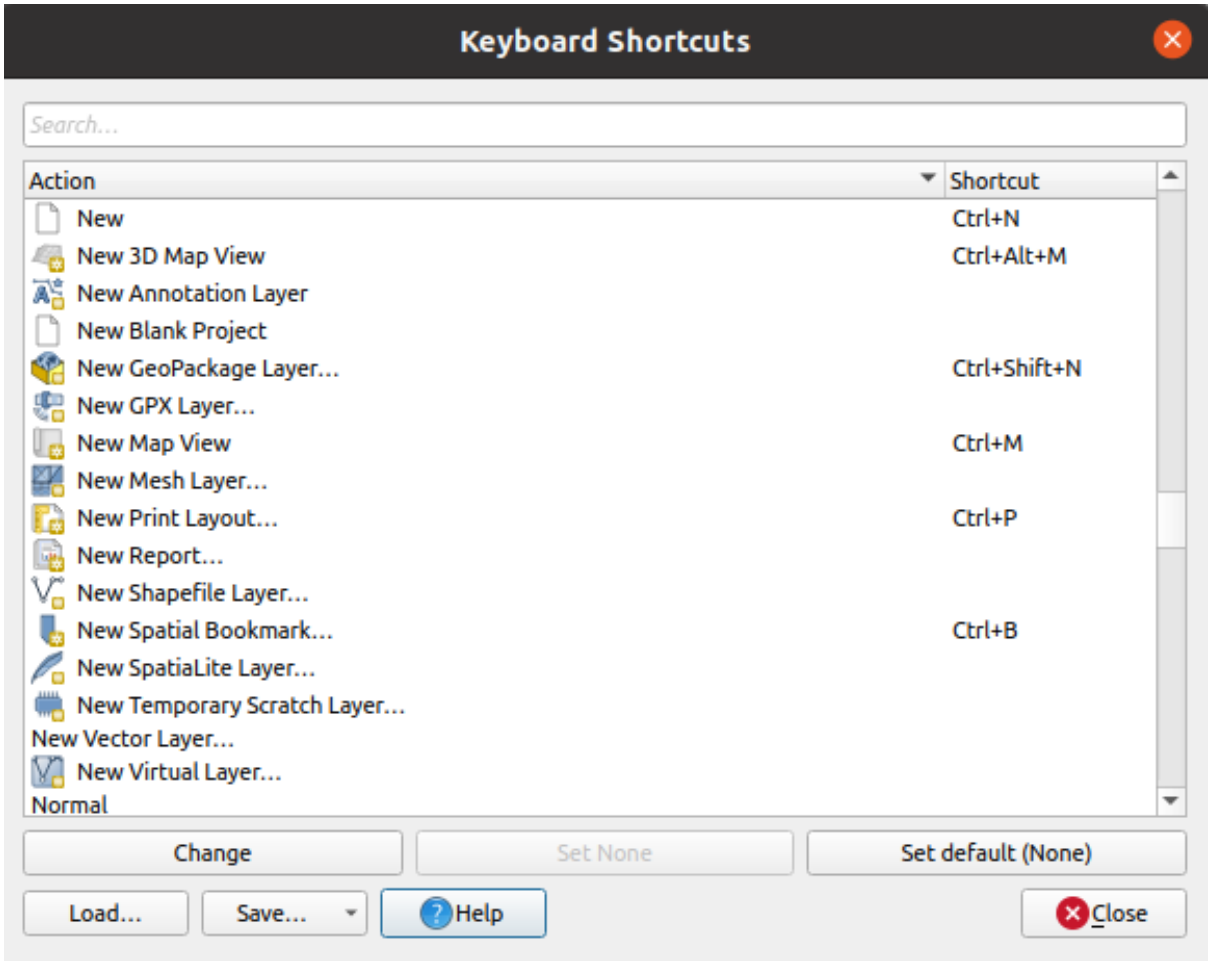


Abb. 9.34: Define shortcut options

Configuration is very simple. Use the search box at the top of the dialog to find a particular action, select it from the list and click on :

- *Change* and press the new combination you want to assign as new shortcut
- *Set None* to clear any assigned shortcut
- or *Set Default* to backup the shortcut to its original and default value.

Proceed as above for any other tools you wish to customize. Once you have finished your configuration, simply *Close* the dialog to have your changes applied. You can also *Save* the changes either as an `.XML` file with only the User Shortcuts or with all Shortcuts or as an `.PDF` file with all Shortcuts and *Load* them into another QGIS installation.

9.6 Running QGIS with advanced settings

9.6.1 Command line and environment variables

We've seen that *launching QGIS* is done as for any application on your OS. QGIS provides command line options for more advanced use cases (in some cases you can use an environment variable instead of the command line option). To get a list of the options, enter `qgis --help` on the command line, which returns:

```
QGIS is a user friendly Open Source Geographic Information System.
Usage: /usr/bin/qgis.bin [OPTION] [FILE]
  OPTION:
```

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```
        [--version]     display version information and exit
        [--snapshot filename]   emit snapshot of loaded datasets to given file
        [--width width] width of snapshot to emit
        [--height height]       height of snapshot to emit
        [--lang language]       use language for interface text (changes existing␣
↪override)
        [--project projectfile] load the given QGIS project
        [--extent xmin,ymin,xmax,ymax]  set initial map extent
        [--nologo]      hide splash screen
        [--noversioncheck]      don't check for new version of QGIS at startup
        [--noplugins]   don't restore plugins on startup
        [--nocustomization]     don't apply GUI customization
        [--customizationfile path]      use the given ini file as GUI customization
        [--globalsettingsfile path]     use the given ini file as Global Settings␣
↪(defaults)
        [--authdbdirectory path] use the given directory for authentication␣
↪database
        [--code path]   run the given python file on load
        [--defaultui]   start by resetting user ui settings to default
        [--hide-browser]        hide the browser widget
        [--dxf-export filename.dxf]     emit dxf output of loaded datasets to␣
↪given file
        [--dxf-extent xmin,ymin,xmax,ymax]      set extent to export to dxf
        [--dxf-symbology-mode none|symbollayer|feature] symbology mode for dxf␣
↪output
        [--dxf-scale-denom scale]       scale for dxf output
        [--dxf-encoding encoding]       encoding to use for dxf output
        [--dxf-map-theme maptheme]      map theme to use for dxf output
        [--take-screenshots output_path]        take screen shots for the user␣
↪documentation
        [--screenshots-categories categories]   specify the categories of␣
↪screenshot to be used (see QgsAppScreenShots::Categories).
        [--profile name]        load a named profile from the user's profiles␣
↪folder.
        [--profiles-path path]  path to store user profile folders. Will create␣
↪profiles inside a {path}\profiles folder
        [--version-migration]   force the settings migration from older version if␣
↪found
        [--openclprogramfolder]         path to the folder containing the sources␣
↪for OpenCL programs.
        [--help]                this text
        [--]            treat all following arguments as FILEs

 FILE:
   Files specified on the command line can include rasters,
   vectors, and QGIS project files (.qgs and .qgz):
    1. Rasters - supported formats include GeoTiff, DEM
       and others supported by GDAL
    2. Vectors - supported formats include ESRI Shapefiles
       and others supported by OGR and PostgreSQL layers using
       the PostGIS extension
```

Tipp: Example Using command line arguments

You can start QGIS by specifying one or more data files on the command line. For example, assuming you are in the `qgis_sample_data` directory, you could start QGIS with a vector layer and a raster file set to load on startup using the following command: `qgis ./raster/landcover.img ./gml/lakes.gml`

--version

This option returns QGIS version information.

--snapshot

This option allows you to create a snapshot in PNG format from the current view. This comes in handy when you have many projects and want to generate snapshots from your data, or when you need to create snapshots of the same project with updated data.

Currently, it generates a PNG file with 800x600 pixels. The size can be adjusted using the `--width` and `--height` arguments. The filename can be added after `--snapshot`. For example:

```
qgis --snapshot my_image.png --width 1000 --height 600 --project my_project.qgs
```

--width

This option returns the width of the snapshot to be emitted (used with `--snapshot`).

--height

This option returns the height of the snapshot to be emitted (used with `--snapshot`).

--lang

Based on your locale, QGIS selects the correct localization. If you would like to change your language, you can specify a language code. For example, `qgis --lang it` starts QGIS in Italian localization.

--project

Starting QGIS with an existing project file is also possible. Just add the command line option `--project` followed by your project name and QGIS will open with all layers in the given file loaded.

--extent

To start with a specific map extent use this option. You need to add the bounding box of your extent in the following order separated by a comma:

```
--extent xmin,ymin,xmax,ymax
```

This option probably makes more sense when paired with the `--project` option to open a specific project at the desired extent.

--nologo

This option hides the splash screen when you start QGIS.

--noversioncheck

Skip searching for a new version of QGIS at startup.

--noplugins

If you have trouble at start-up with plugins, you can avoid loading them at start-up with this option. They will still be available from the Plugins Manager afterwards.

--nocustomization

Using this option, any existing *GUI customization* will not be applied at startup. This means that any hidden buttons, menu items, toolbars, and so on, will show up on QGIS start up. This is not a permanent change. The customization will be applied again if QGIS is launched without this option.

This option is useful for temporarily allowing access to tools that have been removed by customization.

--customizationfile

Using this option, you can define a UI customization file, that will be used at startup.

--globalsettingsfile

The equivalent environment variable is `QGIS_GLOBAL_SETTINGS_FILE`.

Using this option, you can specify the path for a Global Settings file (`.ini`), also known as the Default Settings. The settings in the specified file replace the original inline default ones, but the user profiles' settings will be set on top of those.

QGIS looks for the default global settings file in the following order and only the first found file will be used:

- path specified by the commandline parameter
- path defined by the environment variable
- the AppDataLocation folder, where persistent application data can be stored; it is managed by the user or system administrator and is not touched by installer and does not require any additional setup like passing commandline parameters or settings environment variable. Depending on the OS, it is:
  -  `$HOME/.local/share/QGIS/QGIS3/`
  -  `C:\Users\<username>\%AppData%\Roaming\QGIS\QGIS3\`
  -  `$HOME/Library/Application Support/QGIS/QGIS3/`
- the installation directory, i.e. `your_QGIS_package_path/resources/qgis_global_settings.ini`.

Presently, there's no way to specify a file to write settings to; therefore, you can create a copy of an original settings file, rename, and adapt it.

Setting the `qgis_global_setting.ini` file path to a network shared folder, allows a system administrator to change global settings and defaults in several machines by only editing one file.

--authdbdirectory

This option is similar to `--globalsettingsfile`, but defines the path to the directory where the authentication database will be stored and loaded.

--code

This option can be used to run a given python file directly after QGIS has started.

For example, when you have a python file named `load_alaska.py` with following content:

```
from qgis.utils import iface
raster_file = "/home/gisadmin/Documents/qgis_sample_data/raster/landcover.img"
layer_name = "Alaska"
iface.addRasterLayer(raster_file, layer_name)
```

Assuming you are in the directory where the file `load_alaska.py` is located, you can start QGIS, load the raster file `landcover.img` and give the layer the name ‚Alaska' using the following command:

```
qgis --code load_alaska.py
```

--defaultui

On load, **permanently resets** the user interface (UI) to the default settings. This option will restore the panels and toolbars visibility, position, and size. Unless it's changed again, the default UI settings will be used in the following sessions.

Notice that this option doesn't have any effect on *GUI customization*. Items hidden by GUI customization (e.g. the status bar) will remain hidden even using the `--defaultui` option. See also the `--nocustomization` option.

--hide-browser

On load, hides the *Browser* panel from the user interface. The panel can be enabled by right-clicking a space in the toolbars or using the *View* ► *Panels* (*Settings* ► *Panels* in  Linux KDE).

Unless it's enabled again, the Browser panel will remain hidden in the following sessions.

--dxf-*

These options can be used to export a QGIS project into a DXF file. Several options are available:

- *–dxf-export*: the DXF filename into which to export the layers;
- *–dxf-extent*: the extent of the final DXF file;
- *–dxf-symbology-mode*: several values can be used here: `none` (no symbology), `symbollayer` (Symbol layer symbology), `feature` (feature symbology);
- *–dxf-scale-denom*: the scale denominator of the symbology;
- *–dxf-encoding*: the file encoding;
- *–dxf-map-theme*: choose a *map theme* from the layer tree configuration.

--take-screenshots

Takes screenshots for the user documentation. Can be used together with `--screenshots-categories` to filter which categories/sections of the documentation screenshots should be created (see QgsAppScreenShots::Categories).

--profile

Loads QGIS using a specific profile from the user's profile folder. Unless changed, the selected profile will be used in the following QGIS sessions.

--profiles-path

With this option, you can choose a path to load and save the profiles (user settings). It creates profiles inside a `{path}\profiles` folder, which includes settings, installed plugins, processing models and scripts, and so on.

This option allows you to, for instance, carry all your plugins and settings in a flash drive, or, for example, share the settings between different computers using a file sharing service.

The equivalent environment variable is `QGIS_CUSTOM_CONFIG_PATH`.

--version-migration

If settings from an older version are found (*e.g.*, the `.qgis2` folder from QGIS 2.18), this option will import them into the default QGIS profile.

--openclprogramfolder

Using this option, you can specify an alternative path for your OpenCL programs. This is useful for developers while testing new versions of the programs without needing to replace the existing ones.

The equivalent environment variable is `QGIS_OPENCL_PROGRAM_FOLDER`.

9.6.2 Deploying QGIS within an organization

If you need to deploy QGIS within an organization with a custom configuration file, first you need to copy/paste the content of the default settings file located in `your_QGIS_package_path/resources/qgis_global_settings.ini`. This file already contains some default sections identified by a block starting with `[]`. We recommend that you keep these defaults values and add your own sections at the bottom of the file. If a section is duplicated in the file, QGIS will take the last one from top to bottom.

You can change `allowVersionCheck=false` to disable the QGIS version check.

If you do not want to display the migration window after a fresh install, you need the following section:

```
[migration]
fileVersion=2
settings=true
```

If you want to add a custom variable in the global scope:

```
[variables]
organisation="Your organization"
```

To discover the possibilities of the settings `INI` file, we suggest that you set the config you would like in QGIS Desktop and then search for it in your `INI` file located in your profile using a text editor. A lot of settings can be set using the `INI` file such as WMS/WMTS, PostGIS connections, proxy settings, maptips…

Finally, you need to set the environment variable `QGIS_GLOBAL_SETTINGS_FILE` to the path of your customized file.

In addition, you can also deploy files such as Python macros, color palettes, layout templates, project templates… either in the QGIS system directory or in the QGIS user profile.

- Layout templates must be deployed in the `composer_templates` directory.
- Project templates must be deployed in the `project_templates` directory.
- Custom Python macros must be deployed in the `python` directory.

KAPITEL 10

Arbeiten mit Projektionen

Ein Koordinatenbezugssystem oder CRS ist ein Verfahren zur Zuordnung von numerischen Koordinaten zu einer Position auf der Erdoberfläche. QGIS unterstützt ca. 7.000 Standard-CRSs mit jeweils unterschiedlichen Anwendungsfällen, Vor- und Nachteilen! Die Auswahl eines geeigneten Referenzsystems für Ihre QGIS-Projekte und -Daten kann eine komplexe Aufgabe sein, aber glücklicherweise hilft Ihnen QGIS dabei, diese Auswahl zu treffen und macht die Arbeit mit verschiedenen CRSs so transparent und genau wie möglich.

10.1 Überblick zur Projektionsunterstützung

QGIS has support for approximately 7,000 known CRSs. These standard CRSs are based on those defined by the European Petroleum Search Group (EPSG) and the Institut Geographique National de France (IGNF), and are made available in QGIS through the underlying „Proj“ projection library. Commonly, these standard projections are identified through use of an authority:code combination, where the authority is an organisation name such as „EPSG“ or „IGNF“, and the code is a unique number associated with a specific CRS. For instance, the common WGS 84 latitude/longitude CRS is known by the identifier `EPSG:4326`, and the web mapping standard CRS is `EPSG:3857`.

Custom, user-created CRSs are stored in a user CRS database. See section *Eigenes Koordinatenbezugssystem definieren* for information on managing your custom coordinate reference systems.

10.2 Layer Coordinate Reference Systems

In order to correctly project data into a specific target CRS, either your data must contain information about its coordinate reference system or you will need to manually assign the correct CRS to the layer. For PostGIS layers, QGIS uses the spatial reference identifier that was specified when that PostGIS layer was created. For data supported by OGR or GDAL, QGIS relies on the presence of a recognized means of specifying the CRS. For instance, for the Shapefile format this is a file containing an ESRI Well-Known Text (WKT) representation of the layer's CRS. This projection file has the same base name as the `.shp` file and a `.prj` extension. For example, `alaska.shp` would have a corresponding projection file named `alaska.prj`.

Whenever a layer is loaded into QGIS, QGIS attempts to automatically determine the correct CRS for that layer. In some cases this is not possible, e.g. when a layer has been provided without retaining this information. You can configure QGIS behavior whenever it cannot automatically determine the correct CRS for a layer:

1. Open *Settings* ► *Options…* ► *CRS*

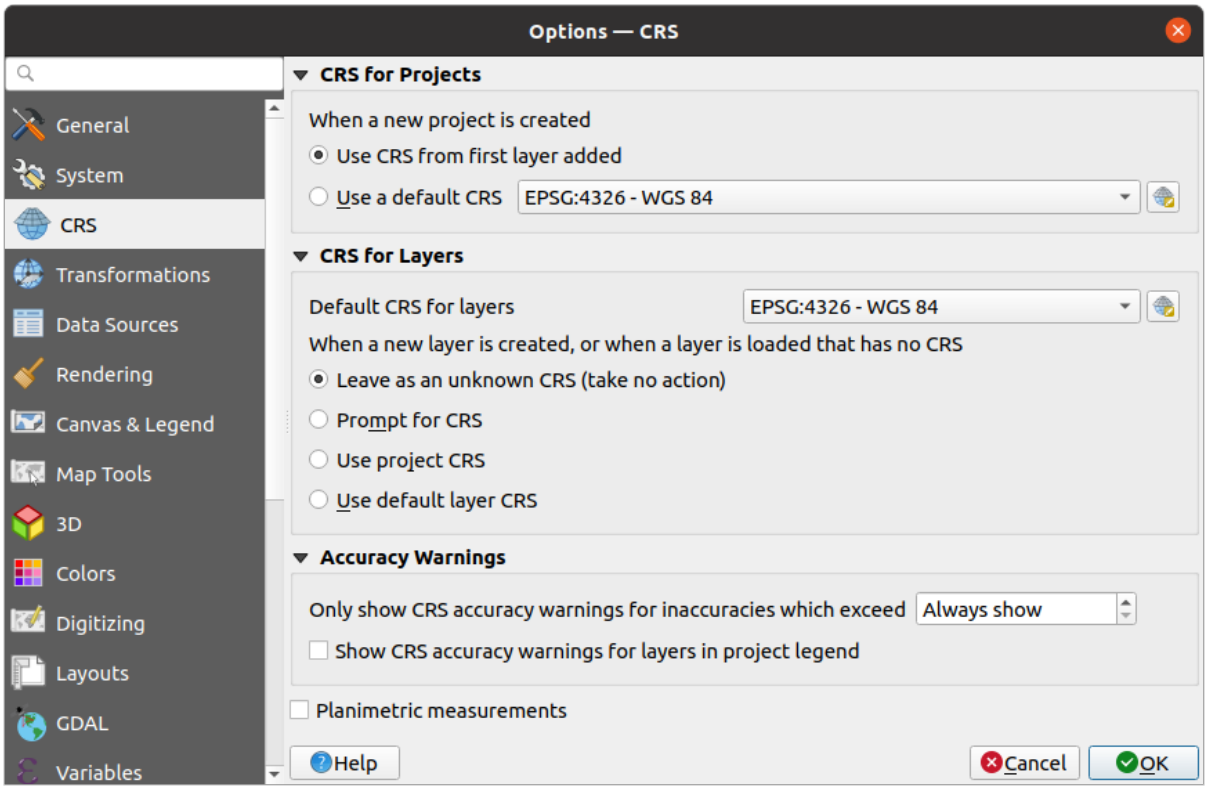


Abb. 10.1: The CRS tab in the QGIS Options Dialog

2. Under the *CRS for layers* group, set the action to do *when a new layer is created, or when a layer is loaded that has no CRS*. One of:

   - *Leave as unknown CRS (take no action)*: there will be no prompt to select a CRS when a layer without CRS is loaded, defering CRS choice to a later time. Convenient when loading a lot of layers at once. Such layers will be identifiable in the *Layers* panel by the icon next to them. They'll also be un-referenced, with coordinates from the layer treated as purely numerical, non-earth values, i.e. the same behavior as all layers get when *a project is set to have no CRS*.
   - *Prompt for CRS*: it will prompt you to manually select the CRS. Selecting the correct choice is crucial, as a wrong choice will place your layer in the wrong position on the Earth's surface! Sometimes, accompanying metadata will describe the correct CRS for a layer, in other cases you will need to contact the original author of the data to determine the correct CRS to use.
   - *KBS des Projektes nutzen*
   - *Use default layer CRS*, as set in the *Default CRS for layers* combobox above.

Tipp: To assign the same CRS to multiple layers that have no crs or have a wrong one in one operation:

1. Select the layers in the *Layers* panel
2. Press `Ctrl+Shift+C`. You could also right-click over one of the selected layers or go to *Layer* ► *Set CRS of layer(s)*
3. Find and select the right CRS to use
4. And press *OK*. You can confirm that it has been set correctly in the *Source* tab of the layers' properties dialog.

Note that changing the CRS in this setting does not alter the underlying data source in any way, rather it just changes how QGIS interprets the raw coordinates from the layer in the current QGIS project.

10.3 Project Coordinate Reference Systems

Every project in QGIS also has an associated Coordinate Reference System. The project CRS determines how data is projected from its underlying raw coordinates to the flat map rendered within your QGIS map canvas.

QGIS supports „on the fly“ CRS transformation for both raster and vector data. This means that regardless of the underlying CRS of particular map layers in your project, they will always be automatically transformed into the common CRS defined for your project. Behind the scenes, QGIS transparently reprojects all layers contained within your project into the project's CRS, so that they will all be rendered in the correct position with respect to each other!

It is important to make an appropriate choice of CRS for your QGIS projects. Choosing an inappropriate CRS can cause your maps to look distorted, and poorly reflect the real-world relative sizes and positions of features. Usually, while working in smaller geographic areas, there will be a number of standard CRSs used within a particular country or administrative area. It's important to research which CRSs are appropriate or standard choices for the area you are mapping, and ensure that your QGIS project follows these standards.

By default, QGIS starts each new project using a global default projection. This default CRS is `EPSG:4326` (also known as „WGS 84“), and it is a global latitude/longitude based reference system. This default CRS can be changed via the *CRS for New Projects* setting in the *CRS* tab under *Settings* ► *Options…* (see Abb. 10.1). There is an option to automatically set the project's CRS to match the CRS of the first layer loaded into a new project, or alternatively you can select a different default CRS to use for all newly created projects. This choice will be saved for use in subsequent QGIS sessions.

The project CRS can also be set through the *CRS* tab of the *Project* ► *Properties…* dialog. It will also be shown in the lower-right of the QGIS status bar.

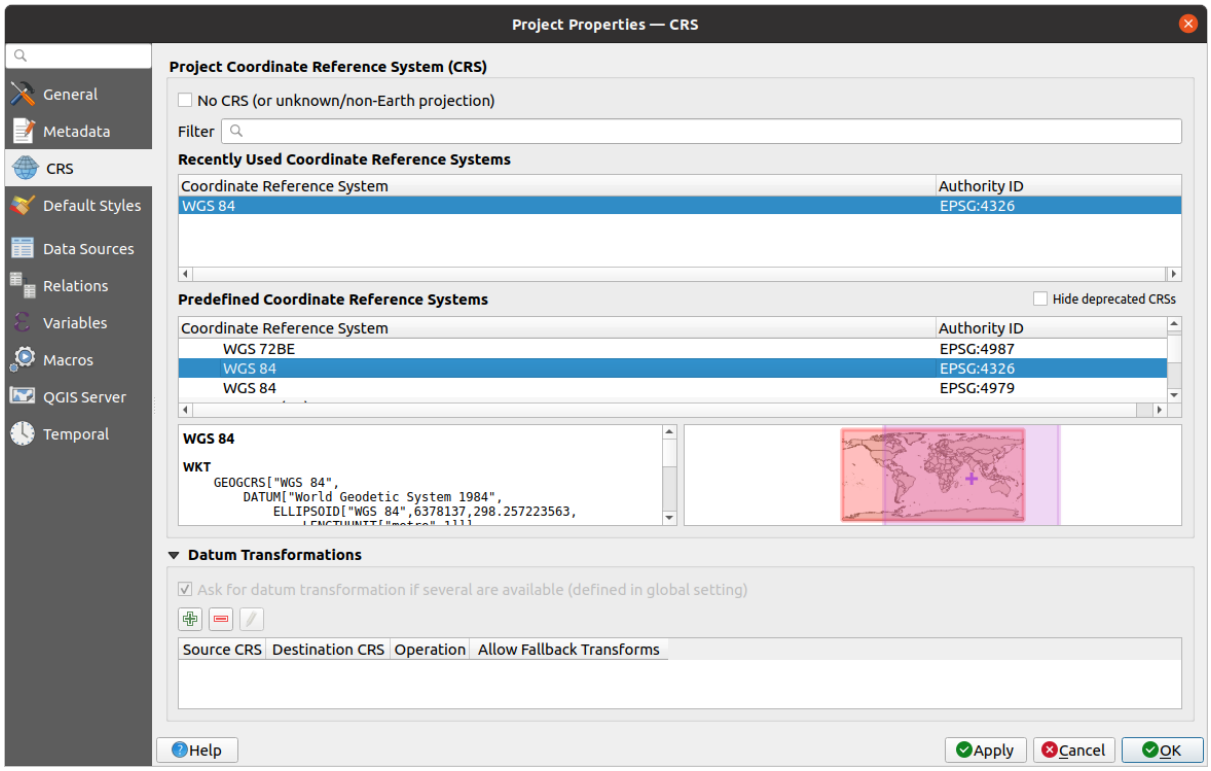


Abb. 10.2: Dialog Projekteigenschaften

Available options are:

- *No CRS (or unknown/non-Earth projection)*: Checking this setting will disable ALL projection handling within the QGIS project, causing all layers and map coordinates to be treated as simple 2D Cartesian coordinates, with no relation to positions on the Earth's surface. It can be used to guess a layer CRS (based on

its raw coordinates or when using QGIS for non earth uses like role-playing game maps, building mapping or microscopic stuff. In this case:

  - No reprojection is done while rendering the layers: features are just drawn using their raw coordinates.
  - The ellipsoid is locked out and forced to `None/Planimetric`.
  - The distance and area units, and the coordinate display are locked out and forced to „unknown units“; all measurements are done in unknown map units, and no conversion is possible.

- or an existing coordinate reference system that can be *geographic*, *projected* or *user-defined*. A preview of the CRS extent on earth is displayed to help you select the appropriate one. Layers added to the project are translated on-the-fly to this CRS in order to overlay them regardless their original CRS. Use of units and ellipsoid setting are available and make sense and you can perform calculations accordingly.

Whenever you select a new CRS for your QGIS project, the measurement units will automatically be changed in the *General* tab of the *Project properties* dialog (*Project* ► *Properties...*) to match the selected CRS. For instance, some CRSs define their coordinates in feet instead of meters, so setting your QGIS project to one of these CRSs will also set your project to measure using feet by default.

Tipp: Setting the project CRS from a layer

You can assign a CRS to the project using a layer CRS:

1. In the *Layers* panel, right-click on the layer you want to pick the CRS
2. Select *Set project CRS from Layer*.

The project's CRS is redefined using the layer's CRS. Map canvas extent, coordinates display are updated accordingly and all the layers in the project are on-the-fly translated to the new project CRS.

10.4 Coordinate Reference System Selector

This dialog helps you assign a Coordinate Reference System to a project or a layer, provided a set of projection databases. Items in the dialog are:

- **Filter**: If you know the EPSG code, the identifier, or the name for a Coordinate Reference System, you can use the search feature to find it. Enter the EPSG code, the identifier or the name.
- **Recently used coordinate reference systems**: If you have certain CRSs that you frequently use in your everyday GIS work, these will be displayed in this list. Click on one of these items to select the associated CRS.
- **Coordinate reference systems of the world**: This is a list of all CRSs supported by QGIS, including Geographic, Projected and Custom coordinate reference systems. To define a CRS, select it from the list by expanding the appropriate node and selecting the CRS. The active CRS is preselected.
- **PROJ text**: This is the CRS string used by the PROJ projection engine. This text is read-only and provided for informational purposes.

The CRS selector also shows a rough preview of the geographic area for which a selected CRS is valid for use. Many CRSs are designed only for use in small geographic areas, and you should not use these outside of the area they were designed for. The preview map shades an approximate area of use whenever a CRS is selected from the list. In addition, this preview map also shows an indicator of the current main canvas map extent.

10.5 Eigenes Koordinatenbezugssystem definieren

Wenn QGIS nicht das Koordinatenbezugssystem das Sie brauchen zur Verfügung stellt können Sie ein Benutzerdefiniertes Koordinatensystem definieren. Um ein KBS zu definieren wählen Sie *Benutzerkoordinatenbezugssystem …* aus dem Menü *Einstellungen*. Benutzerkoordinatenbezugssysteme werden in Ihrer QGIS Benutzerdatenbank gespeichert. Zusätzlich zu Ihrem Benutzerkoordinatensystem enthält diese Datenbank auch Ihre Räumlichen Lesezeichen und andere Benutzerdaten.

Defining a custom CRS in QGIS requires a good understanding of the PROJ projection library. To begin, refer to „Cartographic Projection Procedures for the UNIX Environment - A User's Manual" by Gerald I. Evenden, U.S. Geological Survey Open-File Report 90-284, 1990 (available at https://pubs.usgs.gov/of/1990/of90-284/ofr90-284.pdf).

This manual describes the use of `proj` and related command line utilities. The cartographic parameters used with `proj` are described in the user manual and are the same as those used by QGIS.

Der Dialog *Definition eines Benutzerkoordinatensystems* braucht nur zwei Einträge, um eine eigene Projektion zu definieren:

1. Ein beschreibender Name
2. The cartographic parameters in PROJ or WKT format

To create a new CRS:

1. Click the Add new CRS button
2. Enter a descriptive name
3. Select the format: it can be *Proj String* or *WKT*
4. Add the CRS *Parameters*.

Bemerkung: Prefer storing the CRS definition in WKT format

Although both `Proj String` and `WKT` formats are supported, it's highly recommended to store projection definitions in the WKT format. Therefore, if the available definition is in the proj format, select that format, enter the parameters and then switch to WKT format. QGIS will convert the definition to the WKT format that you can later save.

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5. Click *Validate* to test whether the CRS definition is an acceptable projection definition.

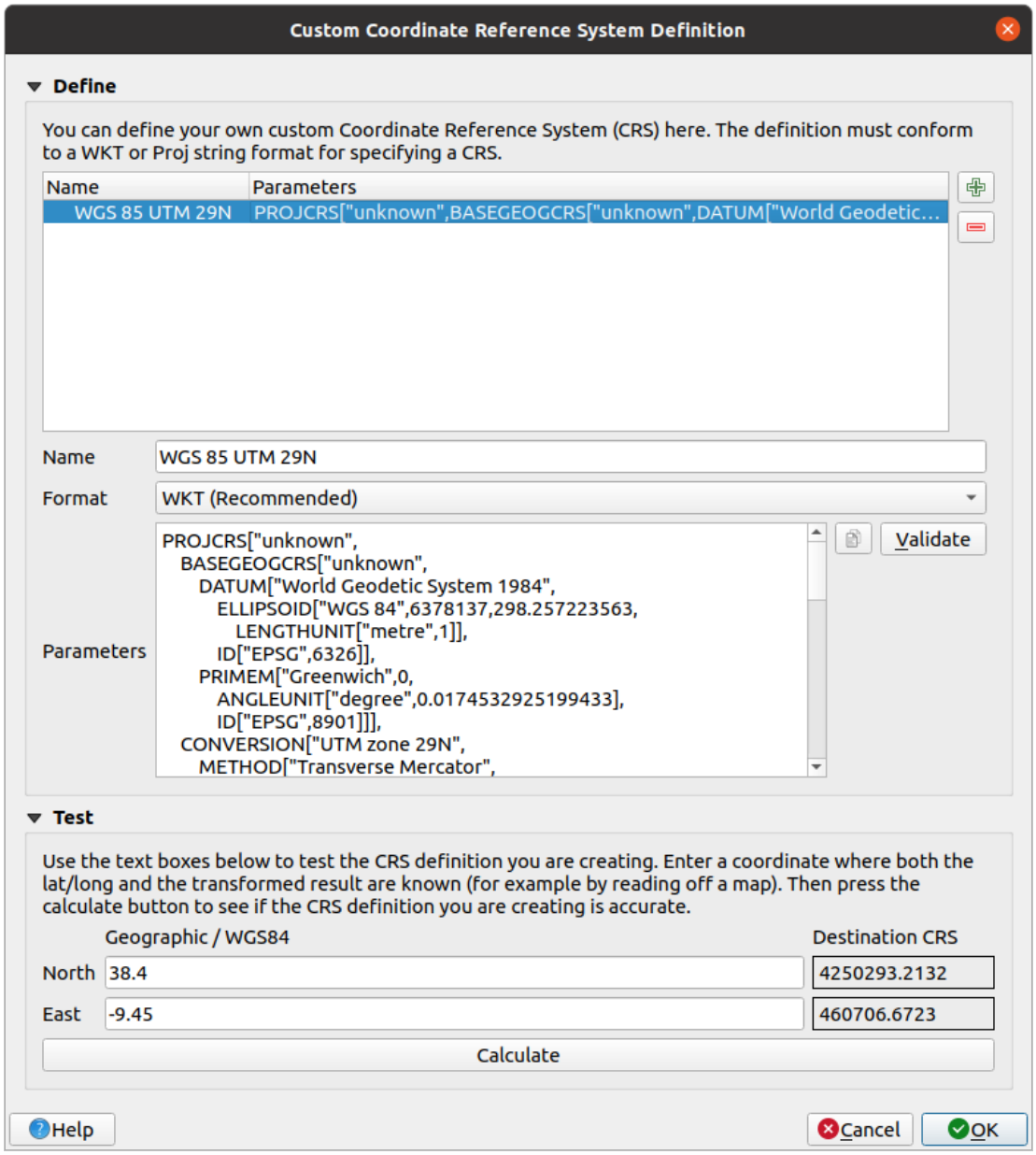


Abb. 10.3: Der Benutzerkoordinatensystem Dialog

You can test your CRS parameters to see if they give sane results. To do this, enter known WGS 84 latitude and longitude values in *North* and *East* fields, respectively. Click on *Calculate*, and compare the results with the known values in your coordinate reference system.

10.5.1 Integrate an NTv2-transformation in QGIS

To integrate an NTv2 transformation file in QGIS you need one more step:

1. Place the NTv2 file (.gsb) in the CRS/Proj folder that QGIS uses (e.g. `C:\OSGeo4W64\share\proj` for windows users)
2. Add **nadgrids** (`+nadgrids=nameofthefile.gsb`) to the Proj definition in the *Parameters* field of the *Custom Coordinate Reference System Definition* (*Settings* ► *Custom Projections…*).

Abb. 10.4: Setting an NTv2 transformation

10.6 Datum Transformations

In QGIS, ‚on-the-fly' CRS transformation is enabled by default, meaning that whenever you use layers with different coordinate systems QGIS transparently reprojects them to the project CRS. For some CRS, there are a number of possible transforms available to reproject to the project's CRS!

By default, QGIS will attempt to use the most accurate transformation available. However, in some cases this may not be possible, e.g. whenever additional support files are required to use a transformation. Whenever a more accurate transformation is available, but is not currently usable, QGIS will show an informative warning message advising you of the more accurate transformation and how to enable it on your system. Usually, this requires download of an external package of transformation support files, and extracting these to the `proj` folder under your QGIS *user profile* folder.

If desired, QGIS can also prompt you whenever multiple possible transformations can be made between two CRSs, and allow you to make an informed selection of which is the most appropriate transformation to use for your data.

This customization is done in the *Settings* ► *Options* ► *Transformations* tab menu under the *Default datum transformations* group:

- using *Ask for datum transformation if several are available*: when more than one appropriate datum transformation exist for a source/destination CRS combination, a dialog will automatically be opened prompting users to choose which of these datum transformations to use for the project. If the *Make default* checkbox is ticked when selecting a transformation from this dialog, then the choice is remembered and automatically applied to any newly created QGIS projects.
- or defining a list of appropriate datum transformations to use as defaults when loading a layer to a project or reprojecting a layer.

  Use the button to open the *Select Datum Transformations* dialog. Then:

  1. Choose the *Source CRS* of the layer, using the drop-down menu or the Select CRS widget.
  2. Provide the *Destination CRS* in the same way.
  3. A list of available transformations from source to destination will be shown in the table. Clicking a row shows details on the settings applied and the corresponding accuracy and area of use of the transformation.

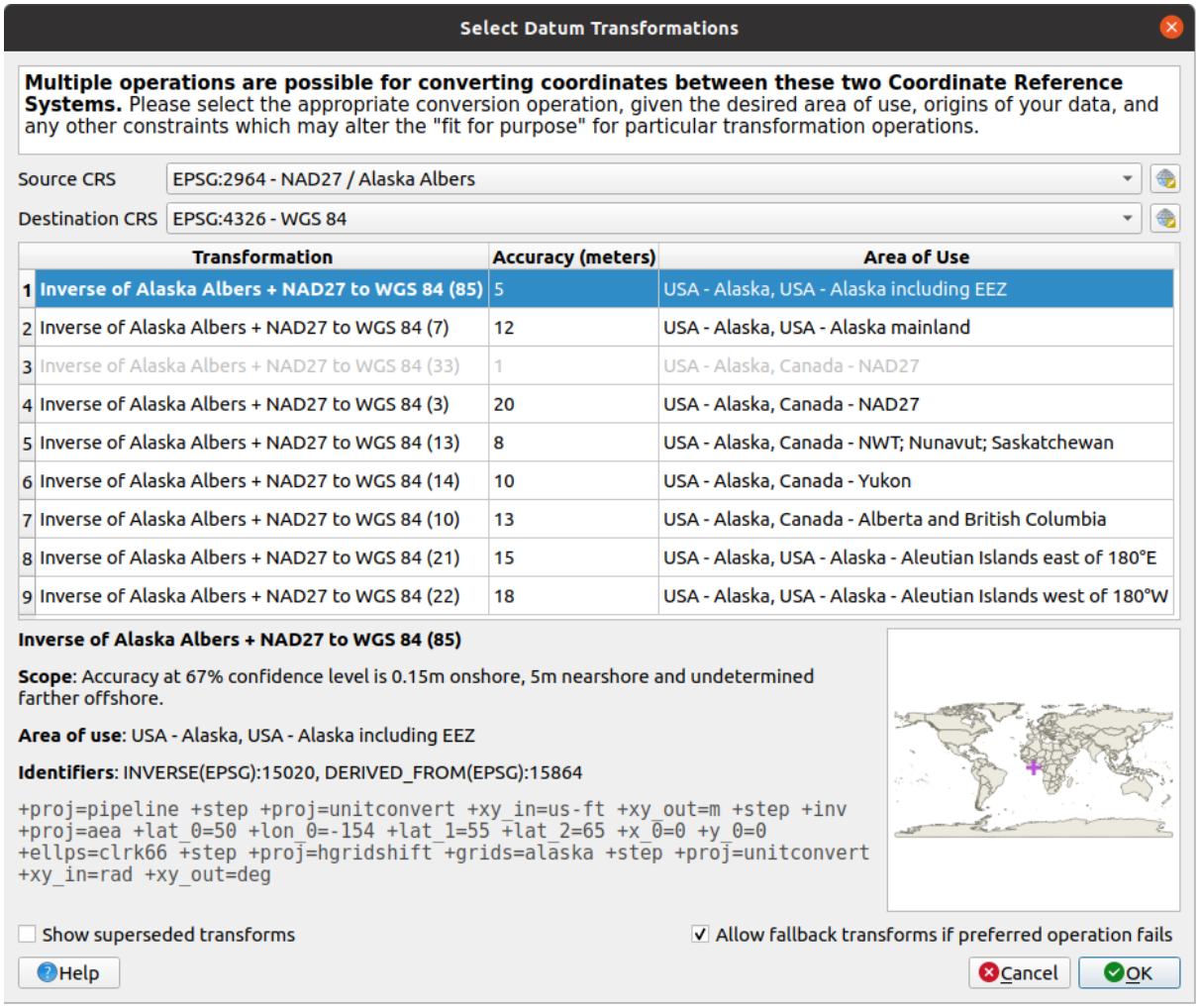


Abb. 10.5: Selecting a preferred default datum transformation

In some cases a transformation may not be available for use on your system. In this case, the transformation will still be shown (greyed) in this list but can not be picked until you install the required package of transformation support. Usually, a button is provided to download and install the corresponding grid, which is then stored under the `proj` folder in the active *user profile* directory.

4. Find your preferred transformation and select it
5. Set whether you *Allow fallback transforms if preferred operation fails*
6. Click *OK*.

   A row is added to the table under *Default Datum Transformations* with information about the *Source CRS*, the *Destination CRS*, the *Operation* applied for the transformation and whether *Allow fallback Transforms* is enabled.

From now, QGIS automatically uses the selected datum transformations for further transformation between these two CRSs until you remove it ( ) from the list or change the entry ( ) in the list.

Datum transformations set in the *Settings* ► *Options* ► *Transformations* tab will be inherited by all new QGIS projects created on the system. Additionally, a particular project may have its own specific set of transformations specified via the *CRS* tab of the *Project properties* dialog (*Project* ► *Properties…*). These settings apply to the current project only.

KAPITEL 11

Allgemeine Werkzeuge

11.1 Hilfe

Wann immer Sie Hilfe zu einem bestimmten Thema benötigen, können Sie die entsprechende Seite im aktuellen Benutzerhandbuch über die Schaltfläche :guilabel: *Hilfe* aufrufen, die in den meisten Dialogen verfügbar ist — bitte beachten Sie, dass Plugins von Drittanbietern auf spezielle Webseiten verweisen können.

11.2 Bedienfelder

Standardmäßig stellt QGIS viele Panels zur Verfügung, mit denen Sie arbeiten können. Einige dieser Panels werden im Folgenden beschrieben, während andere in verschiedenen Teilen des Dokuments zu finden sind. Eine vollständige Liste der von QGIS bereitgestellten Standardpanels finden Sie über die *View* ► *Panels* ► Menü und unter *Bedienfelder*.

11.2.1 Layerfenster

The *Layers* panel (also called the `map legend`) lists all the layers in the project and helps you manage their visibility. You can show or hide it by pressing `Ctrl+1`. A layer can be selected and dragged up or down in the legend to change the Z-ordering. Z-ordering means that layers listed nearer the top of the legend are drawn over layers listed lower down in the legend. Also a layer or a group of layers can be dragged across several QGIS instances.

Bemerkung: The Z-ordering behavior can be overridden by the *Layer Order* panel.

At the top of the Layers panel, a toolbar allows you to:

-  Open the layer styling dock (F7): toggle the layer styling panel on and off.
-  Add new group: see *Interact with groups and layers*
-  Manage Map Themes: control visibility of layers and arrange them in different map themes.
-  filter layers in the legend tree:

  - *Filter Legend by Map Content*: only the layers that are set visible and whose features intersect the current map canvas have their style rendered in the layers panel. Otherwise, a generic NULL symbol is applied to the layer. Based on the layer symbology, this is a convenient way to identify which kind of features from which layers cover your area of interest.
  - *Show Private Layers*: a convenient shortcut to display and interact with *private layers* in the *Layers* panel without modifying the project settings.

- Filter Legend by Expression: apply an expression to remove styles from the selected layer tree that have no feature satisfying the condition. This can be used to highlight features that are within a given area/feature of another layer. From the drop-down list, you can edit and clear the expression currently applied.
- Expand All or Collapse All layers and groups in the layers panel.
- Remove Layer/Group currently selected.

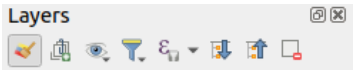


Abb. 11.1: Layer Toolbar in Layers Panel

Bemerkung: Tools to manage the layers panel are also available for map and legend items in print layouts

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Kartenthemen konfigurieren

Die Manage Map Themes drop-down Schaltfläche bietet einen Zugang zu den Einstellungen zur Sichtbarkeit der Layer im *Layers* Panel:

- *Alle Layer anzeigen*
- *Alle Layer ausblenden*
- *Show Selected Layers*
- *Hide Selected Layers*
- *Toggle Selected Layers*: changes the visibility of the first selected layer in the panel, and applies that state to the other selected layers. Also accesible through `Space` shortcut.
- *Toggle Selected Layers Independently*: changes the visibility status of each selected layer
- *Hide Deselected Layers*

Beyond the simple control of layer visibility, the Manage Map Themes menu allows you to configure **Map Themes** in the legend and switch from one map theme to another. A map theme is a **snapshot** of the current map legend that records:

- the layers set as visible in the *Layers* panel
- **and** for each visible layer:
  - the reference to the *style* applied to the layer
  - the visible classes of the style, ie the layer checked node items in the *Layers panel*. This applies to *symbologies* other than the single symbol rendering
  - the collapsed/expanded state of the layer node(s) and the group(s) it's placed inside

To create a map theme:

1. Check a layer you want to show
2. Configure the layer properties (symbology, diagram, labels…) as usual
3. Expand the *Style* ► menu at the bottom and click on *Add…* to store the settings as *a new style embedded in the project*

   Bemerkung: A map theme does not remember the current details of the properties: only a reference to the style name is saved, so whenever you apply modifications to the layer while this style is enabled (eg change the symbology rendering), the map theme is updated with new information.

4. Repeat the previous steps as necessary for the other layers
5. If applicable, expand or collapse groups or visible layer nodes in the *Layers* panel
6. Click on the Manage Map Themes button on top of the panel, and *Add Theme…*
7. Enter the map theme's name and click *OK*

The new theme is listed in the lower part of the drop-down menu.

You can create as many map themes as you need: whenever the current combination in the map legend (visible layers, their active style, the map legend nodes) does not match any existing map theme contents as defined above, click on *Add Theme…* to create a new map theme, or use *Replace Theme* ► to update a map theme. You can rename the active map theme with *Rename Current Theme…* or use the *Remove Current Theme* button to delete it.

Map themes are helpful to switch quickly between different preconfigured combinations: select a map theme in the list to restore its combination. All configured themes are also accessible in the print layout, allowing you to create different map items based on specific themes and independent of the current main canvas rendering (see *Map item layers*).

Overview of the context menu of the Layers panel

At the bottom of the toolbar, the main component of the Layers panel is the frame listing vector or raster layers added to the project, optionally organized in groups. Depending on the item selected in the panel, a right-click shows a dedicated set of options presented below.

Option	Vektorlayer	Rasterlayer	Group
Zoom to Layer(s)/Group	☑	☑	☑
Zoom to Selection	☑		
Show in Overview	☑	☑	
Show Feature Count	☑		
Show Label	☑		
Copy Layer/Group	☑	☑	☑
Rename Layer/Group	☑	☑	☑
Zoom to Native Resolution (100%)		☑	
Stretch Using Current Extent		☑	
Update SQL Layer…	☑		
Add Group			☑
Duplicate Layer	☑	☑	
Remove Layer/Group…	☑	☑	☑
Move Out of Group	☑	☑	

Fortsetzung auf der nächsten Seite

Tab. 11.1 – Fortsetzung der vorherigen Seite

Option	Vektorlayer	Rasterlayer	Group
Move to Top	☑	☑	☑
Move to Bottom	☑	☑	☑
Check and all its Parents	☑	☑	
Group Selected	☑	☑	
Attributtabelle öffnen	☑		
Bearbeitungsstatus umschalten	☑		
Aktuelle Änderungen ►	☑		
Filter…	☑		
Change Data Source…	☑		
Repair Data Source…	☑		
Actions on selections ► (in edit mode)	☑		
► *Duplicate Feature*	☑		
► *Duplicate Feature and Digitize*	☑		
Set Layer Scale Visibility…	☑	☑	
Zoom to Visible Scale	☑	☑	
Set CRS ►	☑	☑	
► *Set Layer/Group CRS…*	☑	☑	☑
► *Set Project CRS from Layer*	☑	☑	
Set Group WMS Data…			☑
Mutually Exclusive Group			☑
Check and all its children (Ctrl-click)			☑
Uncheck and all its children (Ctrl-click)			☑
Make Permanent	☑		
Export ►	☑	☑	☑
► *Save As…*		☑	
► *Save Features As…*	☑		
► *Save Selected Features As…*	☑		
► *Save As Layer Definition File…*	☑	☑	☑
► *Save As QGIS Layer Style File…*	☑	☑	
Styles ►	☑	☑	
► *Copy Style*	☑	☑	
► *Paste Style*	☑	☑	☑
► *Add…*	☑	☑	
► *Rename Current…*	☑	☑	
► *Edit symbol…*	☑		
► *Copy Symbol*	☑		
► *Paste Symbol*	☑		
Add Layer Notes…	☑	☑	

Fortsetzung auf der nächsten Seite

Tab. 11.1 – Fortsetzung der vorherigen Seite

Option	Vektorlayer	Rasterlayer	Group
Edit Layer Notes…	☑	☑	
Remove Layer Notes	☑	☑	
Eigenschaften…	☑	☑	

Table: Context menu from Layers Panel items

For GRASS vector layers, Toggle editing is not available. See section *Digitalisieren und Editieren eines GRASS Vektorlayers* for information on editing GRASS vector layers.

Interact with groups and layers

Layers in the legend window can be organized into groups. There are two ways to do this:

1. Press the icon to add a new group. Type in a name for the group and press `Enter`. Now click on an existing layer and drag it onto the group.
2. Select some layers, right-click in the legend window and choose *Group Selected*. The selected layers will automatically be placed in a new group.

To move a layer out of a group, drag it out, or right-click on it and choose *Move Out of Group*: the layer is moved from the group and placed above it. Groups can also be nested inside other groups. If a layer is placed in a nested group, *Move Out of Group* will move the layer out of all nested groups.

To move a group or layer to the top of the layer panel, either drag it to the top, or choose *Move to Top*. If you use this option on a layer nested in a group, the layer is moved to the top in its current group. The *Move to Bottom* option follows the same logic to move layers and groups down.

The checkbox for a group will show or hide the checked layers in the group with one click. With `Ctrl` pressed, the checkbox will also turn on or off all the layers in the group and its sub-groups.

`Ctrl`-click on a checked / unchecked layer will uncheck / check the layer and all its parents.

Enabling the **Mutually Exclusive Group** option means you can make a group have only one layer visible at the same time. Whenever a layer within the group is set visible the others will be toggled not visible.

It is possible to select more than one layer or group at the same time by holding down the `Ctrl` key while clicking additional layers. You can then move all selected layers to a new group at the same time.

You may also delete more than one layer or group at once by selecting several items with the `Ctrl` key and then pressing `Ctrl+D`: all selected layers or groups will be removed from the layers list.

More information on layers and groups using indicator icon

In some circumstances, icons appears next to the layer or group in the *Layers* panel to give more information about the layer/group. These symbols are:

- to indicate that the layer is in edit mode and you can modify the data
- to indicate that the layer being edited has some unsaved changes
- to indicate *a filter* applied to the layer. Hover over the icon to see the filter expression and double-click to update the query
- to identify layers that are *required* in the project, hence non removable
- to identify an *embedded group or layer* and the path to their original project file

-  to identify a layer whose data source was not available at the project file opening (see *Behandlung von zerstörten Dateipfaden*). Click the icon to update the source path or select *Repair Data Source…* entry from the layer contextual menu.
-  to remind you that the layer is a *temporary scratch layer* and its content will be discarded when you close this project. To avoid data loss and make the layer permanent, click the icon to store the layer in any of the OGR vector formats supported by QGIS.
-  to identify a layer used in *offline editing mode*.
-  to identify a layer that has no/unknown CRS
-  for layers with coordinates stored in a coordinate reference system which is inherently low accuracy (requires the *corresponding setting* to be enabled)
-  to identify a temporal layer controlled by canvas animation
-  to identify a layer that has *notes* associated

Editing vector layer style

From the Layers panel, you have shortcuts to change the layer rendering quickly and easily. Right-click on a vector layer and select *Styles* ► in the list in order to:

- see the *styles* currently applied to the layer. If you defined many styles for the layer, you can switch from one to another and your layer rendering will automatically be updated on the map canvas.
- copy part or all of the current style, and when applicable, paste a copied style from another layer

  Tipp: Quickly share a layer style

  From the context menu, copy the style of a layer and paste it to a group or a selection of layers: the style is applied to all the layers that are of the same type (vector/raster) as the original layer and, for vector layers, have the same geometry type (point, line or polygon).

- rename the current style, add a new style (which is actually a copy of the current one) or delete the current style (when multiple styles are available).

Bemerkung: The previous options are also available for raster or mesh layers.

- update the *symbol color* using a **Color Wheel**. For convenience, the recently used colors are also available at the bottom of the color wheel.
- *Edit Symbol…*: open the *Symbol Selector* dialog and change feature symbol (symbol, size, color…).

When using a classification symbology type (based on *categorized*, *graduated* or *rule-based*), the aforementioned symbol-level options are available from the class entry context menu. Also provided are the  *Toggle Items*,  *Show All Items* and  *Hide All Items* entries to switch the visibility of all the classes of features. These avoid (un)checking items one by one.

Tipp: Double-clicking a class leaf entry also opens the *Symbol Selector* dialog.

11.2.2 Layer Styling Panel

The *Layer Styling* panel (also enabled with `Ctrl+3`) is a shortcut to some of the functionalities of the *Layer Properties* dialog. It provides a quick and easy way to define the rendering and the behavior of a layer, and to visualize its effects without having to open the layer properties dialog.

In addition to avoiding the blocking (or „modal“) layer properties dialog, the layer styling panel also avoids cluttering the screen with dialogs, and contains most style functions (color selector, effects properties, rule edit, label substitution…): e.g., clicking color buttons inside the layer style panel causes the color selector dialog to be opened inside the layer style panel itself rather than as a separate dialog.

From a drop-down list of current layers in the layer panel, select an item and:

- Depending on the layer type, set:
  - *Symbology*, *Transparency*, and *Histogram* properties for raster layer. These options are the same as in the *Dialogfenster Rasterlayereigenschaften*.
  - *Symbology*, *Labels*, *Mask* and *3D View* properties for vector layer. These options are the same as in the *Vektorlayereigenschaften* and can be extended by custom properties introduced by third-party plugins.
  - *Symbology* and *3D View* properties for mesh layer. These options are the same as in the *Mesh Dataset Properties*.
- Manage the associated style(s) in the *Style Manager* (more details at *Verwalten von benutzerdefinierten Stilen*).
- See the *History* of changes you applied to the layer style in the current project: you can therefore cancel or restore to any state by selecting it in the list and clicking *Apply*.

Another powerful feature of this panel is the *Live update* checkbox. Tick it to render your changes immediately on the map canvas: you no longer need to click the *Apply* button.

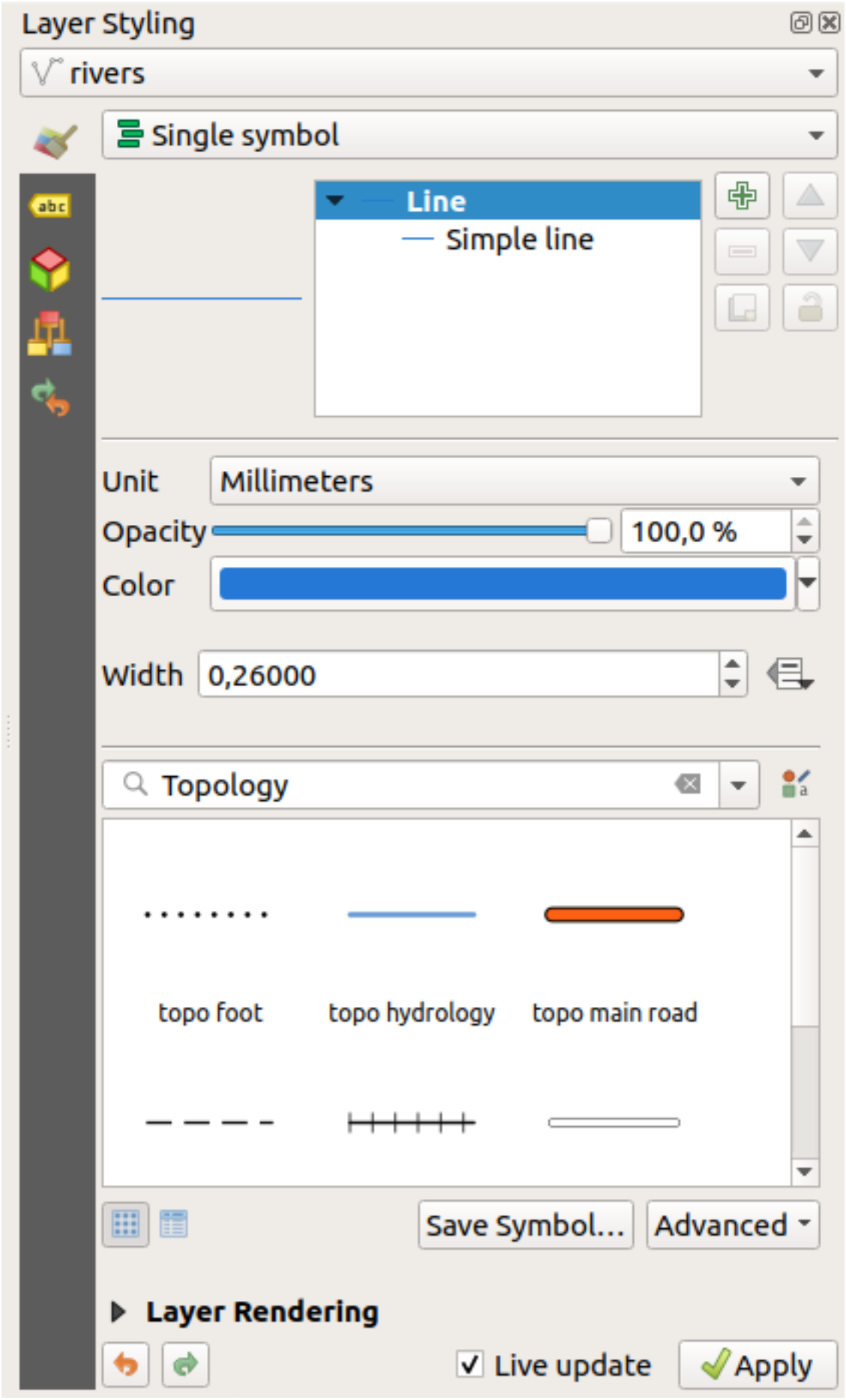


Abb. 11.2: Defining a layer's symbology from the layer styling panel

11.2.3 Layer Order Panel

By default, layers shown on the QGIS map canvas are drawn following their order in the *Layers* panel: the higher a layer is in the panel, the higher (hence, more visible) it'll be in the map view.

You can define a drawing order for the layers independent of the order in the layers panel with the *Layer Order* panel enabled in *View* ► *Panels* ► menu or with `Ctrl+9`. Check *Control rendering order* underneath the list of layers and reorganize the layers in the panel as you want. This order becomes the one applied to the map canvas. For example, in Abb. 11.3, you can see that the `airports` features are displayed over the `alaska` polygon despite those layers' respective placement in the Layers panel.

Unchecking *Control rendering order* will revert to default behavior.

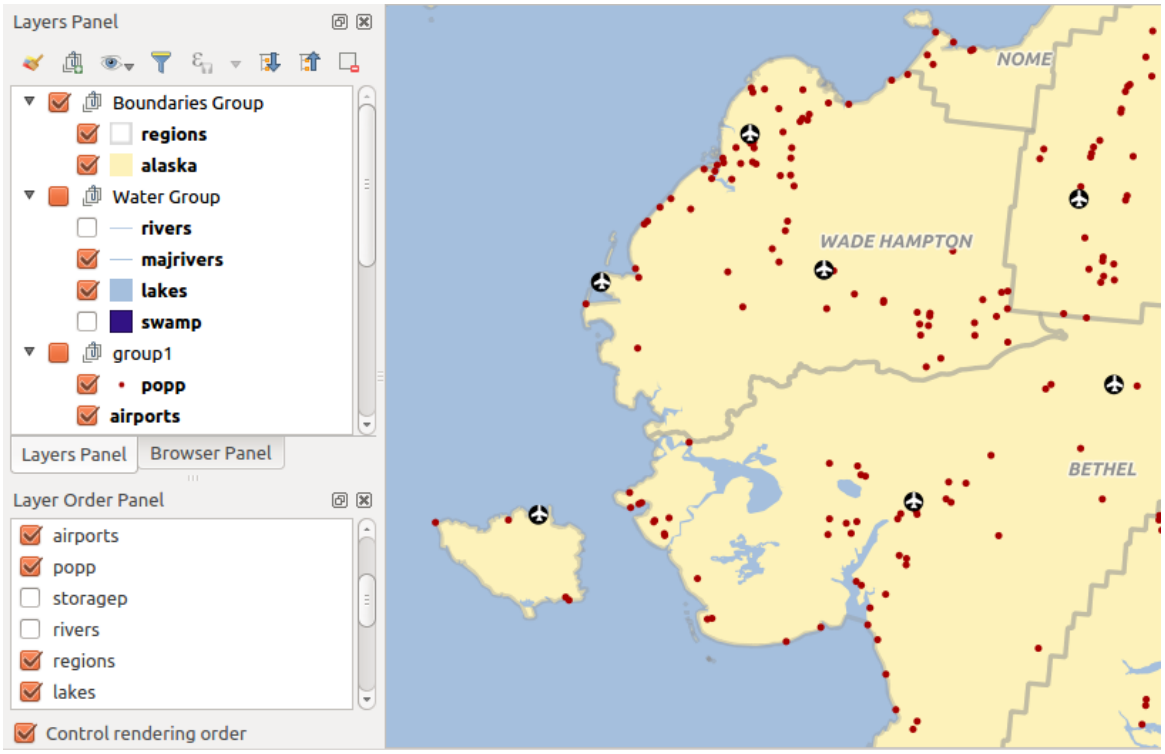


Abb. 11.3: Define a layer order independent of the legend

11.2.4 Overview Panel

The *Overview* panel (`Ctrl+8`) displays a map with a full extent view of some of the layers. The Overview map is filled with layers using the *Show in Overview* option from the *Layer* menu or in the layer contextual menu. Within the view, a red rectangle shows the current map canvas extent, helping you quickly to determine which area of the whole map you are currently viewing. If you click-and-drag the red rectangle in the overview frame, the main map view extent will update accordingly.

Note that labels are not rendered to the map overview even if the layers used in the map overview have been set up for labeling.

11.2.5 Log Messages Panel

When loading or processing some operations, you can track and follow messages that appear in different tabs using the  *Log Messages Panel*. It can be activated using the most right icon in the bottom status bar.

11.2.6 Undo/Redo Panel

For each layer being edited, the *Undo/Redo* (`Ctrl+5`) panel shows the list of actions carried out, allowing you quickly to undo a set of actions by selecting the action listed above. More details at *Undo and Redo edits*.

11.2.7 Statistical Summary Panel

The *Statistics* panel (`Ctrl+6`) provides summarized information on any vector layer. This panel allows you to select:

- the vector layer to compute the statistics on
- the column to use, or an  *expression*
- the statistics to return using the drop-down button at the bottom-right of the dialog. Depending on the field's (or expression's values) type, available statistics are:

Statistics	Text	Integer	Float	Datum
Count	✓	✓	✓	✓
Count Distinct Value	✓			✓
Count Missing value	✓	✓	✓	✓
Sum		✓	✓	
Mean		✓	✓	✓
Standard Deviation		✓	✓	
Standard Deviation on Sample		✓	✓	
Minimal value	✓	✓	✓	✓
Maximal value	✓	✓	✓	✓
Bereich		✓	✓	✓
Minority	✓	✓	✓	
Majority	✓	✓	✓	
Variety		✓	✓	
First Quartile		✓	✓	
Third Quartile		✓	✓	
Inter Quartile Range		✓	✓	
Minimum Length	✓			
Maximum Length	✓			
Mean Length	✓			

Table: Statistics available for each field type

The statistical summary can be:

- returned for the whole layer or  *selected features only*

- recalculated using the button when the underlying data source changes (eg, new or removed features/fields, attribute modification)
- copied to the clipboard and pasted as a table in another application

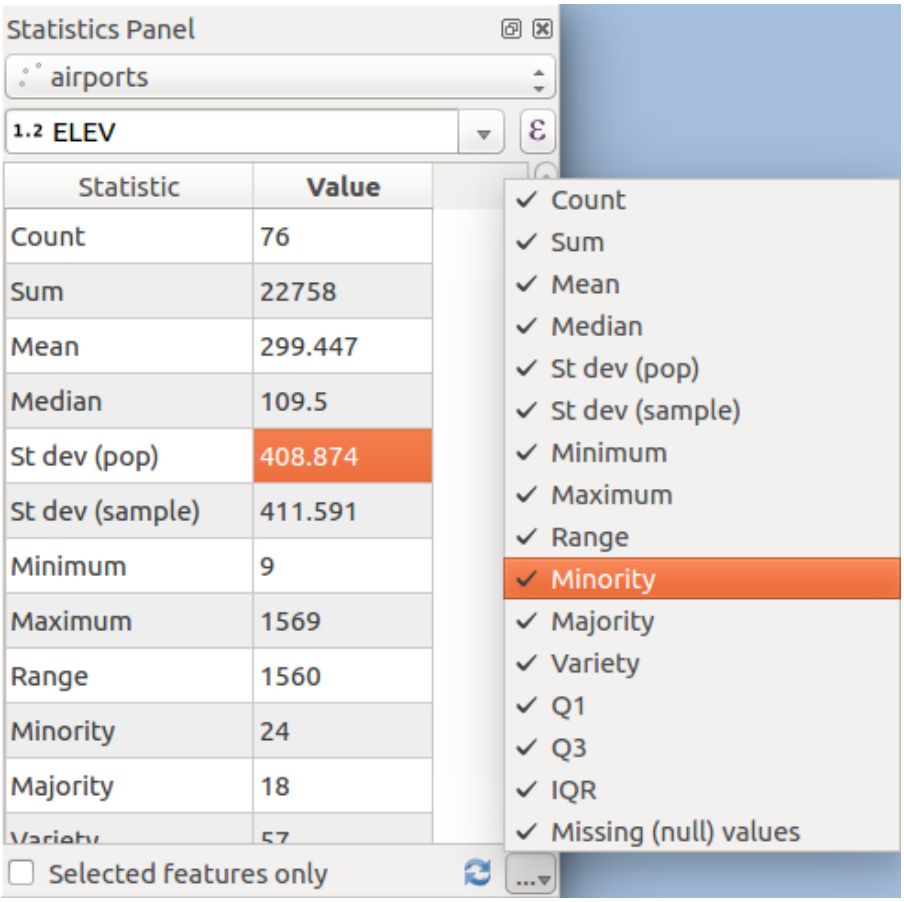


Abb. 11.4: Show statistics on a field

11.2.8 Debugging/Development Tools Panel

The *Debugging/Development Tools* panel (`F12`) provides a *Network Logger* and a *Profiler*.

Network Logger

The *Network Logger* provides a list of ongoing and completed network requests, along with a whole load of useful detail like request and reply status, header, errors, SSL configuration errors, timeouts, cache status, etc.

It also allows you to:

- *Record Log* which will start or stop the logging.
- *Clear Log* will clear the log history.
- *Save Log…* will first show a big warning that the log is sensitive and should be treated as confidential and than allow you to save the log.
- *Settings* will allow you to *Show Successful Requests* and *Show Timeouts*.

- *Disable cache* will disable the cache so that every request has to be performed.
- *Filter requests*

By right clicking on a request you can:

- *Open URL* which will open the URL in your default browser.
- *Copy URL*
- *Copy As cURL* to use it in the terminal.
- *Copy as JSON* will copy the whole log from one request.

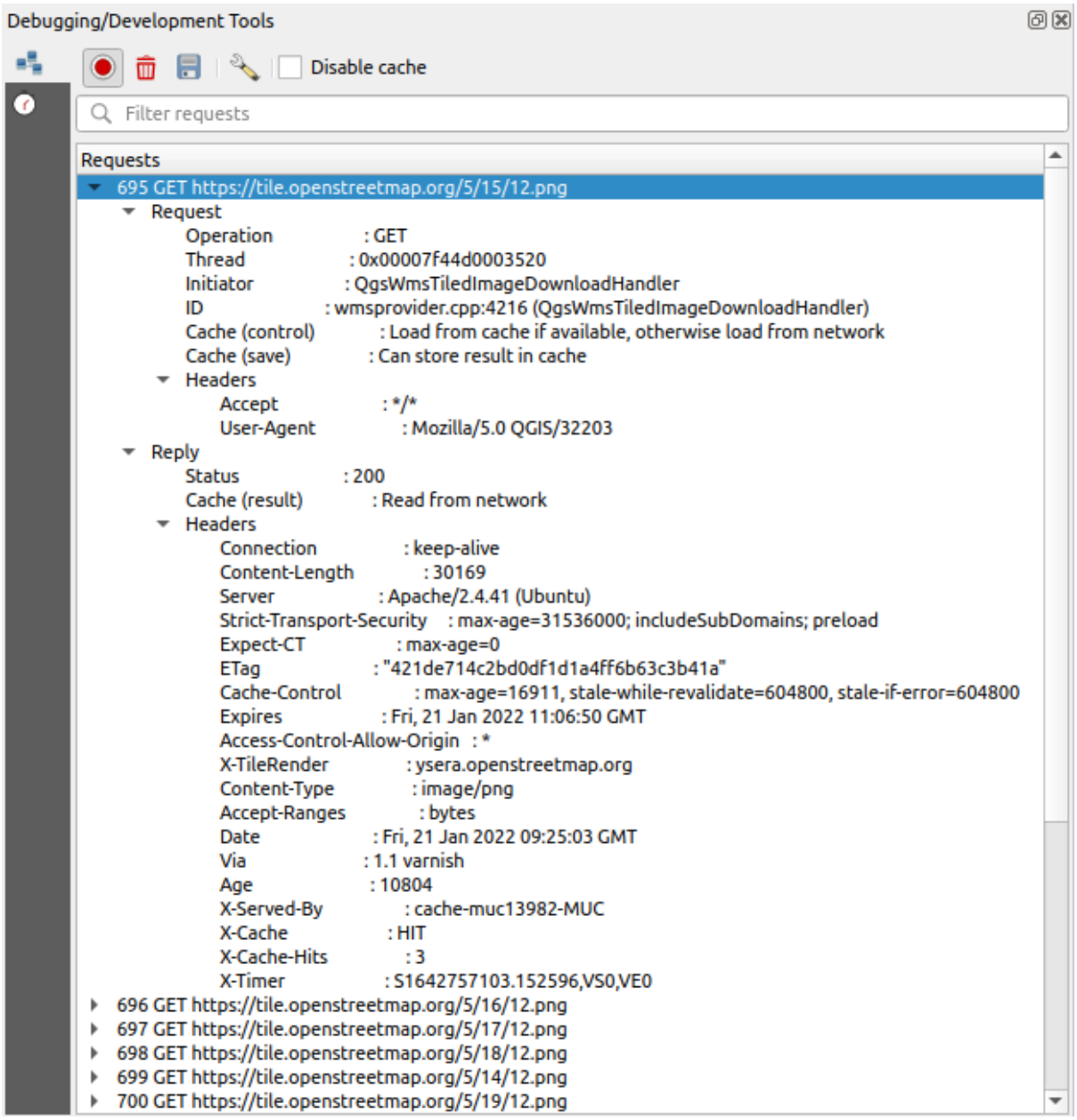


Abb. 11.5: Network Logger output for GET Request

Profiler

The *Profiler* allows to get load times for the Categories *Startup* and *Project Load*, to identify causes of slow load times.

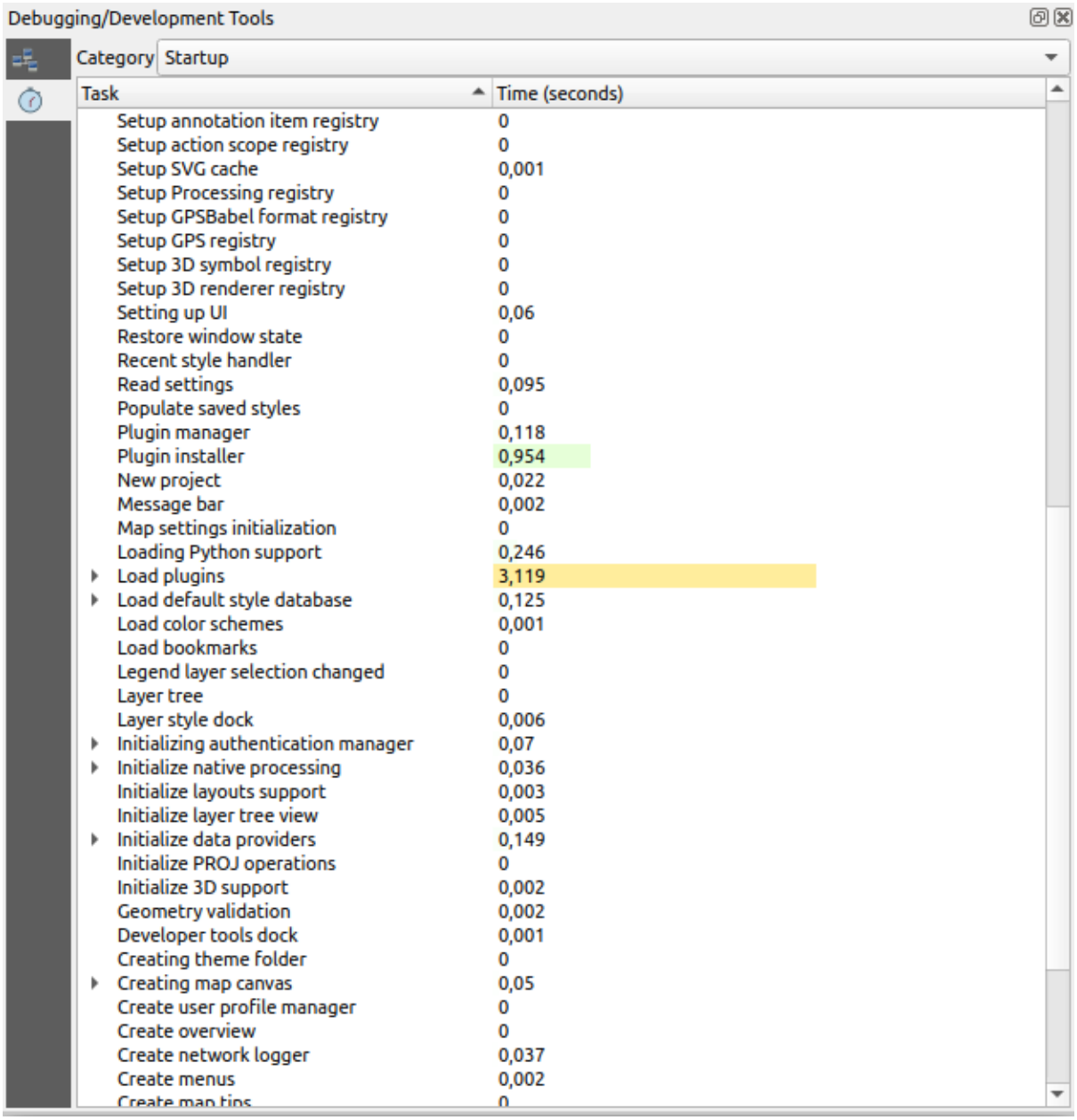


Abb. 11.6: Profiler for QGIS Startup

11.3 Embedding layers from external projects

Sometimes, you'd like to keep some layers in different projects, but with the same style. You can either create a *default style* for these layers or embed them from another project to save time and effort.

Embed layers and groups from an existing project has some advantages over styling:

- All types of layers (vector or raster, local or online…) can be added
- Fetching groups and layers, you can keep the same tree structure of the „background" layers in your different projects
- While the embedded layers are editable, you can't change their properties such as symbology, labels, forms, default values and actions, ensuring consistency across projects
- Modify the items in the original project and changes are propagated to all the other projects

If you want to embed content from other project files into your project, select *Layer* ► *Embed Layers and Groups*:

1. Click the … button to look for a project: you can see the content of the project (see Abb. 11.7)
2. Hold down `Ctrl` (or `Cmd`) and click on the layers and groups you wish to retrieve
3. Klicken Sie auf *OK*

The selected layers and groups are embedded in the *Layers* panel and displayed on the map canvas. An icon is added next to their name for recognition and hovering over displays a tooltip with the original project file path.

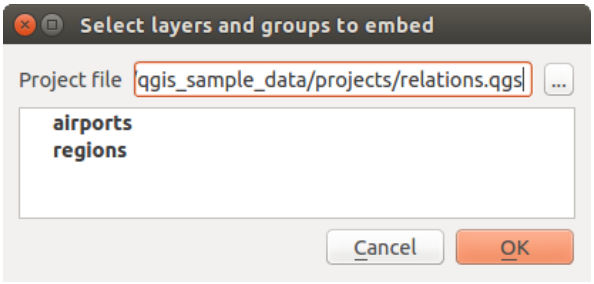


Abb. 11.7: Einzubettende Layer und Gruppen wählen

Like any other layer, an embedded layer can be removed from the project by right-clicking on the layer and clicking Remove.

Tipp: Change rendering of an embedded layer

It's not possible to change the rendering of an embedded layer, unless you make the changes in the original project file. However, right-clicking on a layer and selecting *Duplicate* creates a layer which is fully-featured and not dependent on the original project. You can then safely remove the linked layer.

11.4 Working with the map canvas

11.4.1 Layeranzeige kontrollieren

QGIS rendert standardmäßig alle sichtbaren Layer wenn das Kartenfenster aktualisirt werden muss. Die Abläufe, die eine ‚Erneuerung' der Wiedergabe verursachen sind:

- adding a layer
- panning or zooming

- resizing the QGIS window
- changing the visibility of a layer or layers

QGIS ermöglicht es, den Wiedergabeprozess auf verschiedene Arten zu kontrollieren.

Maßstabsabhängige Layeranzeige

Scale-dependent rendering allows you to specify the minimum and maximum scales at which a layer (raster or vector) will be visible. To set scale-dependent rendering, open the *Properties* dialog by double-clicking on the layer in the legend. On the *Rendering* tab, tick *Scale dependent visibility* and enter the *Minimum (exclusive)* and *Maximum (inclusive)* scale values.

You can also activate scale dependent visibility on a layer from the Layers panel. Right-click on the layer and in the context menu, select *Set Layer Scale Visibility*.

The Set to current canvas scale button allow you to use the current map canvas scale as boundary of the range visibility.

Bemerkung: When a layer is not rendered in the map canvas because the map scale is out of its visibility scale range, the layer is greyed in the Layers panel and a new option *Zoom to Visible Scale* appears in the layer context menu. Select it and the map is zoomed to the layer's nearest visibility scale.

Layeranzeige kontrollieren

Die Kartendarstellung kann wie unten beschrieben auf verschiedene Art und Weise gesteuert werden.

Wiedergabe unterdrücken

To suspend rendering, click the *Render* checkbox in the bottom-right corner of the status bar. When *Render* is not checked, QGIS does not redraw the canvas in response to any of the events described in the section *Layeranzeige kontrollieren*. Examples of when you might want to suspend rendering include:

- adding many layers and symbolizing them prior to drawing
- adding one or more large layers and setting scale dependency before drawing
- adding one or more large layers and zooming to a specific view before drawing
- any combination of the above

Wenn Sie die *Zeichnen* aktivieren, findet automatisch eine Erneuerung der Wiedergabe des Kartenfensters statt.

Option für Layer hinzufügen

You can set an option to always load new layers without drawing them. This means the layer will be added to the map, but its visibility checkbox in the legend will be unchecked by default. To set this option, choose menu option *Settings* ► *Options* and click on the *Rendering* tab. Uncheck *By default new layers added to the map should be displayed*. Any layer subsequently added to the map will be off (invisible) by default.

Zeichnen stoppen

To stop the map drawing, press the `Esc` key. This will halt the refresh of the map canvas and leave the map partially drawn. It may take a bit of time between pressing `Esc` for the map drawing to halt.

Die Qualität der Wiedergabe beeinflussen

Um die Wiedergabequalität der Layer zu beeinflussen gibt es drei Möglichkeiten. Öffnen Sie den Reiter *Darstellung* im Menü *Einstellungen* ►*Optionen* ► und aktivieren bzw. deaktivieren Sie *Linien auf Kosten der Zeichengeschwindigkeit weniger gezackt zechnen*.

Darstellung beschleunigen

Es gibt zwei Einstellungen die es Ihnen ermöglichen die Darstellungsgeschwindigkeit zu erhöhen. Öffnen Sie den QGIS *Optionen* Dialog indem Sie *Einstellungen* ► *Optionen* benutzen, gehen Sie zum *Darstellung* Menü und aktivieren oder deaktivieren Sie die folgenden Kontrollkästchen:

- *Use render caching where possible to speed up redraws*.
- *Layer mit vielen CPU-Kernen parallel zeichnen* und legen Sie dann die *Max. zu benutzende Kerne* fest.
- Die Karte rendert im Hintergrund auf einem separaten Bild und jedes *Map Update interval*, der Inhalt von diesem (Off-Screen) Bild wird durch die sichtbare Bildschirmdarstellung getroffen werden, um aktuell zu bleiben. Wenn das Rendering jedoch schneller ist, als diese Dauer beendet ist, wird es sofort angezeigt.
- With *Enable Feature simplification by default for newly added layers*, you simplify features' geometry (fewer nodes) and as a result, they display more quickly. Be aware that this can cause rendering inconsistencies.

11.4.2 Zoomen und Karte verschieben

There are multiple ways to zoom and pan to an area of interest. You can use the *Map Navigation* toolbar, the mouse and keyboard on the map canvas and also the menu actions from the *View* menu and the layers' contextual menu in the *Layers* panel.

Icon	Label	Usage	View menu	Map Navigation Toolbar	Layer Contextual Menu
	Pan Map	When activated, left click anywhere on the map canvas to pan the map at the cursor position. You can also pan the map by holding down the left mouse button and dragging the map canvas.	☑	☑	
	Zoom In	When activated, left click anywhere on the map canvas to zoom in one level. The mouse cursor position will be the center of the zoomed area of interest. You can also zoom in to an area by dragging a rectangle on the map canvas with the left mouse button.	☑	☑	
	Zoom Out	When activated, left click anywhere on the map canvas to zoom out one level. The mouse cursor position will be the center of the zoomed area of interest. You can also zoom out from an area by dragging a rectangle on the map canvas with the left mouse button.	☑	☑	
	Pan Map to Selection	Pan the map to the selected features of all the selected layers in the *Layers* panel.	☑	☑	
	Zoom To Selection	Zoom to the selected features of all the selected layers in the *Layers* panel.	☑	☑	☑

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Icon	Label	Usage	View menu	Map Navigation Toolbar	Layer Contextual Menu
	Zoom To Layer(s)	Zoom to the extent of all the selected layers in the *Layers* panel.	☑	☑	☑
	Zoom Full	Zoom to the extent of all the layers in the project or to the *project full extent*.	☑	☑	
	Zoom Last	Zoom the map to the previous extent in history.	☑	☑	
	Zoom Next	Zoom the map to the next extent in history.	☑	☑	
	Zoom to Native Resolution	Zoom the map to a level where one pixel of the active raster layer covers one screen pixel.	☑	☑	☑

A *Zoom factor* can be set under the *Settings* ► *Options* ► *Map tools* menu to define the scale behavior while zooming. There, you can also set a list of *Predefined Scales* that will be available at the bottom of the map canvas.

With the Mouse on the Map Canvas

In addition to using the Pan Zoom In and Zoom Out tools described above, you can hold the mouse wheel inside of the map canvas and drag the mouse cursor (on macOS, you may need to hold down the `cmd` key). You can also roll the mouse wheel to zoom in and out on the map. The mouse cursor position will be the center of the zoomed area of interest. Holding down `Ctrl` while rolling the mouse wheel results in a finer zoom.

With the Keyboard on the Map Canvas

Holding down `spacebar` on the keyboard and moving the mouse cursor will pan the map the same way dragging the map canvas with Pan does.

Panning the map is possible with the arrow keys. Place the mouse cursor inside the map area, and press on the arrow keys to pan up, down, left and right.

The `PgUp` and `PgDown` keys on the keyboard will cause the map display to zoom in or out following the zoom factor set. Pressing `Ctrl++` or `Ctrl+-` also performs an immediate zoom in/out on the map canvas.

When certain map tools are active (Identify, Measure…), you can perform a zoom by holding down `Shift` and dragging a rectangle on the map to zoom to that area. This is not enabled for selection tools (since they use `Shift` for adding to selection) or edit tools.

11.4.3 Räumliche Lesezeichen

Spatial Bookmarks allow you to „bookmark“ a geographic location and return to it later. By default, bookmarks are saved in the user's profile (as *User Bookmarks*), meaning that they are available from any project the user opens. They can also be saved for a single project (named *Project Bookmarks*) and stored within the project file, which can be helpful if the project is to be shared with other users.

Ein Lesezeichen erstellen

Um ein Lesezeichen zu erstellen:

1. Zoom and pan to the area of interest.
2. Select the menu option *View* ► *New Spatial Bookmark…*, press `Ctrl+B` or right-click the *Spatial Bookmarks* entry in the *Browser* panel and select *New Spatial Bookmark*. The *Bookmark Editor* dialog opens.

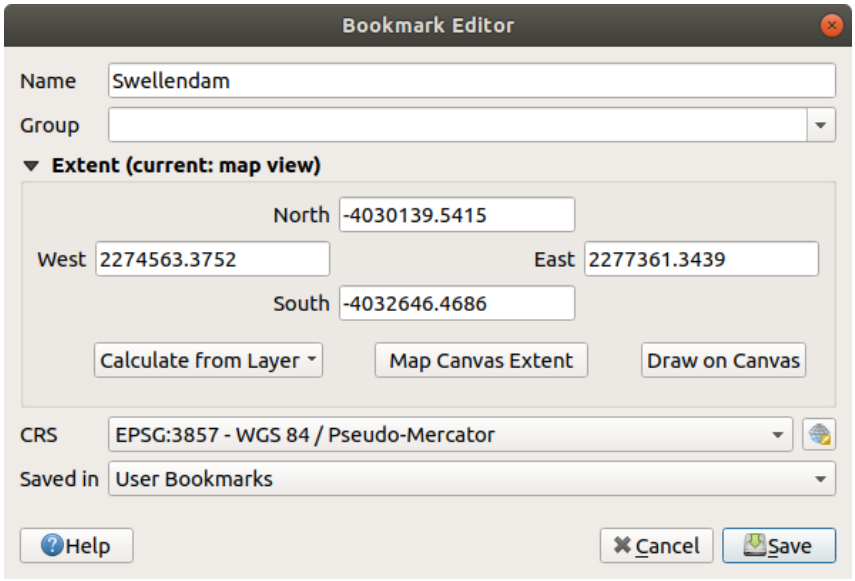


Abb. 11.8: The Bookmark Editor Dialog

3. Enter a descriptive name for the bookmark
4. Enter or select a group name in which to store related bookmarks
5. Select the extent of the area you wish to save, using the *extent selector* widget
6. Indicate the *CRS* to use for the extent
7. Select whether the bookmark will be *Saved in User Bookmarks* or *Project Bookmarks*
8. Press *Save* to add the bookmark to the list

Sie können mehrere Lesezeichen mit demselben Namen erstellen.

Arbeiten mit Lesezeichen

To use and manage bookmarks, you can either use the *Spatial Bookmarks* panel or *Browser*.

Select *View* ► *Show Spatial Bookmark Manager* or press `Ctrl+7` to open the *Spatial Bookmarks Manager* panel.
Select *View* ► *Show Bookmarks* or `Ctrl+Shift+B` to show the *Spatial Bookmarks* entry in the *Browser* panel.

You can perform the following tasks:

Task	Spatial Bookmark Manager	Browser
Zoom to a Bookmark	Double-click on it, or select the bookmark and press the *Zoom to bookmark* button.	Double-click on it, drag and drop it to the map canvas, or right-click the bookmark and select *Zoom to Bookmark*.

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Task	Spatial Bookmark Manager	Browser
Delete a bookmark	Select the bookmark and click the *Delete bookmark* button. Confirm your choice.	Right-click the bookmark and select *Delete Spatial Bookmark*. Confirm your choice.
Export bookmarks to XML	Click the *Import/Export Bookmarks* button and select *Export*. All the bookmarks (user or project) are saved in an xml file.	Select one or more folders (user or project) or subfolders (groups), then right-click and select *Export Spatial Bookmarks…*. The selected bookmark subset is saved.
Import bookmarks from XML	Click the *Import/Export Bookmarks* button and select *Import*. All bookmarks in the XML file are imported as user bookmarks.	Right-click the *Spatial Bookmarks* entry or one of its folders (user or project) or subfolders (groups) to determine where to import the bookmarks, then select *Import Spatial Bookmarks*. If performed on the *Spatial Bookmarks* entry, the bookmarks are added to *User Bookmarks*.
Edit bookmark	You can change a bookmark by changing the values in the table. You can edit the name, the group, the extent and if it is stored in the project or not.	Right-click the desired bookmark and select *Edit Spatial Bookmark…*. The *Bookmark Editor* will open, allowing you to redefine every aspect of the bookmark as if you were creating it for the first time. You can also drag and drop the bookmark between folders (user and project) and subfolders (groups).

You can also zoom to bookmarks by typing the bookmark name in the *locator*.

11.4.4 Dekorationen

Decorations include Grid, Title Label, Copyright Label, Image, North Arrow, Scale Bar and Layout Extents. They are used to ‚decorate' the map by adding cartographic elements.

Gitter

Grid allows you to add a coordinate grid and coordinate annotations to the map canvas.

1. Select menu option *View* ► *Decorations* ► *Grid…* to open the dialog.

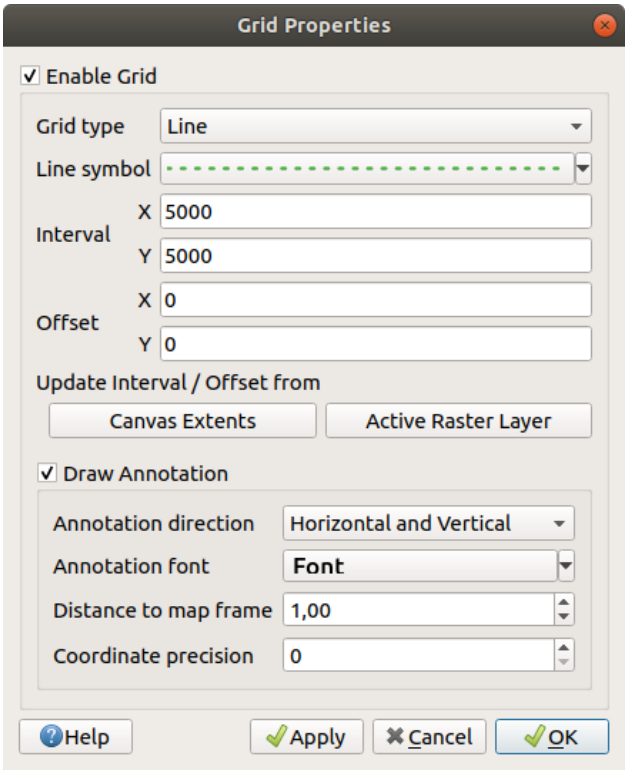


Abb. 11.9: Der Gitter Dialog

2. Tick *Enable grid* and set grid definitions according to the layers loaded in the map canvas:
   - The *Grid type*: it can be *Line* or *Marker*
   - The associated *Line symbol* or *marker symbol* used to represent the grid marks
   - The *Interval X* and *Interval Y* between the grid marks, in map units
   - An *Offset X* and *Offset Y* distance of the grid marks from the bottom left corner of the map canvas, in map units
   - The interval and offset parameters can be set based on the:
     - *Canvas Extents*: generates a grid with an interval that is approximatively 1/5 of the canvas width
     - *Active Raster Layer* resolution
3. Tick *Draw annotations* to display the coordinates of the grid marks and set:
   - The *Annotation direction*, ie how the labels would be placed relative to their grid line. It can be:
     - *Horizontal* or *Vertical* for all the labels
     - *Horizontal and Vertical*, ie each label is parallel to the grid mark it refers to
     - *Boundary direction*, ie each label follows the canvas boundary, and is perpendicular to the grid mark it refers to
   - The *Annotation font* (text formatting, buffer, shadow…) using the *font selector widget*
   - The *Distance to map frame*, margin between annotations and map canvas limits. Convenient when *exporting the map canvas* eg to an image format or PDF, and avoid annotations to be on the „paper“ limits.
   - The *Coordinate precision*
4. Click *Apply* to verify that it looks as expected or *OK* if you're satisfied.

Title Label

Title Label allows you to decorate your map with a **Title**.

To add a Title Label decoration:

1. Select menu option *View* ► *Decorations* ► *Title Label…* to open the dialog.

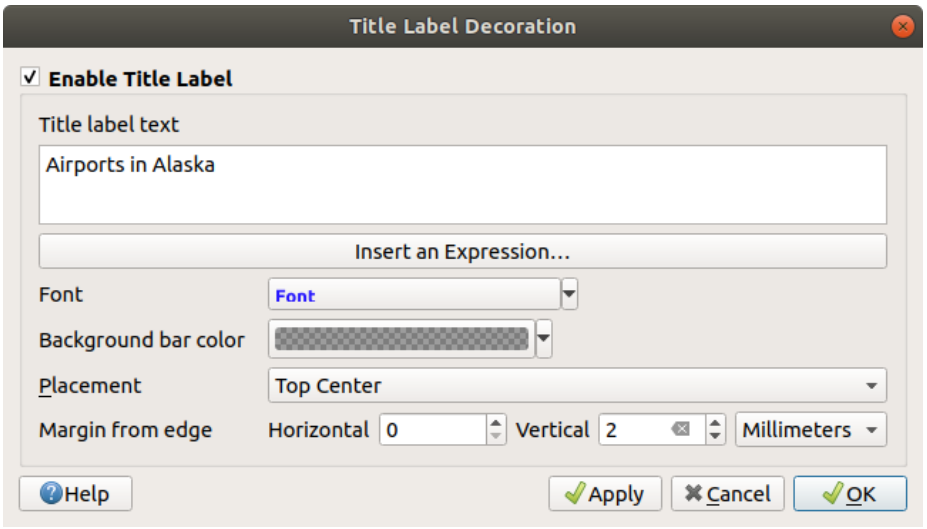


Abb. 11.10: The Title Decoration Dialog

2. Make sure *Enable Title Label* is checked
3. Enter the title text you want to place on the map. You can make it dynamic using the *Insert or Edit an Expression…* button.
4. Choose the *Font* for the label using the *font selector widget* with full access to QGIS *text formatting* options. Quickly set the font color and opacity by clicking the black arrow to the right of the font combo box.
5. Select the *color* to apply to the title's *Background bar color*.
6. Choose the *Placement* of the label in the canvas: options are *Top left*, *Top Center* (default), *Top Right*, *Bottom left*, *Bottom Center* and *Bottom Right*.
7. Refine the placement of the item by setting a horizontal and/or vertical *Margin from Edge*. These values can be in **Millimeters** or **Pixels** or set as a **Percentage** of the width or height of the map canvas.
8. Click *Apply* to verify that it looks as expected or *OK* if you're satisfied.

Copyright Label

Copyright Label can be used to decorate your map with a **Copyright** label.

To add this decoration:

1. Select menu option *View* ► *Decorations* ► *Copyright Label…* to open the dialog.

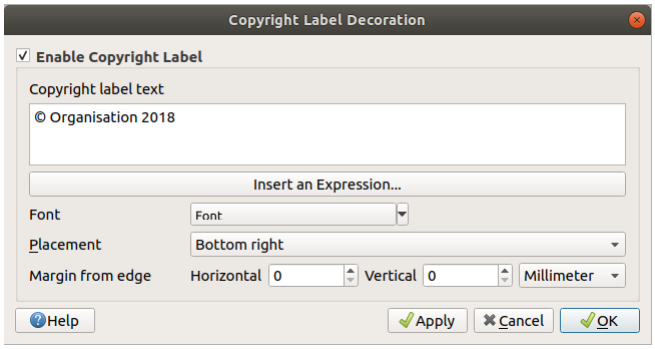


Abb. 11.11: The Copyright Decoration Dialog

2. Make sure *Enable Copyright Label* is checked
3. Enter the copyright text you want to place on the map. You can make it dynamic using the *Insert or Edit an Expression…* button.
4. Choose the *Font* for the label using the *font selector widget* with full access to QGIS *text formatting* options. Quickly set the font color and opacity by clicking the black arrow to the right of the font combo box.
5. Choose the *Placement* of the label in the canvas: options are *Top left*, *Top Center*, *Top Right*, *Bottom left*, *Bottom Center*, and *Bottom Right* (default for Copyright decoration)
6. Refine the placement of the item by setting a horizontal and/or vertical *Margin from Edge*. These values can be in **Millimeters** or **Pixels** or set as a **Percentage** of the width or height of the map canvas.
7. Click *Apply* to verify that it looks as expected or *OK* if you're satisfied.

Image Decoration

Image allows you to add an image (logo, legend, ..) on the map canvas.

To add an image:

1. Select menu option *View* ► *Decorations* ► *Image…* to open the dialog.

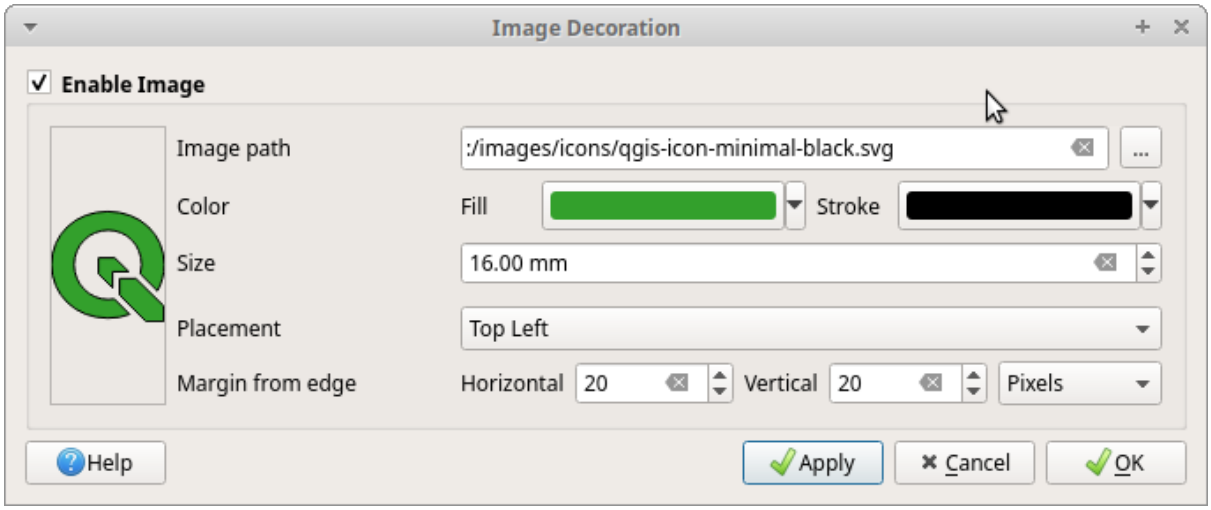


Abb. 11.12: The Image Decoration Dialog

2. Make sure *Enable Image* is checked
3. Select a bitmap (e.g. png or jpg) or SVG image using the … Browse button

4. If you have chosen a parameter enabled SVG then you can also set a *Fill* or *Stroke* (outline) color. For bitmap images, the color settings are disabled.
5. Set a *Size* of the image in mm. The width of selected image is used to resize it to given *Size*.
6. Choose where you want to place the image on the map canvas with the *Placement* combo box. The default position is *Top Left*.
7. Set the *Horizontal* and *Vertical Margin from (Canvas) Edge*. These values can be set in **Millimeters**, **Pixels** or as a **Percentage** of the width or height of the map canvas.
8. Click *Apply* to verify that it looks as expected and *OK* if you're satisfied.

Nordpfeil

North Arrow allows you to add a north arrow on the map canvas.

To add a north arrow:

1. Select menu option *View* ► *Decorations* ► *North Arrow…* to open the dialog.

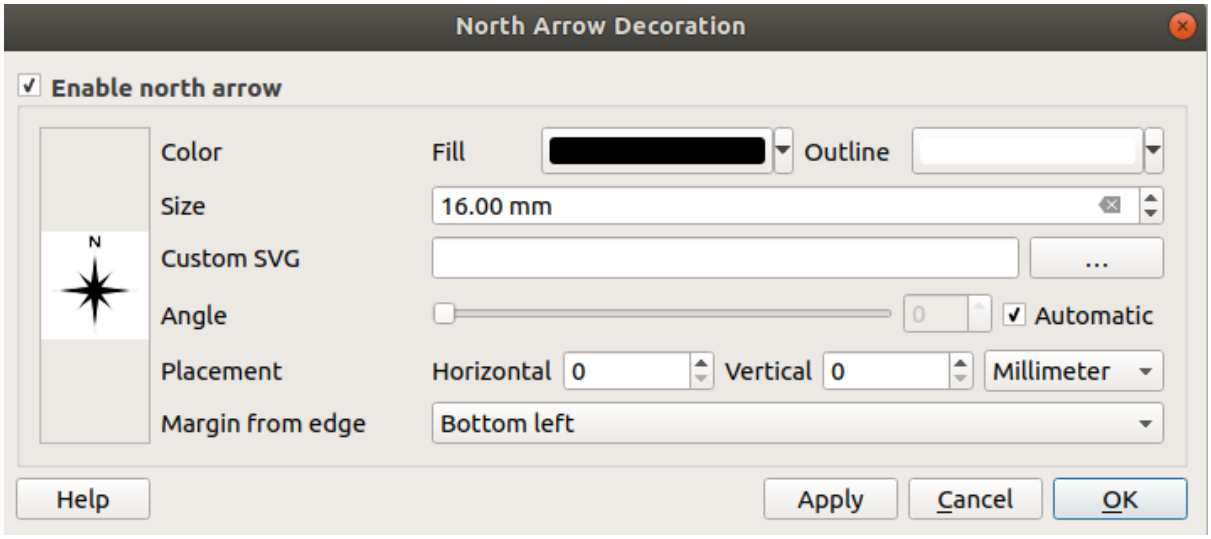


Abb. 11.13: Der Nordpfeil Dialog

2. Make sure *Enable north arrow* is checked
3. Optionally change the color and size, or choose a custom SVG
4. Optionally change the angle or choose **Automatic** to let QGIS determine the direction
5. Optionally choose the placement from the Placement combo box
6. Optionally refine the placement of the arrow by setting a horizontal and/or vertical *Margin from (Canvas) Edge*. These values can be in **Millimeters** or **Pixels** or set as a **Percentage** of the width or height of the map canvas.
7. Click *Apply* to verify that it looks as expected and *OK* if you're satisfied.

Maßstab

Scale Bar adds a simple scale bar to the map canvas. You can control the style and placement, as well as the labelling of the bar.

QGIS only supports displaying the scale in the same units as your map frame. So, if the units of your project's CRS are meters, you can't create a scale bar in feet. Likewise, if you are using decimal degrees, you can't create a scale bar to display distance in meters.

Das Hinzufügen eines Maßstabbalkens geht folgendermaßen:

1. Select menu option *View* ► *Decorations* ► *Scale Bar…* to open the dialog

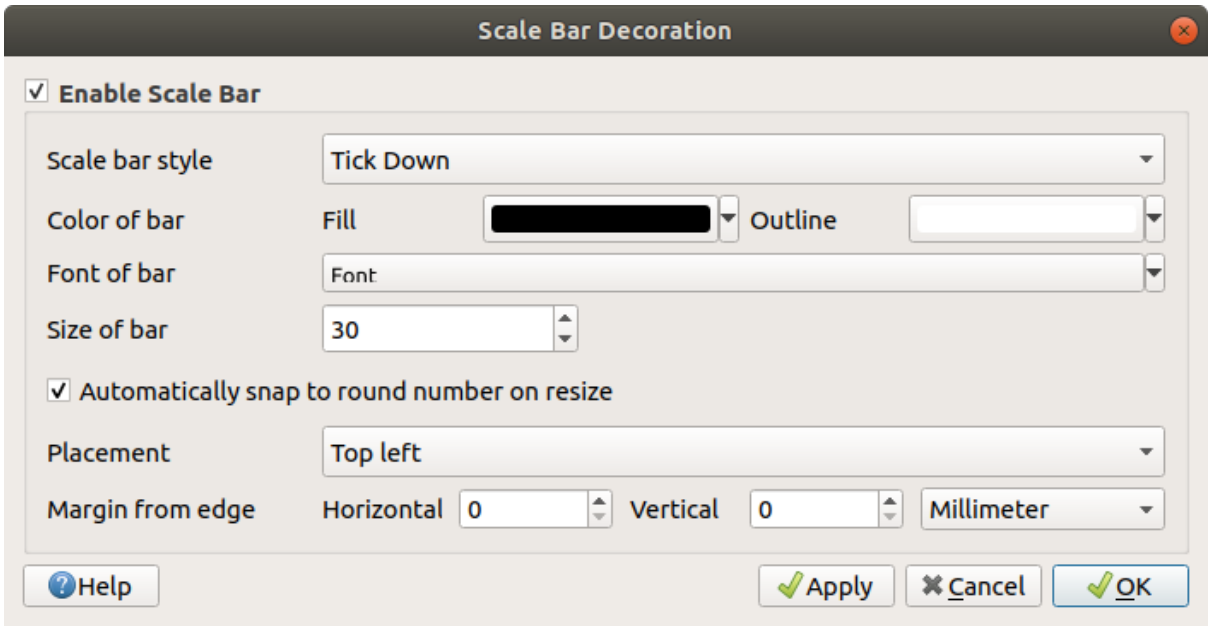


Abb. 11.14: Der Maßstab Dialog

2. Make sure *Enable scale bar* is checked
3. Choose a style from the *Scale bar style* combo box
4. Select the *Color of bar* by choosing a fill color (default: black) and an outline color (default: white). The scale bar fill and outline can be made opaque by clicking on the down arrow to the right of the color input.
5. Select the font for the scale bar from the *Font of bar* combo box
6. Set the *Size of bar*
7. Optionally check *Automatically snap to round number on resize* to display easy-to-read values
8. Choose the placement from the *Placement* combo box
9. You can refine the placement of the item by setting a horizontal and/or vertical *Margin from (Canvas) Edge*. These values can be in **Millimeters** or **Pixels** or set as a **Percentage** of the width or height of the map canvas.
10. Click *Apply* to verify that it looks as expected or *OK* if you're satisfied.

Layout Extents

Layout Extents adds the extents of *map item(s)* in print layout(s) to the canvas. When enabled, the extents of all map items within all print layouts are shown using a lightly dotted border labeled with the name of the print layout and map item. You can control the style and labeling of the displayed layout extents. This decoration is useful when you are tweaking the positioning of map elements such as labels, and need to know the actual visible region of print layouts.



Abb. 11.15: Example of layout extents displayed in a QGIS project with two print layouts. The print layout named ‚Sights' contains two map items, while the other print layout contains one map item.

To add layout extent(s):

1. Select *View* ► *Decorations* ► *Layout Extents* to open the dialog

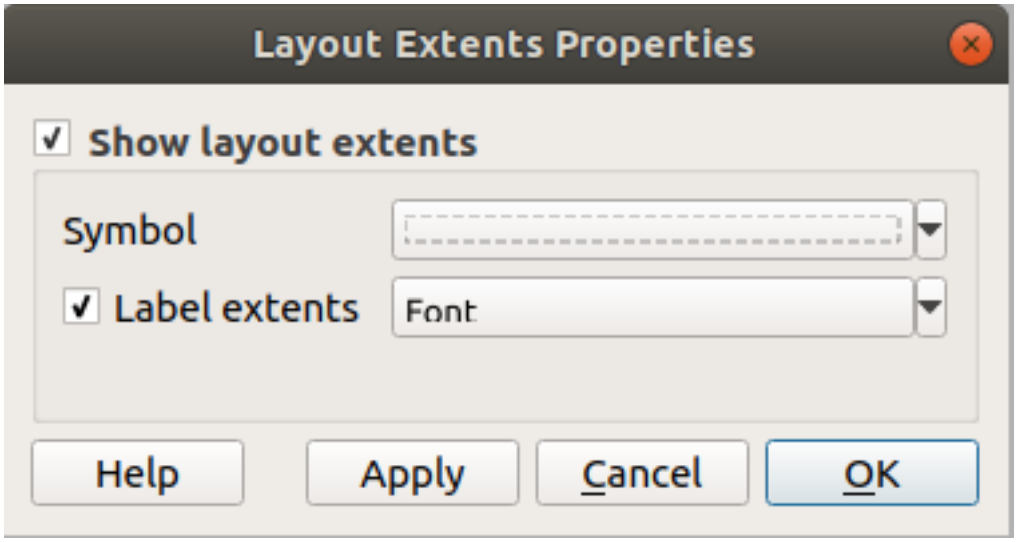


Abb. 11.16: The Layout Extents Dialog

2. Make sure *Show layout extents* is checked.
3. Optionally change the symbol and labeling of the extents.
4. Click *Apply* to verify that it looks as expected and *OK* if you're satisfied.

Tipp: Decorations Settings

When you save a QGIS project file, any changes you have made to Grid, North Arrow, Scale Bar, Copyright and Layout Extents will be saved in the project and restored the next time you load the project.

11.4.5 Beschriftungstools

Annotations are information added to the map canvas and shown within a balloon. This information can be of different types and annotations are added using the corresponding tools in the *Annotations Toolbar*:

- Text Annotation for custom formatted text
- HTML Annotation to place the content of an `html` file
- SVG Annotation to add an `SVG` symbol
- Form Annotation: useful to display attributes of a vector layer in a customized `ui` file (see Abb. 11.17). This is similar to the *custom attribute forms*, but displayed in an annotation item. Also see this video https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0pDBuSbQ02o&feature=youtu.be&t=2m25s from Tim Sutton for more information.

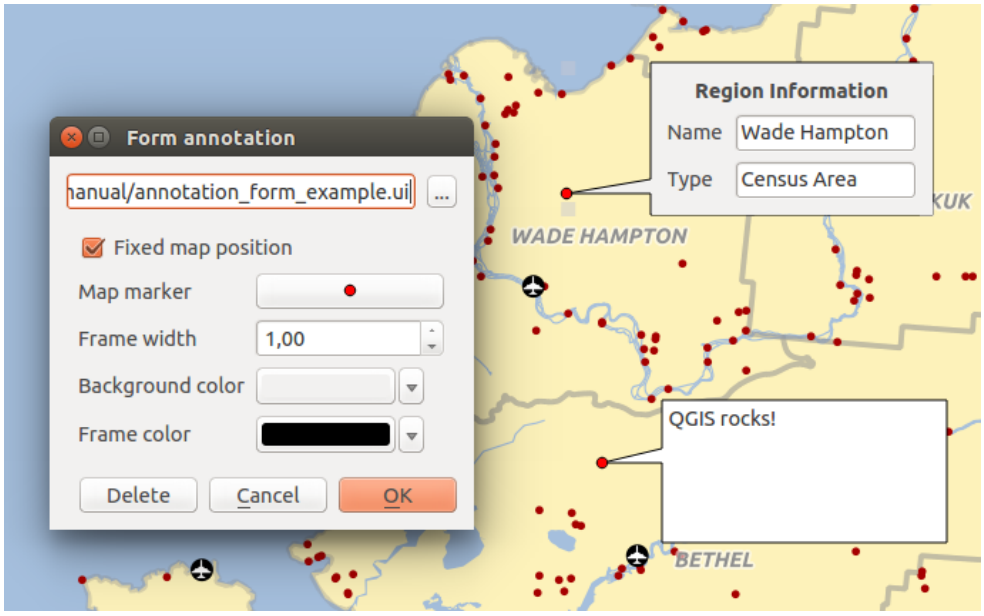


Abb. 11.17: Customized QT Designer annotation form

To add an annotation, select the corresponding tool and click on the map canvas. An empty balloon is added. Double-click on it and a dialog opens with various options. This dialog is almost the same for all the annotation types:

- At the top, a file selector to fill with the path to an `html`, `svg` or `ui` file depending on the type of annotation. For text annotation, you can enter your message in a text box and set its rendering with the normal font tools.
- *Fixed map position*: when unchecked, the balloon placement is based on a screen position (instead of the map), meaning that it's always shown regardless the map canvas extent.
- *Linked layer*: associates the annotation with a map layer, making it visible only when that layer is visible.
- *Map marker*: using *QGIS symbols*, sets the symbol to display at the balloon anchor position (shown only when *Fixed map position* is checked).
- *Frame style*: sets the frame background color, transparency, stroke color or width of the balloon using QGIS symbols.
- *Contents margins*: sets interior margins of the annotation frame.

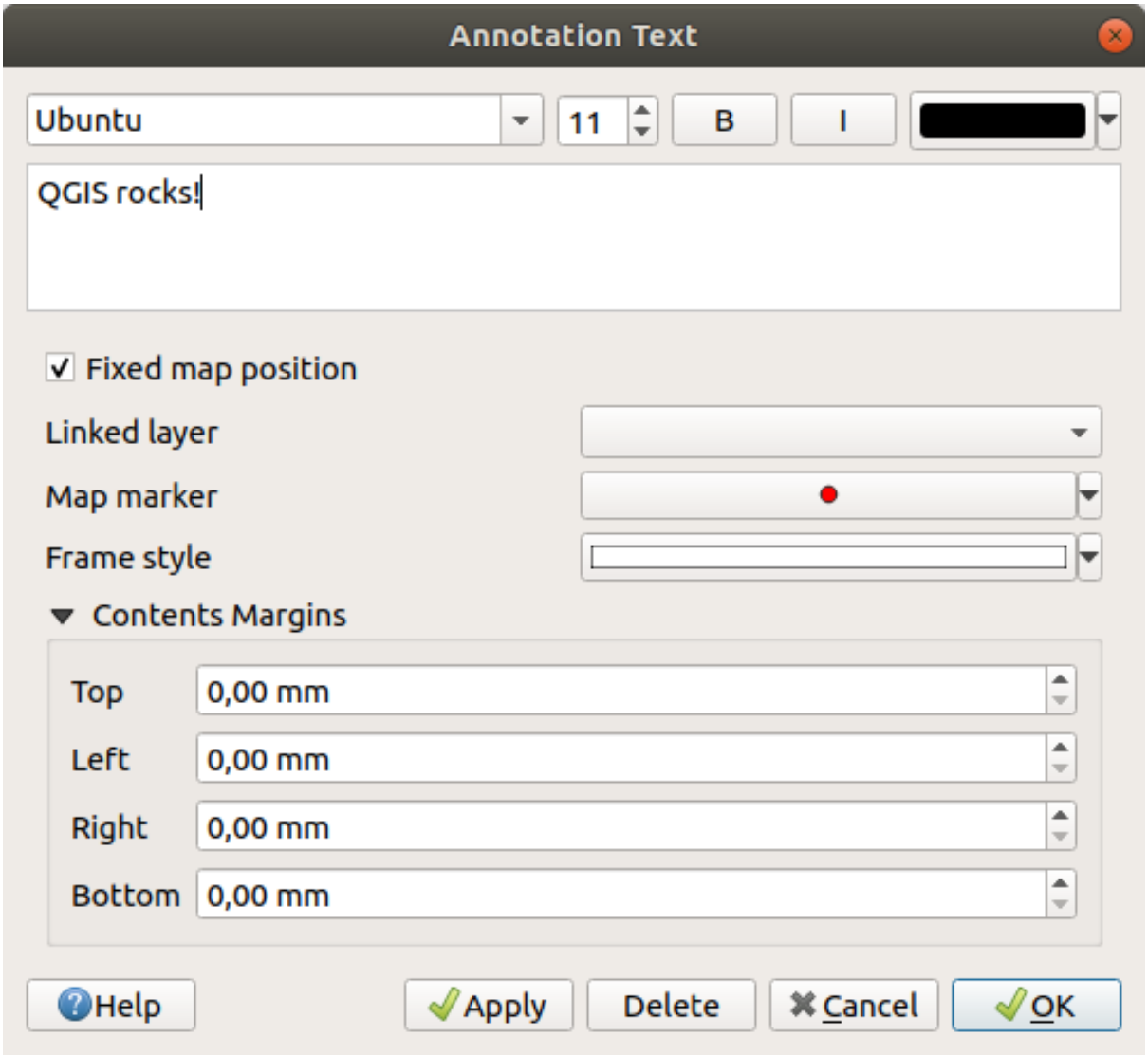


Abb. 11.18: Anmerkungstext Dialog

Annotations can be selected when an annotation tool is enabled. They can then be moved by map position (by dragging the map marker) or by moving only the balloon. The Move Annotation tool also allows you to move the balloon on the map canvas.

To delete an annotation, select it and either press the `Del` or `Backspace` button, or double-click it and press the *Delete* button in the properties dialog.

Bemerkung: If you press `Ctrl+T` while an *Annotation* tool (move annotation, text annotation, form annotation) is active, the visibility states of the items are inverted.

Tipp: Layout the map with annotations

You can print or export annotations with your map to various formats using:

- map canvas export tools available in the *Project* menu
- *print layout*, in which case you need to check *Draw map canvas items* in the corresponding map item properties

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11.4.6 Messen

Allgemeine Informationen

QGIS bietet vier Mittel zur Geometriemessung:

- interactive measurement tools
- measuring in the Field Calculator
- derived measurements in the *Identifying Features* tool
- the vector analysis tool: *Vector* ► *Geometry Tools* ► *Export/Add Geometry Columns*

Das Messen funktioniert innerhalb projizierter Koordinatensystemen (z. B. UTM) und unprojizierten Daten. Die ersten drei Messwerkzeuge verhalten gleich, für globale Projekteinstellungen:

- Unlike most other GIS, the default measurement metric is ellipsoidal, using the ellipsoid defined in *Project* ► *Properties…* ► *General*. This is true both when geographic and projected coordinate systems are defined for the project.
- If you want to calculate the projected/planimetric area or distance using cartesian maths, the measurement ellipsoid has to be set to „None/Planimetric“ (*Project* ► *Properties…* ► *General*). However, with a geographic (ie unprojected) CRS defined for the data and project, area and distance measurement will be ellipsoidal.

However, neither the identify tool nor the field calculator will transform your data to the project CRS before measuring. If you want to achieve this, you have to use the vector analysis tool: *Vector* ► *Geometry Tools* ► *Add Geometry Attributes…*. Here, measurement is planimetric, unless you choose the ellipsoidal measurement.

Measure length, areas, bearings and angles interactively

Click the icon in the Attribute toolbar to begin measurements. The down arrow near the icon switches between length, area, bearing or angle. The default unit used in the dialog is the one set in *Project* ► *Properties…* ► *General* menu.

For the *Measure Line* and the *Measure Area* the measurements can be done in *Cartesian* or *Ellipsoidal* measure.

Bemerkung: Configuring the measure tool

While measuring length or area, clicking the *Configuration* button at the bottom of the widget opens the *Settings* ► *Options* ► *Map Tools* menu, where you can select the rubberband color, the precision of the measurements and the unit behavior. You can also choose your preferred measurement or angle units, but keep in mind that those values are overridden in the current project by the selection made in the *Project* ► *Properties…* ► *General* menu, and by the selection made in the measurement widget.

All measuring modules use the snapping settings from the digitizing module (see section *Einrasttoleranz und Suchradius einstellen*). So, if you want to measure exactly along a line feature, or around a polygon feature, first set its layer snapping tolerance. Now, when using the measuring tools, each mouse click (within the tolerance setting) will snap to that layer.

The Measure Line measures distances between given points. The tool then allows you to click points on the map. Each segment length, as well as the total, shows up in the measure window. To stop measuring, click the right mouse button. Now it is possible to copy all your line measurements at once to the clipboard using the *Copy All* button.

Note that you can use the drop-down list near the total to change the measurement units interactively while working with the measure tool (‚Meters‘, ‚Kilometers‘, ‚Feet‘, ‚Yards‘, ‚Miles‘, ‚Nautical miles‘, ‚Centimeters‘, ‚Millimeters‘, ‚Degrees‘, ‚Map units‘). This unit is retained for the widget until a new project is created or another project is opened.

The *Info* section in the dialog explains how calculations are made according to the CRS settings available.

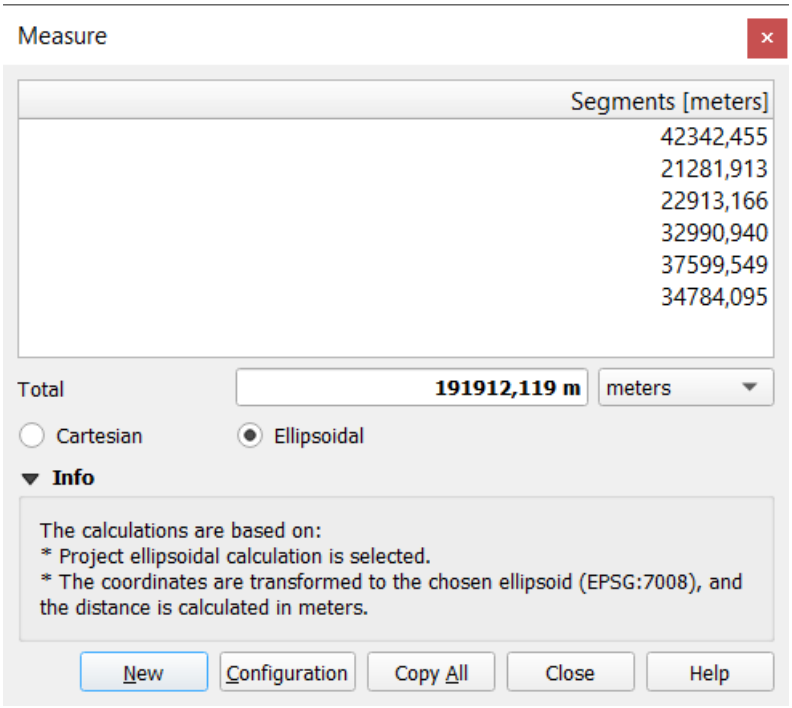


Abb. 11.19: Entfernung messen

Measure Area: Areas can also be measured. In the measure window, the accumulated area size appears. Right-click to stop drawing. The Info section is also available as well as the ability to switch between different area units (‚Square meters', ‚Square kilometers', ‚Square feet', ‚Square yards', ‚Square miles', ‚Hectares', ‚Acres', ‚Square centimeters', ‚Square millimeters', ‚Square nautical miles', ‚Square degrees', ‚Map units').

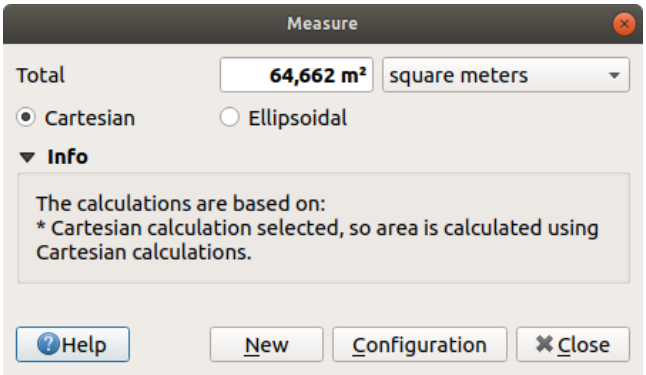


Abb. 11.20: Fläche messen

Measure Bearing: You can also measure bearings. The cursor becomes cross-shaped. Click to draw the first point of the bearing, then move the cursor to draw the second point. The measurement is displayed in a pop-up dialog.

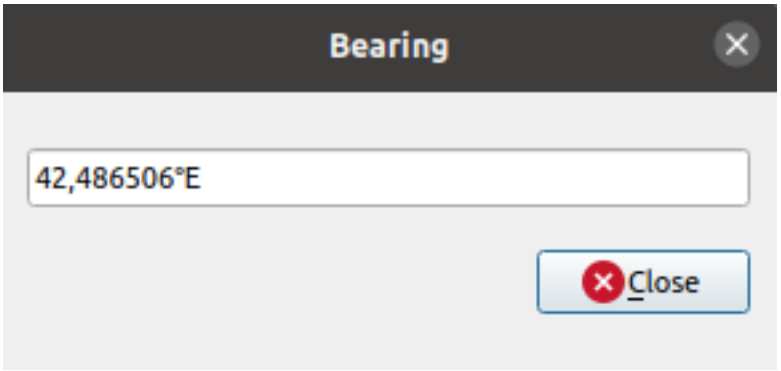


Abb. 11.21: Measure Bearing

Measure Angle: You can also measure angles. The cursor becomes cross-shaped. Click to draw the first segment of the angle you wish to measure, then move the cursor to draw the desired angle. The measurement is displayed in a pop-up dialog.

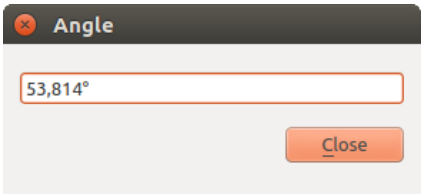


Abb. 11.22: Winkel messen

11.5 Interacting with features

11.5.1 Selecting features

QGIS provides several tools to select features on the map canvas. Selection tools are available in the *Edit* ► *Select* menu or in the *Selection Toolbar*.

Bemerkung: Selection tools work with the currently active layer.

Selecting manually on the map canvas

To select one or more features with the mouse, you can use one of the following tools:

- Select Features by area or single click
- Objekte durch Polygon wählen
- Objekte freihändig wählen
- Objekte durch Radius wählen

Bemerkung: Other than Select Features by Polygon, these manual selection tools allow you to select feature(s) on the map canvas with a single click.

Bemerkung: Use the  Select Features by Polygon tool to use an existing polygon feature (from any layer) to select overlapping features in the active layer. Right-click in the polygon and choose it from the context menu that shows a list of all the polygons that contain the clicked point. All the overlapping features from the active layer are selected.

Tipp: Use the *Edit* ► *Select* ► *Reselect Features* tool to redo your latest selection. Very useful when you have painstakingly made a selection, and then click somewhere else accidentally and clear your selection.

While using the  *Select Feature(s)* tool, holding `Shift` or `Ctrl` toggles whether a feature is selected (ie either adds to the current selection or remove from it).

For the other tools, different behaviors can be performed by holding down:

- `Shift`: add features to the current selection
- `Ctrl`: substract features from the current selection
- `Ctrl+Shift`: intersect with current selection, ie only keep overlapping features from the current selection
- `Alt`: select features that are totally within the selection shape. Combined with `Shift` or `Ctrl` keys, you can add or substract features to/from the current selection.

Automatic selection

The other selection tools, most of them available from the *Attribute table*, perform a selection based on a feature's attribute or its selection state (note that attribute table and map canvas show the same information, so if you select one feature in the attribute table, it will be selected on the map canvas too):

-  Select By Expression… select features using expression dialog
-  Select Features By Value… or press `F3`
-  Deselect Features from All Layers or press `Ctrl+Alt+A` to deselect all selected features in all layers
-  Deselect Features from the Current Active Layer or press `Ctrl+Shift+A`
-  Select All Features or press `Ctrl+A` to select all features in the current layer
-  Invert Feature Selection to invert the selection in the current layer
-  Select by Location to select the features based on their spatial relationship with other features (in the same or another layer - see *Auswahl nach der Lage*)

For example, if you want to find regions that are boroughs from `regions.shp` of the QGIS sample data, you can:

1. Use the  Select features using an Expression icon
2. Expand the *Fields and Values* group
3. Double-click the field that you want to query („TYPE_2“)
4. Click *All Unique* in the panel that shows up on the right
5. From the list, double-click ‚Borough‘. In the *Expression* editor field, write the following query:

```
"TYPE_2"  =  'Borough'
```

6. Click *Select Features*

From the expression builder dialog, you can also use *Function list* ► *Recent (Selection)* to make a selection that you have used before. The dialog remembers the last 20 expressions used. See *Ausdrücke* for more information and examples.

Tipp: Save your selection into a new file

Users can save selected features into a **New Temporary Scratch Layer** or a **New Vector Layer** using *Edit* ► *Copy Features* and *Edit* ► *Paste Features as* in the desired format.

Select Features By Value

This selection tool opens the layer's feature form allowing the user to choose which value to look for for each field, whether the search should be case-sensitive, and the operation that should be used. The tool has also autocompletes, automatically filling the search box with existing values.

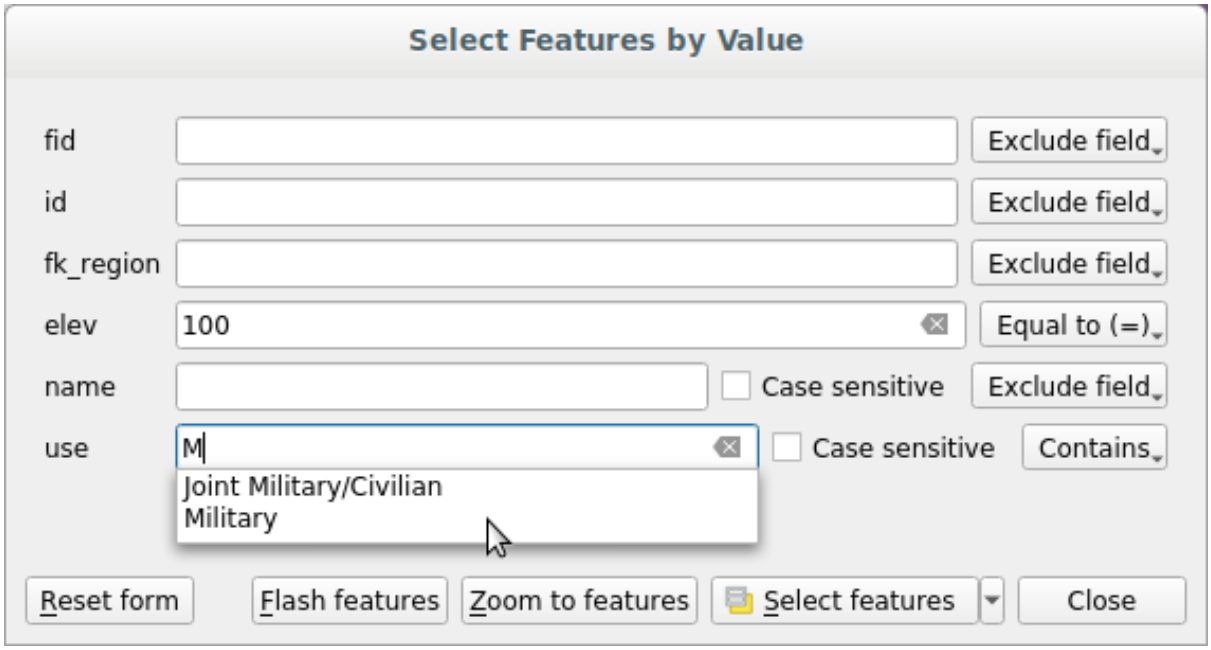


Abb. 11.23: Filter/Select features using form dialog

Alongside each field, there is a drop-down list with options to control the search behaviour:

Field search option	Text	Numeric	Datum
Exclude Field from the search	☑	☑	☑
Equal to (=)	☑	☑	☑
Not equal to (≠)	☑	☑	☑
Greater than (>)		☑	☑
Less than (<)		☑	☑
Greater than or equal to (≥)		☑	☑
Less than or equal to (≤)		☑	☑
Between (inclusive)		☑	☑
Not between (inclusive)		☑	☑
Contains	☑		
Does not contain	☑		
Is missing (null)	☑	☑	☑
Is not missing (not null)	☑	☑	☑
Starts with	☑		
Ends with	☑		

For string comparisons, it is also possible to use the ☑ *Case sensitive* option.

After setting all search options, click *Select features* to select the matching features. The drop-down options are:

- *Select features*
- *Add to current selection*
- *Remove from current selection*
- *Filter current selection*

You can also clear all search options using the *Reset form* button.

Once the conditions are set, you can also either:

- *Zoom to features* on the map canvas without the need of a preselection
- *Flash features*, highlighting the matching features. This is a handy way to identify a feature without selection or using the Identify tool. Note that the flash does not alter the map canvas extent and would be visible only if the feature is within the bounds of the current map canvas.

11.5.2 Identifying Features

The Identify tool allows you to interact with the map canvas and get information on features in a pop-up window. To identify features, use:

- *View* ► *Identify Features*
- `Ctrl+Shift+I` (or `Cmd+Shift+I`),
- Identify Features icon on the Attributes toolbar

Using the Identify Features tool

QGIS offers several ways to identify features with the  Identify Features tool:

- **left click** identifies features according to the *selection mode* and the *selection mask* set in the *Identify Results* panel
- **right click** with *Identify Feature(s)* as *selection mode* set in the *Identify Results* panel fetches all snapped features from all visible layers. This opens a context menu, allowing the user to choose more precisely the features to identify or the action to execute on them.
- **right click** with *Identify Features by Polygon* as *selection mode* in the *Identify Results* panel identifies the features that overlap with the chosen existing polygon, according to the *selection mask* set in the *Identify Results* panel

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Tipp: Filter the layers to query with the Identify Features tool

Under *Layer Capabilities* in *Project* ► *Properties…* ► *Data Sources*, uncheck the *Identifiable* column next to a layer to avoid it being queried when using the  Identify Features tool in a mode other than **Current Layer**. This is a handy way to return features from only layers that are of interest for you.

If you click on feature(s), the *Identify Results* dialog will list information about the feature(s) clicked. The default view is a tree view in which the first item is the name of the layer and its children are its identified feature(s). Each feature is described by the name of a field along with its value. This field is the one set in *Layer Properties* ► *Display*. All the other information about the feature follows.

Feature information

The Identify Results dialog can be customized to display custom fields, but by default it will display the following information:

- The feature *display name*;
- **Actions**: Actions can be added to the identify feature windows. The action is run by clicking on the action label. By default, only one action is added, namely `View feature form` for editing. You can define more actions in the layer's properties dialog (see *Actions Properties*).
- **Derived**: This information is calculated or derived from other information. It includes:
  - general information about the feature's geometry:
    - depending on the geometry type, the cartesian measurements of length, perimeter or area in the layer's CRS units. For 3D line vectors the cartesian line length is available.
    - depending on the geometry type and if an ellipsoid is set in the project properties dialog for *Measurements*, the ellipsoidal values of length, perimeter or area using the specified units
    - the count of geometry parts in the feature and the number of the part clicked
    - the count of vertices in the feature
  - coordinate information, using the project properties *Coordinates display* settings:
    - `X` and `Y` coordinate values of the point clicked
    - the number of the closest vertex to the point clicked
    - `X` and `Y` coordinate values of the closest vertex (and `Z`/`M` if applicable)
    - if you click on a curved segment, the radius of that section is also displayed.
- **Datenattribute**: Dies ist die Liste von Attributfeldern und Werten für das Objekt, welches angeklickt wurde.
- information about the related child feature if you defined a *relation*:
  - the name of the relation

- the entry in reference field, e.g. the name of the related child feature
- **Actions**: lists actions defined in the layer's properties dialog (see *Actions Properties*) and the default action is `View feature form`.
- **Data attributes**: This is the list of attributes fields and values of the related child feature.

Bemerkung: Links in the feature's attributes are clickable from the *Identify Results* panel and will open in your default web browser.

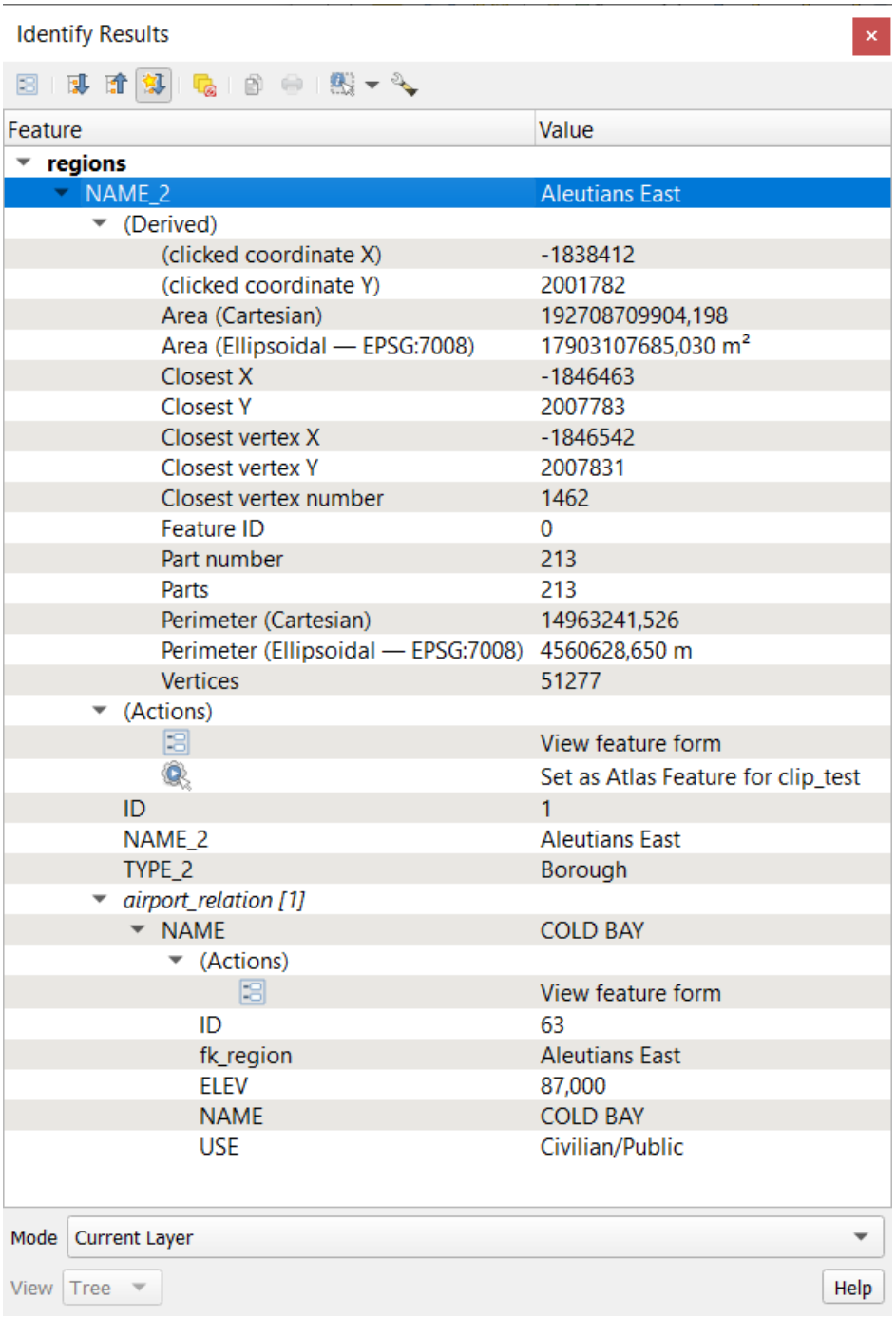


Abb. 11.24: Identify Results dialog

The Identify Results dialog

At the top of the window, you have a handful of tools:

-  Open Form of the current feature
-  Expand tree
-  Collapse tree
-  Expand New Results by Default to define whether the next identified feature's information should be collapsed or expanded
-  Ergebnisse leeren
-  Copy selected feature to clipboard
-  Print selected HTML response
- selection mode to use to fetch features to identify:
  -  Identify Features by area or single click
  -  Identify Features by Polygon
  -  Identify Features by Freehand
  -  Identify Features by Radius

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Bemerkung: When using  Identify Features by Polygon, you can right-click any existing polygon and use it to identify overlapping features in another layer.

At the bottom of the window are the *Mode* and *View* combo boxes. *Mode* defines from which layers features should be identified:

- **Current layer**: only features from the selected layers are identified. If a group is selected, features from its visible layers are identified. If there is no selection then only the current layer is identified.
- **Top down, stop at first**: only features from the upper visible layer.
- **Top down**: all features from the visible layers. The results are shown in the panel.
- **Layer selection**: opens a context menu where the user selects the layer to identify features from, similar to a right-click. Only the chosen features will be shown in the result panel.

The *View* can be set as **Tree**, **Table** or **Graph**. ‚Table' and ‚Graph' views can only be set for raster layers.

The identify tool allows you to  *Auto open form for single feature results*, found under  Identify Settings. If checked, each time a single feature is identified, a form opens showing its attributes. This is a handy way to quickly edit a feature's attributes.

Andere Funktionen können im Kontextmenü des abgefragten Objekts gefunden werden. Im Kontextmenü können Sie z.B.:

- Das Objektformular anzeigen
- Zum Objekt zoomen
- Objekt kopieren: Kopieren Sie alle Objektgeometrien und -attribute
- Toggle feature selection: Add identified feature to selection
- Attributwert kopieren: Kopieren Sie nur den Wert des Attributes auf das Sie klicken
- Objektattribute kopieren: Kopieren Sie die Attribute des Objekts

- Ergebnisse löschen: Löschen Sie Ergebnisse im Fenster
- Hervorhebungen löschen: Entfernen Sie in der Karte hervorgehobene Objekte
- Alle hervorheben
- Layer hervorheben
- Layer aktivieren: Wählen Sie einen Layer der aktiviert werden soll
- Layereigenschaften … : Öffnen Sie das Layereigenschaften Fenster
- Alles ausklappen
- Alles zusammenfalten

11.6 Save and Share Layer Properties

11.6.1 Verwalten von benutzerdefinierten Stilen

When a vector layer is added to the map canvas, QGIS by default uses a random symbol/color to render its features. However, you can set a default symbol in *Project* ► *Properties…* ► *Default styles* that will be applied to each newly added layer according to its geometry type.

Most of the time, though, you'd rather have a custom and more complex style that can be applied automatically or manually to the layers (with less effort). You can achieve this by using the *Style* menu at the bottom of the Layer Properties dialog. This menu provides you with functions to create, load and manage styles.

A style stores any information set in the layer properties dialog to render or interact with the layer (including symbology, labeling, fields and form definitions, actions, diagrams…) for vector layers, or the pixels (band or color rendering, transparency, pyramids, histogram …) for raster.

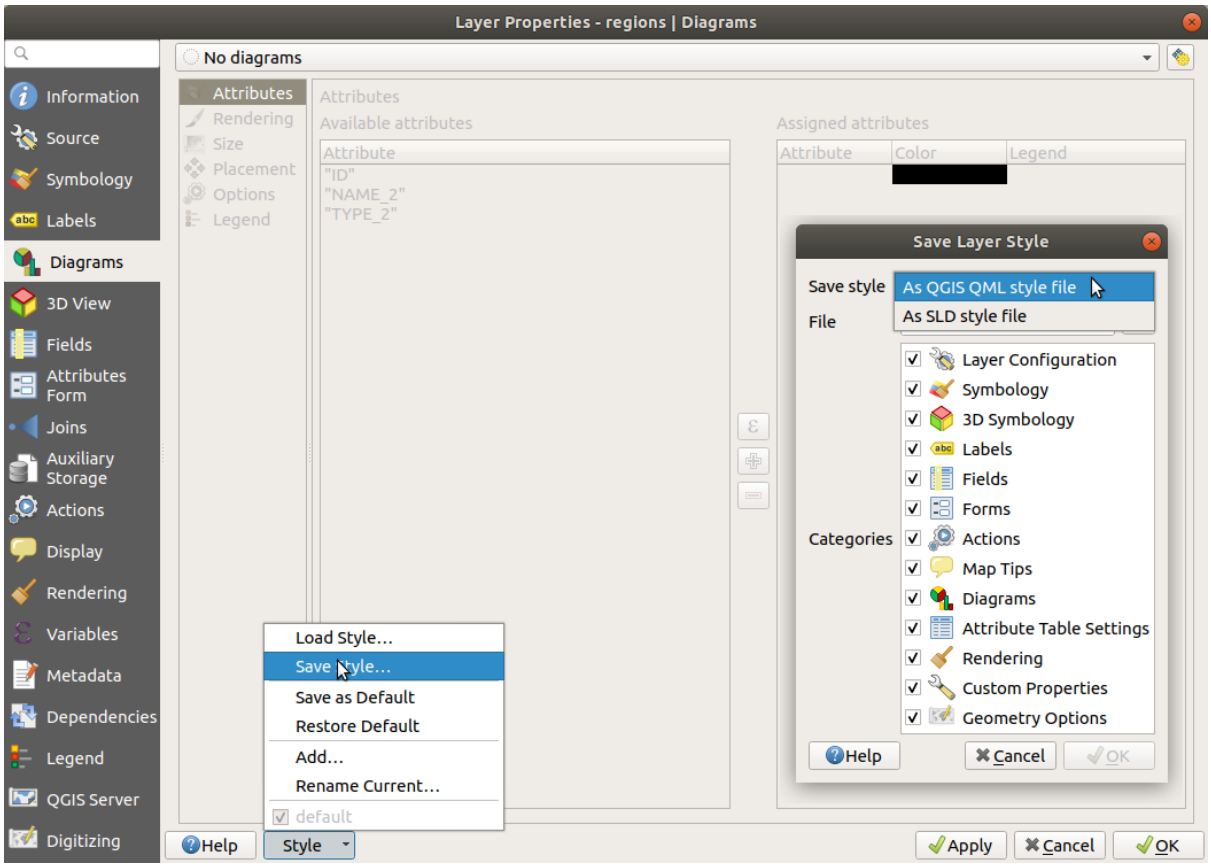


Abb. 11.25: Vector layer style combo box options

By default, the style applied to a loaded layer is named `default`. Once you have got the ideal and appropriate rendering for your layer, you can save it by clicking the  *Style* combo box and choosing:

- **Rename Current**: The active style is renamed and updated with the current options
- **Add**: A new style is created using the current options. By default, it will be saved in the QGIS project file. See below to save the style in another file or a database
- **Remove**: Delete unwanted style, in case you have more than one style defined for the layer.

At the bottom of the Style drop-down list, you can see the styles set for the layer with the active one checked.

Note that each time you validate the layer properties dialog, the active style is updated with the changes you've made.

You can create as many styles as you wish for a layer but only one can be active at a time. In combination with *Map Themes*, this offers a quick and powerful way to manage complex projects without the need to duplicate any layer in the map legend.

Bemerkung: Given that whenever you apply modifications to the layer properties, changes are stored in the active style, always ensure you are editing the right style to avoid mistakenly altering a style used in a *map theme*.

Tipp: Manage styles from layer context menu

Right-click on the layer in the *Layers* panel to copy, paste, add or rename layer styles.

11.6.2 Storing Styles in a File or a Database

While styles created from the *Style* combo box are by default saved inside the project and can be copied and pasted from layer to layer in the project, it's also possible to save them outside the project so that they can be loaded in another project.

Save as text file

Clicking the  *Style* ► *Save Style*, you can save the style as a:

- QGIS layer style file (`.qml`)
- SLD file (`.sld`), only available for vector layers

Used on file-based format layers (`.shp`, `.tab`...), *Save as Default* generates a `.qml` file for the layer (with the same name). SLDs can be exported from any type of renderer – single symbol, categorized, graduated or rule-based – but when importing an SLD, either a single symbol or rule-based renderer is created. This means that categorized or graduated styles are converted to rule-based. If you want to preserve those renderers, you have to use the QML format. On the other hand, it can be very handy sometimes to have this easy way of converting styles to rule-based.

Save in database

Vector layer styles can also be stored in a database if the layer datasource is a database provider. Supported formats are PostGIS, GeoPackage, SpatiaLite, MSSQL and Oracle. The layer style is saved inside a table (named `layer_styles`) in the database. Click on *Save Style...* ► *Save in database* then fill in the dialog to define a style name, add a description, a `.ui` file if applicable and to check if the style should be the default style.

You can save several styles for a single table in the database. However, each table can have only one default style. Default styles can be saved in the layer database or in `qgis.db`, a local SQLite database in the active *user profile* directory.

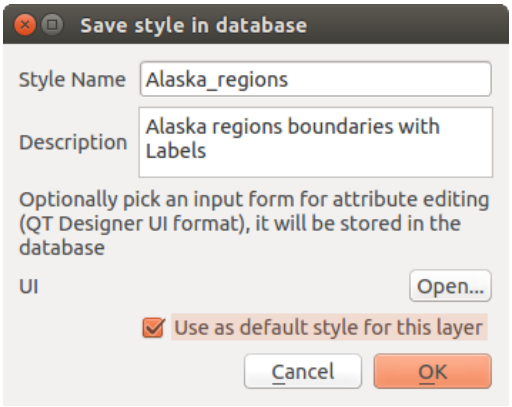


Abb. 11.26: Save Style in database Dialog

Tipp: Sharing style files between databases

You can only save your style in a database if the layer comes from such a database. You can't mix databases (layer in Oracle and style in MSSQL for instance). Use instead a plain text file if you want the style to be shared among databases.

Bemerkung: You may encounter issues restoring the `layer_styles` table from a PostgreSQL database backup. Follow *QGIS layer_style table and database backup* to fix that.

Load style

When loading a layer in QGIS, if a default style already exists for this layer, QGIS loads the layer with this style. Also *Style* ► *Restore Default* looks for and loads that file, replacing the layer's current style.

Style ► *Load Style* helps you apply any saved style to a layer. While text-file styles (`.sld` or `.qml`) can be applied to any layer whatever its format, loading styles stored in a database is only possible if the layer is from the same database or the style is stored in the QGIS local database.

The *Database Styles Manager* dialog displays a list of styles related to the layer found in the database and all the other styles saved in it, with name and description.

Tipp: Quickly share a layer style within the project

You can also share layer styles within a project without importing a file or database style: right-click on the layer in the *Layers Panel* and, from the *Styles* combo box , copy the style of a layer and paste it to a group or a selection of layers: the style is applied to all the layers that are of the same type (vector vs raster) as the original layer and, in the case of vector layers, have the same geometry type (point, line or polygon).

11.6.3 Layer definition file

Layer definitions can be saved as a `Layer Definition File (.qlr)` using *Export* ► *Save As Layer Definition File…* in the active layers' context menu. A layer definition file (`.qlr`) includes references to the data source of the layers and their styles. `.qlr` files are shown in the Browser Panel and can be used to add the layers (with the saved style) to the Layers Panel. You can also drag and drop `.qlr` files from the system file manager into the map canvas.

11.7 Documenting your data

In addition to displaying and symbolizing the data in the layers, QGIS allows you to fill:

- **metadata**: information to help people find and understand the dataset, how they can access and use it… these are properties of the datasource and can live out of the QGIS project.
- **notes**: instructions and comments regarding the layer in the current project

11.7.1 Metadata

In the layer properties dialog, the  *Metadata* tab provides you with options to create and edit a metadata report on your layer.

Information to fill concern:

- the data *Identification*: basic attribution of the dataset (parent, identifier, title, abstract, language…);
- the *Categories* the data belongs to. Alongside the **ISO** categories, you can add custom ones;
- the *Keywords* to retrieve the data and associated concepts following a standard based vocabulary;
- the *Access* to the dataset (licenses, rights, fees, and constraints);
- the *Extent* of the dataset, either spatial one (CRS, map extent, altitudes) or temporal;
- the *Contact* of the owner(s) of the dataset;
- the *Links* to ancillary resources and related information;
- the *History* of the dataset.

A summary of the filled information is provided in the *Validation* tab and helps you identify potential issues related to the form. You can then either fix them or ignore them.

Metadata are currently saved in the project file. They can also be saved in a `.qmd` file alongside file based layers or in a local `.sqlite` database for remote layers (e.g. PostGIS).

11.7.2 Layer notes

Layer notes allow you to document the layer within the current project. They can be place to store important messages for users of the project like to do lists, instructions, warnings, …

From the layer's contextual menu in *Layers* panel, select *Add layer notes…* and fill the open dialog with necessary texts.

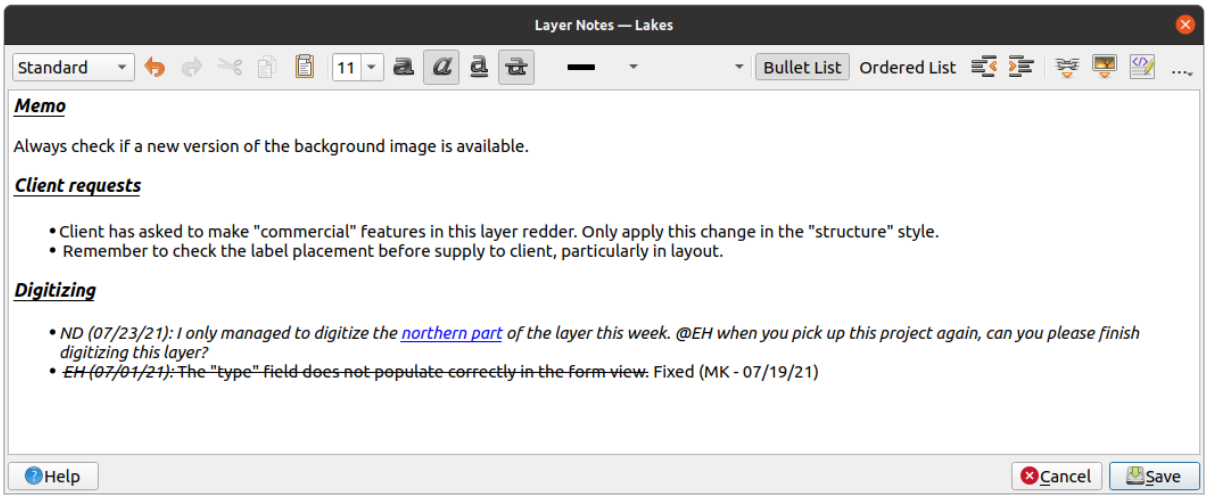


Abb. 11.27: Adding notes to a layer

The *Add layer notes* dialog provides a html-based multiline text box with a complete set of tools for:

- text manipulation: cut, copy, paste, undo, redo
- characters formatting, applied to all or parts of the contents: font size and color, bold, italic, underline, strikethrough, background color, URL highlighting
- paragraph structuring: bullet and numbered lists, indentation, predefined headings
- file insertion, even with drag-and-drop
- editing with HTML coding

From the … drop-down at the far right of the toolbar, you can:

- *Remove all formatting*
- *Remove character formatting*
- *Clear all content*

In the *Layers* panel, a layer with a note is assigned the  icon which, upon hover, displays the note. Click the icon to edit the note. You can as well right-click the layer and *Edit layer note…* or *Remove layer note*.

Bemerkung: Notes are part of the *layer style* and can be saved in the `.qml` or `.qlr` file. They can also be transferred from one layer to another while copy-pasting the layer style.

11.8 Storing values in Variables

In QGIS, you can use variables to store useful recurrent values (e.g. the project's title, or the user's full name) that can be used in expressions. Variables can be defined at the application's global level, project level, layer level, processing modeler level, layout level, and layout item's level. Just like CSS cascading rules, variables can be overwritten - e.g., a project level variable will overwrite any application global level variables set with the same name. You can use these variables to build text strings or other custom expressions using the `@` character before the variable name. For example in print layout creating a label with this content:

```
This map was made using QGIS [% @qgis_version %]. The project file for this
map is: [% @project_path %]
```

Wird diesen Namen wie folgt darstellen:

```
This map was made using QGIS 3.4.4-Madeira. The project file for this map is:
/gis/qgis-user-conference-2019.qgs
```

Besides the *preset read-only variables*, you can define your own custom variables for any of the levels mentioned above. You can manage:

- **global variables** from the *Settings* ► *Options* menu
- **project variables** from the *Project Properties* dialog (see *Projekteigenschaften*)
- **vector layer variables** from the *Layer Properties* dialog (see *Vektorlayereigenschaften*);
- **modeler variables** from the *Graphical Modeler* dialog (see *Die Grafische Modellierung*);
- **layout variables** from the *Layout* panel in the Print layout (see *The Layout Panel*);
- and **layout item variables** from the *Item Properties* panel in the Print layout (see *Layout Items Common Options*).

To differentiate from editable variables, read-only variable names and values are displayed in italic. On the other hand, higher level variables overwritten by lower level ones are strike through.

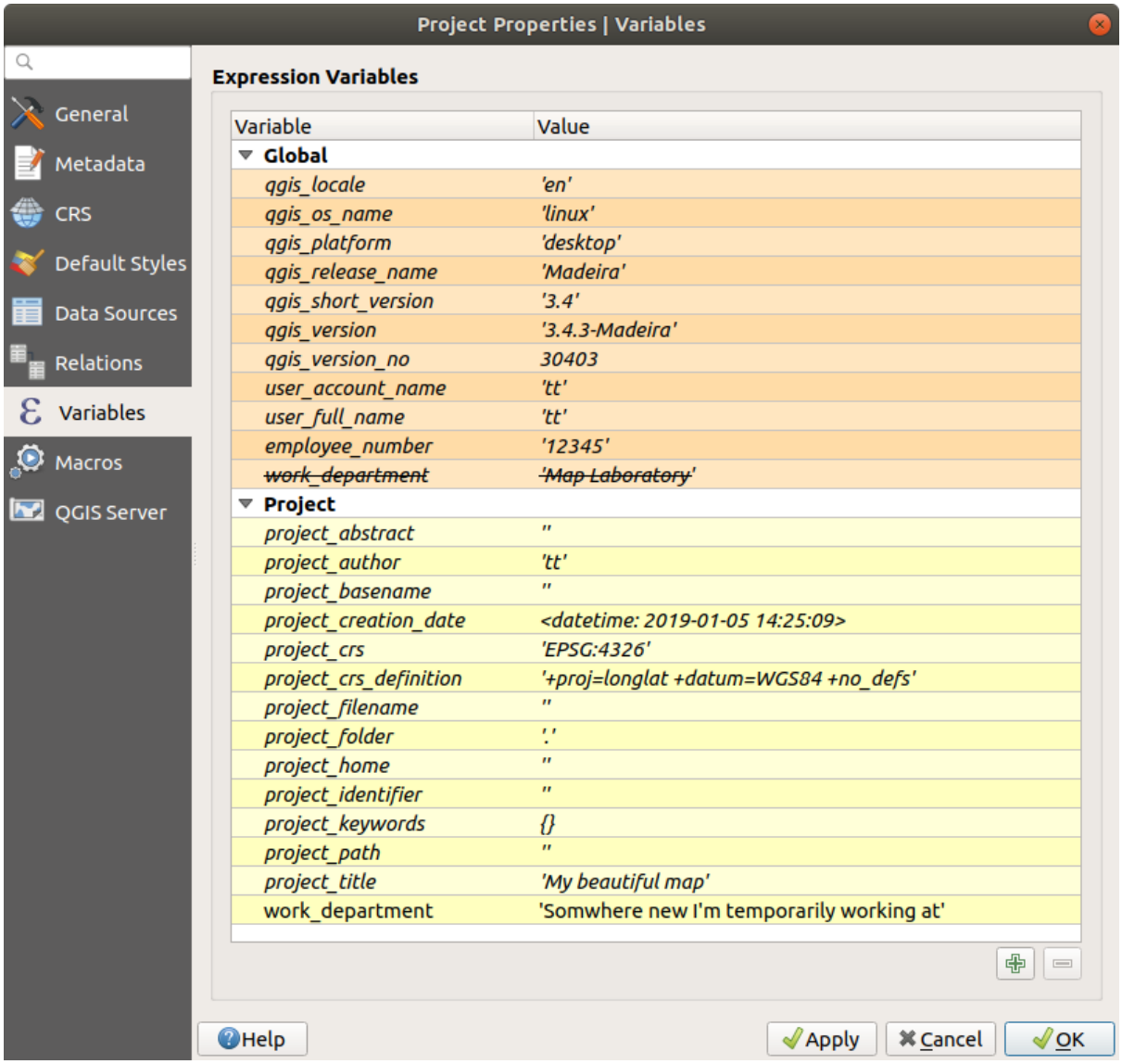


Abb. 11.28: Variables editor at the project level

Bemerkung: You can read more about variables and find some examples in Nyall Dawson's Exploring variables in QGIS 2.12, part 1, part 2 and part 3 blog posts.

11.9 Authentifizierung

QGIS has the facility to store/retrieve authentication credentials in a secure manner. Users can securely save credentials into authentication configurations, which are stored in a portable database, can be applied to server or database connections, and are safely referenced by their ID tokens in project or settings files. For more information see *Authentifizierungssystem*.

Ein Hauptpasswort muss eingerichtet werden, wenn das Authentifizierungssystem und seine tragbare Datenbank initialisiert werden sollen.

11.10 Common widgets

In QGIS, there are some options you'll often have to work with. For convenience, QGIS provides you with special widgets that are presented below.

11.10.1 Farbauswahl

The color dialog

The *Select Color* dialog will appear whenever you click the  icon to choose a color. The features of this dialog depend on the state of the *Use native color chooser dialogs* parameter checkbox in *Settings* ► *Options…* ► *General*. When checked, the color dialog used is the native one of the OS on which QGIS is running. Otherwise, the QGIS custom color chooser is used.

The custom color chooser dialog has four different tabs which allow you to select colors by  Color ramp,  Color wheel,  Color swatches or  Color picker. With the first two tabs, you can browse to all possible color combinations and apply your choice to the item.

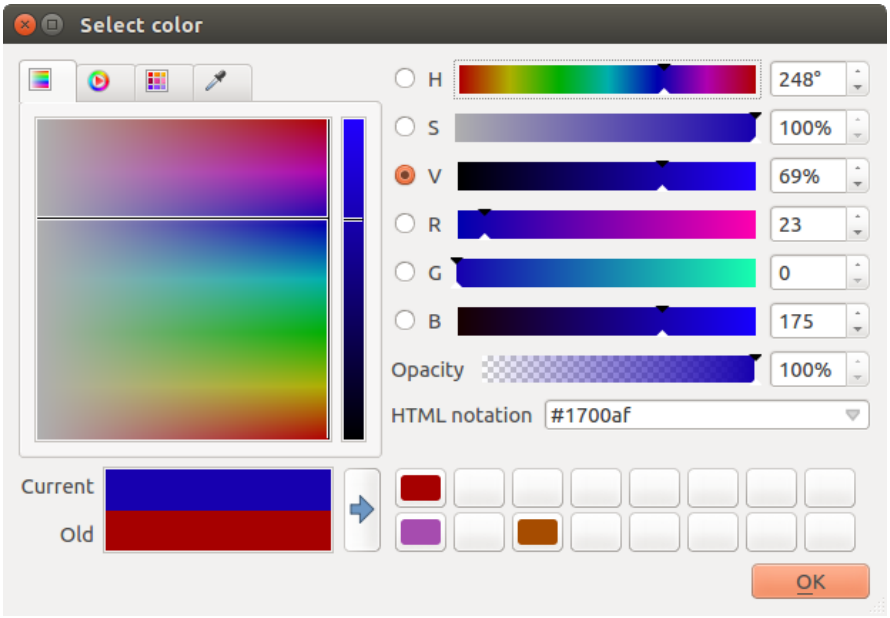


Abb. 11.29: Farbauswahl Verlaufstyp

In the Color swatches tab, you can choose from a list of color palettes (see *Colors Settings* for details). All but the *Recent colors* palette can be modified with the Add current color and Remove selected color buttons at the bottom of the frame.

The … button next to the palette combo box also offers several options to:

- copy, paste, import or export colors
- create, import or remove color palettes
- add the custom palette to the color selector widget with the *Show in Color Buttons* item (see Abb. 11.31)

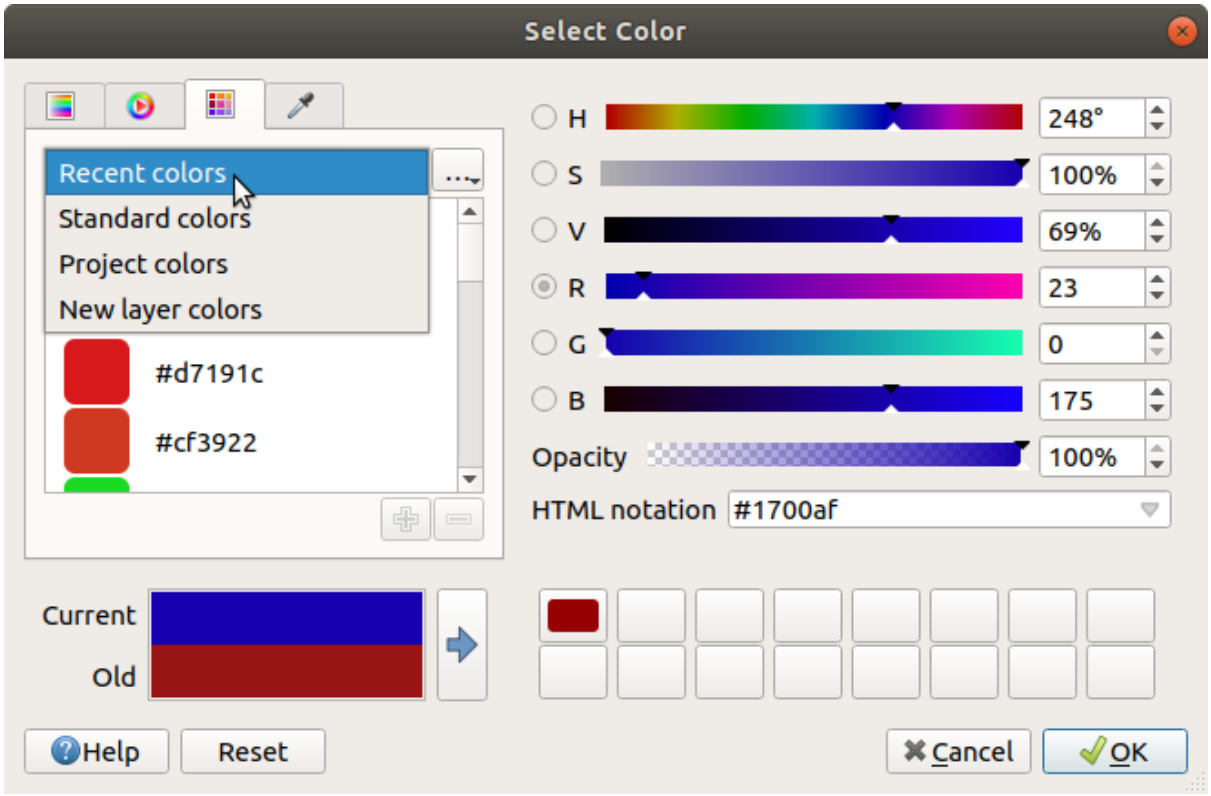


Abb. 11.30: Color selector swatches tab

Another option is to use the Color picker which allows you to sample a color from under your mouse cursor at any part of the QGIS UI or even from another application: press the space bar while the tab is active, move the mouse over the desired color and click on it or press the space bar again. You can also click the *Sample Color* button to activate the picker.

Whatever method you use, the selected color is always described through color sliders for `HSV` (Hue, Saturation, Value) and `RGB` (Red, Green, Blue) values. The color is also identifiable in *HTML notation*.

Modifying a color is as simple as clicking on the color wheel or ramp or on any of the color parameters sliders. You can adjust such parameters with the spinbox beside or by scrolling the mouse wheel over the corresponding slider. You can also type the color in HTML notation. Finally, there is an *Opacity* slider to set transparency level.

The dialog also provides a visual comparison between the *Old* color (applied to object) and the *Current* one (being selected). Using drag-and-drop or pressing the Add color to swatch button, any of these colors can be saved in a slot for easy access.

Tipp: Quick color modification

Drag-and-drop a color selector widget onto another one to apply its color.

The color drop-down shortcut

Click the drop-down arrow to the right of the  color button to display a widget for quick color selection. This shortcut provides access to:

- a color wheel to pick a color from
- an alpha slider to change color opacity
- the color palettes previously set to *Show in Color Buttons*
- copy the current color and paste it into another widget
- pick a color from anywhere on your computer display
- choose a color from the color selector dialog
- drag-and-drop the color from one widget to another for quick modification

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Bemerkung: When the color widget is set to a *project color* through the data-defined override properties, the above functions for changing the color are unavailable. You'd first need to *Unlink color* or *Clear* the definition.

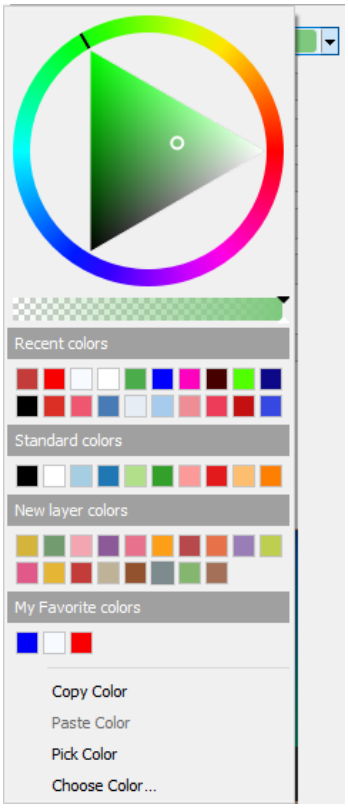


Abb. 11.31: Schnelle Farbwahl Menü

The color ramp drop-down shortcut

Color ramps are a practical way to apply a set of colors to one or many features. Their creation is described in the *Setting a Color Ramp* section. As for the colors, pressing the color ramp button opens the corresponding color ramp type dialog allowing you to change its properties.

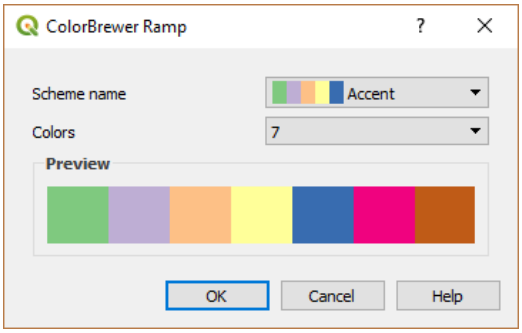


Abb. 11.32: Customizing a colorbrewer ramp

The drop-down menu to the right of the button gives quick access to a wider set of color ramps and options:

- *Invert Color Ramp*
- *Random Colors*: available only in some contexts (e.g., when a color ramp is being used for a layer symbology), checking this entry creates and applies a color ramp with random colors. It also enables a *Shuffle random colors* entry to regenerate a new random color ramp if the current one is not satisfactory.
- a preview of the `gradient` or `catalog: cpt-city` color ramps flagged as **Favorites** in the *Style Manager* dialog
- *All Color Ramps* to access the compatible color ramps database
- *Create New Color Ramp…* of any supported type that could be used in the current widget (note that this color ramp will not be available elsewhere unless you save it in the library)
- *Edit Color Ramp…*, the same as clicking the whole color ramp button
- *Save Color Ramp…*, to save the current color ramp with its customizations in the style library

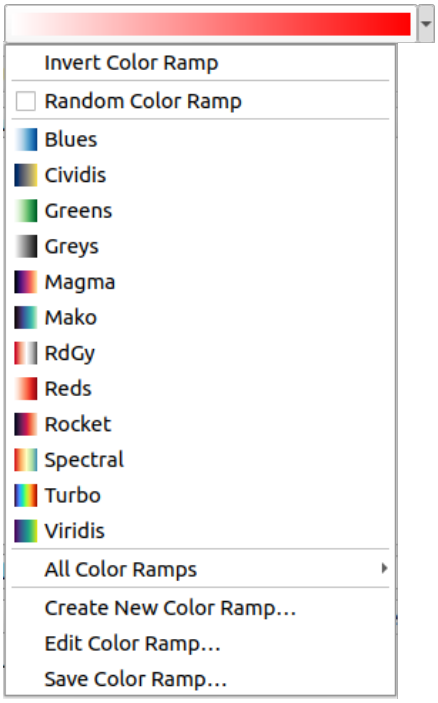


Abb. 11.33: Quick color ramp selection widget

11.10.2 Symbol Widget

The *Symbol* selector widget is a convenient shortcut when you want to set symbol properties of a feature. Clicking the drop-down arrow shows the following symbol options, together with the features of the *color drop-down widget*:

- *Configure Symbol...*: the same as pressing the symbol selector widget. It opens a dialog to set the *symbol parameters*.
- *Copy Symbol* from the current item
- *Paste Symbol* to the current item, speeding configuration

11.10.3 Remote or embedded file selector

Along with the file selector widget, the … button will sometimes show a drop-down arrow. This is usually available when using:

- an SVG file in a symbol or a label
- a raster image to customize symbols, labels, textures or decorations

Pressing the arrow will provide you with a menu to:

- load the file from the file system: the file is identified through the file path and QGIS needs to resolve the path in order to display the corresponding image
- load the file from a remote URL: as above, the image will only be loaded on successful retrieval of the remote resource
- embed the file into the item: the file is embedded inside the current project, style database, or print layout template. The file is then always rendered as part of the item. This is a convenient way to create self-contained projects with custom symbols which can be easily shared amongst different users and installations of QGIS.
- extract the embedded file from the widget and save it on disk.

11.10.4 Spatial Extent Selector

The *Extent* selector widget is a convenient shortcut when you want to select a spatial extent to assign to a layer or to limit the actions to run on. Depending on the context, it offers selection between:

- *Current layer extent*, e.g. when exporting a layer
- *Calculate from layer* ►: uses extent of a layer loaded in the current project
- Use current *Map canvas extent*
- *Draw on canvas* a rectangle whose coordinates are then used
- Enter or edit the coordinates as `xmin, xmax, ymin, ymax`

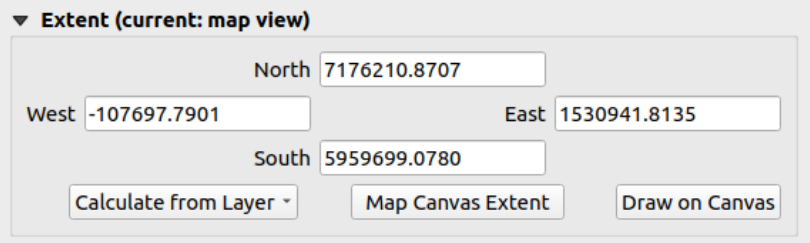


Abb. 11.34: Extent selector widget

11.10.5 Font Selector

The *Font* selector widget is a convenient shortcut when you want to set font properties for textual information (feature labels, decoration labels, map legend text, …). Clicking the drop-down arrow shows some or all of the following options:



Abb. 11.35: Font selector drop-down menu

- *Font Size* in the associated unit

- *Recent Fonts* ► menu with the active font checked (at the top)
- *Configure Format…*: same as pressing the font selector widget. It opens a dialog to set text format parameters. Depending on the context, it can be the OS default *Text format* dialog or the QGIS custom dialog with advanced formatting options (opacity, orientation, buffer, background, shadow, …) as described in section *Formatting the label text*.
- *Copy Format* of the text
- *Paste Format* to the text, speeding configuration
- the *color widget* for quick color setting

11.10.6 Unit Selector

Size properties of the items (labels, symbols, layout elements, …) in QGIS are not necessarily bound to either the project units or the units of a particular layer. For a large set of properties, the *Unit* selector drop-down menu allows you to tweak their values according to the rendering you want (based on screen resolution, paper size, or the terrain). Available units are:

- *Millimeters*
- *Points*
- *Pixels*
- *Inches*
- *Meters at Scale*: This allows you to always set the size in meters, regardless of what the underlying map units are (e.g. they can be in inches, feet, geographic degrees, …). The size in meters is calculated based on the current project ellipsoid setting and a projection of the distances in meters at the center of the current map extent. For maps in a projected coordinate system this is calculated using projected units. For maps in a geographic (latitude/longitude) based system the size is approximated by calculating meter sizes using ellipsoidal calculations for the vertical scale of the map.
- and *Map Units*: The size is scaled according to the map view scale. Because this can lead to too big or too small values, use the button next to the entry to constrain the size to a range of values based on:
  - The *Minimum scale* and the *Maximum scale*: The value is scaled based on the map view scale until you reach any of these scale limits. Out of the range of scale, the value at the nearest scale limit is kept.
  - and/or The *Minimum size* and the *Maximum size* in `mm`: The value is scaled based on the map view scale until it reaches any of these limits; Then the limit size is kept.

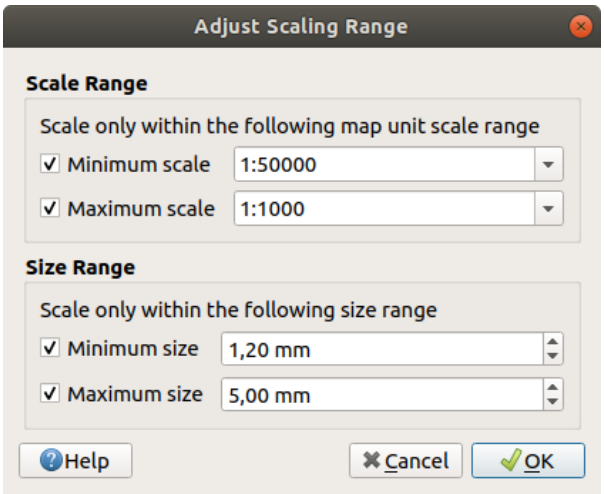


Abb. 11.36: Adjust scaling range dialog

11.10.7 Number Formatting

Numeric formatters allow formatting of numeric values for display, using a variety of different formatting techniques (for instance scientific notation, currency values, percentage values, etc). One use of this is to set text in a layout scale bar or fixed table.

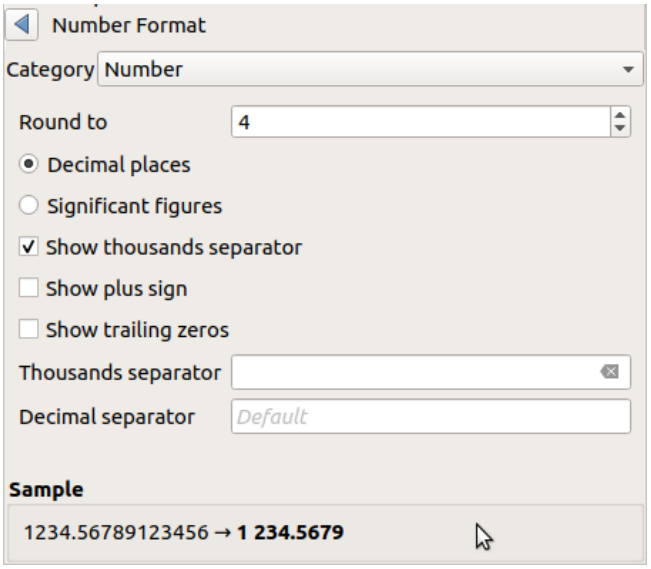


Abb. 11.37: Formatting numeric value

Different categories of formats are supported. For most of them, you can set part or all of the following numeric options:

- *Show thousands separator*
- *Show plus sign*
- *Show trailing zeros*

But they can also have their custom settings. Provided categories are:

- *General*, the default category: has no setting and displays values as set in the parent widget properties or using the global settings.
- *Number*
  - The value can be *Round to* a self defined number of *Decimal places* or their *Significant figures*
  - customize the *Thousands separator* and *Decimal separator*
- *Bearing* for a text representation of a direction/bearing using:
  - *Format*: possible ranges of values are `0 to 180°, with E/W suffix`, `-180 to +180°` and `0 to 360°`
  - number of *Decimal places*
- *Currency* for a text representation of a currency value.
  - *Prefix*
  - *Suffix*
  - number of *Decimal places*
- *Fraction* for a vulgar fractional representation of a decimal value (e.g. *1/2* instead of *0.5*)
  - *Use unicode super/subscript* to show. For example $^{1/2}$ instead of 1/2

  - ☐ *Use dedicated Unicode characters*
  - customize the *Thousands separator*
- *Percentage* - appends `%` to the values, with setting of:
  - number of *Decimal places*
  - *Scaling* to indicate whether the actual values already represent percentages (then they will be kept as is) or fractions (then they are converted)
- *Scientific* notation in the form `2.56e+03`. The number of *Decimal places* can be set.

A live preview of the settings is displayed under the *Sample* section.

11.10.8 Mischmodi

QGIS offers different options for special rendering effects with these tools that you may previously only know from graphics programs. Blending modes can be applied on layers and features, and also on print layout items:

- **Normal**: Dies ist der Standardmischmodus, der den Alphakanal des oben liegenden Pixels mit dem darunter liegenden Pixel vermischt. Die Farben werden nicht vermischt.
- **Heller**: Dies wählt das Maximum jeder Komponente der Vordergrund- und Hintergrundpixel. Seien Sie sich bewusst dass die Ergebnisse zackig und hart aussehen können.
- **Screen**: Light pixels from the source are painted over the destination, while dark pixels are not. This mode is most useful for mixing the texture of one item with another item (such as using a hillshade to texture another layer).
- **Dodge**: Brighten and saturate underlying pixels based on the lightness of the top pixel. Brighter top pixels cause the saturation and brightness of the underlying pixels to increase. This works best if the top pixels aren't too bright. Otherwise the effect is too extreme.
- **Addition**: Adds pixel values of one item to the other. In case of values above the maximum value (in the case of RGB), white is displayed. This mode is suitable for highlighting features.
- **Darken**: Retains the lowest values of each component of the foreground and background pixels. Like lighten, the results tend to be jagged and harsh.
- **Multiply**: Pixel values of the top item are multiplied with the corresponding values for the bottom item. The results are darker.
- **Burn**: Darker colors in the top item cause the underlying items to darken. Burn can be used to tweak and colorize underlying layers.
- **Overlay**: Combines multiply and screen blending modes. Light parts become lighter and dark parts become darker.
- **Soft light**: Very similar to overlay, but instead of using multiply/screen it uses color burn/dodge. This is supposed to emulate shining a soft light onto an image.
- **Hartes Licht**: Auch Hartes Licht ist dem Überlagerungsmodus sehr ähnlich. Hier soll die Projektion eines sehr intensiven Lichts auf ein Bild nachgeahmt werden.
- **Difference**: Subtracts the top pixel from the bottom pixel, or the other way around, in order always to get a positive value. Blending with black produces no change, as the difference with all colors is zero.
- **Subtract**: Subtracts pixel values of one item from the other. In the case of negative values, black is displayed.

11.10.9 Datendefinierte Übersteuerung Setup

Next to many options in the vector layer properties dialog or settings in the print layout, you will find a Data defined override icon. Using *expressions* based on layer attributes or item settings, prebuilt or custom functions and *variables*, this tool allows you to set dynamic values for parameters. When enabled, the value returned by this widget is applied to the parameter regardless of its normal value (checkbox, textbox, slider…).

The data defined override widget

Clicking the Data defined override icon shows the following entries:

- *Description…* that indicates if the option is enabled, which input is expected, the valid input type and the current definition. Hovering over the widget also pops up this information.
- *Store data in the project*: a button allowing the property to be stored using to the *Auxiliary Storage Properties* mechanism.
- *Field type*: an entry to select from the layer's fields that match the valid input type.
- *Color*: when the widget is linked to a color property, this menu gives access to the colors defined as part of the current *project's colors* scheme.
- *Variable*: a menu to access the available user-defined *variables*
- *Edit…* button to create or edit the expression to apply, using the *Expression String Builder* dialog. To help you correctly fill in the expression, a reminder of the expected output's format is provided in the dialog.
- *Paste* and *Copy* buttons.
- *Löschen* Schaltfläche, um das Setup zu entfernen.
- For numeric and color properties, *Assistant…* to rescale how the feature data is applied to the property (more details *below*)

Tipp: Use right-click to (de)activate the data override

When the data-defined override option is set up correctly the icon is yellow or . If it is broken, the icon is red or .

You can enable or disable a configured Data-defined override button by simply clicking the widget with the right mouse button.

Using the data-defined assistant interface

When the Data-defined override button is associated with a size, a rotation, an opacity or a color property, it has an *Assistant…* option that helps you change how the data is applied to the parameter for each feature. The assistant allows you to:

- Define the *Input* data, ie:
  - *Source*: the attribute to represent, using a field or an *expression*
  - the range of values to represent: you can manually enter the values or use the Fetch value range from layer button to fill these fields automatically with the minimum and maximum values returned by the *Source* expression applied to your data

- *Apply transform curve*: by default, output values (see below for setting) are applied to input features following a linear scale. You can override this logic: enable the transform option, click on the graphic to add break point(s) and drag the point(s) to apply a custom distribution.
- Define the *Output* values: the options vary according to the parameter to define. You can globally set:
  - for a color setting, the *color ramp* to apply to values and the single color to use for NULL values
  - for the others, the minimum and maximum values to apply to the selected property as well as the size/angle/opacity value for ignored or NULL source features
  - for size properties, the *Scale method* of representation which can be **Flannery**, **Exponential**, **Surface**, **Radius** or **Linear**
  - the *Exponent* to use for data scaling when the *Scale method* is of exponential type or when tweaking the opacity

When compatible with the property, a live-update preview is displayed in the right-hand side of the dialog to help you control the value scaling.

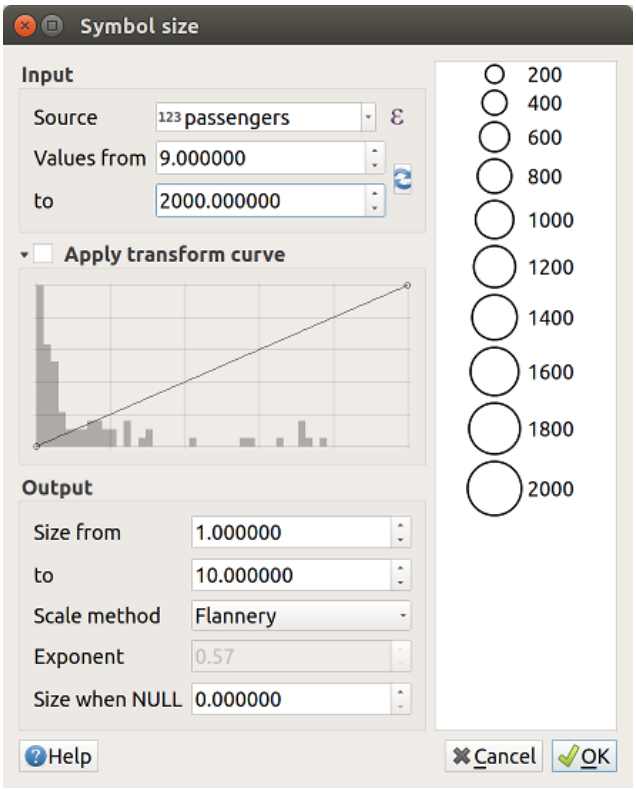


Abb. 11.38: Scaling feature size based on passengers field's value

The values presented in the varying size assistant above will set the size ‚Data-defined override' with:

```
coalesce(scale_exp("passengers", 9, 2000, 1, 10, 0.57), 0)
```

KAPITEL 12

Level up with Expressions

12.1 Ausdrücke

Based on layer data and prebuilt or user defined functions, **Expressions** offer a powerful way to manipulate attribute value, geometry and variables in order to dynamically change the geometry style, the content or position of the label, the value for diagram, the height of a layout item, select some features, create virtual field, …

Bemerkung: A list of the default functions and variables for writing expressions can be found at *Liste der Funktionen*, with detailed information and examples.

12.1.1 Der Ausdruckseditor

Der Hauptdialog zur Erstellung von Ausdrücken, der *Ausdruckeditor* ist an vielen Stellen in QGIS verfügbar. Er kann z.B. hier aufgerufen werden:

- durch Klick auf den Knopf;
- *Auswahl von Objekten* mit Hilfe des Tools Objekte über Ausdruck wählen;
- *Attribute bearbeiten* z.B. mit Hilfe des Tools Feldrechner;
- Änderung der Symbolisierung, der Beschriftung oder der Parameter von Layoutelementen mit Hilfe des Tools Datendefinierte Übersteuerung (see *Datendefinierte Übersteuerung Setup*);
- Erstellung eines Layers mit Symbolisierung mit Hilfe des *Geometriegenerators*;
- Ausführung einer *Geoprozessierung*.

Der Ausdruckseditor erlaubt den Zugang zu:

- den *Ausdrucksbereich* der die Erstellung und Prüfung von Ausdrücken mit Hilfe einer Liste von vordefinierten Funktionen erleichtert;
- den *Funktionseditor* der bei der Erstellung angepasster Funktionen und damit der Erweiterung der Liste der Funktionen unterstützt.

The Interface

The *Expression* tab provides the main interface to write expressions using functions, layer fields and values. It contains the following widgets:

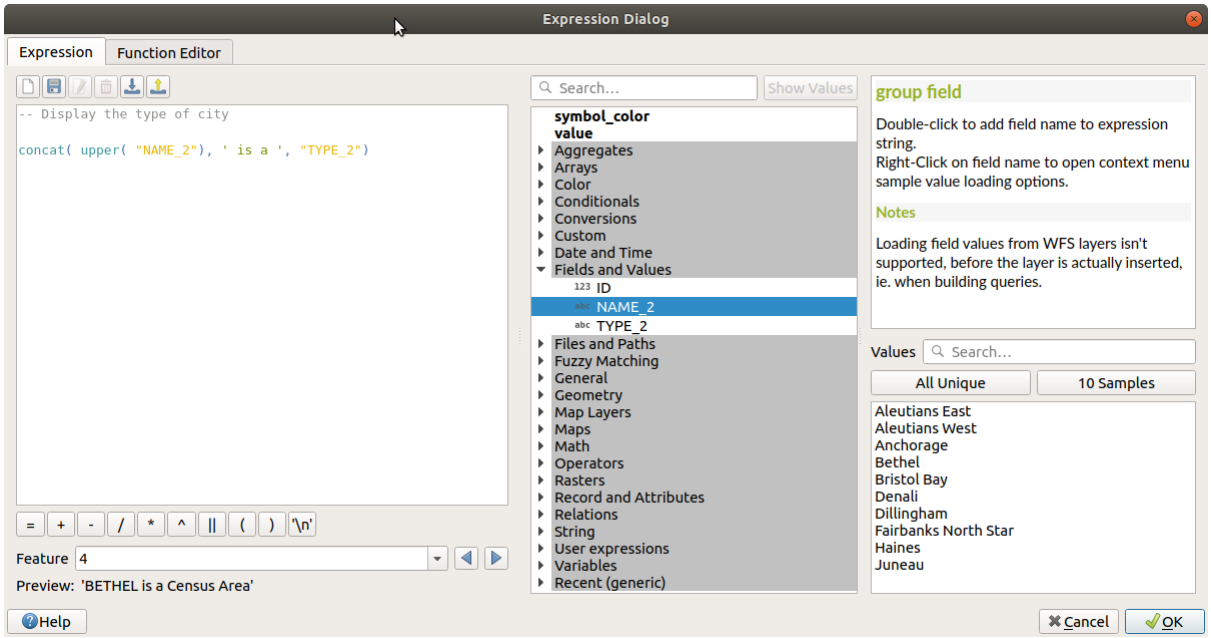


Abb. 12.1: Der Ausdruck Reiter

- An expression editor area for typing or pasting expressions. Autocompletion is available to speed expression writing:
  - Die zum Eingabetext passenden Variablen, Funktionsnamen und Feldnamen werden unterhalb der Eingabe angezeigt. Nutzen Sie die `Up` und `Down` Tasten, um die Einträge durchzublättern und die Taste `Tab`, um einen Eintrag in den Ausdruck zu übernehmen oder klicken Sie einfach doppelt auf den gewünschten Eintrag.
  - Die Parameter von Funktionen werden beim Ausfüllen angezeigt.

  QGIS prüft die Richtigkeit des Ausdrucks und hinterlegt alle Fehler farbig:
  - *Unterstreichung*: unbekannte Funktionen, falsche oder ungültige Funktionsargumente;
  - *Markierung*: alle weiteren Fehler (z.B. fehlende Klammern, unerwartete Zeichen) an der jeweiligen Stelle.

Tipp: Dokumentieren Sie Ihre Ausdrücke mit Kommentaren

Bei Nutzung komplexer Ausdrücke, ist es eine gute Praxis mehrzeilige Kommentare bzw. im Ausdruck eingeschlossene Kommentare als Erinnerungshilfen zu verwenden.

```
/*
Labels each region with its highest (in altitude) airport(s)
and altitude, eg 'AMBLER : 264m' for the 'Northwest Artic' region
*/
with_variable(
  'airport_alti', -- stores the highest altitude of the region
  aggregate(
    'airports',
    'max',
    "ELEV", -- the field containing the altitude
    -- and limit the airports to the region they are within
    filter := within( $geometry, geometry( @parent ) )
```

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```
  ),
    aggregate( -- finds airports at the same altitude in the region
      'airports',
      'concatenate',
      "NAME",
      filter := within( $geometry, geometry( @parent ) )
        and "ELEV" = @airport_alti
    )
    || ' : ' || @airport_alti || 'm'
    -- using || allows regions without airports to be skipped
)
```

- Above the expression editor, a set of tools helps you:
  -  Clear the expression editor
  - create and manage *user expressions*
- Under the expression editor, you find:
  - a set of basic operators to help you build the expression
  - an indication of the expected format of output when you are data-defining feature properties
  - a live *Output preview* of the expression, evaluated on the first feature of the Layer by default. You can browse and evaluate other features of the layer using the *Feature* combobox (the values are taken from the *display name* property of the layer).

    In case of error, it indicates it and you can access the details with the provided hyperlink.
- In einem Auswahlfeld sind die Funktionen, Variablen, Felder, … in Gruppen organisiert aufgelistet. Ein Suchfeld dient zur Filterung der Gesamtliste, um schnell eine bestimmte Funktion oder Feld zu finden. Mit Hilfe eines Doppelklicks wird das Element in den Ausdrucksеditor eingefügt.
- Ein Bedienfeld, das Hilfe für jedes ausgewählte Element aus der Funktionsauwahl anzeigt.

Tipp: Drücke `Ctrl+Click` beim Überfahren eines Funktionsnamens, um automatisch die Hilfe zu dieser Funktion im Hilfe-Dialog anzuzeigen.

A field's values widget shown when a field is selected in the function selector helps to fetch features attributes:

- Look for a particular field value
- Display the list of *All Unique* or *10 Samples* values. Also available from right-click.

  When the field is mapped with another layer or a set of values, i.e. if the *field widget* is of *RelationReference*, *ValueRelation* or *ValueMap* type, it's possible to list all the values of the mapped field (from the referenced layer, table or list). Moreover, you can filter this list to  *Only show values in use* in the current field.

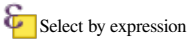
Double-clicking a field value in the widget adds it to the expression editor.

Tipp: Das rechte Bedienfeld mit der Hilfe zu Funktionen und den Feldwerten kann ausgeblendet werden (durch nach rechts ziehen der Bedienfeldbegrenzung). Durch Drücken des Knopfes *Werte anzeigen* oder *Hilfe anzeigen* wird er wieder angezeigt.

Writing an expression

QGIS expressions are used to select features or set values. Writing an expression in QGIS follows some rules:

1. **The dialog defines the context**: if you are used to SQL, you probably know queries of the type *select features from layer where condition* or *update layer set field = new_value where condition*. A QGIS expression also needs all these information but the tool you use to open the expression builder dialog provides parts of them. For example, giving a layer (`buildings`) with a field (`height`):

   - pressing the  tool means that you want to „select features from buildings“. The **condition** is the only information you need to provide in the expression text widget, e.g. type `"height" > 20` to select buildings that are higher than 20.
   - with this selection made, pressing the  button and choosing „height“ as *Update existing field*, you already provide the command „update buildings set height = ??? where height > 20“. The only remaining bits you have to provide in this case is the **new value**, e.g. just enter `50` in the expression editor textbox to set the height of the previously selected buildings.

2. **Pay attention to quotes**: single quotes return a literal, so a text placed between single quotes (`'145'`) is interpreted as a string. Double quotes will give you the value of that text so use them for fields (`"myfield"`). Fields can also be used without quotes (`myfield`). No quotes for numbers (`3.16`).

Bemerkung: Functions normally take as argument a string for field name. Do:

```
attribute( @atlas_feature, 'height' ) -- returns the value stored in the
↪"height" attribute of the current atlas feature
```

And not:

```
attribute( @atlas_feature, "height" ) -- fetches the value of the attribute␣
↪named "height" (e.g. 100), and use that value as a field
                                    -- from which to return the atlas␣
↪feature value. Probably wrong as a field named "100" may not exist.
```

Tipp: Use named parameters to ease expression reading

Some functions require many parameters to be set. The expression engine supports the use of named parameters. This means that instead of writing the cryptic expression `clamp( 1, 2, 9)`, you can use `clamp( min:=1, value:=2, max:=9)`. This also allows arguments to be switched, e.g. `clamp( value:=2, max:=9, min:=1)`. Using named parameters helps clarify what the arguments for an expression function refer to, which is helpful when you are trying to interpret an expression later!

Some use cases of expressions

- From the Field Calculator, calculate a „pop_density“ field using the existing „total_pop“ and „area_km2“ fields:

```
"total_pop" / "area_km2"
```

- Label or categorize features based on their area:

```
CASE WHEN $area > 10 000 THEN 'Larger' ELSE 'Smaller' END
```

- Aktualisieren Sie das Feld „density_level“ mit zugehörigen Kategorien zu den „pop_density“ Werten:

```
CASE WHEN "pop_density" < 50 THEN 'Low population density'
     WHEN "pop_density" >= 50 and "pop_density" < 150 THEN 'Medium population␣
↪density'
```

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```
    WHEN "pop_density" >= 150 THEN 'High population density'
END
```

- Wenden Sie einen kategorisierten Stil auf alle Objekte an, je nachdem, ob der durchschnittliche Hauspreis kleiner oder größer als 10000€ pro Quadratmeter ist:

```
"price_m2" > 10000
```

- Mit dem „Durch Ausdruck wählen…“ Werkzeug, wählen Sie alle Objekte die eine Fläche mit „Hoher Bevölkerungsdichte“ und einem durchschnittlichen Hauspreis größer als 10000€ pro Quadratmeter darstellen:

```
"density_level" = 'High population density' and "price_m2" > 10000
```

  The previous expression could also be used to define which features to label or show on the map.

- Create a different symbol (type) for the layer, using the geometry generator:

```
point_on_surface( $geometry )
```

- Given a point feature, generate a closed line (using `make_line`) around its geometry:

```
make_line(
  -- using an array of points placed around the original
  array_foreach(
    -- list of angles for placing the projected points (every 90°)
    array:=generate_series( 0, 360, 90 ),
    -- translate the point 20 units in the given direction (angle)
    expression:=project( $geometry, distance:=20, azimuth:=radians( @element )␣
↪)
  )
)
```

- In a print layout label, display the name of the „airports“ features that are within the layout „Map 1“ item:

```
with_variable( 'extent',
               map_get( item_variables( 'Map 1' ), 'map_extent' ),
               aggregate( 'airports', 'concatenate', "NAME",
                          intersects( $geometry, @extent ), ' ,'
                        )
             )
```

Saving Expressions

Using the  Add current expression to user expressions button above the expression editor frame, you can save important expressions you want to have quick access to. These are available from the **User expressions** group in the middle panel. They are saved under the *user profile* (`<userprofile>/QGIS/QGIS3.ini` file) and available in all expression dialogs inside all projects of the current user profile.

A set of tools available above the expression editor frame helps you manage the user expressions:

-  Add the current expression to user expressions: store the expression in the user profile. A label and a help text can be added for easy identification.
-  Edit selected expression from user expressions, as well as their help and label
-  Remove selected expression from user expressions
-  Import user expressions from a `.json` file into the active user profile folder

- Export user expressions as a `.json` file; all the user expressions in the user profile `QGIS3.ini` file are shared

12.1.2 Funktions Editor

Mit dem Reiter *Funktionseditor* ist man in der Lage, eigene Funktionen mit Python zu schreiben. Dies bietet einen einfachen und komfortablen Weg, um besondere Anforderungen zu erfüllen, die nicht durch die enthaltenen Funktionen abgedeckt werden.

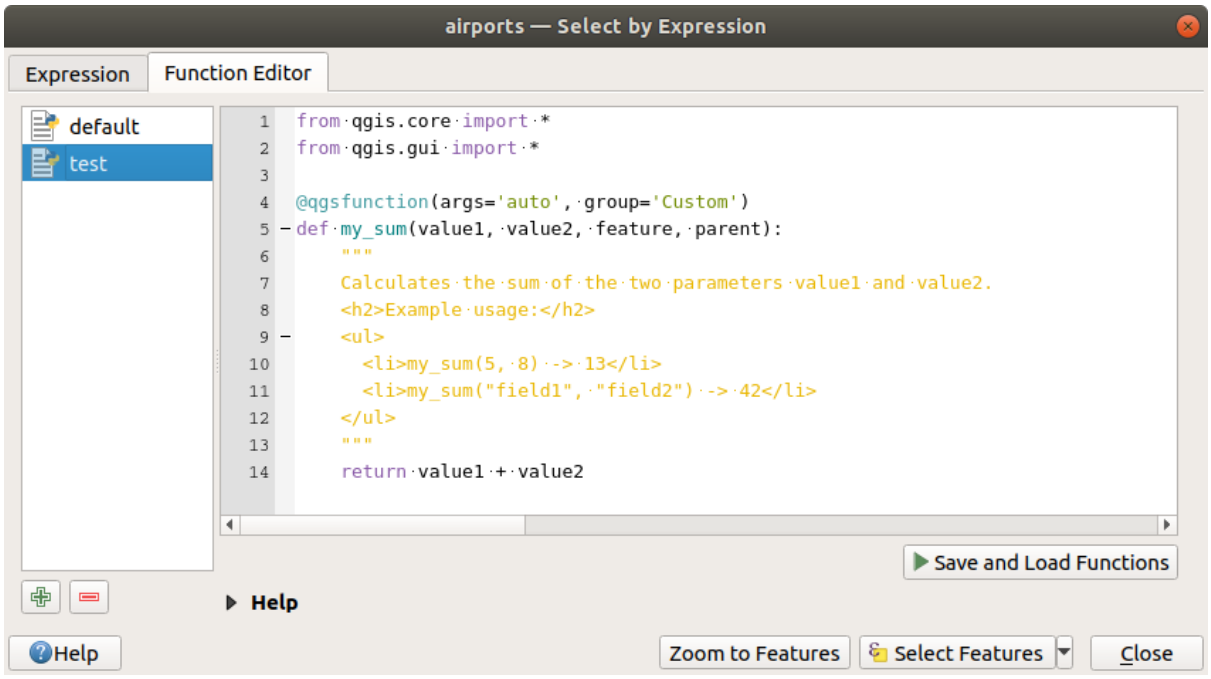


Abb. 12.2: Der Funktionseditor Reiter

Um eine neue Funtkion zu erstellen:

1. Drücken Sie auf die New File Schaltfläche.
2. Geben Sie einen Namen in das sich öffnende Formular ein und drücken dann auf *OK*.

   Ein neues Element mit dem vergebenen Namen wird nun im linken Bedienfeld des *Funktionseditor* bereitgestellt; dabei handelt es sich um eine Python `.py` Datei, basierend auf einer QGIS Template-Datei, gespeichert im Ordner `/python/expressions` im Verzeichnis des aktiven :ref:`user profile `.
3. Das rechte Bedienfeld stellt den Inhalt der Datei dar: ein Python Skript Template. Aktualisieren den Kode und die Hilfeienträge entsprechend ihrer Erfordernisse.
4. Drücken Sie auf die Schaltfläche *Lade- und Speicherfunktionen*. Die von ihnen geschriebene Funktion wird in der Liste der Funktionen im Reiter *Ausdruck* in der Voreinstellung in der Gruppe `Custom` hinzugefügt.
5. Haben Sie Spaß mit ihrer neuen Funktion.
6. Wenn die Funktion verbessert werden soll, geht man zum Reiter *Funktionseditor*, nimmt die Änderungen vor und drückt erneut auf die Schaltfläche *Lade- und Speicherfunktionen*. Damit werden die Änderungen in der Datei und somit auch im Reiter Ausdruck verfügbar.

Benutzerdefinierte Pythonfunktionen werden im Profilverzeichnis des Nutzer gespeichert. Das heißt das QGIS beim Start automatische alle Funktionen des aktuellen Nutzerprofils lädt. Beachten Sie, dass neue Funktionen nur im Ordner `/python/expressions` gespeichert werden und nicht in der Projektdatei. Wenn Sie ein Projekt mit benutzerdefinierten Funktionen verteilen möchten, müssen Sie auch die Datei `.py` im Ordner `/python/expressions` mitliefern.

To delete a custom function:

1. Enable the *Function Editor* tab
2. Select the function in the list
3. Press the Remove selected function. The function is removed from the list and the corresponding `.py` file deleted from the user profile folder.

Example

Here's a short example on how to create your own `my_sum` function that will operate with two values.

```
from qgis.core import *
from qgis.gui import *

@qgsfunction(args='auto', group='Custom')
def my_sum(value1, value2, feature, parent):
    """
    Calculates the sum of the two parameters value1 and value2.
    <h2>Example usage:</h2>
    <ul>
      <li>my_sum(5, 8) -> 13</li>
      <li>my_sum("field1", "field2") -> 42</li>
    </ul>
    """
    return value1 + value2
```

When using the `args='auto'` function argument the number of function arguments required will be calculated by the number of arguments the function has been defined with in Python (minus 2 - `feature`, and `parent`). The `group='Custom'` argument indicates the group in which the function should be listed in the Expression dialog.

It is also possible to add keywords arguments like:

- `usesgeometry=True` if the expression requires access to the features geometry. By default `False`.
- `handlesnull=True` if the expression has custom handling for NULL values. If `False` (default), the result will always be NULL as soon as any parameter is NULL.
- `referenced_columns=[list]`: An array of attribute names that are required to the function. Defaults to `[QgsFeatureRequest.ALL_ATTRIBUTES]`.

The previous example function can then be used in expressions:

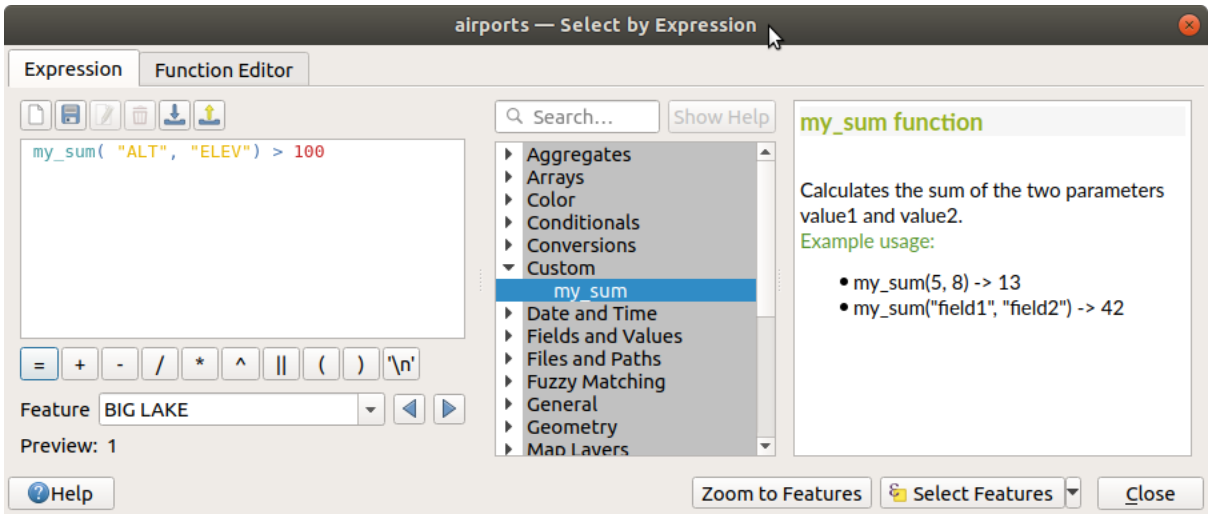


Abb. 12.3: Benutzerdefinierte Funktion im Reiter Ausdruck

Weitere Informationen über das Erstellen von Python-Kodes können in PyQGIS-Developer-Cookbook gefunden werden.

12.2 Liste der Funktionen

The functions, operators and variables available in QGIS are listed below, grouped by categories.

12.2.1 Aggregatsfunktionen

Diese Gruppe enthält Funktionen, die Werte über Layern und Feldern aggregieren.

aggregate

Returns an aggregate value calculated using features from another layer.

Syntax	aggregate(layer, aggregate, expression, [filter], [concatenator=''], [order_by]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **layer** - a string, representing either a layer name or layer ID • **aggregate** - a string corresponding to the aggregate to calculate. Valid options are: – count – count_distinct – count_missing – min – max – sum – mean – median – stdev – stdevsample – range – minority – majority – q1: first quartile – q3: third quartile – iqr: inter quartile range – min_length: minimum string length – max_length: maximum string length – concatenate: join strings with a concatenator – concatenate_unique: join unique strings with a concatenator – collect: create an aggregated multipart geometry – array_agg: create an array of aggregated values • **expression** - sub expression or field name to aggregate • **filter** - optional filter expression to limit the features used for calculating the aggregate. Fields and geometry are from the features on the joined layer. The source feature can be accessed with the variable @parent. • **concatenator** - optional string to use to join values for ‚concatenate' aggregate • **order_by** - optional filter expression to order the features used for calculating the aggregate. Fields and geometry are from the features on the joined layer. By default, the features will be returned in an unspecified order.
Beispiele	• `aggregate(layer:='rail_stations',aggregate:='sum', expression:="passengers")` → sum of all values from the passengers field in the rail_stations layer • `aggregate('rail_stations','sum', "passengers"/7)` → calculates a daily average of „passengers" by dividing the „passengers" field by 7 before summing the values • `aggregate(layer:='rail_stations',aggregate:='sum', expression:="passengers",filter:="class">3)` → sums up all values from the „passengers" field from features where the „class" attribute is greater than 3 only • `aggregate(layer:='rail_stations',aggregate:='concatenate', expression:="name", concatenator:=',')` → comma separated list of the name field for all features in the rail_stations layer • `aggregate(layer:='countries', aggregate:='max', expression:="code", filter:=intersects( $geometry, geometry(@parent) ) )` → The country code of an intersecting country on the layer ‚countries' • `aggregate(layer:='rail_stations',aggregate:='sum', expression:="passengers",filter:=contains( @atlas_geometry, $geometry ) )` → sum of all values from the passengers field in the rail_stations within the current atlas feature • `aggregate(layer:='rail_stations', aggregate:='collect', expression:=centroid($geometry), filter:="region_name" = attribute(@parent,'name') )` → aggregates centroid geometries of the rail_stations of the same region as current feature

array_agg

Returns an array of aggregated values from a field or expression.

Syntax	array_agg(expression, [group_by], [filter], [order_by]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **expression** - sub expression of field to aggregate • **group_by** - optional expression to use to group aggregate calculations • **filter** - optional expression to use to filter features used to calculate aggregate • **order_by** - optional expression to use to order features used to calculate aggregate. By default, the features will be returned in an unspecified order.
Beispiele	• `array_agg("name",group_by:="state")` → list of name values, grouped by state field

collect

Liefert eine mehrteilige Geometrie der aggregierten Geometrien des Ausdrucks

Syntax	collect(expression, [group_by], [filter]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **expression** - geometry expression to aggregate • **group_by** - optional expression to use to group aggregate calculations • **filter** - optional expression to use to filter features used to calculate aggregate
Beispiele	• `collect( $geometry )` → multipart geometry of aggregated geometries • `collect( centroid($geometry), group_by:="region", filter:= "use" = 'civilian' )` → aggregated centroids of the civilian features based on their region value

concatenate

Returns all aggregated strings from a field or expression joined by a delimiter.

Syntax	concatenate(expression, [group_by], [filter], [concatenator], [order_by]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **expression** - sub expression of field to aggregate • **group_by** - optional expression to use to group aggregate calculations • **filter** - optional expression to use to filter features used to calculate aggregate • **concatenator** - optional string to use to join values. Empty by default. • **order_by** - optional expression to use to order features used to calculate aggregate. By default, the features will be returned in an unspecified order.
Beispiele	• `concatenate("town_name",group_by:="state", concatenator:=',')` → comma separated list of town_names, grouped by state field

concatenate_unique

Returns all unique strings from a field or expression joined by a delimiter.

Syntax	concatenate_unique(expression, [group_by], [filter], [concatenator], [order_by]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **expression** - sub expression of field to aggregate • **group_by** - optional expression to use to group aggregate calculations • **filter** - optional expression to use to filter features used to calculate aggregate • **concatenator** - optional string to use to join values. Empty by default. • **order_by** - optional expression to use to order features used to calculate aggregate. By default, the features will be returned in an unspecified order.
Beispiele	• `concatenate_unique("town_name",group_by:="state", concatenator:=',')` → comma separated list of unique town_names, grouped by state field

count

Returns the count of matching features.

Syntax	count(expression, [group_by], [filter]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **expression** - sub expression of field to aggregate • **group_by** - optional expression to use to group aggregate calculations • **filter** - optional expression to use to filter features used to calculate aggregate
Beispiele	• `count("stations",group_by:="state")` → count of stations, grouped by state field

count_distinct

Returns the count of distinct values.

Syntax	count_distinct(expression, [group_by], [filter]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **expression** - sub expression of field to aggregate • **group_by** - optional expression to use to group aggregate calculations • **filter** - optional expression to use to filter features used to calculate aggregate
Beispiele	• `count_distinct("stations",group_by:="state")` → count of distinct stations values, grouped by state field

count_missing

Returns the count of missing (NULL) values.

Syntax	count_missing(expression, [group_by], [filter]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **expression** - sub expression of field to aggregate • **group_by** - optional expression to use to group aggregate calculations • **filter** - optional expression to use to filter features used to calculate aggregate
Beispiele	• `count_missing("stations",group_by:="state")` → count of missing (NULL) station values, grouped by state field

iqr

Returns the calculated inter quartile range from a field or expression.

Syntax	iqr(expression, [group_by], [filter]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **expression** - sub expression of field to aggregate • **group_by** - optional expression to use to group aggregate calculations • **filter** - optional expression to use to filter features used to calculate aggregate
Beispiele	• `iqr("population",group_by:="state")` → inter quartile range of population value, grouped by state field

majority

Returns the aggregate majority of values (most commonly occurring value) from a field or expression.

Syntax	majority(expression, [group_by], [filter]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **expression** - sub expression of field to aggregate • **group_by** - optional expression to use to group aggregate calculations • **filter** - optional expression to use to filter features used to calculate aggregate
Beispiele	• `majority("class",group_by:="state")` → most commonly occurring class value, grouped by state field

max_length

Returns the maximum length of strings from a field or expression.

Syntax	max_length(expression, [group_by], [filter]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **expression** - sub expression of field to aggregate • **group_by** - optional expression to use to group aggregate calculations • **filter** - optional expression to use to filter features used to calculate aggregate
Beispiele	• `max_length("town_name",group_by:="state")` → maximum length of town_name, grouped by state field

maximum

Returns the aggregate maximum value from a field or expression.

Syntax	maximum(expression, [group_by], [filter]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **expression** - sub expression of field to aggregate • **group_by** - optional expression to use to group aggregate calculations • **filter** - optional expression to use to filter features used to calculate aggregate
Beispiele	• `maximum("population",group_by:="state")` → maximum population value, grouped by state field

mean

Returns the aggregate mean value from a field or expression.

Syntax	mean(expression, [group_by], [filter]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **expression** - sub expression of field to aggregate • **group_by** - optional expression to use to group aggregate calculations • **filter** - optional expression to use to filter features used to calculate aggregate
Beispiele	• `mean("population",group_by:="state")` → mean population value, grouped by state field

median

Returns the aggregate median value from a field or expression.

Syntax	median(expression, [group_by], [filter]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **expression** - sub expression of field to aggregate • **group_by** - optional expression to use to group aggregate calculations • **filter** - optional expression to use to filter features used to calculate aggregate
Beispiele	• `median("population",group_by:="state")` → median population value, grouped by state field

min_length

Returns the minimum length of strings from a field or expression.

Syntax	min_length(expression, [group_by], [filter]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **expression** - sub expression of field to aggregate • **group_by** - optional expression to use to group aggregate calculations • **filter** - optional expression to use to filter features used to calculate aggregate
Beispiele	• `min_length("town_name",group_by:="state")` → minimum length of town_name, grouped by state field

minimum

Returns the aggregate minimum value from a field or expression.

Syntax	minimum(expression, [group_by], [filter]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **expression** - sub expression of field to aggregate • **group_by** - optional expression to use to group aggregate calculations • **filter** - optional expression to use to filter features used to calculate aggregate
Beispiele	• `minimum("population",group_by:="state")` → minimum population value, grouped by state field

minority

Returns the aggregate minority of values (least occurring value) from a field or expression.

Syntax	minority(expression, [group_by], [filter]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **expression** - sub expression of field to aggregate • **group_by** - optional expression to use to group aggregate calculations • **filter** - optional expression to use to filter features used to calculate aggregate
Beispiele	• `minority("class",group_by:="state")` → least occurring class value, grouped by state field

q1

Returns the calculated first quartile from a field or expression.

Syntax	q1(expression, [group_by], [filter]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **expression** - sub expression of field to aggregate • **group_by** - optional expression to use to group aggregate calculations • **filter** - optional expression to use to filter features used to calculate aggregate
Beispiele	• `q1("population",group_by:="state")` → first quartile of population value, grouped by state field

q3

Returns the calculated third quartile from a field or expression.

Syntax	q3(expression, [group_by], [filter]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **expression** - sub expression of field to aggregate • **group_by** - optional expression to use to group aggregate calculations • **filter** - optional expression to use to filter features used to calculate aggregate
Beispiele	• `q3("population",group_by:="state")` → third quartile of population value, grouped by state field

range

Returns the aggregate range of values (maximum - minimum) from a field or expression.

Syntax	range(expression, [group_by], [filter]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **expression** - sub expression of field to aggregate • **group_by** - optional expression to use to group aggregate calculations • **filter** - optional expression to use to filter features used to calculate aggregate
Beispiele	• `range("population",group_by:="state")` → range of population values, grouped by state field

relation_aggregate

Returns an aggregate value calculated using all matching child features from a layer relation.

Syntax	relation_aggregate(relation, aggregate, expression, [concatenator=“], [order_by]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **relation** - a string, representing a relation ID • **aggregate** - a string corresponding to the aggregate to calculate. Valid options are: – count – count_distinct – count_missing – min – max – sum – mean – median – stdev – stdevsample – range – minority – majority – q1: first quartile – q3: third quartile – iqr: inter quartile range – min_length: minimum string length – max_length: maximum string length – concatenate: join strings with a concatenator – concatenate_unique: join unique strings with a concatenator – collect: create an aggregated multipart geometry – array_agg: create an array of aggregated values • **expression** - sub expression or field name to aggregate • **concatenator** - optional string to use to join values for ‚concatenate‘ aggregate • **order_by** - optional expression to order the features used for calculating the aggregate. Fields and geometry are from the features on the joined layer. By default, the features will be returned in an unspecified order.
Beispiele	• `relation_aggregate(relation:='my_relation', aggregate:='mean',expression:="passengers")` → mean value of all matching child features using the ‚my_relation‘ relation • `relation_aggregate('my_relation','sum', "passengers"/7)` → sum of the passengers field divided by 7 for all matching child features using the ‚my_relation‘ relation • `relation_aggregate('my_relation','concatenate', "towns", concatenator:=',')` → comma separated list of the towns field for all matching child features using the ‚my_relation‘ relation • `relation_aggregate('my_relation','array_agg', "id")` → array of the id field from all matching child features using the ‚my_relation‘ relation

Further reading: *Creating one or many to many relations*

stdev

Returns the aggregate standard deviation value from a field or expression.

Syntax	stdev(expression, [group_by], [filter]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **expression** - sub expression of field to aggregate • **group_by** - optional expression to use to group aggregate calculations • **filter** - optional expression to use to filter features used to calculate aggregate
Beispiele	• `stdev("population",group_by:="state")` → standard deviation of population value, grouped by state field

sum

Returns the aggregate summed value from a field or expression.

Syntax	sum(expression, [group_by], [filter]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **expression** - sub expression of field to aggregate • **group_by** - optional expression to use to group aggregate calculations • **filter** - optional expression to use to filter features used to calculate aggregate
Beispiele	• `sum("population",group_by:="state")` → summed population value, grouped by state field

12.2.2 Matrixfunktionen

Diese Gruppe enthält Funktionen zur Erzeugung und Manipulation von Arrays (auch als Listen bekannt). Die Reihenfolge der Werte im Array ist wichtig. Eine Ausnahme bildet die ‚map' Datenstruktur, bei der die Reihenfolge der Schlüssel-Werte-Paare unwichtig ist. Die Werte werden in diesem Fall durch den zugehörigen Schlüssel identifiziert.

array

Returns an array containing all the values passed as parameter.

Syntax	array(value1, value2, …)
Arguments	• **value** - a value
Beispiele	• `array(2,10)` → [2, 10] • `array(2,10)[0]` → 2

array_all

Returns true if an array contains all the values of a given array.

Syntax	array_all(array_a, array_b)
Arguments	• **array_a** - an array • **array_b** - the array of values to search
Beispiele	• `array_all(array(1,2,3),array(2,3))` → true • `array_all(array(1,2,3),array(1,2,4))` → false

array_append

Returns an array with the given value added at the end.

Syntax	array_append(array, value)
Arguments	• **array** - an array • **value** - the value to add
Beispiele	• `array_append(array(1,2,3),4)` → [1, 2, 3, 4]

array_cat

Returns an array containing all the given arrays concatenated.

Syntax	array_cat(array1, array2, …)
Arguments	• **array** - an array
Beispiele	• `array_cat(array(1,2),array(2,3))` → [1, 2, 2, 3]

array_contains

Returns true if an array contains the given value.

Syntax	array_contains(array, value)
Arguments	• **array** - an array • **value** - the value to search
Beispiele	• `array_contains(array(1,2,3),2)` → true

array_count

Counts the number of occurrences of a given value in an array.

Syntax	array_count(array, value)
Arguments	• **array** - an array • **value** - the value to count
Beispiele	• `array_count(array('a', 'b', 'c', 'b'), 'b')` → 2

array_distinct

Returns an array containing distinct values of the given array.

Syntax	array_distinct(array)
Arguments	• **array** - an array
Beispiele	• `array_distinct(array(1,2,3,2,1))` → [1, 2, 3]

array_filter

Returns an array with only the items for which the expression evaluates to true.

Syntax	array_filter(array, expression, [limit=0]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **array** - an array • **expression** - an expression to evaluate on each item. The variable *@element* will be replaced by the current value. • **limit** - maximum number of elements to be returned. Use 0 to return all values.
Beispiele	• `array_filter(array(1,2,3),@element < 3)` → [1, 2] • `array_filter(array(1,2,3),@element < 3, 1)` → [1]

array_find

Returns the lowest index (0 for the first one) of a value within an array. Returns -1 if the value is not found.

Syntax	array_find(array, value)
Arguments	• **array** - an array • **value** - the value to search
Beispiele	• `array_find(array('a', 'b', 'c'), 'b')` → 1 • `array_find(array('a', 'b', 'c', 'b'), 'b')` → 1

array_first

Returns the first value of an array.

Syntax	array_first(array)
Arguments	• **array** - an array
Beispiele	• `array_first(array('a','b','c'))` → ‚a‘

array_foreach

Returns an array with the given expression evaluated on each item.

Syntax	array_foreach(array, expression)
Arguments	• **array** - an array • **expression** - an expression to evaluate on each item. The variable *@element* will be replaced by the current value.
Beispiele	• `array_foreach(array('a','b','c'),upper(@element))` → [‚A‘, ‚B‘, ‚C‘] • `array_foreach(array(1,2,3),@element + 10)` → [11, 12, 13]

array_get

Returns the Nth value (0 for the first one) or the last -Nth value (-1 for the last one) of an array.

Syntax	array_get(array, pos)
Arguments	• **array** - an array • **pos** - the index to get (0 based)
Beispiele	• `array_get(array('a','b','c'),1)` → ‚b‘ • `array_get(array('a','b','c'),-1)` → ‚c‘

Hinweis: You can also use the *index operator ([])* to get a value from an array.

array_insert

Returns an array with the given value added at the given position.

Syntax	array_insert(array, pos, value)
Arguments	• **array** - an array • **pos** - the position where to add (0 based) • **value** - the value to add
Beispiele	• `array_insert(array(1,2,3),1,100)` → [1, 100, 2, 3]

array_intersect

Returns true if at least one element of array1 exists in array2.

Syntax	array_intersect(array1, array2)
Arguments	• **array1** - an array • **array2** - another array
Beispiele	• `array_intersect(array(1,2,3,4),array(4,0,2,5))` → true

array_last

Returns the last value of an array.

Syntax	array_last(array)
Arguments	• **array** - an array
Beispiele	• `array_last(array('a','b','c'))` → ‚c‘

array_length

Returns the number of elements of an array.

Syntax	array_length(array)
Arguments	• **array** - an array
Beispiele	• `array_length(array(1,2,3))` → 3

array_majority

Returns the most common values in an array.

Syntax	array_majority(array, [option='all']) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **array** - an array • **option='all'** - a string specifying the return values handling. Valid options are: – all: Default, all most common values are returned in an array. – any: Returns one of the most common values. – median: Returns the median of the most common values. Non arithmetic values are ignored. – real_majority: Returns the value which occurs more than half the size of the array.
Beispiele	• `array_majority(array(0,1,42,42,43), 'all')` → [42] • `array_majority(array(0,1,42,42,43,1), 'all')` → [42, 1] • `array_majority(array(0,1,42,42,43,1), 'any')` → 1 or 42 • `array_majority(array(0,1,1,2,2), 'median')` → 1.5 • `array_majority(array(0,1,42,42,43), 'real_majority')` → NULL • `array_majority(array(0,1,42,42,43,42), 'real_majority')` → NULL • `array_majority(array(0,1,42,42,43,42,42), 'real_majority')` → 42

array_max

Returns the maximum value of an array.

Syntax	array_max(array)
Arguments	• **array** - an array
Beispiele	• `array_max(array(0,42,4,2))` → 42

array_mean

Returns the mean of arithmetic values in an array. Non numeric values in the array are ignored.

Syntax	array_mean(array)
Arguments	• **array** - an array
Beispiele	• `array_mean(array(0,1,7,66.6,135.4))` → 42 • `array_mean(array(0,84,'a','b','c'))` → 42

array_median

Returns the median of arithmetic values in an array. Non arithmetic values in the array are ignored.

Syntax	array_median(array)
Arguments	• **array** - an array
Beispiele	• `array_median(array(0,1,42,42,43))` → 42 • `array_median(array(0,1,2,42,'a','b'))` → 1.5

array_min

Returns the minimum value of an array.

Syntax	array_min(array)
Arguments	• **array** - an array
Beispiele	• `array_min(array(43,42,54))` → 42

array_minority

Returns the less common values in an array.

Syntax	array_minority(array, [option='all']) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **array** - an array • **option='all'** - a string specifying the return values handling. Valid options are: – all: Default, all less common values are returned in an array. – any: Returns one of the less common values. – median: Returns the median of the less common values. Non arithmetic values are ignored. – real_minority: Returns values which occur less than half the size of the array.
Beispiele	• `array_minority(array(0,42,42), 'all')` → [0] • `array_minority(array(0,1,42,42), 'all')` → [0, 1] • `array_minority(array(0,1,42,42,43,1), 'any')` → 0 or 43 • `array_minority(array(1,2,3,3), 'median')` → 1.5 • `array_minority(array(0,1,42,42,43), 'real_minority')` → [42, 43, 0, 1] • `array_minority(array(0,1,42,42,43,42), 'real_minority')` → [42, 43, 0, 1] • `array_minority(array(0,1,42,42,43,42,42), 'real_minority')` → [43, 0, 1]

array_prepend

Returns an array with the given value added at the beginning.

Syntax	array_prepend(array, value)
Arguments	• **array** - an array • **value** - the value to add
Beispiele	• `array_prepend(array(1,2,3),0)` → [0, 1, 2, 3]

array_prioritize

Returns an array sorted using the ordering specified in another array. Values which are present in the first array but are missing from the second array will be added to the end of the result.

Syntax	array_prioritize(array, array_prioritize)
Arguments	• **array** - an array • **array_prioritize** - an array with values ordered by priority
Beispiele	• `array_prioritize(array(1, 8, 2, 5), array(5, 4, 2, 1, 3, 8))` → [5, 2, 1, 8] • `array_prioritize(array(5, 4, 2, 1, 3, 8), array(1, 8, 6, 5))` → [1, 8, 5, 4, 2, 3]

array_remove_all

Returns an array with all the entries of the given value removed.

Syntax	array_remove_all(array, value)
Arguments	• **array** - an array • **value** - the values to remove
Beispiele	• `array_remove_all(array('a','b','c','b'),'b')` → [‚a‘, ‚c‘]

array_remove_at

Returns an array with the given index removed.

Syntax	array_remove_at(array, pos)
Arguments	• **array** - an array • **pos** - the position to remove (0 based)
Beispiele	• `array_remove_at(array(1,2,3),1)` → [1, 3]

array_replace

Returns an array with the supplied value, array, or map of values replaced.

Value & array variant

Returns an array with the supplied value or array of values replaced by another value or an array of values.

Syntax	array_replace(array, before, after)
Arguments	• **array** - the input array • **before** - the value or array of values to replace • **after** - the value or array of values to use as a replacement
Beispiele	• `array_replace(array('QGIS','SHOULD','ROCK'),'SHOULD','DOES')` → [‚QGIS‘, ‚DOES‘, ‚ROCK‘] • `array_replace(array(3,2,1),array(1,2,3),array(7,8,9))` → [9, 8, 7] • `array_replace(array('Q','G','I','S'),array('Q','S'),'-')` → [‚-‘, ‚G‘, ‚I‘, ‚-‘]

Map variant

Returns an array with the supplied map keys replaced by their paired values.

Syntax	array_replace(array, map)
Arguments	• **array** - the input array • **map** - the map containing keys and values
Beispiele	• `array_replace(array('APP', 'SHOULD', 'ROCK'),map('APP','QGIS','SHOULD','DOES'))` → [‚QGIS‘, ‚DOES‘, ‚ROCK‘]

array_reverse

Returns the given array with array values in reversed order.

Syntax	array_reverse(array)
Arguments	• **array** - an array
Beispiele	• `array_reverse(array(2,4,0,10))` → [10, 0, 4, 2]

array_slice

Returns a portion of the array. The slice is defined by the start_pos and end_pos arguments.

Syntax	array_slice(array, start_pos, end_pos)
Arguments	• **array** - an array • **start_pos** - the index of the start position of the slice (0 based). The start_pos index is included in the slice. If you use a negative start_pos, the index is counted from the end of the list (-1 based). • **end_pos** - the index of the end position of the slice (0 based). The end_pos index is included in the slice. If you use a negative end_pos, the index is counted from the end of the list (-1 based).
Beispiele	• `array_slice(array(1,2,3,4,5),0,3)` → [1, 2, 3, 4] • `array_slice(array(1,2,3,4,5),0,-1)` → [1, 2, 3, 4, 5] • `array_slice(array(1,2,3,4,5),-5,-1)` → [1, 2, 3, 4, 5] • `array_slice(array(1,2,3,4,5),0,0)` → [1] • `array_slice(array(1,2,3,4,5),-2,-1)` → [4, 5] • `array_slice(array(1,2,3,4,5),-1,-1)` → [5] • `array_slice(array('Dufour','Valmiera','Chugiak', 'Brighton'),1,2)` → [‚Valmiera‘, ‚Chugiak‘] • `array_slice(array('Dufour','Valmiera','Chugiak', 'Brighton'),-2,-1)` → [‚Chugiak‘, ‚Brighton‘]

array_sort

Returns the provided array with its elements sorted.

Syntax	array_sort(array, [ascending=true]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **array** - an array • **ascending** - set this parameter to false to sort the array in descending order
Beispiele	• `array_sort(array(3,2,1))` → [1, 2, 3]

array_sum

Returns the sum of arithmetic values in an array. Non numeric values in the array are ignored.

Syntax	array_sum(array)
Arguments	• **array** - an array
Beispiele	• `array_sum(array(0,1,39.4,1.6,'a'))` → 42.0

array_to_string

Concatenates array elements into a string separated by a delimiter and using optional string for empty values.

Syntax	array_to_string(array, [delimiter=‘,‘], [empty_value=“]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **array** - the input array • **delimiter** - the string delimiter used to separate concatenated array elements • **empty_value** - the optional string to use as replacement for empty (zero length) matches
Beispiele	• `array_to_string(array('1','2','3'))` → ‚1,2,3‘ • `array_to_string(array(1,2,3),'-')` → ‚1-2-3‘ • `array_to_string(array('1','','3'),',','0')` → ‚1,0,3‘

generate_series

Creates an array containing a sequence of numbers.

Syntax	generate_series(start, stop, [step=1]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **start** - first value of the sequence • **stop** - value that ends the sequence once reached • **step** - value used as the increment between values
Beispiele	• `generate_series(1,5)` → [1, 2, 3, 4, 5] • `generate_series(5,1,-1)` → [5, 4, 3, 2, 1]

regexp_matches

Returns an array of all strings captured by capturing groups, in the order the groups themselves appear in the supplied regular expression against a string.

Syntax	regexp_matches(string, regex, [empty_value=“]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **string** - the string to capture groups from against the regular expression • **regex** - the regular expression used to capture groups • **empty_value** - the optional string to use as replacement for empty (zero length) matches
Beispiele	• `regexp_matches('QGIS=>rocks','(.*)=>(.*)')` → [‚QGIS‘, ‚rocks‘] • `regexp_matches('key=>','(.*)=>(.*)','empty value')` → [‚key‘, ‚empty value‘]

string_to_array

Splits string into an array using supplied delimiter and optional string for empty values.

Syntax	string_to_array(string, [delimiter=‘,’], [empty_value=‘‘]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **string** - the input string • **delimiter** - the string delimiter used to split the input string • **empty_value** - the optional string to use as replacement for empty (zero length) matches
Beispiele	• `string_to_array('1,2,3',',')` → [,1‘, ,2‘, ,3‘] • `string_to_array('1,,3',',','0')` → [,1‘, ,0‘, ,3‘]

12.2.3 Farbfunktionen

Diese Gruppe enthält Funktionen zur Farbmanipulation.

color_cmyk

Liefert die Zeichenkettendarstellung einer Farbe nach ihrem Cyan-, Magenta-, Gelb- und Schwarzkomponenten

Syntax	color_cmyk(cyan, magenta, yellow, black)
Arguments	• **cyan** - cyan component of the color, as a percentage integer value from 0 to 100 • **magenta** - magenta component of the color, as a percentage integer value from 0 to 100 • **yellow** - yellow component of the color, as a percentage integer value from 0 to 100 • **black** - black component of the color, as a percentage integer value from 0 to 100
Beispiele	• `color_cmyk(100,50,0,10)` → ‚0,115,230‘

color_cmyka

Liefert die Zeichenkettendarstellung einer Farbe nach ihrem Cyan-, Magenta-, Gelb-, Schwarz- und Alpha-(Transparenz-)komponenten

Syntax	color_cmyka(cyan, magenta, yellow, black, alpha)
Arguments	• **cyan** - cyan component of the color, as a percentage integer value from 0 to 100 • **magenta** - magenta component of the color, as a percentage integer value from 0 to 100 • **yellow** - yellow component of the color, as a percentage integer value from 0 to 100 • **black** - black component of the color, as a percentage integer value from 0 to 100 • **alpha** - alpha component as an integer value from 0 (completely transparent) to 255 (opaque).
Beispiele	• `color_cmyka(100,50,0,10,200)` → ‚0,115,230,200‘

color_grayscale_average

Applies a grayscale filter and returns a string representation from a provided color.

Syntax	color_grayscale_average(color)
Arguments	• **color** - a color string
Beispiele	• `color_grayscale_average('255,100,50')` → ‚135,135,135,255‘

color_hsl

Returns a string representation of a color based on its hue, saturation, and lightness attributes.

Syntax	color_hsl(hue, saturation, lightness)
Arguments	• **hue** - hue of the color, as an integer value from 0 to 360 • **saturation** - saturation percentage of the color as an integer value from 0 to 100 • **lightness** - lightness percentage of the color as an integer value from 0 to 100
Beispiele	• `color_hsl(100,50,70)` → ‚166,217,140‘

color_hsla

Liefert die Zeichenkettendarstellung einer Farbe nach ihrem Farb-, Sättigungs-, Helligkeits- und Alpha-(Transparenz-)Attributen

Syntax	color_hsla(hue, saturation, lightness, alpha)
Arguments	• **hue** - hue of the color, as an integer value from 0 to 360 • **saturation** - saturation percentage of the color as an integer value from 0 to 100 • **lightness** - lightness percentage of the color as an integer value from 0 to 100 • **alpha** - alpha component as an integer value from 0 (completely transparent) to 255 (opaque).
Beispiele	• `color_hsla(100,50,70,200)` → ‚166,217,140,200‘

color_hsv

Returns a string representation of a color based on its hue, saturation, and value attributes.

Syntax	color_hsv(hue, saturation, value)
Arguments	• **hue** - hue of the color, as an integer value from 0 to 360 • **saturation** - saturation percentage of the color as an integer value from 0 to 100 • **value** - value percentage of the color as an integer from 0 to 100
Beispiele	• `color_hsv(40,100,100)` → ‚255,170,0‘

color_hsva

Returns a string representation of a color based on its hue, saturation, value and alpha (transparency) attributes.

Syntax	color_hsva(hue, saturation, value, alpha)
Arguments	• **hue** - hue of the color, as an integer value from 0 to 360 • **saturation** - saturation percentage of the color as an integer value from 0 to 100 • **value** - value percentage of the color as an integer from 0 to 100 • **alpha** - alpha component as an integer value from 0 (completely transparent) to 255 (opaque)
Beispiele	• `color_hsva(40,100,100,200)` → ‚255,170,0,200‘

color_mix_rgb

Returns a string representing a color mixing the red, green, blue, and alpha values of two provided colors based on a given ratio.

Syntax	color_mix_rgb(color1, color2, ratio)
Arguments	• **color1** - a color string • **color2** - a color string • **ratio** - a ratio
Beispiele	• `color_mix_rgb('0,0,0','255,255,255',0.5)` → ‚127,127,127,255‘

color_part

Returns a specific component from a color string, e.g., the red component or alpha component.

Syntax	color_part(color, component)
Arguments	• **color** - a color string • **component** - a string corresponding to the color component to return. Valid options are: – red: RGB red component (0-255) – green: RGB green component (0-255) – blue: RGB blue component (0-255) – alpha: alpha (transparency) value (0-255) – hue: HSV hue (0-360) – saturation: HSV saturation (0-100) – value: HSV value (0-100) – hsl_hue: HSL hue (0-360) – hsl_saturation: HSL saturation (0-100) – lightness: HSL lightness (0-100) – cyan: CMYK cyan component (0-100) – magenta: CMYK magenta component (0-100) – yellow: CMYK yellow component (0-100) – black: CMYK black component (0-100)
Beispiele	• `color_part('200,10,30','green')` → 10

color_rgb

Returns a string representation of a color based on its red, green, and blue components.

Syntax	color_rgb(red, green, blue)
Arguments	• **red** - red component as an integer value from 0 to 255 • **green** - green component as an integer value from 0 to 255 • **blue** - blue component as an integer value from 0 to 255
Beispiele	• `color_rgb(255,127,0)` → ‚255,127,0‘

color_rgba

Returns a string representation of a color based on its red, green, blue, and alpha (transparency) components.

Syntax	color_rgba(red, green, blue, alpha)
Arguments	• **red** - red component as an integer value from 0 to 255 • **green** - green component as an integer value from 0 to 255 • **blue** - blue component as an integer value from 0 to 255 • **alpha** - alpha component as an integer value from 0 (completely transparent) to 255 (opaque).
Beispiele	• `color_rgba(255,127,0,200)` → ‚255,127,0,200‘

create_ramp

Returns a gradient ramp from a map of color strings and steps.

Syntax	create_ramp(map, [discrete=false]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **map** - a map of color strings and steps • **discrete** - set this parameter to true to create a discrete color ramp
Beispiele	• `ramp_color(create_ramp(map(0,'0,0,0',1,'255,0,0')),1)` → ‚255,0,0,255‘

darker

Liefert eine dunklere (oder hellere) Farbzeichenkette

Syntax	darker(color, factor)
Arguments	• **color** - a color string • **factor** - an integer corresponding to the darkening factor: – if the factor is greater than 100, this function returns a darker color (e.g., setting factor to 200 returns a color that is half the brightness); – if the factor is less than 100, the return color is lighter, but using the lighter() function for this purpose is recommended; – if the factor is 0 or negative, the return value is unspecified.
Beispiele	• `darker('200,10,30', 200)` → ‚100,5,15,255‘

Further reading: *lighter*

lighter

Liefert eine hellere (oder dunklere) Farbzeichenkette

Syntax	lighter(color, factor)
Arguments	• **color** - a color string • **factor** - an integer corresponding to the lightening factor: – if the factor is greater than 100, this function returns a lighter color (e.g., setting factor to 150 returns a color that is 50% brighter); – if the factor is less than 100, the return color is darker, but using the darker() function for this purpose is recommended; – if the factor is 0 or negative, the return value is unspecified.
Beispiele	• `lighter('200,10,30', 200)` → ‚255,158,168,255‘

Further reading: *darker*

project_color

Returns a color from the project's color scheme.

Syntax	project_color(name)
Arguments	• **name** - a color name
Beispiele	• `project_color('Logo color')` → ‚20,140,50‘

Further reading: *setting project colors*

ramp_color

Returns a string representing a color from a color ramp.

Saved ramp variant

Returns a string representing a color from a saved ramp

Syntax	ramp_color(ramp_name, value)
Arguments	• **ramp_name** - the name of the color ramp as a string, for example ‚Spectral‘ • **value** - the position on the ramp to select the color from as a real number between 0 and 1
Beispiele	• `ramp_color('Spectral',0.3)` → ‚253,190,115,255‘

Bemerkung: The color ramps available vary between QGIS installations. This function may not give the expected results if you move your QGIS project between installations.

Expression-created ramp variant

Returns a string representing a color from an expression-created ramp

Syntax	ramp_color(ramp, value)
Arguments	• **ramp** - the color ramp • **value** - the position on the ramp to select the color from as a real number between 0 and 1
Beispiele	• `ramp_color(create_ramp(map(0,'0,0,0',1,'255,0,0')),1)` → ‚255,0,0,255‘

Further reading: *Setting a Color Ramp*, *The color ramp drop-down shortcut*

set_color_part

Sets a specific color component for a color string, e.g., the red component or alpha component.

Syntax	set_color_part(color, component, value)
Arguments	• **color** - a color string • **component** - a string corresponding to the color component to set. Valid options are: – red: RGB red component (0-255) – green: RGB green component (0-255) – blue: RGB blue component (0-255) – alpha: alpha (transparency) value (0-255) – hue: HSV hue (0-360) – saturation: HSV saturation (0-100) – value: HSV value (0-100) – hsl_hue: HSL hue (0-360) – hsl_saturation: HSL saturation (0-100) – lightness: HSL lightness (0-100) – cyan: CMYK cyan component (0-100) – magenta: CMYK magenta component (0-100) – yellow: CMYK yellow component (0-100) – black: CMYK black component (0-100) • **value** - new value for color component, respecting the ranges listed above
Beispiele	• `set_color_part('200,10,30','green',50)` → ‚200,50,30,255‘

12.2.4 Funktionen für Bedingungen

Diese Gruppe enthält Funktionen um bedingte Prüfungen in Ausdrücken zu handhaben.

CASE

CASE is used to evaluate a series of conditions and return a result for the first condition met. The conditions are evaluated sequentially, and if a condition is true, the evaluation stops, and the corresponding result is returned. If none of the conditions are true, the value in the ELSE clause is returned. Furthermore, if no ELSE clause is set and none of the conditions are met, NULL is returned.

CASE

WHEN *condition* THEN *result*

[…n]

[ELSE *result*]

END

[ ] marks optional components

Arguments	• **WHEN condition** - A condition expression to evaluate • **THEN result** - If *condition* evaluates to True then *result* is evaluated and returned. • **ELSE result** - If none of the above conditions evaluated to True then *result* is evaluated and returned.
Beispiele	• `CASE WHEN "name" IS NULL THEN 'None' END` → Returns the string ‚None' if the „name" field is NULL • `CASE WHEN $area > 10000 THEN 'Big property' WHEN $area > 5000 THEN 'Medium property' ELSE 'Small property' END` → Returns the string ‚Big property' if the area is bigger than 10000, ‚Medium property' if the area is between 5000 and 10000, and ‚Small property' for others

coalesce

Returns the first non-NULL value from the expression list.

This function can take any number of arguments.

Syntax	coalesce(expression1, expression2, …)
Arguments	• **expression** - any valid expression or value, regardless of type.
Beispiele	• `coalesce(NULL, 2)` → 2 • `coalesce(NULL, 2, 3)` → 2 • `coalesce(7, NULL, 3*2)` → 7 • `coalesce("fieldA", "fallbackField", 'ERROR')` → value of fieldA if it is non-NULL else the value of „fallbackField" or the string ‚ERROR' if both are NULL

if

Tests a condition and returns a different result depending on the conditional check.

Syntax	if(condition, result_when_true, result_when_false)
Arguments	• **condition** - the condition which should be checked • **result_when_true** - the result which will be returned when the condition is true or another value that does not convert to false. • **result_when_false** - the result which will be returned when the condition is false or another value that converts to false like 0 or ‚. NULL will also be converted to false.
Beispiele	• `if( 1+1=2, 'Yes', 'No' )` → ‚Yes' • `if( 1+1=3, 'Yes', 'No' )` → ‚No' • `if( 5 > 3, 1, 0)` → 1 • `if( '', 'It is true (not empty)', 'It is false (empty)' )` → ‚It is false (empty)' • `if( ' ', 'It is true (not empty)', 'It is false (empty)' )` → ‚It is true (not empty)' • `if( 0, 'One', 'Zero' )` → ‚Zero' • `if( 10, 'One', 'Zero' )` → ‚One'

nullif

Returns a NULL value if value1 equals value2; otherwise it returns value1. This can be used to conditionally substitute values with NULL.

Syntax	nullif(value1, value2)
Arguments	• **value1** - The value that should either be used or substituted with NULL. • **value2** - The control value that will trigger the NULL substitution.
Beispiele	• `nullif('(none)', '(none)')` → NULL • `nullif('text', '(none)')` → ‚text‘ • `nullif("name", '')` → NULL, if name is an empty string (or already NULL), the name in any other case.

regexp_match

Return the first matching position matching a regular expression within an unicode string, or 0 if the substring is not found.

Syntax	regexp_match(input_string, regex)
Arguments	• **input_string** - the string to test against the regular expression • **regex** - The regular expression to test against. Backslash characters must be double escaped (e.g., „\\s“ to match a white space character or „\\b“ to match a word boundary).
Beispiele	• `regexp_match('QGIS ROCKS','\\sROCKS')` → 5 • `regexp_match('Budač','udač\\b')` → 2

try

Tries an expression and returns its value if error-free. If the expression returns an error, an alternative value will be returned when provided otherwise the function will return NULL.

Syntax	try(expression, [alternative]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **expression** - the expression which should be run • **alternative** - the result which will be returned if the expression returns an error.
Beispiele	• `try( to_int( '1' ), 0 )` → 1 • `try( to_int( 'a' ), 0 )` → 0 • `try( to_date( 'invalid_date' ) )` → NULL

12.2.5 Funktionen zum Umwandlung

This group contains functions to convert one data type to another (e.g., string from/to integer, binary from/to string, string to date, …).

from_base64

Decodes a string in the Base64 encoding into a binary value.

Syntax	from_base64(string)
Arguments	• **string** - the string to decode
Beispiele	• `from_base64('UUdJUw==')` → ‚QGIS‘

hash

Creates a hash from a string with a given method. One byte (8 bits) is represented with two hex ‚digits“, so ‚md4‘ (16 bytes) produces a 16 * 2 = 32 character long hex string and ‚keccak_512‘ (64 bytes) produces a 64 * 2 = 128 character long hex string.

Syntax	hash(string, method)
Arguments	• **string** - the string to hash • **method** - The hash method among ‚md4‘, ‚md5‘, ‚sha1‘, ‚sha224‘, ‚sha384‘, ‚sha512‘, ‚sha3_224‘, ‚sha3_256‘, ‚sha3_384‘, ‚sha3_512‘, ‚keccak_224‘, ‚keccak_256‘, ‚keccak_384‘, ‚keccak_512‘
Beispiele	• `hash('QGIS', 'md4')` → ‚c0fc71c241cdebb6e888cbac0e2b68eb‘ • `hash('QGIS', 'md5')` → ‚57470aaa9e22adaefac7f5f342f1c6da‘ • `hash('QGIS', 'sha1')` → ‚f87cfb2b74cdd5867db913237024e7001e62b114‘ • `hash('QGIS', 'sha224')` → ‚4093a619ada631c770f44bc643ead18fb393b93d6a6af1861fcfece0‘ • `hash('QGIS', 'sha256')` → ‚eb045cba7a797aaa06ac58830846e40c8e8c780bc0676d3393605fae50c • `hash('QGIS', 'sha384')` → ‚91c1de038cc3d09fdd512e99f9dd9922efadc39ed21d3922e69a4305cc2 • `hash('QGIS', 'sha512')` → ‚c2c092f2ab743bf8edbeb6d028a745f30fc720408465ed369421f0a4e20 • `hash('QGIS', 'sha3_224')` → ‚467f49a5039e7280d5d42fd433e80d203439e338eaabd701f0d6c17d • `hash('QGIS', 'sha3_256')` → ‚540f7354b6b8a6e735f2845250f15f4f3ba4f666c55574d9e9354575 • `hash('QGIS', 'sha3_384')` → ‚96052da1e77679e9a65f60d7ead961b28797782314478638 6eb4364 • `hash('QGIS', 'sha3_512')` → ‚900d079dc69761da113980253aa8ac0414a8bd6d09879a916228f87 • `hash('QGIS', 'keccak_224')` → ‚5b0ce6acef8b0a121d4ac4f3eaa8503c799ad4e26a3392d1fb2014 • `hash('QGIS', 'keccak_256')` → ‚991c520aa6815392de24087f61b2ae0fd56abbfeee4a8ca019c101 • `hash('QGIS', 'keccak_384')` → ‚c57a3aed9d856fa04e5eeee9b62b6e027cca81ba574116d3cc1f0d4

md5

Creates a md5 hash from a string.

Syntax	md5(string)
Arguments	• **string** - the string to hash
Beispiele	• `md5('QGIS')` → ‚57470aaa9e22adaefac7f5f342f1c6da‘

sha256

Creates a sha256 hash from a string.

Syntax	sha256(string)
Arguments	• **string** - the string to hash
Beispiele	• `sha256('QGIS')` → ‚eb045cba7a797aaa06ac58830846e40c8e8c780bc0676d3393605fae50c05309‘

to_base64

Encodes a binary value into a string, using the Base64 encoding.

Syntax	to_base64(value)
Arguments	• **value** - the binary value to encode
Beispiele	• `to_base64('QGIS')` → ‚UUdJUw==‘

to_date

Converts a string into a date object. An optional format string can be provided to parse the string; see QDate::fromString or the documentation of the format_date function for additional documentation on the format. By default the current QGIS user locale is used.

Syntax	to_date(string, [format], [language]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **string** - string representing a date value • **format** - format used to convert the string into a date • **language** - language (lowercase, two- or three-letter, ISO 639 language code) used to convert the string into a date. By default the current QGIS user locale is used.
Beispiele	• `to_date('2012-05-04')` → 2012-05-04 • `to_date('June 29, 2019','MMMM d, yyyy')` → 2019-06-29, if the current locale uses the name ‚June‘ for the sixth month, otherwise an error occurs • `to_date('29 juin, 2019','d MMMM, yyyy','fr')` → 2019-06-29

to_datetime

Converts a string into a datetime object. An optional format string can be provided to parse the string; see QDate::fromString, QTime::fromString or the documentation of the format_date function for additional documentation on the format. By default the current QGIS user locale is used.

Syntax	to_datetime(string, [format], [language]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **string** - string representing a datetime value • **format** - format used to convert the string into a datetime • **language** - language (lowercase, two- or three-letter, ISO 639 language code) used to convert the string into a datetime. By default the current QGIS user locale is used.
Beispiele	• `to_datetime('2012-05-04 12:50:00')` → 2012-05-04T12:50:00 • `to_datetime('June 29, 2019 @ 12:34','MMMM d, yyyy @ HH:mm')` → 2019-06-29T12:34, if the current locale uses the name ‚June' for the sixth month, otherwise an error occurs • `to_datetime('29 juin, 2019 @ 12:34','d MMMM, yyyy @ HH:mm', 'fr')` → 2019-06-29T12:34

to_decimal

Converts a degree, minute, second coordinate to its decimal equivalent.

Syntax	to_decimal(value)
Arguments	• **value** - A degree, minute, second string.
Beispiele	• `to_decimal('6°21\'16.445')` → 6.3545680555

to_dm

Converts a coordinate to degree, minute.

Syntax	to_dm(coordinate, axis, precision, [formatting=]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **coordinate** - A latitude or longitude value. • **axis** - The axis of the coordinate. Either ‚x' or ‚y'. • **precision** - Number of decimals. • **formatting** - Designates the formatting type. Acceptable values are NULL (default), ‚aligned' or ‚suffix'.
Beispiele	• `to_dm(6.1545681, 'x', 3)` → 6°9.274′ • `to_dm(6.1545681, 'y', 4, 'aligned')` → 6°09.2741′N • `to_dm(6.1545681, 'y', 4, 'suffix')` → 6°9.2741′N

to_dms

Converts a coordinate to degree, minute, second.

Syntax	to_dms(coordinate, axis, precision, [formatting=]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **coordinate** - A latitude or longitude value. • **axis** - The axis of the coordinate. Either ‚x' or ‚y'. • **precision** - Number of decimals. • **formatting** - Designates the formatting type. Acceptable values are NULL (default), ‚aligned' or ‚suffix'.
Beispiele	• `to_dms(6.1545681, 'x', 3)` → 6°9′16.445″ • `to_dms(6.1545681, 'y', 4, 'aligned')` → 6°09′16.4452″N • `to_dms(6.1545681, 'y', 4, 'suffix')` → 6°9′16.4452″N

to_int

Converts a string to integer number. Nothing is returned if a value cannot be converted to integer (e.g ‚123asd' is invalid).

Syntax	to_int(string)
Arguments	• **string** - string to convert to integer number
Beispiele	• `to_int('123')` → 123

to_interval

Converts a string to an interval type. Can be used to take days, hours, month, etc of a date.

Syntax	to_interval(string)
Arguments	• **string** - a string representing an interval. Allowable formats include {n} days {n} hours {n} months.
Beispiele	• `to_interval('1 day 2 hours')` → interval: 1.08333 days • `to_interval( '0.5 hours' )` → interval: 30 minutes • `to_datetime('2012-05-05 12:00:00') - to_interval('1 day 2 hours')` → 2012-05-04T10:00:00

to_real

Converts a string to a real number. Nothing is returned if a value cannot be converted to real (e.g ‚123.56asd' is invalid). Numbers are rounded after saving changes if the precision is smaller than the result of the conversion.

Syntax	to_real(string)
Arguments	• **string** - string to convert to real number
Beispiele	• `to_real('123.45')` → 123.45

to_string

Converts a number to string.

Syntax	to_string(number)
Arguments	• **number** - Integer or real value. The number to convert to string.
Beispiele	• `to_string(123)` → ‚123'

to_time

Converts a string into a time object. An optional format string can be provided to parse the string; see QTime::fromString for additional documentation on the format.

Syntax	to_time(string, [format], [language]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **string** - string representing a time value • **format** - format used to convert the string into a time • **language** - language (lowercase, two- or three-letter, ISO 639 language code) used to convert the string into a time
Beispiele	• `to_time('12:30:01')` → 12:30:01 • `to_time('12:34','HH:mm')` → 12:34:00 • `to_time('12:34','HH:mm','fr')` → 12:34:00

12.2.6 Benutzerdefinierte Funktionen

Diese Gruppe enthält vom Nutzer erstellte Funktionen. Unter *Funktions Editor* findet man weitere Details.

12.2.7 Datum und Zeit Funktionen

This group contains functions for handling date and time data. This group shares several functions with the *Funktionen zum Umwandlung* (to_date, to_time, to_datetime, to_interval) and *Zeichenkettenfunktionen* (format_date) groups.

Bemerkung: Storing date, datetime and intervals on fields

The ability to store *date*, *time* and *datetime* values directly on fields depends on the data source's provider (e.g., Shapefile accepts *date* format, but not *datetime* or *time* format). The following are some suggestions to overcome this limitation:

- *date*, *datetime* and *time* can be converted and stored in text type fields using the *format_date()* function.
- *Intervals* can be stored in integer or decimal type fields after using one of the date extraction functions (e.g., *day()* to get the interval expressed in days)

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age

Returns the difference between two dates or datetimes.

The difference is returned as an `Interval` and needs to be used with one of the following functions in order to extract useful information:

- `year`
- `month`
- `week`
- `day`
- `hour`
- `minute`
- `second`

Syntax	age(datetime1, datetime2)
Arguments	• **datetime1** - a string, date or datetime representing the later date • **datetime2** - a string, date or datetime representing the earlier date
Beispiele	• `day(age('2012-05-12','2012-05-02'))` → 10 • `hour(age('2012-05-12','2012-05-02'))` → 240

datetime_from_epoch

Returns a datetime whose date and time are the number of milliseconds, msecs, that have passed since 1970-01-01T00:00:00.000, Coordinated Universal Time (Qt.UTC), and converted to Qt.LocalTime.

Syntax	datetime_from_epoch(int)
Arguments	• **int** - number (milliseconds)
Beispiele	• `datetime_from_epoch(1483225200000)` → 2017-01-01T00:00:00

day

Extracts the day from a date, or the number of days from an interval.

Date variant

Extracts the day from a date or datetime.

Syntax	day(date)
Arguments	• **date** - a date or datetime value
Beispiele	• `day('2012-05-12')` → 12

Interval variant

Calculates the length in days of an interval.

Syntax	day(interval)
Arguments	• **interval** - interval value to return number of days from
Beispiele	• `day(to_interval('3 days'))` → 3 • `day(to_interval('3 weeks 2 days'))` → 23 • `day(age('2012-01-01','2010-01-01'))` → 730

day_of_week

Returns the day of the week for a specified date or datetime. The returned value ranges from 0 to 6, where 0 corresponds to a Sunday and 6 to a Saturday.

Syntax	day_of_week(date)
Arguments	• **date** - date or datetime value
Beispiele	• `day_of_week(to_date('2015-09-21'))` → 1

epoch

Returns the interval in milliseconds between the unix epoch and a given date value.

Syntax	epoch(date)
Arguments	• **date** - a date or datetime value
Beispiele	• `epoch(to_date('2017-01-01'))` → 1483203600000

format_date

Formats a date type or string into a custom string format. Uses Qt date/time format strings. See QDateTime::toString.

<table>
<tr><td>Syntax</td><td>format_date(datetime, format, [language])
[] marks optional arguments</td></tr>
<tr><td>Arguments</td><td>

datetime - date, time or datetime value
format - String template used to format the string.
<table>
<tr><th>Ausdruck</th><th>Output</th></tr>
<tr><td>d</td><td>the day as number without a leading zero (1 to 31)</td></tr>
<tr><td>dd</td><td>the day as number with a leading zero (01 to 31)</td></tr>
<tr><td>ddd</td><td>the abbreviated localized day name (e.g. ‚Mon‘ to ‚Sun‘)</td></tr>
<tr><td>dddd</td><td>the long localized day name (e.g. ‚Monday‘ to ‚Sunday‘)</td></tr>
<tr><td>M</td><td>the month as number without a leading zero (1-12)</td></tr>
<tr><td>MM</td><td>the month as number with a leading zero (01-12)</td></tr>
<tr><td>MMM</td><td>the abbreviated localized month name (e.g. ‚Jan‘ to ‚Dec‘)</td></tr>
<tr><td>MMMM</td><td>the long localized month name (e.g. ‚January‘ to ‚December‘)</td></tr>
<tr><td>yy</td><td>the year as two digit number (00-99)</td></tr>
<tr><td>yyyy</td><td>the year as four digit number</td></tr>
</table>
These expressions may be used for the time part of the format string:
<table>
<tr><th>Ausdruck</th><th>Output</th></tr>
<tr><td>h</td><td>the hour without a leading zero (0 to 23 or 1 to 12 if AM/PM display)</td></tr>
<tr><td>hh</td><td>the hour with a leading zero (00 to 23 or 01 to 12 if AM/PM display)</td></tr>
<tr><td>H</td><td>the hour without a leading zero (0 to 23, even with AM/PM display)</td></tr>
<tr><td>HH</td><td>the hour with a leading zero (00 to 23, even with AM/PM display)</td></tr>
<tr><td>m</td><td>the minute without a leading zero (0 to 59)</td></tr>
<tr><td>mm</td><td>the minute with a leading zero (00 to 59)</td></tr>
<tr><td>s</td><td>the second without a leading zero (0 to 59)</td></tr>
<tr><td>ss</td><td>the second with a leading zero (00 to 59)</td></tr>
<tr><td>z</td><td>the milliseconds without trailing zeroes (0 to 999)</td></tr>
<tr><td>zzz</td><td>the milliseconds with trailing zeroes (000 to 999)</td></tr>
<tr><td>AP or A</td><td>interpret as an AM/PM time. AP must be either ‚AM‘ or ‚PM‘.</td></tr>
<tr><td>ap or a</td><td>Interpret as an AM/PM time. ap must be either ‚am‘ or ‚pm‘.</td></tr>
</table>

language - language (lowercase, two- or three-letter, ISO 639 language code) used to format the date into a custom string. By default the current QGIS user locale is used.

</td></tr>
<tr><td>Beispiele</td><td>

<code>format_date('2012-05-15','dd.MM.yyyy')</code> → ‚15.05.2012‘
<code>format_date('2012-05-15','d MMMM yyyy','fr')</code> → ‚15 mai 2012‘
<code>format_date('2012-05-15','dddd')</code> → ‚Tuesday‘, if the current locale is an English variant
<code>format_date('2012-05-15 13:54:20','dd.MM.yy')</code> → ‚15.05.12‘
<code>format_date('13:54:20','hh:mm AP')</code> → ‚01:54 PM‘

</td></tr>
</table>

hour

Extracts the hour part from a datetime or time, or the number of hours from an interval.

Time variant

Extracts the hour part from a time or datetime.

Syntax	hour(datetime)
Arguments	• **datetime** - a time or datetime value
Beispiele	• `hour( to_datetime('2012-07-22 13:24:57') )` → 13

Interval variant

Calculates the length in hours of an interval.

Syntax	hour(interval)
Arguments	• **interval** - interval value to return number of hours from
Beispiele	• `hour(to_interval('3 hours'))` → 3 • `hour(age('2012-07-22T13:00:00','2012-07-22T10:00:00'))` → 3 • `hour(age('2012-01-01','2010-01-01'))` → 17520

make_date

Creates a date value from year, month and day numbers.

Syntax	make_date(year, month, day)
Arguments	• **year** - Year number. Years 1 to 99 are interpreted as is. Year 0 is invalid. • **month** - Month number, where 1=January • **day** - Day number, beginning with 1 for the first day in the month
Beispiele	• `make_date(2020,5,4)` → date value 2020-05-04

make_datetime

Creates a datetime value from year, month, day, hour, minute and second numbers.

Syntax	make_datetime(year, month, day, hour, minute, second)
Arguments	• **year** - Year number. Years 1 to 99 are interpreted as is. Year 0 is invalid. • **month** - Month number, where 1=January • **day** - Day number, beginning with 1 for the first day in the month • **hour** - Hour number • **minute** - Minutes • **second** - Seconds (fractional values include milliseconds)
Beispiele	• `make_datetime(2020,5,4,13,45,30.5)` → datetime value 2020-05-04 13:45:30.500

make_interval

Creates an interval value from year, month, weeks, days, hours, minute and seconds values.

Syntax	make_interval([years=0], [months=0], [weeks=0], [days=0], [hours=0], [minutes=0], [seconds=0]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **years** - Number of years (assumes a 365.25 day year length). • **months** - Number of months (assumes a 30 day month length) • **weeks** - Number of weeks • **days** - Number of days • **hours** - Number of hours • **minutes** - Number of minutes • **seconds** - Number of seconds
Beispiele	• `make_interval(hours:=3)` → interval: 3 hours • `make_interval(days:=2, hours:=3)` → interval: 2.125 days • `make_interval(minutes:=0.5, seconds:=5)` → interval: 35 seconds

make_time

Creates a time value from hour, minute and second numbers.

Syntax	make_time(hour, minute, second)
Arguments	• **hour** - Hour number • **minute** - Minutes • **second** - Seconds (fractional values include milliseconds)
Beispiele	• `make_time(13,45,30.5)` → time value 13:45:30.500

minute

Extracts the minutes part from a datetime or time, or the number of minutes from an interval.

Time variant

Extracts the minutes part from a time or datetime.

Syntax	minute(datetime)
Arguments	• **datetime** - a time or datetime value
Beispiele	• `minute( to_datetime('2012-07-22 13:24:57') )` → 24

Interval variant

Calculates the length in minutes of an interval.

Syntax	minute(interval)
Arguments	• **interval** - interval value to return number of minutes from
Beispiele	• `minute(to_interval('3 minutes'))` → 3 • `minute(age('2012-07-22T00:20:00','2012-07-22T00:00:00'))` → 20 • `minute(age('2012-01-01','2010-01-01'))` → 1051200

month

Extracts the month part from a date, or the number of months from an interval.

Date variant

Extracts the month part from a date or datetime.

Syntax	month(date)
Arguments	• **date** - a date or datetime value
Beispiele	• `month('2012-05-12')` → 05

Interval variant

Calculates the length in months of an interval.

Syntax	month(interval)
Arguments	• **interval** - interval value to return number of months from
Beispiele	• `month(to_interval('3 months'))` → 3 • `month(age('2012-01-01','2010-01-01'))` → 4.03333

now

Returns the current date and time. The function is static and will return consistent results while evaluating. The time returned is the time when the expression is prepared.

Syntax	now()
Beispiele	• `now()` → 2012-07-22T13:24:57

second

Extracts the seconds part from a datetime or time, or the number of seconds from an interval.

Time variant

Extracts the seconds part from a time or datetime.

Syntax	second(datetime)
Arguments	• **datetime** - a time or datetime value
Beispiele	• `second( to_datetime('2012-07-22 13:24:57') )` → 57

Interval variant

Calculates the length in seconds of an interval.

Syntax	second(interval)
Arguments	• **interval** - interval value to return number of seconds from
Beispiele	• `second(to_interval('3 minutes'))` → 180 • `second(age('2012-07-22T00:20:00','2012-07-22T00:00:00'))` → 1200 • `second(age('2012-01-01','2010-01-01'))` → 63072000

to_date

Converts a string into a date object. An optional format string can be provided to parse the string; see QDate::fromString or the documentation of the format_date function for additional documentation on the format. By default the current QGIS user locale is used.

Syntax	to_date(string, [format], [language]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **string** - string representing a date value • **format** - format used to convert the string into a date • **language** - language (lowercase, two- or three-letter, ISO 639 language code) used to convert the string into a date. By default the current QGIS user locale is used.
Beispiele	• `to_date('2012-05-04')` → 2012-05-04 • `to_date('June 29, 2019','MMMM d, yyyy')` → 2019-06-29, if the current locale uses the name ‚June' for the sixth month, otherwise an error occurs • `to_date('29 juin, 2019','d MMMM, yyyy','fr')` → 2019-06-29

to_datetime

Converts a string into a datetime object. An optional format string can be provided to parse the string; see QDate::fromString, QTime::fromString or the documentation of the format_date function for additional documentation on the format. By default the current QGIS user locale is used.

Syntax	to_datetime(string, [format], [language]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **string** - string representing a datetime value • **format** - format used to convert the string into a datetime • **language** - language (lowercase, two- or three-letter, ISO 639 language code) used to convert the string into a datetime. By default the current QGIS user locale is used.
Beispiele	• `to_datetime('2012-05-04 12:50:00')` → 2012-05-04T12:50:00 • `to_datetime('June 29, 2019 @ 12:34','MMMM d, yyyy @ HH:mm')` → 2019-06-29T12:34, if the current locale uses the name ‚June' for the sixth month, otherwise an error occurs • `to_datetime('29 juin, 2019 @ 12:34','d MMMM, yyyy @ HH:mm', 'fr')` → 2019-06-29T12:34

to_interval

Converts a string to an interval type. Can be used to take days, hours, month, etc of a date.

Syntax	to_interval(string)
Arguments	• **string** - a string representing an interval. Allowable formats include {n} days {n} hours {n} months.
Beispiele	• `to_interval('1 day 2 hours')` → interval: 1.08333 days • `to_interval( '0.5 hours' )` → interval: 30 minutes • `to_datetime('2012-05-05 12:00:00') - to_interval('1 day 2 hours')` → 2012-05-04T10:00:00

to_time

Converts a string into a time object. An optional format string can be provided to parse the string; see QTime::fromString for additional documentation on the format.

Syntax	to_time(string, [format], [language]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **string** - string representing a time value • **format** - format used to convert the string into a time • **language** - language (lowercase, two- or three-letter, ISO 639 language code) used to convert the string into a time
Beispiele	• `to_time('12:30:01')` → 12:30:01 • `to_time('12:34','HH:mm')` → 12:34:00 • `to_time('12:34','HH:mm','fr')` → 12:34:00

week

Extracts the week number from a date, or the number of weeks from an interval.

Date variant

Extracts the week number from a date or datetime.

Syntax	week(date)
Arguments	• **date** - a date or datetime value
Beispiele	• `week('2012-05-12')` → 19

Interval variant

Calculates the length in weeks of an interval.

Syntax	week(interval)
Arguments	• **interval** - interval value to return number of months from
Beispiele	• `week(to_interval('3 weeks'))` → 3 • `week(age('2012-01-01','2010-01-01'))` → 104.285

year

Extracts the year part from a date, or the number of years from an interval.

Date variant

Extracts the year part from a date or datetime.

Syntax	year(date)
Arguments	• **date** - a date or datetime value
Beispiele	• `year('2012-05-12')` → 2012

Interval variant

Calculates the length in years of an interval.

Syntax	year(interval)
Arguments	• **interval** - interval value to return number of years from
Beispiele	• `year(to_interval('3 years'))` → 3 • `year(age('2012-01-01','2010-01-01'))` → 1.9986

Einige Beispiele:

Neben diesen Funktionen führt das Subtrahieren von Datums- oder Zeitangaben mit dem − (minus) Operator zur Ausgabe eines Zeitintervalls.

Die Addition oder Subtraktion von Zeitintervallen zu Datums- oder Zeitangaben mit Hilfe des + (plus) oder − (minus) Operators gibt eine Datums- oder Zeitangabe zurück.

- Ausgabe der Anzahl der Tage bis zur Herausgabe von QGIS 3.0:

```
to_date('2017-09-29') - to_date(now())
-- Returns <interval: 203 days>
```

- Analog mit time:

```
to_datetime('2017-09-29 12:00:00') - now()
-- Returns <interval: 202.49 days>
```

- Ausgabe der Datums- und Zeitangabe für 100 Tage in der Zukunft:

```
now() + to_interval('100 days')
-- Returns <datetime: 2017-06-18 01:00:00>
```

12.2.8 Felder und Werte

Contains a list of fields from the layer, and special values.

Doppelklick auf einen Feldnamen fügt das Feld im Ausdruck ein. Man kann auch den Feldnamen (vorzugsweise in Anführungszeichen) oder seinen *alias* verwenden.

Um Feldwerte, die man in einem Ausdruck verwenden will anzuzeigen, klickt man im Vorschau-Widget auf *10 Stichproben* oder *Alle eindeutigen*. Die angeforderten Werte werden dann angezeigt und man kann das Ergebnis mit Hilfe des *Suche* Kastens über der Liste filtern. Beispielwerte können außerdem duch Klick mit der rechten Maustaste auf ein Feld angezeigt werden.

Um einen Wert in den erstellten Ausdruck zu übernehmen, klickt man doppelt auf den Wert in der Liste. Wenn der Wert eine Zeichenkette ist, sollte er mit einfachen Anführungszeichen ausgezeichnet sein. Ansonsten sind keine Anführungszeichen erforderlich.

NULL

Equates to a NULL value.

Syntax	NULL
Beispiele	• `NULL` → a NULL value

Bemerkung: To test for NULL use an *IS NULL* or *IS NOT NULL* expression.

12.2.9 Files and Paths Functions

This group contains functions which manipulate file and path names.

base_file_name

Returns the base name of the file without the directory or file suffix.

Syntax	base_file_name(path)
Arguments	• **path** - a file path
Beispiele	• `base_file_name('/home/qgis/data/country_boundaries.shp')` → ‚country_boundaries‘

exif

Retrieves exif tag values from an image file.

Syntax	exif(path, [tag]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **path** - An image file path. • **tag** - The tag to return. If empty, a map with all exif tag values will be returned.
Beispiele	• `exif('/my/photo.jpg','Exif.Image.Orientation')` → 0

file_exists

Returns true if a file path exists.

Syntax	file_exists(path)
Arguments	• **path** - a file path
Beispiele	• `file_exists('/home/qgis/data/country_boundaries.shp')` → true

file_name

Returns the name of a file (including the file extension), excluding the directory.

Syntax	file_name(path)
Arguments	• **path** - a file path
Beispiele	• `file_name('/home/qgis/data/country_boundaries.shp')` → ‚country_boundaries.shp‘

file_path

Returns the directory component of a file path. This does not include the file name.

Syntax	file_path(path)
Arguments	• **path** - a file path
Beispiele	• `file_path('/home/qgis/data/country_boundaries.shp')` → ‚/home/qgis/data‘

file_size

Returns the size (in bytes) of a file.

Syntax	file_size(path)
Arguments	• **path** - a file path
Beispiele	• `file_size('/home/qgis/data/country_boundaries.geojson')` → 5674

file_suffix

Returns the file suffix (extension) from a file path.

Syntax	file_suffix(path)
Arguments	• **path** - a file path
Beispiele	• `file_suffix('/home/qgis/data/country_boundaries.shp')` → ‚shp‘

is_directory

Returns true if a path corresponds to a directory.

Syntax	is_directory(path)
Arguments	• **path** - a file path
Beispiele	• `is_directory('/home/qgis/data/country_boundaries.shp')` → false • `is_directory('/home/qgis/data/')` → true

is_file

Returns true if a path corresponds to a file.

Syntax	is_file(path)
Arguments	• **path** - a file path
Beispiele	• `is_file('/home/qgis/data/country_boundaries.shp')` → true • `is_file('/home/qgis/data/')` → false

12.2.10 Form Functions

This group contains functions that operate exclusively under the attribute form context. For example, in *field's widgets* settings.

current_parent_value

Only usable in an embedded form context, this function returns the current, unsaved value of a field in the parent form currently being edited. This will differ from the parent feature's actual attribute values for features which are currently being edited or have not yet been added to a parent layer. When used in a value-relation widget filter expression, this function should be wrapped into a ‚coalesce()' that can retrieve the actual parent feature from the layer when the form is not used in an embedded context.

Syntax	current_parent_value(field_name)
Arguments	• **field_name** - a field name in the current parent form
Beispiele	• `current_parent_value( 'FIELD_NAME' )` → The current value of a field ‚FIELD_NAME' in the parent form.

current_value

Returns the current, unsaved value of a field in the form or table row currently being edited. This will differ from the feature's actual attribute values for features which are currently being edited or have not yet been added to a layer.

Syntax	current_value(field_name)
Arguments	• **field_name** - a field name in the current form or table row
Beispiele	• `current_value( 'FIELD_NAME' )` → The current value of field ‚FIELD_NAME'.

12.2.11 Unscharfer Vergleich Funktion

Diese Gruppe enthält unscharfe Vergleichsfunktionen zwischen Werten.

hamming_distance

Returns the Hamming distance between two strings. This equates to the number of characters at corresponding positions within the input strings where the characters are different. The input strings must be the same length, and the comparison is case-sensitive.

Syntax	hamming_distance(string1, string2)
Arguments	• **string1** - a string • **string2** - a string
Beispiele	• `hamming_distance('abc','xec')` → 2 • `hamming_distance('abc','ABc')` → 2 • `hamming_distance(upper('abc'),upper('ABC'))` → 0 • `hamming_distance('abc','abcd')` → NULL

levenshtein

Returns the Levenshtein edit distance between two strings. This equates to the minimum number of character edits (insertions, deletions or substitutions) required to change one string to another.

The Levenshtein distance is a measure of the similarity between two strings. Smaller distances mean the strings are more similar, and larger distances indicate more different strings. The distance is case sensitive.

Syntax	levenshtein(string1, string2)
Arguments	• **string1** - a string • **string2** - a string
Beispiele	• `levenshtein('kittens','mitten')` → 2 • `levenshtein('Kitten','kitten')` → 1 • `levenshtein(upper('Kitten'),upper('kitten'))` → 0

longest_common_substring

Returns the longest common substring between two strings. This substring is the longest string that is a substring of the two input strings. For example, the longest common substring of „ABABC“ and „BABCA“ is „BABC“. The substring is case sensitive.

Syntax	longest_common_substring(string1, string2)
Arguments	• **string1** - a string • **string2** - a string
Beispiele	• `longest_common_substring('ABABC','BABCA')` → ‚BABC‘ • `longest_common_substring('abcDeF','abcdef')` → ‚abc‘ • `longest_common_substring(upper('abcDeF'),upper('abcdex'))` → ‚ABCDE‘

soundex

Returns the Soundex representation of a string. Soundex is a phonetic matching algorithm, so strings with similar sounds should be represented by the same Soundex code.

Syntax	soundex(string)
Arguments	• **string** - a string
Beispiele	• `soundex('robert')` → ‚R163‘ • `soundex('rupert')` → ‚R163‘ • `soundex('rubin')` → ‚R150‘

12.2.12 Allgemeine Funktionen

This group contains general assorted functions.

env

Gets an environment variable and returns its content as a string. If the variable is not found, NULL will be returned. This is handy to inject system specific configuration like drive letters or path prefixes. Definition of environment variables depends on the operating system, please check with your system administrator or the operating system documentation how this can be set.

Syntax	env(name)
Arguments	• **name** - The name of the environment variable which should be retrieved.
Beispiele	• `env( 'LANG' )` → ‚en_US.UTF-8‘ • `env( 'MY_OWN_PREFIX_VAR' )` → ‚Z:‘ • `env( 'I_DO_NOT_EXIST' )` → NULL

eval

Evaluates an expression which is passed in a string. Useful to expand dynamic parameters passed as context variables or fields.

Syntax	eval(expression)
Arguments	• **expression** - an expression string
Beispiele	• `eval('\'nice\'')` → ‚nice‘ • `eval(@expression_var)` → [whatever the result of evaluating @expression_var might be…]

eval_template

Evaluates a template which is passed in a string. Useful to expand dynamic parameters passed as context variables or fields.

Syntax	eval_template(template)
Arguments	• **template** - a template string
Beispiele	• `eval_template('QGIS [% upper(\'rocks\') %]')` → QGIS ROCKS

is_layer_visible

Returns true if a specified layer is visible.

Syntax	is_layer_visible(layer)
Arguments	• **layer** - a string, representing either a layer name or layer ID
Beispiele	• `is_layer_visible('baseraster')` → True

mime_type

Returns the mime type of the binary data.

Syntax	mime_type(bytes)
Arguments	• **bytes** - the binary data
Beispiele	• `mime_type('<html><body></body></html>')` → text/html • `mime_type(from_base64('R0lGODlhAQABAAAAACH5BAEKAAEALAAAAAABAAEAAAIAOw==` → image/gif

var

Returns the value stored within a specified variable.

Syntax	var(name)
Arguments	• **name** - a variable name
Beispiele	• `var('qgis_version')` → ‚2.12‘

Further reading: List of default *variables*

with_variable

This function sets a variable for any expression code that will be provided as 3rd argument. This is only useful for complicated expressions, where the same calculated value needs to be used in different places.

Syntax	with_variable(name, value, expression)
Arguments	• **name** - the name of the variable to set • **value** - the value to set • **expression** - the expression for which the variable will be available
Beispiele	• `with_variable('my_sum', 1 + 2 + 3, @my_sum * 2 + @my_sum * 5)` → 42

12.2.13 Geometriefunktionen

This group contains functions that operate on geometry objects (e.g. buffer, transform, $area).

affine_transform

Returns the geometry after an affine transformation. Calculations are in the Spatial Reference System of this geometry. The operations are performed in a scale, rotation, translation order. If there is a Z or M offset but the coordinate is not present in the geometry, it will be added.

Syntax	affine_transform(geometry, delta_x, delta_y, rotation_z, scale_x, scale_y, [delta_z=0], [delta_m=0], [scale_z=1], [scale_m=1]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **geometry** - a geometry • **delta_x** - x-axis translation • **delta_y** - y-axis translation • **rotation_z** - rotation around z-axis in degrees counter-clockwise • **scale_x** - x-axis scale factor • **scale_y** - y-axis scale factor • **delta_z** - z-axis translation • **delta_m** - m-axis translation • **scale_z** - z-axis scale factor • **scale_m** - m-axis scale factor
Beispiele	• `geom_to_wkt(affine_transform(geom_from_wkt('LINESTRING(1 1, 2 2)'), 2, 2, 0, 1, 1))` → ‚LineString (3 3, 4 4)‘ • `geom_to_wkt(affine_transform(geom_from_wkt('POLYGON((0 0, 0 3, 2 2, 0 0))'), 0, 0, -90, 1, 2))` → ‚Polygon ((0 0, 6 0, 4 -2, 0 0))‘ • `geom_to_wkt(affine_transform(geom_from_wkt('POINT(3 1)'), 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 5, 0))` → ‚PointZ (3 1 5)‘

angle_at_vertex

Returns the bisector angle (average angle) to the geometry for a specified vertex on a linestring geometry. Angles are in degrees clockwise from north.

Syntax	angle_at_vertex(geometry, vertex)
Arguments	• **geometry** - a linestring geometry • **vertex** - vertex index, starting from 0; if the value is negative, the selected vertex index will be its total count minus the absolute value
Beispiele	• `angle_at_vertex(geometry:=geom_from_wkt('LineString(0 0, 10 0, 10 10)'),vertex:=1)` → 45.0

$area

Returns the area of the current feature. The area calculated by this function respects both the current project's ellipsoid setting and area unit settings. For example, if an ellipsoid has been set for the project then the calculated area will be ellipsoidal, and if no ellipsoid is set then the calculated area will be planimetric.

Syntax	$area
Beispiele	• `$area` → 42

area

Returns the area of a geometry polygon object. Calculations are always planimetric in the Spatial Reference System (SRS) of this geometry, and the units of the returned area will match the units for the SRS. This differs from the calculations performed by the $area function, which will perform ellipsoidal calculations based on the project's ellipsoid and area unit settings.

Syntax	area(geometry)
Arguments	• **geometry** - polygon geometry object
Beispiele	• `area(geom_from_wkt('POLYGON((0 0, 4 0, 4 2, 0 2, 0 0))'))` → 8.0

azimuth

Returns the north-based azimuth as the angle in radians measured clockwise from the vertical on point_a to point_b.

Syntax	azimuth(point_a, point_b)
Arguments	• **point_a** - point geometry • **point_b** - point geometry
Beispiele	• `degrees( azimuth( make_point(25, 45), make_point(75, 100) ) )` → 42.273689 • `degrees( azimuth( make_point(75, 100), make_point(25,45) ) )` → 222.273689

boundary

Returns the closure of the combinatorial boundary of the geometry (ie the topological boundary of the geometry). For instance, a polygon geometry will have a boundary consisting of the linestrings for each ring in the polygon. Some geometry types do not have a defined boundary, e.g., points or geometry collections, and will return NULL.

Syntax	boundary(geometry)
Arguments	• **geometry** - a geometry
Beispiele	• `geom_to_wkt(boundary(geom_from_wkt('Polygon((1 1, 0 0, -1 1, 1 1))')))` → ‚LineString(1 1,0 0,-1 1,1 1)‘ • `geom_to_wkt(boundary(geom_from_wkt('LineString(1 1,0 0,-1 1)')))` → ‚MultiPoint ((1 1),(-1 1))‘

Further reading: *Boundary* algorithm

bounds

Returns a geometry which represents the bounding box of an input geometry. Calculations are in the Spatial Reference System of this geometry.

Syntax	bounds(geometry)
Arguments	• **geometry** - a geometry
Beispiele	• `bounds($geometry)` → bounding box of the current feature's geometry • `geom_to_wkt(bounds(geom_from_wkt('Polygon((1 1, 0 0, -1 1, 1 1))')))` → ‚Polygon ((-1 0, 1 0, 1 1, -1 1, -1 0))‘

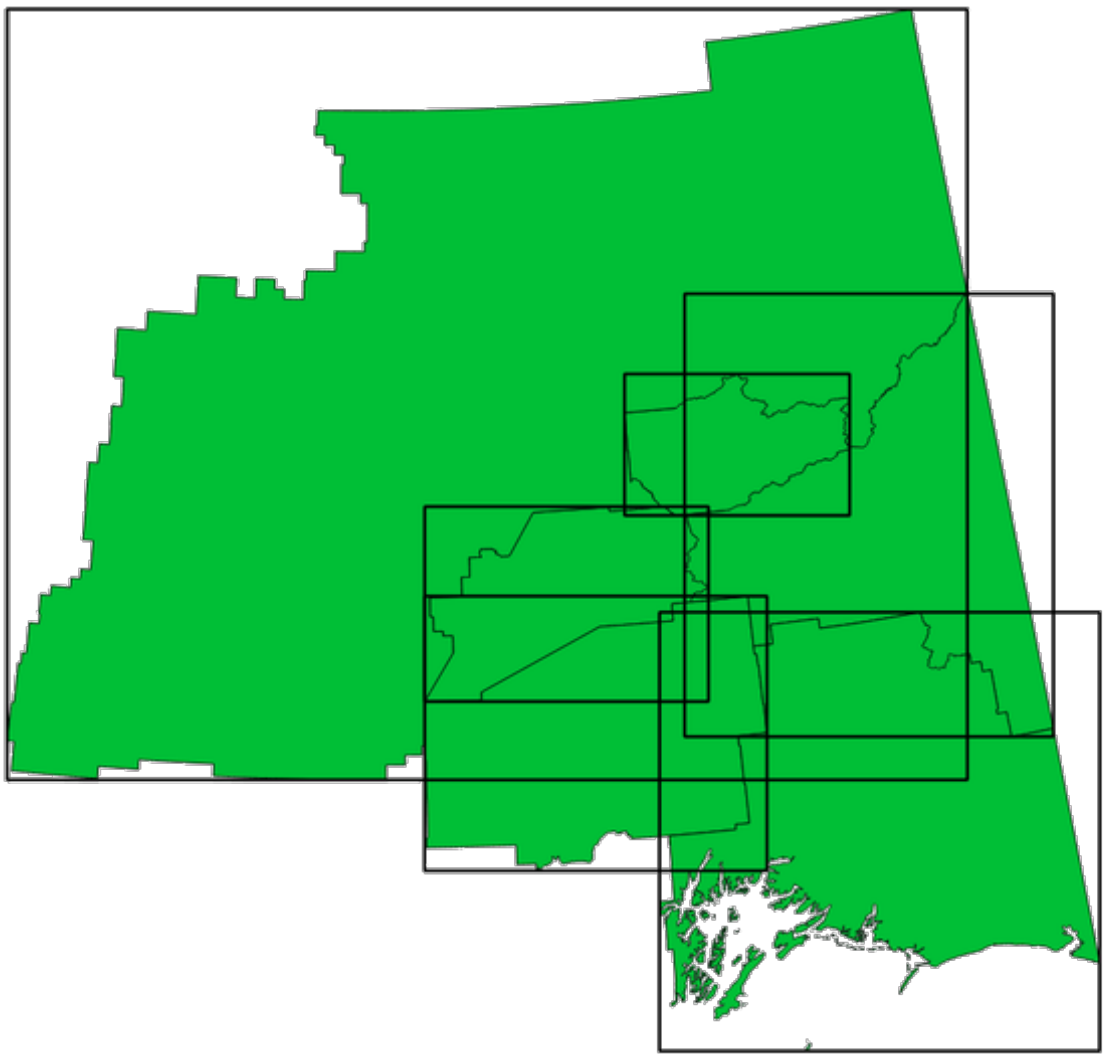


Abb. 12.4: Black lines represent the bounding boxes of each polygon feature

Further reading: *Bounding boxes* algorithm

bounds_height

Returns the height of the bounding box of a geometry. Calculations are in the Spatial Reference System of this geometry.

Syntax	bounds_height(geometry)
Arguments	• **geometry** - a geometry
Beispiele	• `bounds_height($geometry)` → height of bounding box of the current feature's geometry • `bounds_height(geom_from_wkt('Polygon((1 1, 0 0, -1 1, 1 1))'))` → 1

bounds_width

Returns the width of the bounding box of a geometry. Calculations are in the Spatial Reference System of this geometry.

Syntax	bounds_width(geometry)
Arguments	• **geometry** - a geometry
Beispiele	• `bounds_width($geometry)` → width of bounding box of the current feature's geometry • `bounds_width(geom_from_wkt('Polygon((1 1, 0 0, -1 1, 1 1))'))` → 2

buffer

Returns a geometry that represents all points whose distance from this geometry is less than or equal to distance. Calculations are in the Spatial Reference System of this geometry.

Syntax	buffer(geometry, distance, [segments=8], [cap='round'], [join='round'], [miter_limit=2]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **geometry** - a geometry • **distance** - buffer distance in layer units • **segments** - number of segments to use to represent a quarter circle when a round join style is used. A larger number results in a smoother buffer with more nodes. • **cap** - end cap style for buffer. Valid values are ‚round', ‚flat' or ‚square' • **join** - join style for buffer. Valid values are ‚round', ‚bevel' or ‚miter'. • **miter_limit** - miter distance limit, for use when the join style is set to ‚miter'
Beispiele	• `buffer($geometry, 10.5)` → polygon of the current feature's geometry buffered by 10.5 units

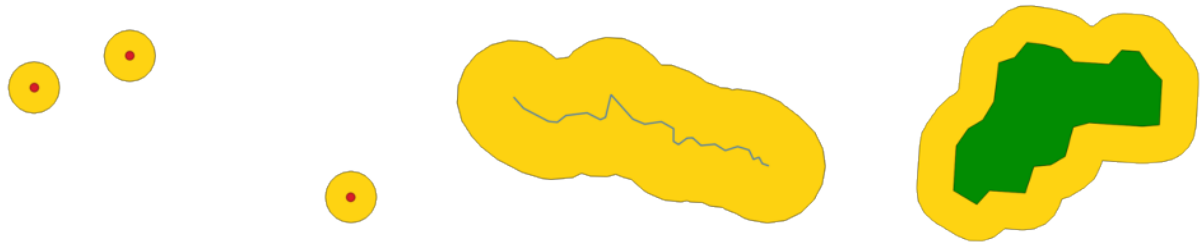


Abb. 12.5: Buffer (in yellow) of points, line and polygon

Further reading: *Buffer* algorithm

buffer_by_m

Creates a buffer along a line geometry where the buffer diameter varies according to the m-values at the line vertices.

Syntax	buffer_by_m(geometry, [segments=8]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **geometry** - input geometry. Must be a (multi)line geometry with m values. • **segments** - number of segments to approximate quarter-circle curves in the buffer.
Beispiele	• `buffer_by_m(geometry:=geom_from_wkt('LINESTRINGM(1 2 0.5, 4 2 0.2)'),segments:=8)` → A variable width buffer starting with a diameter of 0.5 and ending with a diameter of 0.2 along the linestring geometry.

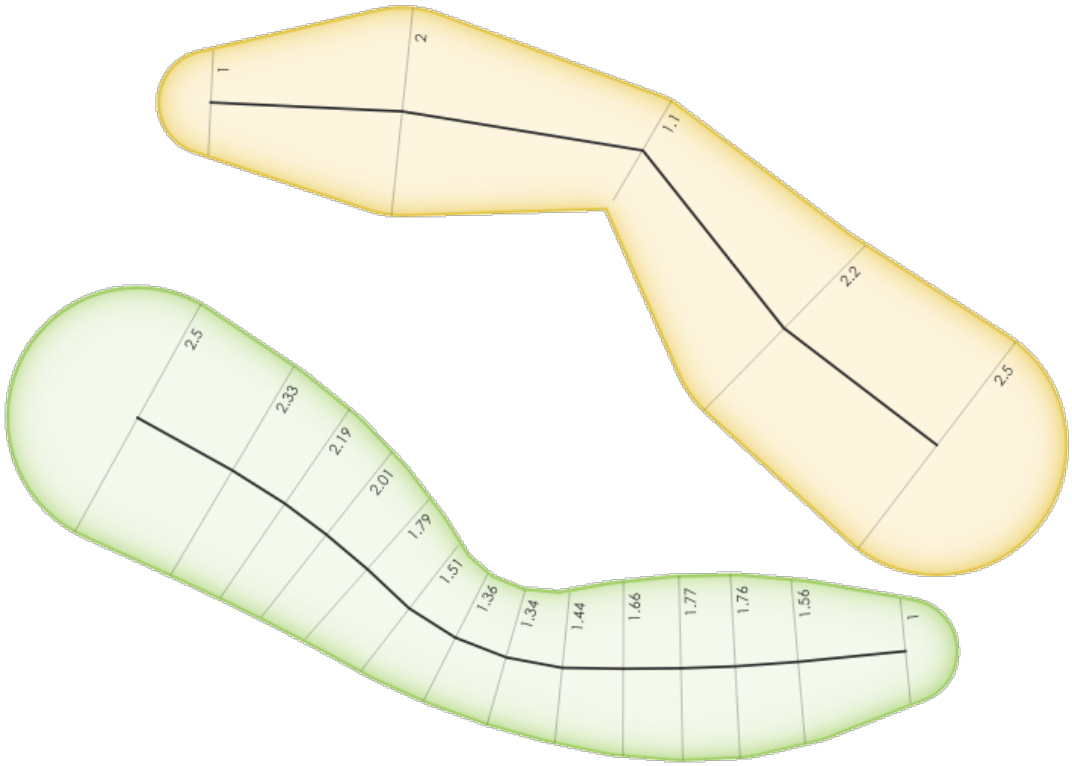


Abb. 12.6: Buffering line features using the m value on the vertices

Further reading: *Variable width buffer (by M value)* algorithm

centroid

Returns the geometric center of a geometry.

Syntax	centroid(geometry)
Arguments	• **geometry** - a geometry
Beispiele	• `centroid($geometry)` → a point geometry

Further reading: *Centroids* algorithm

close_line

Returns a closed line string of the input line string by appending the first point to the end of the line, if it is not already closed. If the geometry is not a line string or multi line string then the result will be NULL.

Syntax	close_line(geometry)
Arguments	• **geometry** - a line string geometry
Beispiele	• `geom_to_wkt(close_line(geom_from_wkt('LINESTRING(0 0, 1 0, 1 1)')))` → ‚LineString (0 0, 1 0, 1 1, 0 0)‘ • `geom_to_wkt(close_line(geom_from_wkt('LINESTRING(0 0, 1 0, 1 1, 0 0)')))` → ‚LineString (0 0, 1 0, 1 1, 0 0)‘

closest_point

Returns the point on geometry1 that is closest to geometry2.

Syntax	closest_point(geometry1, geometry2)
Arguments	• **geometry1** - geometry to find closest point on • **geometry2** - geometry to find closest point to
Beispiele	• `geom_to_wkt(closest_point(geom_from_wkt('LINESTRING (20 80, 98 190, 110 180, 50 75 )'),geom_from_wkt('POINT(100 100)')))` → ‚Point(73.0769 115.384)‘

collect_geometries

Collects a set of geometries into a multi-part geometry object.

List of arguments variant

Geometry parts are specified as separate arguments to the function.

Syntax	collect_geometries(geometry1, geometry2, …)
Arguments	• **geometry** - a geometry
Beispiele	• `geom_to_wkt(collect_geometries(make_point(1,2), make_point(3,4), make_point(5,6)))` → ‚MultiPoint ((1 2),(3 4),(5 6))‘

Array variant

Geometry parts are specified as an array of geometry parts.

Syntax	collect_geometries(array)
Arguments	• **array** - array of geometry objects
Beispiele	• `geom_to_wkt(collect_geometries(array(make_point(1,2), make_point(3,4), make_point(5,6)))` → ‚MultiPoint ((1 2),(3 4),(5 6))‘

Further reading: *Collect geometries* algorithm

combine

Returns the combination of two geometries.

Syntax	combine(geometry1, geometry2)
Arguments	• **geometry1** - a geometry • **geometry2** - a geometry
Beispiele	• `geom_to_wkt( combine( geom_from_wkt( 'LINESTRING(3 3, 4 4, 5 5)' ), geom_from_wkt( 'LINESTRING(3 3, 4 4, 2 1)' ) ) )` → ‚MULTILINESTRING((4 4, 2 1), (3 3, 4 4), (4 4, 5 5))‘ • `geom_to_wkt( combine( geom_from_wkt( 'LINESTRING(3 3, 4 4)' ), geom_from_wkt( 'LINESTRING(3 3, 6 6, 2 1)' ) ) )` → ‚LINESTRING(3 3, 4 4, 6 6, 2 1)‘

contains

Tests whether a geometry contains another. Returns true if and only if no points of geometry2 lie in the exterior of geometry1, and at least one point of the interior of geometry2 lies in the interior of geometry1.

Syntax	contains(geometry1, geometry2)
Arguments	• **geometry1** - a geometry • **geometry2** - a geometry
Beispiele	• `contains( geom_from_wkt( 'POLYGON((0 0, 0 1, 1 1, 1 0, 0 0))' ), geom_from_wkt( 'POINT(0.5 0.5 )' ) )` → true • `contains( geom_from_wkt( 'POLYGON((0 0, 0 1, 1 1, 1 0, 0 0))' ), geom_from_wkt( 'LINESTRING(3 3, 4 4, 5 5)' ) )` → false

Further reading: *overlay_contains*

convex_hull

Returns the convex hull of a geometry. It represents the minimum convex geometry that encloses all geometries within the set.

Syntax	convex_hull(geometry)
Arguments	• **geometry** - a geometry
Beispiele	• `geom_to_wkt( convex_hull( geom_from_wkt( 'LINESTRING(3 3, 4 4, 4 10)' ) ) )` → ‚POLYGON((3 3, 4 10, 4 4, 3 3))‘

Further reading: *Convex hull* algorithm

crosses

Tests whether a geometry crosses another. Returns true if the supplied geometries have some, but not all, interior points in common.

Syntax	crosses(geometry1, geometry2)
Arguments	• **geometry1** - a geometry • **geometry2** - a geometry
Beispiele	• `crosses( geom_from_wkt( 'LINESTRING(3 5, 4 4, 5 3)' ), geom_from_wkt( 'LINESTRING(3 3, 4 4, 5 5)' ) )` → true • `crosses( geom_from_wkt( 'POINT(4 5)' ), geom_from_wkt( 'LINESTRING(3 3, 4 4, 5 5)' ) )` → false

Further reading: *overlay_crosses*

difference

Returns a geometry that represents that part of geometry1 that does not intersect with geometry2.

Syntax	difference(geometry1, geometry2)
Arguments	• **geometry1** - a geometry • **geometry2** - a geometry
Beispiele	• `geom_to_wkt( difference( geom_from_wkt( 'LINESTRING(3 3, 4 4, 5 5)' ), geom_from_wkt( 'LINESTRING(3 3, 4 4)' ) ) )` → ‚LINESTRING(4 4, 5 5)‘

Further reading: *Difference* algorithm

disjoint

Tests whether geometries do not spatially intersect. Returns true if the geometries do not share any space together.

Syntax	disjoint(geometry1, geometry2)
Arguments	• **geometry1** - a geometry • **geometry2** - a geometry
Beispiele	• `disjoint( geom_from_wkt( 'POLYGON((0 0, 0 1, 1 1, 1 0, 0 0 ))' ), geom_from_wkt( 'LINESTRING(3 3, 4 4, 5 5)' ) )` → true • `disjoint( geom_from_wkt( 'LINESTRING(3 3, 4 4, 5 5)' ), geom_from_wkt( 'POINT(4 4)' ))` → false

Further reading: *overlay_disjoint*

distance

Returns the minimum distance (based on spatial ref) between two geometries in projected units.

Syntax	distance(geometry1, geometry2)
Arguments	• **geometry1** - a geometry • **geometry2** - a geometry
Beispiele	• `distance( geom_from_wkt( 'POINT(4 4)' ), geom_from_wkt( 'POINT(4 8)' ) )` → 4

distance_to_vertex

Returns the distance along the geometry to a specified vertex.

Syntax	distance_to_vertex(geometry, vertex)
Arguments	• **geometry** - a linestring geometry • **vertex** - vertex index, starting from 0; if the value is negative, the selected vertex index will be its total count minus the absolute value
Beispiele	• `distance_to_vertex(geometry:=geom_from_wkt('LineString(0 0, 10 0, 10 10)'),vertex:=1)` → 10.0

end_point

Returns the last node from a geometry.

Syntax	end_point(geometry)
Arguments	• **geometry** - geometry object
Beispiele	• `geom_to_wkt(end_point(geom_from_wkt('LINESTRING(4 0, 4 2, 0 2)')))` → ‚Point (0 2)‘

Further reading: *Extract specific vertices* algorithm

exif_geotag

Creates a point geometry from the exif geotags of an image file.

Syntax	exif_geotag(path)
Arguments	• **path** - An image file path.
Beispiele	• `geom_to_wkt(exif_geotag('/my/photo.jpg'))` → ‚Point (2 4)‘

extend

Extends the start and end of a linestring geometry by a specified amount. Lines are extended using the bearing of the first and last segment in the line. For a multilinestring, all the parts are extended. Distances are in the Spatial Reference System of this geometry.

Syntax	extend(geometry, start_distance, end_distance)
Arguments	• **geometry** - a (multi)linestring geometry • **start_distance** - distance to extend the start of the line • **end_distance** - distance to extend the end of the line.
Beispiele	• `geom_to_wkt(extend(geom_from_wkt('LineString(0 0, 1 0, 1 1)'),1,2))` → ‚LineString (-1 0, 1 0, 1 3)‘ • `geom_to_wkt(extend(geom_from_wkt('MultiLineString((0 0, 1 0, 1 1), (2 2, 0 2, 0 5))'),1,2))` → ‚MultiLineString ((-1 0, 1 0, 1 3),(3 2, 0 2, 0 7))‘

Further reading: *Extend lines* algorithm

exterior_ring

Returns a line string representing the exterior ring of a polygon geometry. If the geometry is not a polygon then the result will be NULL.

Syntax	exterior_ring(geometry)
Arguments	• **geometry** - a polygon geometry
Beispiele	• `geom_to_wkt(exterior_ring(geom_from_wkt('POLYGON((-1 -1, 4 0, 4 2, 0 2, -1 -1),( 0.1 0.1, 0.1 0.2, 0.2 0.2, 0.2, 0.1, 0.1 0.1))')))` → ‚LineString (-1 -1, 4 0, 4 2, 0 2, -1 -1)‘

extrude

Returns an extruded version of the input (Multi-)Curve or (Multi-)Linestring geometry with an extension specified by x and y.

Syntax	extrude(geometry, x, y)
Arguments	• **geometry** - a curve or linestring geometry • **x** - x extension, numeric value • **y** - y extension, numeric value
Beispiele	• `geom_to_wkt(extrude(geom_from_wkt('LineString(1 2, 3 2, 4 3)'), 1, 2))` → ‚Polygon ((1 2, 3 2, 4 3, 5 5, 4 4, 2 4, 1 2))‘ • `geom_to_wkt(extrude(geom_from_wkt('MultiLineString((1 2, 3 2), (4 3, 8 3))'), 1, 2))` → ‚MultiPolygon (((1 2, 3 2, 4 4, 2 4, 1 2)),((4 3, 8 3, 9 5, 5 5, 4 3)))‘

flip_coordinates

Returns a copy of the geometry with the x and y coordinates swapped. Useful for repairing geometries which have had their latitude and longitude values reversed.

Syntax	flip_coordinates(geometry)
Arguments	• **geometry** - a geometry
Beispiele	• `geom_to_wkt(flip_coordinates(make_point(1, 2)))` → ‚Point (2 1)‘

Further reading: *Swap X and Y coordinates* algorithm

force_rhr

Forces a geometry to respect the Right-Hand-Rule, in which the area that is bounded by a polygon is to the right of the boundary. In particular, the exterior ring is oriented in a clockwise direction and the interior rings in a counter-clockwise direction.

Syntax	force_rhr(geometry)
Arguments	• **geometry** - a geometry. Any non-polygon geometries are returned unchanged.
Beispiele	• `geom_to_wkt(force_rhr(geometry:=geom_from_wkt('POLYGON((-1 -1, 4 0, 4 2, 0 2, -1 -1))')))` → ‚Polygon ((-1 -1, 0 2, 4 2, 4 0, -1 -1))‘

Further reading: *Force right-hand-rule* algorithm

geom_from_gml

Returns a geometry from a GML representation of geometry.

Syntax	geom_from_gml(gml)
Arguments	• **gml** - GML representation of a geometry as a string
Beispiele	• `geom_from_gml('<gml:LineString srsName="EPSG:4326"><gml:coordinates>4, 4 5,5 6,6</gml:coordinates></gml:LineString>')` → a line geometry object

geom_from_wkb

Returns a geometry created from a Well-Known Binary (WKB) representation.

Syntax	geom_from_wkb(binary)
Arguments	• **binary** - Well-Known Binary (WKB) representation of a geometry (as a binary blob)
Beispiele	• `geom_from_wkb( geom_to_wkb( make_point(4,5) ) )` → a point geometry object

geom_from_wkt

Returns a geometry created from a Well-Known Text (WKT) representation.

Syntax	geom_from_wkt(text)
Arguments	• **text** - Well-Known Text (WKT) representation of a geometry
Beispiele	• `geom_from_wkt( 'POINT(4 5)' )` → a geometry object

geom_to_wkb

Returns the Well-Known Binary (WKB) representation of a geometry

Syntax	geom_to_wkb(geometry)
Arguments	• **geometry** - a geometry
Beispiele	• `geom_to_wkb( $geometry )` → binary blob containing a geometry object

geom_to_wkt

Returns the Well-Known Text (WKT) representation of the geometry without SRID metadata.

Syntax	geom_to_wkt(geometry, [precision=8]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **geometry** - a geometry • **precision** - numeric precision
Beispiele	• `geom_to_wkt( make_point(6, 50) )` → ‚POINT(6 50)‘ • `geom_to_wkt(centroid(geom_from_wkt('Polygon((1 1, 0 0, -1 1, 1 1))')))` → ‚POINT(0 0.66666667)‘ • `geom_to_wkt(centroid(geom_from_wkt('Polygon((1 1, 0 0, -1 1, 1 1))')), 2)` → ‚POINT(0 0.67)‘

$geometry

Returns the geometry of the current feature. Can be used for processing with other functions.

Syntax	$geometry
Beispiele	• `geom_to_wkt( $geometry )` → ‚POINT(6 50)‘

geometry

Returns a feature's geometry.

Syntax	geometry(feature)
Arguments	• **feature** - a feature object
Beispiele	• `` geometry( $currentfeature )`` → the geometry of the current feature. Prefer using $geometry. • `geom_to_wkt( geometry( get_feature_by_id( 'streets', 1 ) ) )` → the geometry in WKT of the feature with the id 1 on the layer „streets“, e.g. ‚POINT(6 50)‘ • `intersects( $geometry, geometry( get_feature( 'streets', 'name', 'Main St.' ) ) )` → true if the current feature spatially intersects the ‚Main St.‘ named feature in the „streets“ layer

geometry_n

Returns a specific geometry from a geometry collection, or NULL if the input geometry is not a collection.

Syntax	geometry_n(geometry, index)
Arguments	• **geometry** - geometry collection • **index** - index of geometry to return, where 1 is the first geometry in the collection
Beispiele	• `geom_to_wkt(geometry_n(geom_from_wkt('GEOMETRYCOLLECTION(POINT(0 1), POINT(0 0), POINT(1 0), POINT(1 1))'),3))` → ‚Point (1 0)‘

geometry_type

Returns a string value describing the type of a geometry (Point, Line or Polygon)

Syntax	geometry_type(geometry)
Arguments	• **geometry** - a geometry
Beispiele	• `geometry_type( geom_from_wkt( 'LINESTRING(2 5, 3 6, 4 8)') )` → ‚Line‘ • `geometry_type( geom_from_wkt( 'MULTILINESTRING((2 5, 3 6, 4 8), (1 1, 0 0))') )` → ‚Line‘ • `geometry_type( geom_from_wkt( 'POINT(2 5)') )` → ‚Point‘ • `geometry_type( geom_from_wkt( 'POLYGON((-1 -1, 4 0, 4 2, 0 2, -1 -1))') )` → ‚Polygon‘

hausdorff_distance

Returns the Hausdorff distance between two geometries. This is basically a measure of how similar or dissimilar 2 geometries are, with a lower distance indicating more similar geometries.

The function can be executed with an optional densify fraction argument. If not specified, an approximation to the standard Hausdorff distance is used. This approximation is exact or close enough for a large subset of useful cases. Examples of these are:

- computing distance between Linestrings that are roughly parallel to each other, and roughly equal in length. This occurs in matching linear networks.
- Testing similarity of geometries.

If the default approximate provided by this method is insufficient, specify the optional densify fraction argument. Specifying this argument performs a segment densification before computing the discrete Hausdorff distance. The parameter sets the fraction by which to densify each segment. Each segment will be split into a number of equal-length subsegments, whose fraction of the total length is closest to the given fraction. Decreasing the densify fraction parameter will make the distance returned approach the true Hausdorff distance for the geometries.

Syntax	hausdorff_distance(geometry1, geometry2, [densify_fraction]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **geometry1** - a geometry • **geometry2** - a geometry • **densify_fraction** - densify fraction amount
Beispiele	• `hausdorff_distance( geometry1:= geom_from_wkt('LINESTRING (0 0, 2 1)'),geometry2:=geom_from_wkt('LINESTRING (0 0, 2 0)'))` → 2 • `hausdorff_distance( geom_from_wkt('LINESTRING (130 0, 0 0, 0 150)'),geom_from_wkt('LINESTRING (10 10, 10 150, 130 10)'))` → 14.142135623 • `hausdorff_distance( geom_from_wkt('LINESTRING (130 0, 0 0, 0 150)'),geom_from_wkt('LINESTRING (10 10, 10 150, 130 10)'),0.5)` → 70.0

inclination

Liefert die Neigung gemessen vom Zenit (0) zum Fußpunkt (180) von point_a zu point_b.

Syntax	inclination(point_a, point_b)
Arguments	• **point_a** - point geometry • **point_b** - point geometry
Beispiele	• `inclination( make_point( 5, 10, 0 ), make_point( 5, 10, 5 ) )` → 0.0 • `inclination( make_point( 5, 10, 0 ), make_point( 5, 10, 0 ) )` → 90.0 • `inclination( make_point( 5, 10, 0 ), make_point( 50, 100, 0 ) )` → 90.0 • `inclination( make_point( 5, 10, 0 ), make_point( 5, 10, -5 ) )` → 180.0

interior_ring_n

Returns a specific interior ring from a polygon geometry, or NULL if the geometry is not a polygon.

Syntax	interior_ring_n(geometry, index)
Arguments	• **geometry** - polygon geometry • **index** - index of interior to return, where 1 is the first interior ring
Beispiele	• `geom_to_wkt(interior_ring_n(geom_from_wkt('POLYGON((-1 -1, 4 0, 4 2, 0 2, -1 -1),(-0.1 -0.1, 0.4 0, 0.4 0.2, 0 0.2, -0.1 -0.1),(-1 -1, 4 0, 4 2, 0 2, -1 -1))'),1))` → ‚LineString (-0.1 -0.1, 0.4 0, 0.4 0.2, 0 0.2, -0.1 -0.1))‘

intersection

Returns a geometry that represents the shared portion of two geometries.

Syntax	intersection(geometry1, geometry2)
Arguments	• **geometry1** - a geometry • **geometry2** - a geometry
Beispiele	• `geom_to_wkt( intersection( geom_from_wkt( 'LINESTRING(3 3, 4 4, 5 5)' ), geom_from_wkt( 'LINESTRING(3 3, 4 4)' ) ) )` → ‚LINESTRING(3 3, 4 4)‘ • `geom_to_wkt( intersection( geom_from_wkt( 'LINESTRING(3 3, 4 4, 5 5)' ), geom_from_wkt( 'MULTIPOINT(3.5 3.5, 4 5)' ) ) )` → ‚POINT(3.5 3.5)‘

Further reading: *Intersection* algorithm

intersects

Tests whether a geometry intersects another. Returns true if the geometries spatially intersect (share any portion of space) and false if they do not.

Syntax	intersects(geometry1, geometry2)
Arguments	• **geometry1** - a geometry • **geometry2** - a geometry
Beispiele	• `intersects( geom_from_wkt( 'POINT(4 4)' ), geom_from_wkt( 'LINESTRING(3 3, 4 4, 5 5)' ) )` → true • `intersects( geom_from_wkt( 'POINT(4 5)' ), geom_from_wkt( 'POINT(5 5)' ) )` → false

Further reading: *overlay_intersects*

intersects_bbox

Tests whether a geometry's bounding box overlaps another geometry's bounding box. Returns true if the geometries spatially intersect the bounding box defined and false if they do not.

Syntax	intersects_bbox(geometry1, geometry2)
Arguments	• **geometry1** - a geometry • **geometry2** - a geometry
Beispiele	• `intersects_bbox( geom_from_wkt( 'POINT(4 5)' ), geom_from_wkt( 'LINESTRING(3 3, 4 4, 5 5)' ) )` → true • `intersects_bbox( geom_from_wkt( 'POINT(6 5)' ), geom_from_wkt( 'POLYGON((3 3, 4 4, 5 5, 3 3))' ) )` → false

is_closed

Returns true if a line string is closed (start and end points are coincident), or false if a line string is not closed. If the geometry is not a line string then the result will be NULL.

Syntax	is_closed(geometry)
Arguments	• **geometry** - a line string geometry
Beispiele	• `is_closed(geom_from_wkt('LINESTRING(0 0, 1 1, 2 2)'))` → false • `is_closed(geom_from_wkt('LINESTRING(0 0, 1 1, 2 2, 0 0)'))` → true

is_empty

Returns true if a geometry is empty (without coordinates), false if the geometry is not empty and NULL if there is no geometry. See also is_empty_or_null.

Syntax	is_empty(geometry)
Arguments	• **geometry** - a geometry
Beispiele	• `is_empty(geom_from_wkt('LINESTRING(0 0, 1 1, 2 2)'))` → false • `is_empty(geom_from_wkt('LINESTRING EMPTY'))` → true • `is_empty(geom_from_wkt('POINT(7 4)'))` → false • `is_empty(geom_from_wkt('POINT EMPTY'))` → true

is_empty_or_null

Returns true if a geometry is NULL or empty (without coordinates) or false otherwise. This function is like the expression ‚$geometry IS NULL or is_empty($geometry)‘

Syntax	is_empty_or_null(geometry)
Arguments	• **geometry** - a geometry
Beispiele	• `is_empty_or_null(NULL)` → true • `is_empty_or_null(geom_from_wkt('LINESTRING(0 0, 1 1, 2 2)'))` → false • `is_empty_or_null(geom_from_wkt('LINESTRING EMPTY'))` → true • `is_empty_or_null(geom_from_wkt('POINT(7 4)'))` → false • `is_empty_or_null(geom_from_wkt('POINT EMPTY'))` → true

is_multipart

Returns true if the geometry is of Multi type.

Syntax	is_multipart(geometry)
Arguments	• **geometry** - a geometry
Beispiele	• `is_multipart(geom_from_wkt('MULTIPOINT ((0 0),(1 1),(2 2))'))` → true • `is_multipart(geom_from_wkt('POINT (0 0)'))` → false

is_valid

Returns true if a geometry is valid; if it is well-formed in 2D according to the OGC rules.

Syntax	is_valid(geometry)
Arguments	• **geometry** - a geometry
Beispiele	• `is_valid(geom_from_wkt('LINESTRING(0 0, 1 1, 2 2, 0 0)'))` → true • `is_valid(geom_from_wkt('LINESTRING(0 0)'))` → false

$length

Returns the length of a linestring. If you need the length of a border of a polygon, use $perimeter instead. The length calculated by this function respects both the current project's ellipsoid setting and distance unit settings. For example, if an ellipsoid has been set for the project then the calculated length will be ellipsoidal, and if no ellipsoid is set then the calculated length will be planimetric.

Syntax	$length
Beispiele	• `$length` → 42.4711

length

Returns the number of characters in a string or the length of a geometry linestring.

String variant

Returns the number of characters in a string.

Syntax	length(string)
Arguments	• **string** - string to count length of
Beispiele	• `length('hello')` → 5

Geometry variant

Calculate the length of a geometry line object. Calculations are always planimetric in the Spatial Reference System (SRS) of this geometry, and the units of the returned length will match the units for the SRS. This differs from the calculations performed by the $length function, which will perform ellipsoidal calculations based on the project's ellipsoid and distance unit settings.

Syntax	length(geometry)
Arguments	• **geometry** - line geometry object
Beispiele	• `length(geom_from_wkt('LINESTRING(0 0, 4 0)'))` → 4.0

Further reading: *straight_distance_2d*

length3D

Calculates the 3D length of a geometry line object. If the geometry is not a 3D line object, it returns its 2D length. Calculations are always planimetric in the Spatial Reference System (SRS) of this geometry, and the units of the returned length will match the units for the SRS. This differs from the calculations performed by the $length function, which will perform ellipsoidal calculations based on the project's ellipsoid and distance unit settings.

Syntax	length3D(geometry)
Arguments	• **geometry** - line geometry object
Beispiele	• `length3D(geom_from_wkt('LINESTRINGZ(0 0 0, 3 0 4)'))` → 5.0

line_interpolate_angle

Liefert den Winkel parallel zu einer Liniengeometrie für eine vorgebenen Strecke entlang der Linie. Die Winkelangabe erfolgt in Grad im Uhrzeigersinn von Nord ausgehend.

Syntax	line_interpolate_angle(geometry, distance)
Arguments	• **geometry** - a linestring geometry • **distance** - distance along line to interpolate angle at
Beispiele	• `line_interpolate_angle(geometry:=geom_from_wkt('LineString(0 0, 10 0)'),distance:=5)` → 90.0

line_interpolate_point

Returns the point interpolated by a specified distance along a linestring geometry.

Syntax	line_interpolate_point(geometry, distance)
Arguments	• **geometry** - a linestring geometry • **distance** - distance along line to interpolate
Beispiele	• `geom_to_wkt(line_interpolate_point(geometry:=geom_from_wkt('LineString(0 0, 10 0)'),distance:=5))` → ‚Point (5 0)‘

Further reading: *Interpolate point on line* algorithm

line_locate_point

Liefert den Abstand des nächsten Punktes auf einer Linie zu einem gegebenen Punkt.

Syntax	line_locate_point(geometry, point)
Arguments	• **geometry** - a linestring geometry • **point** - point geometry to locate closest position on linestring to
Beispiele	• `line_locate_point(geometry:=geom_from_wkt('LineString(0 0, 10 0)'),point:=geom_from_wkt('Point(5 0)'))` → 5.0

line_merge

Returns a LineString or MultiLineString geometry, where any connected LineStrings from the input geometry have been merged into a single linestring. This function will return NULL if passed a geometry which is not a LineString/MultiLineString.

Syntax	line_merge(geometry)
Arguments	• **geometry** - a LineString/MultiLineString geometry
Beispiele	• `geom_to_wkt(line_merge(geom_from_wkt('MULTILINESTRING((0 0, 1 1),(1 1, 2 2))')))` → ‚LineString(0 0,1 1,2 2)‘ • `geom_to_wkt(line_merge(geom_from_wkt('MULTILINESTRING((0 0, 1 1),(11 1, 21 2))')))` → ‚MultiLineString((0 0, 1 1),(11 1, 21 2)‘

line_substring

Returns the portion of a line (or curve) geometry which falls between the specified start and end distances (measured from the beginning of the line). Z and M values are linearly interpolated from existing values.

Syntax	line_substring(geometry, start_distance, end_distance)
Arguments	• **geometry** - a linestring or curve geometry • **start_distance** - distance to start of substring • **end_distance** - distance to end of substring
Beispiele	• `geom_to_wkt(line_substring(geometry:=geom_from_wkt('LineString(0 0, 10 0)'),start_distance:=2,end_distance:=6))` → ‚LineString (2 0,6 0)‘

Further reading: *Line substring* algorithm

m

Returns the m value of a point geometry.

Syntax	m(geometry)
Arguments	• **geometry** - a point geometry
Beispiele	• `m( geom_from_wkt( 'POINTM(2 5 4)' ) )` → 4

m_max

Returns the maximum m (measure) value of a geometry.

Syntax	m_max(geometry)
Arguments	• **geometry** - a geometry containing m values
Beispiele	• `m_max( make_point_m( 0,0,1 ) )` → 1 • `m_max(make_line( make_point_m( 0,0,1 ), make_point_m( -1, -1,2 ), make_point_m( -2,-2,0 ) ) )` → 2

m_min

Returns the minimum m (measure) value of a geometry.

Syntax	m_min(geometry)
Arguments	• **geometry** - a geometry containing m values
Beispiele	• `m_min( make_point_m( 0,0,1 ) )` → 1 • `m_min(make_line( make_point_m( 0,0,1 ), make_point_m( -1, -1,2 ), make_point_m( -2,-2,0 ) ) )` → 0

main_angle

Returns the angle of the long axis (clockwise, in degrees from North) of the oriented minimal bounding rectangle, which completely covers the geometry.

Syntax	main_angle(geometry)
Arguments	• **geometry** - a geometry
Beispiele	• `main_angle(geom_from_wkt('Polygon ((321577 129614, 321581 129618, 321585 129615, 321581 129610, 321577 129614))'))` → 38.66

make_circle

Creates a circular polygon.

Syntax	make_circle(center, radius, [segments=36]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **center** - center point of the circle • **radius** - radius of the circle • **segments** - optional argument for polygon segmentation. By default this value is 36
Beispiele	• `geom_to_wkt(make_circle(make_point(10,10), 5, 4))` → ‚Polygon ((10 15, 15 10, 10 5, 5 10, 10 15))‘ • `geom_to_wkt(make_circle(make_point(10,10,5), 5, 4))` → ‚PolygonZ ((10 15 5, 15 10 5, 10 5 5, 5 10 5, 10 15 5))‘ • `geom_to_wkt(make_circle(make_point(10,10,5,30), 5, 4))` → ‚PolygonZM ((10 15 5 30, 15 10 5 30, 10 5 5 30, 5 10 5 30, 10 15 5 30))‘

make_ellipse

Creates an elliptical polygon.

Syntax	make_ellipse(center, semi_major_axis, semi_minor_axis, azimuth, [segments=36]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **center** - center point of the ellipse • **semi_major_axis** - semi-major axis of the ellipse • **semi_minor_axis** - semi-minor axis of the ellipse • **azimuth** - orientation of the ellipse • **segments** - optional argument for polygon segmentation. By default this value is 36
Beispiele	• `geom_to_wkt(make_ellipse(make_point(10,10), 5, 2, 90, 4))` → ‚Polygon ((15 10, 10 8, 5 10, 10 12, 15 10))‘ • `geom_to_wkt(make_ellipse(make_point(10,10,5), 5, 2, 90, 4))` → ‚PolygonZ ((15 10 5, 10 8 5, 5 10 5, 10 12 5, 15 10 5))‘ • `geom_to_wkt(make_ellipse(make_point(10,10,5,30), 5, 2, 90, 4))` → ‚PolygonZM ((15 10 5 30, 10 8 5 30, 5 10 5 30, 10 12 5 30, 15 10 5 30))‘

make_line

Creates a line geometry from a series of point geometries.

List of arguments variant

Line vertices are specified as separate arguments to the function.

Syntax	make_line(point1, point2, …)
Arguments	• **point** - a point geometry (or array of points)
Beispiele	• `geom_to_wkt(make_line(make_point(2,4),make_point(3,5)))` → ‚LineString (2 4, 3 5)‘ • `geom_to_wkt(make_line(make_point(2,4),make_point(3,5), make_point(9,7)))` → ‚LineString (2 4, 3 5, 9 7)‘

Array variant

Line vertices are specified as an array of points.

Syntax	make_line(array)
Arguments	• **array** - array of points
Beispiele	• `geom_to_wkt(make_line(array(make_point(2,4),make_point(3, 5),make_point(9,7))))` → ‚LineString (2 4, 3 5, 9 7)‘

make_point

Creates a point geometry from an x and y (and optional z and m) value.

Syntax	make_point(x, y, [z], [m]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **x** - x coordinate of point • **y** - y coordinate of point • **z** - optional z coordinate of point • **m** - optional m value of point
Beispiele	• `geom_to_wkt(make_point(2,4))` → ‚Point (2 4)‘ • `geom_to_wkt(make_point(2,4,6))` → ‚PointZ (2 4 6)‘ • `geom_to_wkt(make_point(2,4,6,8))` → ‚PointZM (2 4 6 8)‘

make_point_m

Creates a point geometry from an x, y coordinate and m value.

Syntax	make_point_m(x, y, m)
Arguments	• **x** - x coordinate of point • **y** - y coordinate of point • **m** - m value of point
Beispiele	• `geom_to_wkt(make_point_m(2,4,6))` → ‚PointM (2 4 6)‘

make_polygon

Creates a polygon geometry from an outer ring and optional series of inner ring geometries.

Syntax	make_polygon(outerRing, [innerRing1], [innerRing2], …) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **outerRing** - closed line geometry for polygon's outer ring • **innerRing** - optional closed line geometry for inner ring
Beispiele	• `geom_to_wkt(make_polygon(geom_from_wkt('LINESTRING( 0 0, 0 1, 1 1, 1 0, 0 0 )')))` → ‚Polygon ((0 0, 0 1, 1 1, 1 0, 0 0))' • `geom_to_wkt(make_polygon(geom_from_wkt('LINESTRING( 0 0, 0 1, 1 1, 1 0, 0 0 )'),geom_from_wkt('LINESTRING( 0.1 0.1, 0.1 0.2, 0.2 0.2, 0.2 0.1, 0.1 0.1 )'), geom_from_wkt('LINESTRING( 0.8 0.8, 0.8 0.9, 0.9 0.9, 0.9 0.8, 0.8 0.8 )')))` → ‚Polygon ((0 0, 0 1, 1 1, 1 0, 0 0),(0.1 0.1, 0.1 0.2, 0.2 0.2, 0.2 0.1, 0.1 0.1),(0.8 0.8, 0.8 0.9, 0.9 0.9, 0.9 0.8, 0.8 0.8))'

make_rectangle_3points

Creates a rectangle from 3 points.

Syntax	make_rectangle_3points(point1, point2, point3, [option=0]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **point1** - First point. • **point2** - Second point. • **point3** - Third point. • **option** - An optional argument to construct the rectangle. By default this value is 0. Value can be 0 (distance) or 1 (projected). Option distance: Second distance is equal to the distance between 2nd and 3rd point. Option projected: Second distance is equal to the distance of the perpendicular projection of the 3rd point on the segment or its extension.
Beispiele	• `geom_to_wkt(make_rectangle_3points(make_point(0, 0), make_point(0,5), make_point(5, 5), 0))` → ‚Polygon ((0 0, 0 5, 5 5, 5 0, 0 0))' • `geom_to_wkt(make_rectangle_3points(make_point(0, 0), make_point(0,5), make_point(5, 3), 1))` → ‚Polygon ((0 0, 0 5, 5 5, 5 0, 0 0))'

make_regular_polygon

Creates a regular polygon.

Syntax	make_regular_polygon(center, radius, number_sides, [circle=0]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **center** - center of the regular polygon • **radius** - second point. The first if the regular polygon is inscribed. The midpoint of the first side if the regular polygon is circumscribed. • **number_sides** - Number of sides/edges of the regular polygon • **circle** - Optional argument to construct the regular polygon. By default this value is 0. Value can be 0 (inscribed) or 1 (circumscribed)
Beispiele	• `geom_to_wkt(make_regular_polygon(make_point(0,0), make_point(0,5), 5))` → ‚Polygon ((0 5, 4.76 1.55, 2.94 -4.05, -2.94 -4.05, -4.76 1.55, 0 5))‘ • `geom_to_wkt(make_regular_polygon(make_point(0,0), project(make_point(0,0), 4.0451, radians(36)), 5))` → ‚Polygon ((0 5, 4.76 1.55, 2.94 -4.05, -2.94 -4.05, -4.76 1.55, 0 5))‘

make_square

Creates a square from a diagonal.

Syntax	make_square(point1, point2)
Arguments	• **point1** - First point of the diagonal • **point2** - Last point of the diagonal
Beispiele	• `geom_to_wkt(make_square( make_point(0,0), make_point(5, 5)))` → ‚Polygon ((0 0, -0 5, 5 5, 5 0, 0 0))‘ • `geom_to_wkt(make_square( make_point(5,0), make_point(5, 5)))` → ‚Polygon ((5 0, 2.5 2.5, 5 5, 7.5 2.5, 5 0))‘

make_triangle

Creates a triangle polygon.

Syntax	make_triangle(point1, point2, point3)
Arguments	• **point1** - first point of the triangle • **point2** - second point of the triangle • **point3** - third point of the triangle
Beispiele	• `geom_to_wkt(make_triangle(make_point(0,0), make_point(5, 5), make_point(0,10)))` → ‚Triangle ((0 0, 5 5, 0 10, 0 0))‘ • `geom_to_wkt(boundary(make_triangle(make_point(0,0), make_point(5,5), make_point(0,10))))` → ‚LineString (0 0, 5 5, 0 10, 0 0)‘

minimal_circle

Returns the minimal enclosing circle of a geometry. It represents the minimum circle that encloses all geometries within the set.

Syntax	minimal_circle(geometry, [segments=36]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **geometry** - a geometry • **segments** - optional argument for polygon segmentation. By default this value is 36
Beispiele	• `geom_to_wkt( minimal_circle( geom_from_wkt( 'LINESTRING(0 5, 0 -5, 2 1)' ), 4 ) )` → ‚Polygon ((0 5, 5 -0, -0 -5, -5 0, 0 5))‘ • `geom_to_wkt( minimal_circle( geom_from_wkt( 'MULTIPOINT(1 2, 3 4, 3 2)' ), 4 ) )` → ‚Polygon ((3 4, 3 2, 1 2, 1 4, 3 4))‘

Further reading: *Minimum enclosing circles* algorithm

nodes_to_points

Returns a multipoint geometry consisting of every node in the input geometry.

Syntax	nodes_to_points(geometry, [ignore_closing_nodes=false]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **geometry** - geometry object • **ignore_closing_nodes** - optional argument specifying whether to include duplicate nodes which close lines or polygons rings. Defaults to false, set to true to avoid including these duplicate nodes in the output collection.
Beispiele	• `geom_to_wkt(nodes_to_points(geom_from_wkt('LINESTRING(0 0, 1 1, 2 2)')))` → ‚MultiPoint ((0 0),(1 1),(2 2))‘ • `geom_to_wkt(nodes_to_points(geom_from_wkt('POLYGON((-1 -1, 4 0, 4 2, 0 2, -1 -1))'),true))` → ‚MultiPoint ((-1 -1),(4 0),(4 2),(0 2))‘

Further reading: *Extract vertices* algorithm

num_geometries

Returns the number of geometries in a geometry collection, or NULL if the input geometry is not a collection.

Syntax	num_geometries(geometry)
Arguments	• **geometry** - geometry collection
Beispiele	• `num_geometries(geom_from_wkt('GEOMETRYCOLLECTION(POINT(0 1), POINT(0 0), POINT(1 0), POINT(1 1))'))` → 4

num_interior_rings

Returns the number of interior rings in a polygon or geometry collection, or NULL if the input geometry is not a polygon or collection.

Syntax	num_interior_rings(geometry)
Arguments	• **geometry** - input geometry
Beispiele	• `num_interior_rings(geom_from_wkt('POLYGON((-1 -1, 4 0, 4 2, 0 2, -1 -1),(-0.1 -0.1, 0.4 0, 0.4 0.2, 0 0.2, -0.1 -0.1))'))` → 1

num_points

Returns the number of vertices in a geometry.

Syntax	num_points(geometry)
Arguments	• **geometry** - a geometry
Beispiele	• `num_points($geometry)` → number of vertices in the current feature's geometry

num_rings

Returns the number of rings (including exterior rings) in a polygon or geometry collection, or NULL if the input geometry is not a polygon or collection.

Syntax	num_rings(geometry)
Arguments	• **geometry** - input geometry
Beispiele	• `num_rings(geom_from_wkt('POLYGON((-1 -1, 4 0, 4 2, 0 2, -1 -1),(-0.1 -0.1, 0.4 0, 0.4 0.2, 0 0.2, -0.1 -0.1))'))` → 2

offset_curve

Returns a geometry formed by offsetting a linestring geometry to the side. Distances are in the Spatial Reference System of this geometry.

Syntax	offset_curve(geometry, distance, [segments=8], [join=1], [miter_limit=2.0]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **geometry** - a (multi)linestring geometry • **distance** - offset distance. Positive values will be buffered to the left of lines, negative values to the right • **segments** - number of segments to use to represent a quarter circle when a round join style is used. A larger number results in a smoother line with more nodes. • **join** - join style for corners, where 1 = round, 2 = miter and 3 = bevel • **miter_limit** - limit on the miter ratio used for very sharp corners (when using miter joins only)
Beispiele	• `offset_curve($geometry, 10.5)` → line offset to the left by 10.5 units • `offset_curve($geometry, -10.5)` → line offset to the right by 10.5 units • `offset_curve($geometry, 10.5, segments:=16, join:=1)` → line offset to the left by 10.5 units, using more segments to result in a smoother curve • `offset_curve($geometry, 10.5, join:=3)` → line offset to the left by 10.5 units, using a beveled join

Further reading: *Offset lines* algorithm

order_parts

Sortiert die Teile eine Multigeometrie nach gegebenem Kriterium

Syntax	order_parts(geometry, orderby, [ascending=true]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **geometry** - a multi-type geometry • **orderby** - an expression string defining the order criteria • **ascending** - boolean, True for ascending, False for descending
Beispiele	• `geom_to_wkt(order_parts(geom_from_wkt('MultiPolygon (((1 1, 5 1, 5 5, 1 5, 1 1)),((1 1, 9 1, 9 9, 1 9, 1 1)))'), 'area($geometry)', False))` → ‚MultiPolygon (((1 1, 9 1, 9 9, 1 9, 1 1)),((1 1, 5 1, 5 5, 1 5, 1 1)))‘ • `geom_to_wkt(order_parts(geom_from_wkt('LineString(1 2, 3 2, 4 3)'), '1', True))` → ‚LineString(1 2, 3 2, 4 3)‘

oriented_bbox

Returns a geometry which represents the minimal oriented bounding box of an input geometry.

Syntax	oriented_bbox(geometry)
Arguments	• **geometry** - a geometry
Beispiele	• `geom_to_wkt( oriented_bbox( geom_from_wkt( 'MULTIPOINT(1 2, 3 4, 3 2)' ) ) )` → ‚Polygon ((3 2, 3 4, 1 4, 1 2, 3 2))‘

Further reading: *Oriented minimum bounding box* algorithm

overlaps

Tests whether a geometry overlaps another. Returns true if the geometries share space, are of the same dimension, but are not completely contained by each other.

Syntax	overlaps(geometry1, geometry2)
Arguments	• **geometry1** - a geometry • **geometry2** - a geometry
Beispiele	• `overlaps( geom_from_wkt( 'LINESTRING(3 5, 4 4, 5 5, 5 3)' ), geom_from_wkt( 'LINESTRING(3 3, 4 4, 5 5)' ) )` → true • `overlaps( geom_from_wkt( 'LINESTRING(0 0, 1 1)' ), geom_from_wkt( 'LINESTRING(3 3, 4 4, 5 5)' ) )` → false

overlay_contains

Returns whether the current feature spatially contains at least one feature from a target layer, or an array of expression-based results for the features in the target layer contained in the current feature.

Read more on the underlying GEOS „Contains“ predicate, as described in PostGIS ST_Contains function.

Syntax	overlay_contains(layer, [expression], [filter], [limit], [cache=false]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **layer** - the layer whose overlay is checked • **expression** - an optional expression to evaluate on the features from the target layer. If not set, the function will just return a boolean indicating whether there is at least one match. • **filter** - an optional expression to filter the target features to check. If not set, all the features will be checked. • **limit** - an optional integer to limit the number of matching features. If not set, all the matching features will be returned. • **cache** - set this to true to build a local spatial index (most of the time, this is unwanted, unless you are working with a particularly slow data provider)
Beispiele	• `overlay_contains('regions')` → true if the current feature spatially contains a region • `overlay_contains('regions', filter:= population > 10000)` → true if the current feature spatially contains a region with a population greater than 10000 • `overlay_contains('regions', name)` → an array of names, for the regions contained in the current feature • `array_to_string(overlay_contains('regions', name))` → a string as a comma separated list of names, for the regions contained in the current feature • `array_sort(overlay_contains(layer:='regions', expression:="name", filter:= population > 10000))` → an ordered array of names, for the regions contained in the current feature and with a population greater than 10000 • `overlay_contains(layer:='regions', expression:= geom_to_wkt($geometry), limit:=2)` → an array of geometries (in WKT), for up to two regions contained in the current feature

Further reading: *contains*, *array manipulation*, *Auswahl nach der Lage* algorithm

overlay_crosses

Returns whether the current feature spatially crosses at least one feature from a target layer, or an array of expression-based results for the features in the target layer crossed by the current feature.

Read more on the underlying GEOS „Crosses“ predicate, as described in PostGIS ST_Crosses function.

Syntax	overlay_crosses(layer, [expression], [filter], [limit], [cache=false]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **layer** - the layer whose overlay is checked • **expression** - an optional expression to evaluate on the features from the target layer. If not set, the function will just return a boolean indicating whether there is at least one match. • **filter** - an optional expression to filter the target features to check. If not set, all the features will be checked. • **limit** - an optional integer to limit the number of matching features. If not set, all the matching features will be returned. • **cache** - set this to true to build a local spatial index (most of the time, this is unwanted, unless you are working with a particularly slow data provider)
Beispiele	• `overlay_crosses('regions')` → true if the current feature spatially crosses a region • `overlay_crosses('regions', filter:= population > 10000)` → true if the current feature spatially crosses a region with a population greater than 10000 • `overlay_crosses('regions', name)` → an array of names, for the regions crossed by the current feature • `array_to_string(overlay_crosses('regions', name))` → a string as a comma separated list of names, for the regions crossed by the current feature • `array_sort(overlay_crosses(layer:='regions', expression:="name", filter:= population > 10000))` → an ordered array of names, for the regions crossed by the current feature and with a population greater than 10000 • `overlay_crosses(layer:='regions', expression:= geom_to_wkt($geometry), limit:=2)` → an array of geometries (in WKT), for up to two regions crossed by the current feature

Further reading: *crosses*, *array manipulation*, *Auswahl nach der Lage* algorithm

overlay_disjoint

Returns whether the current feature is spatially disjoint from all the features of a target layer, or an array of expression-based results for the features in the target layer that are disjoint from the current feature.

Read more on the underlying GEOS „Disjoint“ predicate, as described in PostGIS ST_Disjoint function.

Syntax	overlay_disjoint(layer, [expression], [filter], [limit], [cache=false]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **layer** - the layer whose overlay is checked • **expression** - an optional expression to evaluate on the features from the target layer. If not set, the function will just return a boolean indicating whether there is at least one match. • **filter** - an optional expression to filter the target features to check. If not set, all the features will be checked. • **limit** - an optional integer to limit the number of matching features. If not set, all the matching features will be returned. • **cache** - set this to true to build a local spatial index (most of the time, this is unwanted, unless you are working with a particularly slow data provider)
Beispiele	• `overlay_disjoint('regions')` → true if the current feature is spatially disjoint from all the regions • `overlay_disjoint('regions', filter:= population > 10000)` → true if the current feature is spatially disjoint from all the regions with a population greater than 10000 • `overlay_disjoint('regions', name)` → an array of names, for the regions spatially disjoint from the current feature • `array_to_string(overlay_disjoint('regions', name))` → a string as a comma separated list of names, for the regions spatially disjoint from the current feature • `array_sort(overlay_disjoint(layer:='regions', expression:="name", filter:= population > 10000))` → an ordered array of names, for the regions spatially disjoint from the current feature and with a population greater than 10000 • `overlay_disjoint(layer:='regions', expression:= geom_to_wkt($geometry), limit:=2)` → an array of geometries (in WKT), for up to two regions spatially disjoint from the current feature

Further reading: *disjoint*, *array manipulation*, *Auswahl nach der Lage* algorithm

overlay_equals

Returns whether the current feature spatially equals to at least one feature from a target layer, or an array of expression-based results for the features in the target layer that are spatially equal to the current feature.

Read more on the underlying GEOS „Equals“ predicate, as described in PostGIS ST_Equals function.

Syntax	overlay_equals(layer, [expression], [filter], [limit], [cache=false]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **layer** - the layer whose overlay is checked • **expression** - an optional expression to evaluate on the features from the target layer. If not set, the function will just return a boolean indicating whether there is at least one match. • **filter** - an optional expression to filter the target features to check. If not set, all the features will be checked. • **limit** - an optional integer to limit the number of matching features. If not set, all the matching features will be returned. • **cache** - set this to true to build a local spatial index (most of the time, this is unwanted, unless you are working with a particularly slow data provider)
Beispiele	• `overlay_equals('regions')` → true if the current feature is spatially equal to a region • `overlay_equals('regions', filter:= population > 10000)` → true if the current feature is spatially equal to a region with a population greater than 10000 • `overlay_equals('regions', name)` → an array of names, for the regions spatially equal to the current feature • `array_to_string(overlay_equals('regions', name))` → a string as a comma separated list of names, for the regions spatially equal to the current feature • `array_sort(overlay_equals(layer:='regions', expression:="name", filter:= population > 10000))` → an ordered array of names, for the regions spatially equal to the current feature and with a population greater than 10000 • `overlay_equals(layer:='regions', expression:= geom_to_wkt($geometry), limit:=2)` → an array of geometries (in WKT), for up to two regions spatially equal to the current feature

Further reading: *array manipulation*, *Auswahl nach der Lage* algorithm

overlay_intersects

Returns whether the current feature spatially intersects at least one feature from a target layer, or an array of expression-based results for the features in the target layer intersected by the current feature.

Read more on the underlying GEOS „Intersects“ predicate, as described in PostGIS ST_Intersects function.

Syntax	overlay_intersects(layer, [expression], [filter], [limit], [cache=false]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **layer** - the layer whose overlay is checked • **expression** - an optional expression to evaluate on the features from the target layer. If not set, the function will just return a boolean indicating whether there is at least one match. • **filter** - an optional expression to filter the target features to check. If not set, all the features will be checked. • **limit** - an optional integer to limit the number of matching features. If not set, all the matching features will be returned. • **cache** - set this to true to build a local spatial index (most of the time, this is unwanted, unless you are working with a particularly slow data provider)
Beispiele	• `overlay_intersects('regions')` → true if the current feature spatially intersects a region • `overlay_intersects('regions', filter:= population > 10000)` → true if the current feature spatially intersects a region with a population greater than 10000 • `overlay_intersects('regions', name)` → an array of names, for the regions intersected by the current feature • `array_to_string(overlay_intersects('regions', name))` → a string as a comma separated list of names, for the regions intersected by the current feature • `array_sort(overlay_intersects(layer:='regions', expression:="name", filter:= population > 10000))` → an ordered array of names, for the regions intersected by the current feature and with a population greater than 10000 • `overlay_intersects(layer:='regions', expression:= geom_to_wkt($geometry), limit:=2)` → an array of geometries (in WKT), for up to two regions intersected by the current feature

Further reading: *intersects*, *array manipulation*, *Auswahl nach der Lage* algorithm

overlay_nearest

Returns whether the current feature has feature(s) from a target layer within a given distance, or an array of expression-based results for the features in the target layer within a distance from the current feature.

Note: This function can be slow and consume a lot of memory for large layers.

Syntax	overlay_nearest(layer, [expression], [filter], [limit=1], [max_distance], [cache=false]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **layer** - the target layer • **expression** - an optional expression to evaluate on the features from the target layer. If not set, the function will just return a boolean indicating whether there is at least one match. • **filter** - an optional expression to filter the target features to check. If not set, all the features in the target layer will be used. • **limit** - an optional integer to limit the number of matching features. If not set, only the nearest feature will be returned. If set to -1, returns all the matching features. • **max_distance** - an optional distance to limit the search of matching features. If not set, all the features in the target layer will be used. • **cache** - set this to true to build a local spatial index (most of the time, this is unwanted, unless you are working with a particularly slow data provider)
Beispiele	• `overlay_nearest('airports')` → true if the „airports“ layer has at least one feature • `overlay_nearest('airports', max_distance:= 5000)` → true if there is an airport within a distance of 5000 map units from the current feature • `overlay_nearest('airports', name)` → the name of the closest airport to the current feature, as an array • `array_to_string(overlay_nearest('airports', name))` → the name of the closest airport to the current feature, as a string • `overlay_nearest(layer:='airports', expression:= name, max_distance:= 5000)` → the name of the closest airport within a distance of 5000 map units from the current feature, as an array • `overlay_nearest(layer:='airports', expression:="name", filter:= "Use"='Civilian', limit:=3)` → an array of names, for up to the three closest civilian airports ordered by distance • `overlay_nearest(layer:='airports', expression:="name", limit:= -1, max_distance:= 5000)` → an array of names, for all the airports within a distance of 5000 map units from the current feature, ordered by distance

Further reading: *array manipulation*, *Join attributes by nearest* algorithm

overlay_touches

Returns whether the current feature spatially touches at least one feature from a target layer, or an array of expression-based results for the features in the target layer touched by the current feature.

Read more on the underlying GEOS „Touches“ predicate, as described in PostGIS ST_Touches function.

Syntax	overlay_touches(layer, [expression], [filter], [limit], [cache=false]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **layer** - the layer whose overlay is checked • **expression** - an optional expression to evaluate on the features from the target layer. If not set, the function will just return a boolean indicating whether there is at least one match. • **filter** - an optional expression to filter the target features to check. If not set, all the features will be checked. • **limit** - an optional integer to limit the number of matching features. If not set, all the matching features will be returned. • **cache** - set this to true to build a local spatial index (most of the time, this is unwanted, unless you are working with a particularly slow data provider)
Beispiele	• `overlay_touches('regions')` → true if the current feature spatially touches a region • `overlay_touches('regions', filter:= population > 10000)` → true if the current feature spatially touches a region with a population greater than 10000 • `overlay_touches('regions', name)` → an array of names, for the regions touched by the current feature • `string_to_array(overlay_touches('regions', name))` → a string as a comma separated list of names, for the regions touched by the current feature • `array_sort(overlay_touches(layer:='regions', expression:="name", filter:= population > 10000))` → an ordered array of names, for the regions touched by the current feature and with a population greater than 10000 • `overlay_touches(layer:='regions', expression:= geom_to_wkt($geometry), limit:=2)` → an array of geometries (in WKT), for up to two regions touched by the current feature

Further reading: *touches*, *array manipulation*, *Auswahl nach der Lage* algorithm

overlay_within

Returns whether the current feature is spatially within at least one feature from a target layer, or an array of expression-based results for the features in the target layer that contain the current feature.

Read more on the underlying GEOS „Within“ predicate, as described in PostGIS ST_Within function.

Syntax	overlay_within(layer, [expression], [filter], [limit], [cache=false]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **layer** - the layer whose overlay is checked • **expression** - an optional expression to evaluate on the features from the target layer. If not set, the function will just return a boolean indicating whether there is at least one match. • **filter** - an optional expression to filter the target features to check. If not set, all the features will be checked. • **limit** - an optional integer to limit the number of matching features. If not set, all the matching features will be returned. • **cache** - set this to true to build a local spatial index (most of the time, this is unwanted, unless you are working with a particularly slow data provider)
Beispiele	• `overlay_within('regions')` → true if the current feature is spatially within a region • `overlay_within('regions', filter:= population > 10000)` → true if the current feature is spatially within a region with a population greater than 10000 • `overlay_within('regions', name)` → an array of names, for the regions containing the current feature • `array_to_string(overlay_within('regions', name))` → a string as a comma separated list of names, for the regions containing the current feature • `array_sort(overlay_within(layer:='regions', expression:="name", filter:= population > 10000))` → an ordered array of names, for the regions containing the current feature and with a population greater than 10000 • `overlay_within(layer:='regions', expression:= geom_to_wkt($geometry), limit:=2)` → an array of geometries (in WKT), for up to two regions containing the current feature

Further reading: *within*, *array manipulation*, *Auswahl nach der Lage* algorithm

$perimeter

Returns the perimeter length of the current feature. The perimeter calculated by this function respects both the current project's ellipsoid setting and distance unit settings. For example, if an ellipsoid has been set for the project then the calculated perimeter will be ellipsoidal, and if no ellipsoid is set then the calculated perimeter will be planimetric.

Syntax	$perimeter
Beispiele	• `$perimeter` → 42

perimeter

Returns the perimeter of a geometry polygon object. Calculations are always planimetric in the Spatial Reference System (SRS) of this geometry, and the units of the returned perimeter will match the units for the SRS. This differs from the calculations performed by the $perimeter function, which will perform ellipsoidal calculations based on the project's ellipsoid and distance unit settings.

Syntax	perimeter(geometry)
Arguments	• **geometry** - polygon geometry object
Beispiele	• `perimeter(geom_from_wkt('POLYGON((0 0, 4 0, 4 2, 0 2, 0 0))'))` → 12.0

point_n

Returns a specific node from a geometry.

Syntax	point_n(geometry, index)
Arguments	• **geometry** - geometry object • **index** - index of node to return, where 1 is the first node; if the value is negative, the selected vertex index will be its total count minus the absolute value
Beispiele	• `geom_to_wkt(point_n(geom_from_wkt('POLYGON((0 0, 4 0, 4 2, 0 2, 0 0))'),2))` → ‚Point (4 0)‘

Further reading: *Extract specific vertices* algorithm

point_on_surface

Returns a point guaranteed to lie on the surface of a geometry.

Syntax	point_on_surface(geometry)
Arguments	• **geometry** - a geometry
Beispiele	• `point_on_surface($geometry)` → a point geometry

Further reading: *Point on Surface* algorithm

pole_of_inaccessibility

Calculates the approximate pole of inaccessibility for a surface, which is the most distant internal point from the boundary of the surface. This function uses the ‚polylabel‘ algorithm (Vladimir Agafonkin, 2016), which is an iterative approach guaranteed to find the true pole of inaccessibility within a specified tolerance. More precise tolerances require more iterations and will take longer to calculate.

Syntax	pole_of_inaccessibility(geometry, tolerance)
Arguments	• **geometry** - a geometry • **tolerance** - maximum distance between the returned point and the true pole location
Beispiele	• `geom_to_wkt(pole_of_inaccessibility( geom_from_wkt('POLYGON((0 1, 0 9, 3 10, 3 3, 10 3, 10 1, 0 1))'), 0.1))'` → ‚Point(1.546875 2.546875)‘

Further reading: *Pole of inaccessibility* algorithm

project

Returns a point projected from a start point using a distance, a bearing (azimuth) and an elevation in radians.

Syntax	project(point, distance, azimuth, [elevation]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **point** - start point • **distance** - distance to project • **azimuth** - azimuth in radians clockwise, where 0 corresponds to north • **elevation** - angle of inclination in radians
Beispiele	• `geom_to_wkt(project(make_point(1, 2), 3, radians(270)))` → ‚Point(-2, 2)‘

Further reading: *Project points (Cartesian)* algorithm

relate

Tests the Dimensional Extended 9 Intersection Model (DE-9IM) representation of the relationship between two geometries.

Relationship variant

Returns the Dimensional Extended 9 Intersection Model (DE-9IM) representation of the relationship between two geometries.

Syntax	relate(geometry, geometry)
Arguments	• **geometry** - a geometry • **geometry** - a geometry
Beispiele	• `relate( geom_from_wkt( 'LINESTRING(40 40,120 120)' ), geom_from_wkt( 'LINESTRING(40 40,60 120)' ) )` → ‚FF1F00102‘

Pattern match variant

Tests whether the DE-9IM relationship between two geometries matches a specified pattern.

Syntax	relate(geometry, geometry, pattern)
Arguments	• **geometry** - a geometry • **geometry** - a geometry • **pattern** - DE-9IM pattern to match
Beispiele	• `relate( geom_from_wkt( 'LINESTRING(40 40,120 120)' ), geom_from_wkt( 'LINESTRING(40 40,60 120)' ), '**1F001**' )` → True

reverse

Reverses the direction of a line string by reversing the order of its vertices.

Syntax	reverse(geometry)
Arguments	• **geometry** - a geometry
Beispiele	• `geom_to_wkt(reverse(geom_from_wkt('LINESTRING(0 0, 1 1, 2 2)')))` → ‚LINESTRING(2 2, 1 1, 0 0)‘

Further reading: *Reverse line direction* algorithm

rotate

Returns a rotated version of a geometry. Calculations are in the Spatial Reference System of this geometry.

Syntax	rotate(geometry, rotation, [center]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **geometry** - a geometry • **rotation** - clockwise rotation in degrees • **center** - rotation center point. If not specified, the center of the geometry's bounding box is used.
Beispiele	• `rotate($geometry, 45, make_point(4, 5))` → geometry rotated 45 degrees clockwise around the (4, 5) point • `rotate($geometry, 45)` → geometry rotated 45 degrees clockwise around the center of its bounding box

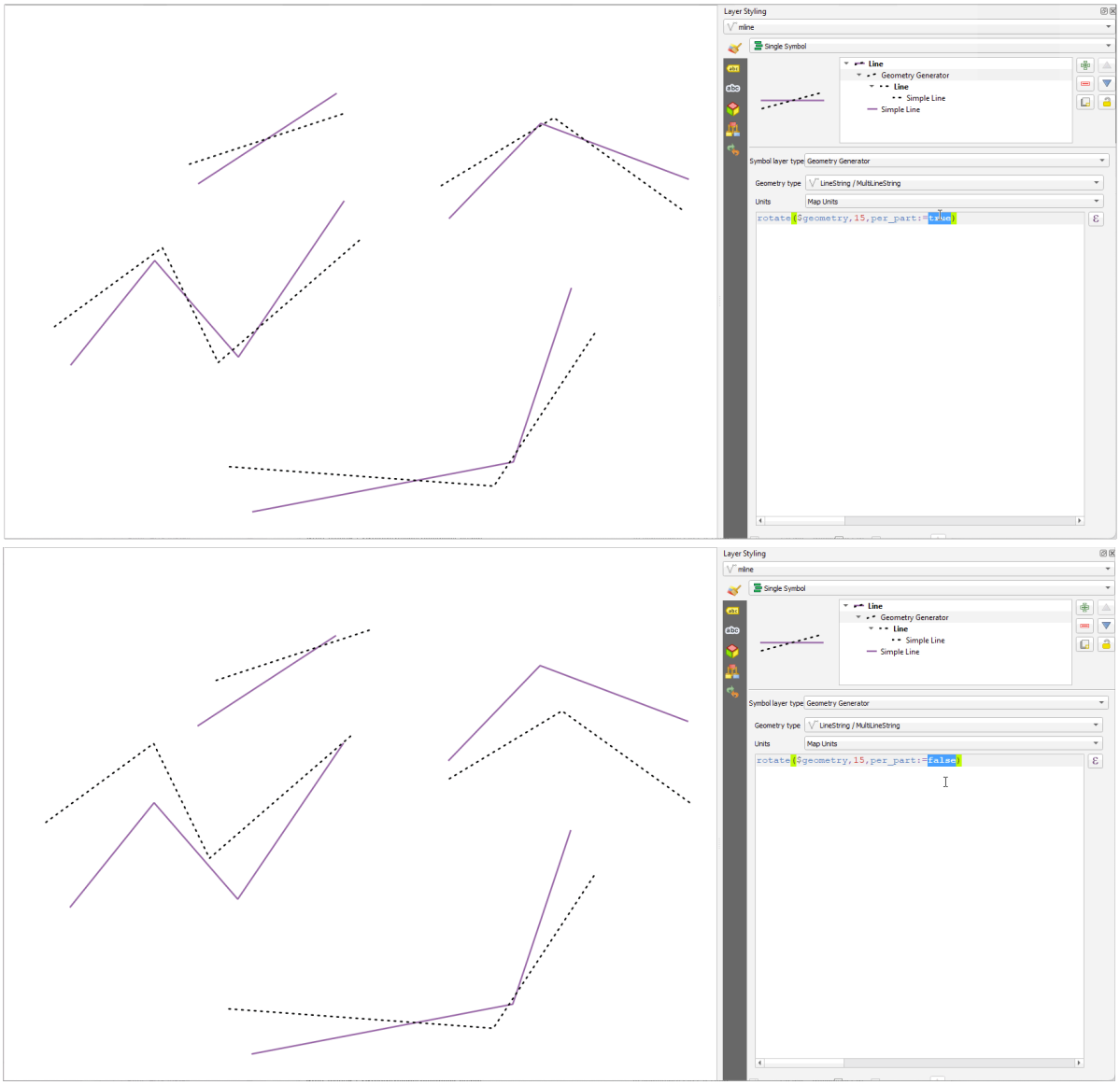


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segments_to_lines

Returns a multi line geometry consisting of a line for every segment in the input geometry.

Syntax	segments_to_lines(geometry)
Arguments	• **geometry** - geometry object
Beispiele	• `geom_to_wkt(segments_to_lines(geom_from_wkt('LINESTRING(0 0, 1 1, 2 2)')))` → ‚MultiLineString ((0 0, 1 1),(1 1, 2 2))‘

Further reading: *Explode lines* algorithm

shortest_line

Returns the shortest line joining geometry1 to geometry2. The resultant line will start at geometry1 and end at geometry2.

Syntax	shortest_line(geometry1, geometry2)
Arguments	• **geometry1** - geometry to find shortest line from • **geometry2** - geometry to find shortest line to
Beispiele	• `geom_to_wkt(shortest_line(geom_from_wkt('LINESTRING (20 80, 98 190, 110 180, 50 75 )'),geom_from_wkt('POINT(100 100)')))` → ‚LineString(73.0769 115.384, 100 100)‘

simplify

Simplifies a geometry by removing nodes using a distance based threshold (ie, the Douglas Peucker algorithm). The algorithm preserves large deviations in geometries and reduces the number of vertices in nearly straight segments.

Syntax	simplify(geometry, tolerance)
Arguments	• **geometry** - a geometry • **tolerance** - maximum deviation from straight segments for points to be removed
Beispiele	• `geom_to_wkt(simplify(geometry:=geom_from_wkt('LineString(0 0, 5 0.1, 10 0)'),tolerance:=5))` → ‚LineString(0 0, 10 0)‘

Further reading: *Simplify* algorithm

simplify_vw

Simplifies a geometry by removing nodes using an area based threshold (ie, the Visvalingam-Whyatt algorithm). The algorithm removes vertices which create small areas in geometries, e.g., narrow spikes or nearly straight segments.

Syntax	simplify_vw(geometry, tolerance)
Arguments	• **geometry** - a geometry • **tolerance** - a measure of the maximum area created by a node for the node to be removed
Beispiele	• `geom_to_wkt(simplify_vw(geometry:=geom_from_wkt('LineString(0 0, 5 0, 5.01 10, 5.02 0, 10 0)'),tolerance:=5))` → ‚LineString(0 0, 10 0)‘

Further reading: *Simplify* algorithm

single_sided_buffer

Returns a geometry formed by buffering out just one side of a linestring geometry. Distances are in the Spatial Reference System of this geometry.

Syntax	single_sided_buffer(geometry, distance, [segments=8], [join=1], [miter_limit=2.0]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **geometry** - a (multi)linestring geometry • **distance** - buffer distance. Positive values will be buffered to the left of lines, negative values to the right • **segments** - number of segments to use to represent a quarter circle when a round join style is used. A larger number results in a smoother buffer with more nodes. • **join** - join style for corners, where 1 = round, 2 = miter and 3 = bevel • **miter_limit** - limit on the miter ratio used for very sharp corners (when using miter joins only)
Beispiele	• `single_sided_buffer($geometry, 10.5)` → line buffered to the left by 10.5 units • `single_sided_buffer($geometry, -10.5)` → line buffered to the right by 10.5 units • `single_sided_buffer($geometry, 10.5, segments:=16, join:=1)` → line buffered to the left by 10.5 units, using more segments to result in a smoother buffer • `single_sided_buffer($geometry, 10.5, join:=3)` → line buffered to the left by 10.5 units, using a beveled join

Further reading: *Single sided buffer* algorithm

sinuosity

Returns the sinuosity of a curve, which is the ratio of the curve length to the straight (2D) distance between its endpoints.

Syntax	sinuosity(geometry)
Arguments	• **geometry** - Input curve (circularstring, linestring)
Beispiele	• `round(sinuosity(geom_from_wkt('LINESTRING(2 0, 2 2, 3 2, 3 3)')), 3)` → 1.265 • `sinuosity(geom_from_wkt('LINESTRING( 3 1, 5 1)'))` → 1.0

smooth

Smooths a geometry by adding extra nodes which round off corners in the geometry. If input geometries contain Z or M values, these will also be smoothed and the output geometry will retain the same dimensionality as the input geometry.

Syntax	smooth(geometry, [iterations=1], [offset=0.25], [min_length=-1], [max_angle=180]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **geometry** - a geometry • **iterations** - number of smoothing iterations to apply. Larger numbers result in smoother but more complex geometries. • **offset** - value between 0 and 0.5 which controls how tightly the smoothed geometry follow the original geometry. Smaller values result in a tighter smoothing, larger values result in looser smoothing. • **min_length** - minimum length of segments to apply smoothing to. This parameter can be used to avoid placing excessive additional nodes in shorter segments of the geometry. • **max_angle** - maximum angle at node for smoothing to be applied (0-180). By lowering the maximum angle intentionally sharp corners in the geometry can be preserved. For instance, a value of 80 degrees will retain right angles in the geometry.
Beispiele	• `geom_to_wkt(smooth(geometry:=geom_from_wkt('LineString(0 0, 5 0, 5 5)'),iterations:=1,offset:=0.2,min_length:=-1, max_angle:=180))` → ‚LineString (0 0, 4 0, 5 1, 5 5)‘

Further reading: *Smooth* algorithm

start_point

Returns the first node from a geometry.

Syntax	start_point(geometry)
Arguments	• **geometry** - geometry object
Beispiele	• `geom_to_wkt(start_point(geom_from_wkt('LINESTRING(4 0, 4 2, 0 2)')))` → ‚Point (4 0)‘

Further reading: *Extract specific vertices* algorithm

straight_distance_2d

Returns the direct/euclidean distance between the first and last vertex of a geometry. The geometry must be a curve (circularstring, linestring).

Syntax	straight_distance_2d(geometry)
Arguments	• **geometry** - The geometry.
Beispiele	• `straight_distance_2d(geom_from_wkt('LINESTRING(1 0, 1 1)'))` → 1 • `round(straight_distance_2d(geom_from_wkt('LINESTRING(1 4, 3 5, 5 0)')), 3)` → 5.657

Further reading: *length*

sym_difference

Returns a geometry that represents the portions of two geometries that do not intersect.

Syntax	sym_difference(geometry1, geometry2)
Arguments	• **geometry1** - a geometry • **geometry2** - a geometry
Beispiele	• `geom_to_wkt( sym_difference( geom_from_wkt( 'LINESTRING(3 3, 4 4, 5 5)' ), geom_from_wkt( 'LINESTRING(3 3, 8 8)' ) ) )` → ‚LINESTRING(5 5, 8 8)‘

Further reading: *Symmetrical difference* algorithm

tapered_buffer

Creates a buffer along a line geometry where the buffer diameter varies evenly over the length of the line.

Syntax	tapered_buffer(geometry, start_width, end_width, [segments=8]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **geometry** - input geometry. Must be a (multi)line geometry. • **start_width** - width of buffer at start of line, • **end_width** - width of buffer at end of line. • **segments** - number of segments to approximate quarter-circle curves in the buffer.
Beispiele	• `tapered_buffer(geometry:=geom_from_wkt('LINESTRING(1 2, 4 2)'),start_width:=1,end_width:=2,segments:=8)` → A tapered buffer starting with a diameter of 1 and ending with a diameter of 2 along the linestring geometry.

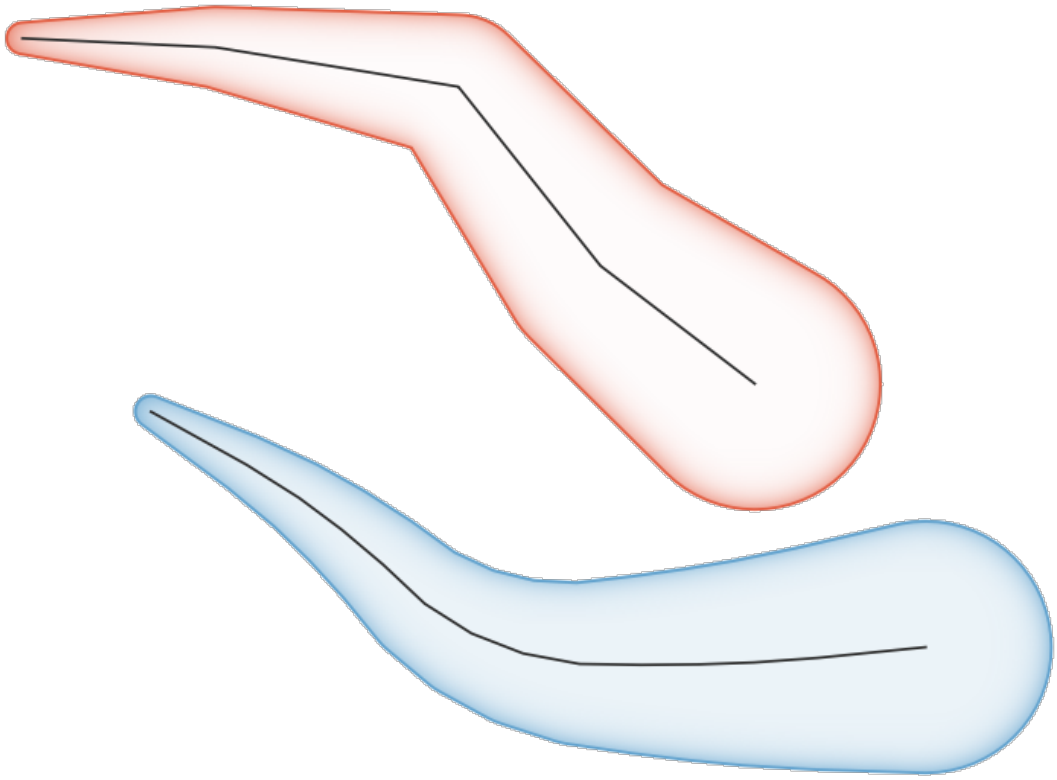


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Further reading: *Tapered buffers* algorithm

touches

Tests whether a geometry touches another. Returns true if the geometries have at least one point in common, but their interiors do not intersect.

Syntax	touches(geometry1, geometry2)
Arguments	• **geometry1** - a geometry • **geometry2** - a geometry
Beispiele	• `touches( geom_from_wkt( 'LINESTRING(5 3, 4 4)' ), geom_from_wkt( 'LINESTRING(3 3, 4 4, 5 5)' ) )` → true • `touches( geom_from_wkt( 'POINT(4 4)' ), geom_from_wkt( 'POINT(5 5)' ) )` → false

Further reading: *overlay_touches*

transform

Returns the geometry transformed from a source CRS to a destination CRS.

Syntax	transform(geometry, source_auth_id, dest_auth_id)
Arguments	• **geometry** - a geometry • **source_auth_id** - the source auth CRS ID • **dest_auth_id** - the destination auth CRS ID
Beispiele	• `geom_to_wkt( transform( make_point(488995.53240249, 7104473.38600835), 'EPSG:2154', 'EPSG:4326' ) )` → ‚POINT(0 51)‘

Further reading: *Reproject layer* algorithm

translate

Returns a translated version of a geometry. Calculations are in the Spatial Reference System of this geometry.

Syntax	translate(geometry, dx, dy)
Arguments	• **geometry** - a geometry • **dx** - delta x • **dy** - delta y
Beispiele	• `translate($geometry, 5, 10)` → a geometry of the same type like the original one

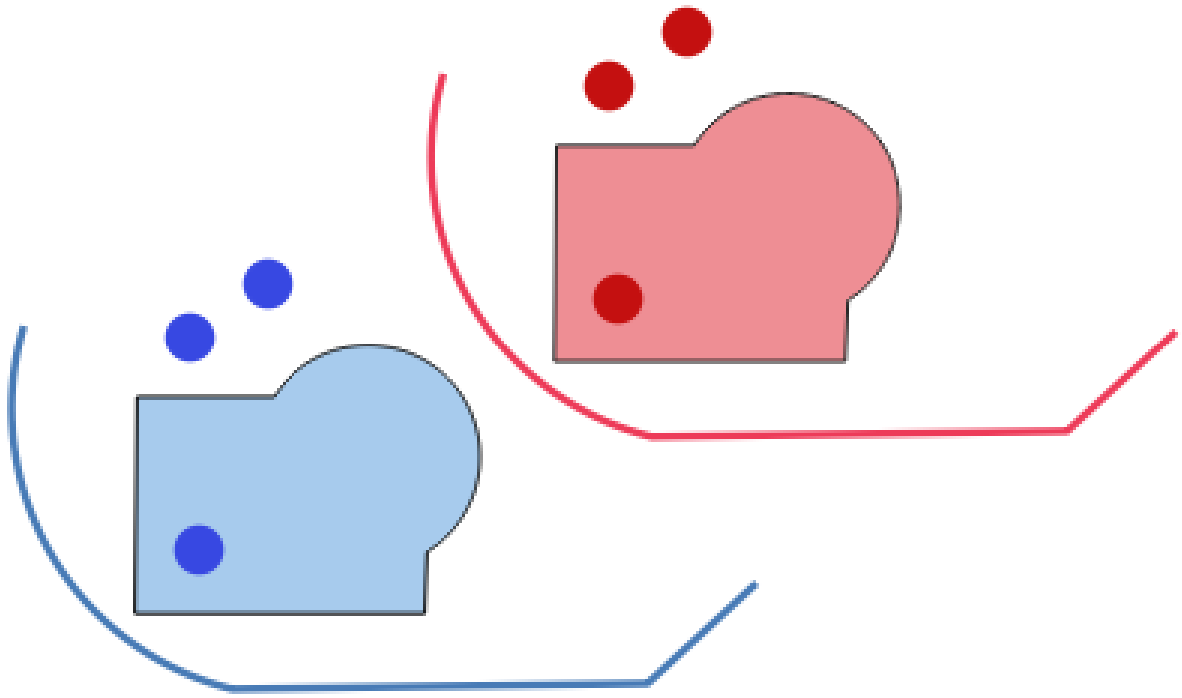


Abb. 12.9: Translating features

Further reading: *Translate* algorithm

union

Returns a geometry that represents the point set union of the geometries.

Syntax	union(geometry1, geometry2)
Arguments	• **geometry1** - a geometry • **geometry2** - a geometry
Beispiele	• `geom_to_wkt( union( make_point(4, 4), make_point(5, 5) ) )` → ‚MULTIPOINT(4 4, 5 5)‘

wedge_buffer

Returns a wedge shaped buffer originating from a point geometry.

Syntax	wedge_buffer(center, azimuth, width, outer_radius, [inner_radius=0.0]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **center** - center point (origin) of buffer. Must be a point geometry. • **azimuth** - angle (in degrees) for the middle of the wedge to point. • **width** - buffer width (in degrees). Note that the wedge will extend to half of the angular width either side of the azimuth direction. • **outer_radius** - outer radius for buffers • **inner_radius** - optional inner radius for buffers
Beispiele	• `wedge_buffer(center:=geom_from_wkt('POINT(1 2)'), azimuth:=90,width:=180,outer_radius:=1)` → A wedge shaped buffer centered on the point (1,2), facing to the East, with a width of 180 degrees and outer radius of 1.

Further reading: *Create wedge buffers* algorithm

within

Tests whether a geometry is within another. Returns true if the geometry1 is completely within geometry2.

Syntax	within(geometry1, geometry2)
Arguments	• **geometry1** - a geometry • **geometry2** - a geometry
Beispiele	• `within( geom_from_wkt( 'POINT( 0.5 0.5)' ), geom_from_wkt( 'POLYGON((0 0, 0 1, 1 1, 1 0, 0 0))' ) )` → true • `within( geom_from_wkt( 'POINT( 5 5 )' ), geom_from_wkt( 'POLYGON((0 0, 0 1, 1 1, 1 0, 0 0 ))' ) )` → false

Further reading: *overlay_within*

$x

Returns the x coordinate of the current point feature. If the feature is a multipoint feature, then the x-coordinate of the first point will be returned.

Syntax	$x
Beispiele	• `$x` → 42

x

Returns the x coordinate of a point geometry, or the x coordinate of the centroid for a non-point geometry.

Syntax	x(geometry)
Arguments	• **geometry** - a geometry
Beispiele	• `x( geom_from_wkt( 'POINT(2 5)' ) )` → 2 • `x( $geometry )` → x coordinate of the current feature's centroid

$x_at

Retrieves a x coordinate of the current feature's geometry.

Syntax	$x_at(i)
Arguments	• **i** - index of point of a line (indices start at 0; negative values apply from the last index, starting at -1)
Beispiele	• `$x_at(1)` → 5

x_max

Returns the maximum x coordinate of a geometry. Calculations are in the spatial reference system of this geometry.

Syntax	x_max(geometry)
Arguments	• **geometry** - a geometry
Beispiele	• `x_max( geom_from_wkt( 'LINESTRING(2 5, 3 6, 4 8)') )` → 4

x_min

Returns the minimum x coordinate of a geometry. Calculations are in the spatial reference system of this geometry.

Syntax	x_min(geometry)
Arguments	• **geometry** - a geometry
Beispiele	• `x_min( geom_from_wkt( 'LINESTRING(2 5, 3 6, 4 8)') )` → 2

$y

Returns the y coordinate of the current point feature. If the feature is a multipoint feature, then the y-coordinate of the first point will be returned.

Syntax	$y
Beispiele	• `$y` → 42

y

Returns the y coordinate of a point geometry, or the y coordinate of the centroid for a non-point geometry.

Syntax	y(geometry)
Arguments	• **geometry** - a geometry
Beispiele	• `y( geom_from_wkt( 'POINT(2 5)' ) )` → 5 • `y( $geometry )` → y coordinate of the current feature's centroid

$y_at

Retrieves a y coordinate of the current feature's geometry.

Syntax	$y_at(i)
Arguments	• **i** - index of point of a line (indices start at 0; negative values apply from the last index, starting at -1)
Beispiele	• `$y_at(1)` → 2

y_max

Returns the maximum y coordinate of a geometry. Calculations are in the spatial reference system of this geometry.

Syntax	y_max(geometry)
Arguments	• **geometry** - a geometry
Beispiele	• `y_max( geom_from_wkt( 'LINESTRING(2 5, 3 6, 4 8)') )` → 8

y_min

Returns the minimum y coordinate of a geometry. Calculations are in the spatial reference system of this geometry.

Syntax	y_min(geometry)
Arguments	• **geometry** - a geometry
Beispiele	• `y_min( geom_from_wkt( 'LINESTRING(2 5, 3 6, 4 8)') )` → 5

$z

Returns the z value of the current point feature if it is 3D. If the feature is a multipoint feature, then the z value of the first point will be returned.

Syntax	$z
Beispiele	• `$z` → 123

z

Returns the z coordinate of a point geometry, or NULL if the geometry has no z value.

Syntax	z(geometry)
Arguments	• **geometry** - a point geometry
Beispiele	• `z( geom_from_wkt( 'POINTZ(2 5 7)' ) )` → 7

z_max

Returns the maximum z coordinate of a geometry, or NULL if the geometry has no z value.

Syntax	z_max(geometry)
Arguments	• **geometry** - a geometry with z coordinate
Beispiele	• `z_max( geom_from_wkt( 'POINT ( 0 0 1 )' ) )` → 1 • `z_max( geom_from_wkt( 'MULTIPOINT ( 0 0 1 , 1 1 3 )' ) )` → 3 • `z_max( make_line( make_point( 0,0,0 ), make_point( -1,-1,-2 ) ) )` → 0 • `z_max( geom_from_wkt( 'LINESTRING( 0 0 0, 1 0 2, 1 1 -1 )' ) )` → 2 • `z_max( geom_from_wkt( 'POINT ( 0 0 )' ) )` → NULL

z_min

Returns the minimum z coordinate of a geometry, or NULL if the geometry has no z value.

Syntax	z_min(geometry)
Arguments	• **geometry** - a geometry with z coordinate
Beispiele	• `z_min( geom_from_wkt( 'POINT ( 0 0 1 )' ) )` → 1 • `z_min( geom_from_wkt( 'MULTIPOINT ( 0 0 1 , 1 1 3 )' ) )` → 1 • `z_min( make_line( make_point( 0,0,0 ), make_point( -1,-1,-2 ) ) )` → -2 • `z_min( geom_from_wkt( 'LINESTRING( 0 0 0, 1 0 2, 1 1 -1 )' ) )` → -1 • `z_min( geom_from_wkt( 'POINT ( 0 0 )' ) )` → NULL

12.2.14 Layout Funktionen

Diese Gruppe enthält Funktionen zur Beeinflussung der Eigenschaften von Drucklayoutelementen

item_variables

Returns a map of variables from a layout item inside this print layout.

Syntax	item_variables(id)
Arguments	• **id** - layout item ID
Beispiele	• `map_get( item_variables('Map 0'), 'map_scale')` → scale of the item ‚Map 0' in the current print layout

Further reading: List of default *variables*

map_credits

Returns a list of credit (usage rights) strings for the layers shown in a layout map item.

Syntax	map_credits(id, [include_layer_names=false], [layer_name_separator=': ,]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **id** - map item ID • **include_layer_names** - Set to true to include layer names before their credit strings • **layer_name_separator** - String to insert between layer names and their credit strings, if include_layer_names is true
Beispiele	• `array_to_string( map_credits( 'Main Map' ) )` → comma separated list of layer credits for layers shown in the ‚Main Map' layout item, e.g ‚CC-BY-NC, CC-BY-SA' • `array_to_string( map_credits( 'Main Map', include_layer_names := true, layer_name_separator := ': ' ) )` → comma separated list of layer names and their credits for layers shown in the ‚Main Map' layout item, e.g. ‚Railway lines: CC-BY-NC, Basemap: CC-BY-SA'

This function requires the *Access metadata properties* of the layers to have been filled.

12.2.15 Kartenlayer

Diese Gruppe enthält eine Liste der im aktuellen Projekt verfügbaren Layer. Dies eröffnet einen komfortablen Weg, um Ausdrücke mit Verweis auf verschiedene Layer zu erstellen, z.B. beim Erstellen von *Aggregaten*, *Attribut-* oder *räumlichen* Abfragen.

It also provides some convenient functions to manipulate layers.

decode_uri

Takes a layer and decodes the uri of the underlying data provider. It depends on the dataprovider, which data is available.

Syntax	decode_uri(layer, [part]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **layer** - The layer for which the uri should be decoded. • **part** - The part of the uri to return. If unspecified, a map with all uri parts will be returned.
Beispiele	• `decode_uri(@layer)` → {‚layerId': ‚0', ‚layerName': ‚', ‚path': ‚/home/qgis/shapefile.shp'} • `decode_uri(@layer)` → {‚layerId': NULL, ‚layerName': ‚layer', ‚path': ‚/home/qgis/geopackage.gpkg'} • `decode_uri(@layer, 'path')` → ‚C:\my_data\qgis\shape.shp'

layer_property

Returns a matching layer property or metadata value.

Syntax	layer_property(layer, property)
Arguments	• **layer** - a string, representing either a layer name or layer ID • **property** - a string corresponding to the property to return. Valid options are: – name: layer name – id: layer ID – title: metadata title string – abstract: metadata abstract string – keywords: metadata keywords – data_url: metadata URL – attribution: metadata attribution string – attribution_url: metadata attribution URL – source: layer source – min_scale: minimum display scale for layer – max_scale: maximum display scale for layer – is_editable: if layer is in edit mode – crs: layer CRS – crs_definition: layer CRS full definition – crs_description: layer CRS description – extent: layer extent (as a geometry object) – distance_units: layer distance units – type: layer type, e.g., Vector or Raster – storage_type: storage format (vector layers only) – geometry_type: geometry type, e.g., Point (vector layers only) – feature_count: approximate feature count for layer (vector layers only) – path: File path to the layer data source. Only available for file based layers.
Beispiele	• `layer_property('streets','title')` → ‚Basemap Streets‘ • `layer_property('airports','feature_count')` → 120 • `layer_property('landsat','crs')` → ‚EPSG:4326‘

Further reading: *vector*, *raster* and *mesh* layer properties

12.2.16 Kartenfunktionen

This group contains functions to create or manipulate keys and values of map data structures (also known as dictionary objects, key-value pairs, or associative arrays). Unlike the *list data structure* where values order matters, the order of the key-value pairs in the map object is not relevant and values are identified by their keys.

from_json

Loads a JSON formatted string.

Syntax	from_json(string)
Arguments	• **string** - JSON string
Beispiele	• `from_json('{"qgis":"rocks"}')` → { ‚qgis‘: ‚rocks‘ } • `from_json('[1,2,3]')` → [1,2,3]

hstore_to_map

Creates a map from a hstore-formatted string.

Syntax	hstore_to_map(string)
Arguments	• **string** - the input string
Beispiele	• `hstore_to_map('qgis=>rocks')` → { ‚qgis‘: ‚rocks‘ }

map

Returns a map containing all the keys and values passed as pair of parameters.

Syntax	map(key1, value1, key2, value2, …)
Arguments	• **key** - a key (string) • **value** - a value
Beispiele	• `map('1','one','2', 'two')` → { ‚1‘: ‚one‘, ‚2‘: ‚two‘ } • `map('1','one','2', 'two')['1']` → ‚one‘

map_akeys

Returns all the keys of a map as an array.

Syntax	map_akeys(map)
Arguments	• **map** - a map
Beispiele	• `map_akeys(map('1','one','2','two'))` → [‚1‘, ‚2‘]

map_avals

Returns all the values of a map as an array.

Syntax	map_avals(map)
Arguments	• **map** - a map
Beispiele	• `map_avals(map('1','one','2','two'))` → [‚one‘, ‚two‘]

map_concat

Returns a map containing all the entries of the given maps. If two maps contain the same key, the value of the second map is taken.

Syntax	map_concat(map1, map2, …)
Arguments	• **map** - a map
Beispiele	• `map_concat(map('1','one', '2','overridden'),map('2','two', '3','three'))` → { ‚1‘: ‚one‘, ‚2‘: ‚two‘, ‚3‘: ‚three‘ }

map_delete

Returns a map with the given key and its corresponding value deleted.

Syntax	map_delete(map, key)
Arguments	• **map** - a map • **key** - the key to delete
Beispiele	• `map_delete(map('1','one','2','two'),'2')` → { ‚1‘: ‚one‘ }

map_exist

Returns true if the given key exists in the map.

Syntax	map_exist(map, key)
Arguments	• **map** - a map • **key** - the key to lookup
Beispiele	• `map_exist(map('1','one','2','two'),'3')` → false

map_get

Returns the value of a map, given its key. Returns NULL if the key does not exist.

Syntax	map_get(map, key)
Arguments	• **map** - a map • **key** - the key to lookup
Beispiele	• `map_get(map('1','one','2','two'),'2')` → ‚two‘ • `map_get( item_variables('Map 0'), 'map_scale')` → scale of the item ‚Map 0‘ (if it exists) in the current print layout

Hinweis: You can also use the *index operator ([])* to get a value from a map.

map_insert

Returns a map with an added key/value. If the key already exists, its value is overridden.

Syntax	map_insert(map, key, value)
Arguments	• **map** - a map • **key** - the key to add • **value** - the value to add
Beispiele	• `map_insert(map('1','one'),'3','three')` → { ‚1‘: ‚one‘, ‚3‘: ‚three‘ } • `map_insert(map('1','one','2','overridden'),'2','two')` → { ‚1‘: ‚one‘, ‚2‘: ‚two‘ }

map_to_hstore

Merge map elements into a hstore-formatted string.

Syntax	map_to_hstore(map)
Arguments	• **map** - the input map
Beispiele	• `map_to_hstore(map('qgis','rocks'))` → „„qgis“=>“rocks““

to_json

Create a JSON formatted string from a map, array or other value.

Syntax	to_json(value)
Arguments	• **value** - The input value
Beispiele	• `to_json(map('qgis','rocks'))` → {„qgis“:“rocks“} • `to_json(array(1,2,3))` → [1,2,3]

12.2.17 Mathematische Funktionen

Diese Gruppe enthält mathematische Funktionen (z.B. sqrt, sin und cos).

abs

Returns the absolute value of a number.

Syntax	abs(value)
Arguments	• **value** - a number
Beispiele	• `abs(-2)` → 2

acos

Returns the inverse cosine of a value in radians.

Syntax	acos(value)
Arguments	• **value** - cosine of an angle in radians
Beispiele	• `acos(0.5)` → 1.0471975511966

asin

Returns the inverse sine of a value in radians.

Syntax	asin(value)
Arguments	• **value** - sine of an angle in radians
Beispiele	• `asin(1.0)` → 1.5707963267949

atan

Returns the inverse tangent of a value in radians.

Syntax	atan(value)
Arguments	• **value** - tan of an angle in radians
Beispiele	• `atan(0.5)` → 0.463647609000806

atan2

Returns the inverse tangent of dy/dx by using the signs of the two arguments to determine the quadrant of the result.

Syntax	atan2(dy, dx)
Arguments	• **dy** - y coordinate difference • **dx** - x coordinate difference
Beispiele	• `atan2(1.0, 1.732)` → 0.523611477769969

ceil

Rounds a number upwards.

Syntax	ceil(value)
Arguments	• **value** - a number
Beispiele	• `ceil(4.9)` → 5 • `ceil(-4.9)` → -4

clamp

Restricts an input value to a specified range.

Syntax	clamp(minimum, input, maximum)
Arguments	• **minimum** - the smallest value *input* is allowed to take. • **input** - a value which will be restricted to the range specified by *minimum* and *maximum* • **maximum** - the largest value *input* is allowed to take
Beispiele	• `clamp(1,5,10)` → 5 *input* is between 1 and 10 so is returned unchanged • `clamp(1,0,10)` → 1 *input* is less than minimum value of 1, so function returns 1 • `clamp(1,11,10)` → 10 *input* is greater than maximum value of 10, so function returns 10

cos

Returns cosine of an angle.

Syntax	cos(angle)
Arguments	• **angle** - angle in radians
Beispiele	• `cos(1.571)` → 0.000796326710733263

degrees

Converts from radians to degrees.

Syntax	degrees(radians)
Arguments	• **radians** - numeric value
Beispiele	• `degrees(3.14159)` → 180 • `degrees(1)` → 57.2958

exp

Returns exponential of an value.

Syntax	exp(value)
Arguments	• **value** - number to return exponent of
Beispiele	• `exp(1.0)` → 2.71828182845905

floor

Rounds a number downwards.

Syntax	floor(value)
Arguments	• **value** - a number
Beispiele	• `floor(4.9)` → 4 • `floor(-4.9)` → -5

ln

Returns the natural logarithm of a value.

Syntax	ln(value)
Arguments	• **value** - numeric value
Beispiele	• `ln(1)` → 0 • `ln(2.7182818284590452354)` → 1

log

Returns the value of the logarithm of the passed value and base.

Syntax	log(base, value)
Arguments	• **base** - any positive number • **value** - any positive number
Beispiele	• `log(2, 32)` → 5 • `log(0.5, 32)` → -5

log10

Returns the value of the base 10 logarithm of the passed expression.

Syntax	log10(value)
Arguments	• **value** - any positive number
Beispiele	• `log10(1)` → 0 • `log10(100)` → 2

max

Returns the largest value in a set of values.

Syntax	max(value1, value2, …)
Arguments	• **value** - a number
Beispiele	• `max(2,10.2,5.5)` → 10.2 • `max(20.5,NULL,6.2)` → 20.5

min

Returns the smallest value in a set of values.

Syntax	min(value1, value2, …)
Arguments	• **value** - a number
Beispiele	• `min(20.5,10,6.2)` → 6.2 • `min(2,-10.3,NULL)` → -10.3

pi

Returns value of pi for calculations.

Syntax	pi()
Beispiele	• `pi()` → 3.14159265358979

radians

Converts from degrees to radians.

Syntax	radians(degrees)
Arguments	• **degrees** - numeric value
Beispiele	• `radians(180)` → 3.14159 • `radians(57.2958)` → 1

rand

Returns a random integer within the range specified by the minimum and maximum argument (inclusive). If a seed is provided, the returned will always be the same, depending on the seed.

Syntax	rand(min, max, [seed=NULL]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **min** - an integer representing the smallest possible random number desired • **max** - an integer representing the largest possible random number desired • **seed** - any value to use as seed
Beispiele	• `rand(1, 10)` → 8

randf

Returns a random float within the range specified by the minimum and maximum argument (inclusive). If a seed is provided, the returned will always be the same, depending on the seed.

Syntax	randf([min=0.0], [max=1.0], [seed=NULL]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **min** - an float representing the smallest possible random number desired • **max** - an float representing the largest possible random number desired • **seed** - any value to use as seed
Beispiele	• `randf(1, 10)` → 4.59258286403147

round

Rounds a number to number of decimal places.

Syntax	round(value, [places=0]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **value** - decimal number to be rounded • **places** - Optional integer representing number of places to round decimals to. Can be negative.
Beispiele	• `round(1234.567, 2)` → 1234.57 • `round(1234.567)` → 1235 • `round(1234.567, -1)` → 1230

scale_exp

Transforms a given value from an input domain to an output range using an exponential curve. This function can be used to ease values in or out of the specified output range.

Syntax	scale_exp(value, domain_min, domain_max, range_min, range_max, exponent)
Arguments	• **value** - A value in the input domain. The function will return a corresponding scaled value in the output range. • **domain_min** - Specifies the minimum value in the input domain, the smallest value the input value should take. • **domain_max** - Specifies the maximum value in the input domain, the largest value the input value should take. • **range_min** - Specifies the minimum value in the output range, the smallest value which should be output by the function. • **range_max** - Specifies the maximum value in the output range, the largest value which should be output by the function. • **exponent** - A positive value (greater than 0), which dictates the way input values are mapped to the output range. Large exponents will cause the output values to ‚ease in', starting slowly before accelerating as the input values approach the domain maximum. Smaller exponents (less than 1) will cause output values to ‚ease out', where the mapping starts quickly but slows as it approaches the domain maximum.
Beispiele	• `scale_exp(5,0,10,0,100,2)` → 25 easing in, using an exponent of 2 • `scale_exp(3,0,10,0,100,0.5)` → 54.772 easing out, using an exponent of 0.5

scale_linear

Transforms a given value from an input domain to an output range using linear interpolation.

Syntax	scale_linear(value, domain_min, domain_max, range_min, range_max)
Arguments	• **value** - A value in the input domain. The function will return a corresponding scaled value in the output range. • **domain_min** - Specifies the minimum value in the input domain, the smallest value the input value should take. • **domain_max** - Specifies the maximum value in the input domain, the largest value the input value should take. • **range_min** - Specifies the minimum value in the output range, the smallest value which should be output by the function. • **range_max** - Specifies the maximum value in the output range, the largest value which should be output by the function.
Beispiele	• `scale_linear(5,0,10,0,100)` → 50 • `scale_linear(0.2,0,1,0,360)` → 72 scaling a value between 0 and 1 to an angle between 0 and 360 • `scale_linear(1500,1000,10000,9,20)` → 9.6111111 scaling a population which varies between 1000 and 10000 to a font size between 9 and 20

sin

Returns the sine of an angle.

Syntax	sin(angle)
Arguments	• **angle** - angle in radians
Beispiele	• `sin(1.571)` → 0.999999682931835

sqrt

Returns square root of a value.

Syntax	sqrt(value)
Arguments	• **value** - a number
Beispiele	• `sqrt(9)` → 3

tan

Returns the tangent of an angle.

Syntax	tan(angle)
Arguments	• **angle** - angle in radians
Beispiele	• `tan(1.0)` → 1.5574077246549

12.2.18 Meshes Functions

This group contains functions which calculate or return mesh related values.

$face_area

Returns the area of the current mesh face. The area calculated by this function respects both the current project's ellipsoid setting and area unit settings. For example, if an ellipsoid has been set for the project then the calculated area will be ellipsoidal, and if no ellipsoid is set then the calculated area will be planimetric.

Syntax	$face_area
Beispiele	• `$face_area` → 42

$face_index

Returns the index of the current mesh face.

Syntax	$face_index
Beispiele	• `$face_index` → 4581

$vertex_as_point

Returns the current vertex as a point geometry.

Syntax	$vertex_as_point
Beispiele	• `geom_to_wkt( $vertex_as_point )` → ‚POINT(800 1500 41)‘

$vertex_index

Returns the index of the current mesh vertex.

Syntax	$vertex_index
Beispiele	• `$vertex_index` → 9874

$vertex_x

Returns the X coordinate of the current mesh vertex.

Syntax	$vertex_x
Beispiele	• `$vertex_x` → 42.12

$vertex_y

Returns the Y coordinate of the current mesh vertex.

Syntax	$vertex_y
Beispiele	• `$vertex_y` → 12.24

$vertex_z

Returns the Z value of the current mesh vertex.

Syntax	$vertex_z
Beispiele	• `$vertex_z` → 42

12.2.19 Operatoren

Diese Gruppe enthält Operatoren (z. B. ., +, -, *). Beachten Sie, dass für die meisten mathematischen Fubktionen unten gilt, ist eine Eingabe NULL, dann ist das Ergebnis auch NULL.

%

Remainder of division

Syntax	a % b
Arguments	• **a** - value • **b** - value
Beispiele	• `5 % 4` → 1 • `5 % NULL` → NULL

*

Multiplication of two values

Syntax	a * b
Arguments	• **a** - value • **b** - value
Beispiele	• `5 * 4` → 20 • `5 * NULL` → NULL

+

Addition of two values. If one of the values is NULL the result will be NULL.

Syntax	a + b
Arguments	• **a** - value • **b** - value
Beispiele	• `5 + 4` → 9 • `5 + NULL` → NULL • `'QGIS ' + 'ROCKS'` → ‚QGIS ROCKS' • `to_datetime('2020-08-01 12:00:00') + '1 day 2 hours'` → 2020-08-02T14:00:00

Further reading: *concat*, ||

-

Subtraction of two values. If one of the values is NULL the result will be NULL.

Syntax	a - b
Arguments	• **a** - value • **b** - value
Beispiele	• `5 - 4` → 1 • `5 - NULL` → NULL • `to_datetime('2012-05-05 12:00:00') - to_interval('1 day 2 hours')` → 2012-05-04T10:00:00

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Division of two values

Syntax	a / b
Arguments	• **a** - value • **b** - value
Beispiele	• `5 / 4` → 1.25 • `5 / NULL` → NULL

<

Compares two values and evaluates to 1 if the left value is less than the right value.

Syntax	a < b
Arguments	• **a** - value • **b** - value
Beispiele	• `5 < 4` → 0 • `5 < 5` → 0 • `4 < 5` → 1

<=

Compares two values and evaluates to 1 if the left value is less or equal than the right value.

Syntax	a <= b
Arguments	• **a** - value • **b** - value
Beispiele	• `5 <= 4` → 0 • `5 <= 5` → 1 • `4 <= 5` → 1

<>

Compares two values and evaluates to 1 if they are not equal.

Syntax	a <> b
Arguments	• **a** - value • **b** - value
Beispiele	• `5 <> 4` → 1 • `4 <> 4` → 0 • `5 <> NULL` → NULL • `NULL <> NULL` → NULL

=

Compares two values and evaluates to 1 if they are equal.

Syntax	a = b
Arguments	• **a** - value • **b** - value
Beispiele	• `5 = 4` → 0 • `4 = 4` → 1 • `5 = NULL` → NULL • `NULL = NULL` → NULL

>

Compares two values and evaluates to 1 if the left value is greater than the right value.

Syntax	a > b
Arguments	• **a** - value • **b** - value
Beispiele	• `5 > 4` → 1 • `5 > 5` → 0 • `4 > 5` → 0

>=

Compares two values and evaluates to 1 if the left value is greater or equal than the right value.

Syntax	a >= b
Arguments	• **a** - value • **b** - value
Beispiele	• `5 >= 4` → 1 • `5 >= 5` → 1 • `4 >= 5` → 0

AND

Returns 1 when condition a and b are true.

Syntax	a AND b
Arguments	• **a** - condition • **b** - condition
Beispiele	• `TRUE AND TRUE` → 1 • `TRUE AND FALSE` → 0 • `4 = 2+2 AND 1 = 1` → 1 • `4 = 2+2 AND 1 = 2` → 0

ILIKE

Returns 1 if the first parameter matches case-insensitive the supplied pattern. LIKE can be used instead of ILIKE to make the match case-sensitive. Works with numbers also.

Syntax	string/number ILIKE pattern
Arguments	• **string/number** - string to search • **pattern** - pattern to find, you can use ‚%‘ as a wildcard, ‚_‘ as a single char and ‚\\‘ to escape these special characters.
Beispiele	• `'A' ILIKE 'A'` → 1 • `'A' ILIKE 'a'` → 1 • `'A' ILIKE 'B'` → 0 • `'ABC' ILIKE 'b'` → 0 • `'ABC' ILIKE 'B'` → 0 • `'ABC' ILIKE '_b_'` → 1 • `'ABC' ILIKE '_B_'` → 1 • `'ABCD' ILIKE '_b_'` → 0 • `'ABCD' ILIKE '_B_'` → 0 • `'ABCD' ILIKE '_b%'` → 1 • `'ABCD' ILIKE '_B%'` → 1 • `'ABCD' ILIKE '%b%'` → 1 • `'ABCD' ILIKE '%B%'` → 1 • `'ABCD%' ILIKE 'abcd\\%'` → 1 • `'ABCD' ILIKE '%B\\%'` → 0

IN

Returns 1 if value is found within a list of values.

Syntax	a IN b
Arguments	• **a** - value • **b** - list of values
Beispiele	• `'A' IN ('A','B')` → 1 • `'A' IN ('C','B')` → 0

IS

Returns 1 if a is the same as b.

Syntax	a IS b
Arguments	• **a** - any value • **b** - any value
Beispiele	• `'A' IS 'A'` → 1 • `'A' IS 'a'` → 0 • `4 IS 4` → 1 • `4 IS 2+2` → 1 • `4 IS 2` → 0 • `$geometry IS NULL` → 0, if your geometry is not NULL

IS NOT

Returns 1 if a is not the same as b.

Syntax	a IS NOT b
Arguments	• **a** - value • **b** - value
Beispiele	• `'a' IS NOT 'b'` → 1 • `'a' IS NOT 'a'` → 0 • `4 IS NOT 2+2` → 0

LIKE

Returns 1 if the first parameter matches the supplied pattern. Works with numbers also.

Syntax	string/number LIKE pattern
Arguments	• **string/number** - value • **pattern** - pattern to compare value with, you can use ‚%‘ as a wildcard, ‚_‘ as a single char and ‚\\‘ to escape these special characters.
Beispiele	• `'A' LIKE 'A'` → 1 • `'A' LIKE 'a'` → 0 • `'A' LIKE 'B'` → 0 • `'ABC' LIKE 'B'` → 0 • `'ABC' LIKE '_B_'` → 1 • `'ABCD' LIKE '_B_'` → 0 • `'ABCD' LIKE '_B%'` → 1 • `'ABCD' LIKE '%B%'` → 1 • `'1%' LIKE '1\\%'` → 1 • `'1_' LIKE '1\\%'` → 0

NOT

Negates a condition.

Syntax	NOT a
Arguments	• **a** - condition
Beispiele	• `NOT 1` → 0 • `NOT 0` → 1

OR

Returns 1 when condition a or b is true.

Syntax	a OR b
Arguments	• **a** - condition • **b** - condition
Beispiele	• `4 = 2+2 OR 1 = 1` → 1 • `4 = 2+2 OR 1 = 2` → 1 • `4 = 2 OR 1 = 2` → 0

[]

Index operator. Returns an element from an array or map value.

Syntax	[index]
Arguments	• **index** - array index or map key value
Beispiele	• `array(1,2,3)[0]` → 1 • `array(1,2,3)[2]` → 3 • `array(1,2,3)[-1]` → 3 • `map('a',1,'b',2)['a']` → 1 • `map('a',1,'b',2)['b']` → 2

Further reading: *array_get*, *map_get*

^

Power of two values.

Syntax	a ^ b
Arguments	• **a** - value • **b** - value
Beispiele	• `5 ^ 4` → 625 • `5 ^ NULL` → NULL

||

Joins two values together into a string.

If one of the values is NULL the result will be NULL. See the CONCAT function for a different behavior.

Syntax	a || b
Arguments	• **a** - value • **b** - value
Beispiele	• `'Here' || ' and ' || 'there'` → ‚Here and there‘ • `'Nothing' || NULL` → NULL • `'Dia: ' || "Diameter"` → ‚Dia: 25‘ • `1 || 2` → ‚12‘

Further reading: *concat*, +

~

Performs a regular expression match on a string value. Backslash characters must be double escaped (e.g., „\\s“ to match a white space character).

Syntax	string ~ regex
Arguments	• **string** - A string value • **regex** - A regular expression. Slashes must be escaped, eg \\d.
Beispiele	• `'hello' ~ 'll'` → 1 • `'hello' ~ '^ll'` → 0 • `'hello' ~ 'llo$'` → 1 • `'abc123' ~ '\\d+'` → 1

Further reading: *regexp_match*

12.2.20 Processing Functions

This group contains functions that operate on processing algorithms.

- *parameter*

parameter

Returns the value of a processing algorithm input parameter.

Syntax	parameter(name)
Arguments	• **name** - name of the corresponding input parameter
Beispiele	• `parameter('BUFFER_SIZE')` → 5.6

12.2.21 Rasterfunktionen

Diese Gruppe enthält Funktionen zur Verarbeitung von Rasterlayern.

- *raster_statistic*
- *raster_value*

raster_statistic

Returns statistics from a raster layer.

Syntax	raster_statistic(layer, band, property)
Arguments	• **layer** - a string, representing either a raster layer name or layer ID • **band** - integer representing the band number from the raster layer, starting at 1 • **property** - a string corresponding to the property to return. Valid options are: – min: minimum value – max: maximum value – avg: average (mean) value – stdev: standard deviation of values – range: range of values (max - min) – sum: sum of all values from raster
Beispiele	• `raster_statistic('lc',1,'avg')` → Average value from band 1 from ‚lc' raster layer • `raster_statistic('ac2010',3,'min')` → Minimum value from band 3 from ‚ac2010' raster layer

raster_value

Returns the raster value found at the provided point.

Syntax	raster_value(layer, band, point)
Arguments	• **layer** - the name or id of a raster layer • **band** - the band number to sample the value from. • **point** - point geometry (for multipart geometries having more than one part, a NULL value will be returned)
Beispiele	• `raster_value('dem', 1, make_point(1,1))` → 25

12.2.22 Funktionen zu Datensätzen und Attributen

Diese Gruppe enthält Funktionen die sich auf datensatzbezeichner beziehen.

attribute

Returns an attribute from a feature.

Variant 1

Returns the value of an attribute from the current feature.

Syntax	attribute(attribute_name)
Arguments	• **attribute_name** - name of attribute to be returned
Beispiele	• `attribute( 'name' )` → value stored in ‚name' attribute for the current feature

Variant 2

Allows the target feature and attribute name to be specified.

Syntax	attribute(feature, attribute_name)
Arguments	• **feature** - a feature • **attribute_name** - name of attribute to be returned
Beispiele	• `attribute( @atlas_feature, 'name' )` → value stored in ‚name' attribute for the current atlas feature

attributes

Returns a map containing all attributes from a feature, with field names as map keys.

Variant 1

Returns a map of all attributes from the current feature.

Syntax	attributes()
Beispiele	• `attributes()['name']` → value stored in ‚name' attribute for the current feature

Variant 2

Allows the target feature to be specified.

Syntax	attributes(feature)
Arguments	• **feature** - a feature
Beispiele	• `attributes( @atlas_feature )['name']` → value stored in ‚name' attribute for the current atlas feature

Further reading: *Kartenfunktionen*

$currentfeature

Liefert das aktuellen Objekt. Dies kann mit der Funktion ‚attribute' verwendet werde um Attributwerte des aktuellen Objekts zu bestimmen.

Syntax	$currentfeature
Beispiele	• `attribute( $currentfeature, 'name' )` → value stored in ‚name' attribute for the current feature

display_expression

Returns the display expression for a given feature in a layer. The expression is evaluated by default. Can be used with zero, one or more arguments, see below for details.

No parameters

If called with no parameters, the function will evaluate the display expression of the current feature in the current layer.

Syntax	display_expression()
Beispiele	• `display_expression()` → The display expression of the current feature in the current layer.

One ‚feature' parameter

If called with a ‚feature' parameter only, the function will evaluate the specified feature from the current layer.

Syntax	display_expression(feature)
Arguments	• **feature** - The feature which should be evaluated.
Beispiele	• `display_expression(@atlas_feature)` → The display expression of the current atlas feature.

Layer and feature parameters

If the function is called with both a layer and a feature, it will evaluate the specified feature from the specified layer.

Syntax	display_expression(layer, feature, [evaluate=true]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **layer** - The layer (or its ID or name) • **feature** - The feature which should be evaluated. • **evaluate** - If the expression must be evaluated. If false, the expression will be returned as a string literal only (which could potentially be later evaluated using the ‚eval' function).
Beispiele	• `display_expression( 'streets', get_feature_by_id('streets', 1))` → The display expression of the feature with the ID 1 on the layer ‚streets'. • `display_expression('a_layer_id', $currentfeature, 'False')` → The display expression of the given feature not evaluated.

get_feature

Returns the first feature of a layer matching a given attribute value.

Syntax	get_feature(layer, attribute, value)
Arguments	• **layer** - layer name or ID • **attribute** - attribute name • **value** - attribute value to match
Beispiele	• `get_feature('streets','name','main st')` → first feature found in „streets" layer with „main st" value in the „name" field

get_feature_by_id

Returns the feature with an id on a layer.

Syntax	get_feature_by_id(layer, feature_id)
Arguments	• **layer** - layer, layer name or layer id • **feature_id** - the id of the feature which should be returned
Beispiele	• `get_feature_by_id('streets', 1)` → the feature with the id 1 on the layer „streets"

Further reading: *$id*

$id

Returns the feature id of the current row.

Syntax	$id
Beispiele	• `$id` → 42

is_selected

Returns True if a feature is selected. Can be used with zero, one or two arguments, see below for details.

No parameters

If called with no parameters, the function will return true if the current feature in the current layer is selected.

Syntax	is_selected()
Beispiele	• `is_selected()` → True if the current feature in the current layer is selected.

One ‚feature' parameter

If called with a ‚feature' parameter only, the function returns true if the specified feature from the current layer is selected.

Syntax	is_selected(feature)
Arguments	• **feature** - The feature which should be checked for selection.
Beispiele	• `is_selected(@atlas_feature)` → True if the current atlas feature is selected. • `is_selected(get_feature('streets', 'name', 'Main St.'))` → True if the unique named „Main St." feature on the active „streets" layer is selected. • `is_selected(get_feature_by_id('streets', 1))` → True if the feature with the id 1 on the active „streets" layer is selected.

Two parameters

If the function is called with both a layer and a feature, it will return true if the specified feature from the specified layer is selected.

Syntax	is_selected(layer, feature)
Arguments	• **layer** - The layer (its ID or name) on which the selection will be checked. • **feature** - The feature which should be checked for selection.
Beispiele	• `is_selected( 'streets', get_feature('streets', 'name', "street_name"))` → True if the current building's street is selected (assuming the building layer has a field named ‚street_name' and the ‚streets' layer has a field called ‚name' with unique values). • `is_selected( 'streets', get_feature_by_id('streets', 1))` → True if the feature with the id 1 on the „streets" layer is selected.

maptip

Returns the maptip for a given feature in a layer. The expression is evaluated by default. Can be used with zero, one or more arguments, see below for details.

No parameters

If called with no parameters, the function will evaluate the maptip of the current feature in the current layer.

Syntax	maptip()
Beispiele	• `maptip()` → The maptip of the current feature in the current layer.

One ‚feature' parameter

If called with a ‚feature' parameter only, the function will evaluate the specified feature from the current layer.

Syntax	maptip(feature)
Arguments	• **feature** - The feature which should be evaluated.
Beispiele	• `maptip(@atlas_feature)` → The maptip of the current atlas feature.

Layer and feature parameters

If the function is called with both a layer and a feature, it will evaluate the specified feature from the specified layer.

Syntax	maptip(layer, feature, [evaluate=true]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **layer** - The layer (or its ID or name) • **feature** - The feature which should be evaluated. • **evaluate** - If the expression must be evaluated. If false, the expression will be returned as a string literal only (which could potentially be later evaluated using the ‚eval_template' function).
Beispiele	• `maptip('streets', get_feature_by_id('streets', 1))` → The maptip of the feature with the ID 1 on the layer ‚streets'. • `maptip('a_layer_id', $currentfeature, 'False')` → The maptip of the given feature not evaluated.

num_selected

Returns the number of selected features on a given layer. By default works on the layer on which the expression is evaluated.

Syntax	num_selected([layer=current layer]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **layer** - The layer (or its id or name) on which the selection will be checked.
Beispiele	• `num_selected()` → The number of selected features on the current layer. • `num_selected('streets')` → The number of selected features on the layer streets

represent_value

Returns the configured representation value for a field value. It depends on the configured widget type. Often, this is useful for ‚Value Map' widgets.

Syntax	represent_value(value, fieldName)
Arguments	• **value** - The value which should be resolved. Most likely a field. • **fieldName** - The field name for which the widget configuration should be loaded. (Optional)
Beispiele	• `represent_value("field_with_value_map")` → Description for value • `represent_value('static value', 'field_name')` → Description for static value

Further reading: *widget types*

sqlite_fetch_and_increment

Manage autoincrementing values in sqlite databases.

SQlite default values can only be applied on insert and not prefetched.

This makes it impossible to acquire an incremented primary key via AUTO_INCREMENT before creating the row in the database. Sidenote: with postgres, this works via the option *evaluate default values*.

When adding new features with relations, it is really nice to be able to already add children for a parent, while the parents form is still open and hence the parent feature uncommitted.

To get around this limitation, this function can be used to manage sequence values in a separate table on sqlite based formats like gpkg.

The sequence table will be filtered for a sequence id (filter_attribute and filter_value) and the current value of the id_field will be incremented by 1 and the incremented value returned.

If additional columns require values to be specified, the default_values map can be used for this purpose.

Note

This function modifies the target sqlite table. It is intended for usage with default value configurations for attributes.

When the database parameter is a layer and the layer is in transaction mode, the value will only be retrieved once during the lifetime of a transaction and cached and incremented. This makes it unsafe to work on the same database from several processes in parallel.

Syntax	sqlite_fetch_and_increment(database, table, id_field, filter_attribute, filter_value, [default_values]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **database** - Path to the sqlite file or geopackage layer • **table** - Name of the table that manages the sequences • **id_field** - Name of the field that contains the current value • **filter_attribute** - Name the field that contains a unique identifier for this sequence. Must have a UNIQUE index. • **filter_value** - Name of the sequence to use. • **default_values** - Map with default values for additional columns on the table. The values need to be fully quoted. Functions are allowed.
Beispiele	• `sqlite_fetch_and_increment(@layer, 'sequence_table', 'last_unique_id', 'sequence_id', 'global', map('last_change', 'date(''now'')', 'user', '''' || @user_account_name || ''''))` → 0 • `sqlite_fetch_and_increment(layer_property(@layer, 'path'), 'sequence_table', 'last_unique_id', 'sequence_id', 'global', map('last_change', 'date(''now'')', 'user', '''' || @user_account_name || ''''))` → 0

Further reading: *Data Sources Properties*, *Creating one or many to many relations*

uuid

Generates a Universally Unique Identifier (UUID) for each row using the Qt QUuid::createUuid method.

Syntax	uuid([format='WithBraces']) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **format** - The format, as the UUID will be formatted. ‚WithBraces', ‚WithoutBraces' or ‚Id128'.
Beispiele	• `uuid()` → ‚{0bd2f60f-f157-4a6d-96af-d4ba4cb366a1}' • `uuid('WithoutBraces')` → ‚0bd2f60f-f157-4a6d-96af-d4ba4cb366a1' • `uuid('Id128')` → ‚0bd2f60ff1574a6d96afd4ba4cb366a1'

12.2.23 Relations

This group contains the list of the *relations* available in the current project, with their description. It provides a quick access to the relation ID for writing an expression (with e.g. the *relation_aggregate* function) or customizing a form.

12.2.24 Zeichenkettenfunktionen

Diese Gruppe enthält Funktionen für Zeichenketten (z.B. Ersetzen und in Großbuchstaben umwandeln).

ascii

Returns the unicode code associated with the first character of a string.

Syntax	ascii(string)
Arguments	• **string** - the string to convert to unicode code
Beispiele	• `ascii('Q')` → 81

char

Returns the character associated with a unicode code.

Syntax	char(code)
Arguments	• **code** - a unicode code number
Beispiele	• `char(81)` → ‚Q‘

concat

Concatenates several strings to one. NULL values are converted to empty strings. Other values (like numbers) are converted to strings.

Syntax	concat(string1, string2, …)
Arguments	• **string** - a string value
Beispiele	• `concat('sun', 'set')` → ‚sunset‘ • `concat('a','b','c','d','e')` → ‚abcde‘ • `concat('Anno ', 1984)` → ‚Anno 1984‘ • `concat('The Wall', NULL)` → ‚The Wall‘

Verkettung von Feldern

You can also concatenate strings or field values using either `||` or + operators, with some special characteristics:

- The + operator also means sum up expression, so if you have an integer (field or numeric value) operand, this can be error prone and you better use the others:

```
'My feature id is: ' + "gid" => triggers an error as gid returns an integer
```

- When any of the arguments is a NULL value, either `||` or + will return a NULL value. To return the other arguments regardless the NULL value, you may want to use the `concat` function:

```
'My feature id is: ' + NULL ==> NULL
'My feature id is: ' || NULL => NULL
concat('My feature id is: ', NULL) => 'My feature id is: '
```

further reading: ||, +

format

Format a string using supplied arguments.

Syntax	format(string, arg1, arg2, …)
Arguments	• **string** - A string with placeholders %1, %2, etc., for the arguments. Placeholders can be repeated. The lowest numbered placeholder is replaced by arg1, the next by arg2, etc. • **arg** - any type. Any number of arguments.
Beispiele	• `format('This %1 a %2','is', 'test')` → ‚This is a test' • `format('This is %2','a bit unexpected but 2 is lowest number in string','normal')` → ‚This is a bit unexpected but 2 is lowest number in string'

format_date

Formats a date type or string into a custom string format. Uses Qt date/time format strings. See QDateTime::toString.

<table>
<tr><td>Syntax</td><td>format_date(datetime, format, [language])
[] marks optional arguments</td></tr>
<tr><td>Arguments</td><td>

datetime - date, time or datetime value
format - String template used to format the string.

<table>
<tr><th>Ausdruck</th><th>Output</th></tr>
<tr><td>d</td><td>the day as number without a leading zero (1 to 31)</td></tr>
<tr><td>dd</td><td>the day as number with a leading zero (01 to 31)</td></tr>
<tr><td>ddd</td><td>the abbreviated localized day name (e.g. ‚Mon‘ to ‚Sun‘)</td></tr>
<tr><td>dddd</td><td>the long localized day name (e.g. ‚Monday‘ to ‚Sunday‘)</td></tr>
<tr><td>M</td><td>the month as number without a leading zero (1-12)</td></tr>
<tr><td>MM</td><td>the month as number with a leading zero (01-12)</td></tr>
<tr><td>MMM</td><td>the abbreviated localized month name (e.g. ‚Jan‘ to ‚Dec‘)</td></tr>
<tr><td>MMMM</td><td>the long localized month name (e.g. ‚January‘ to ‚December‘)</td></tr>
<tr><td>yy</td><td>the year as two digit number (00-99)</td></tr>
<tr><td>yyyy</td><td>the year as four digit number</td></tr>
</table>
These expressions may be used for the time part of the format string:
<table>
<tr><th>Ausdruck</th><th>Output</th></tr>
<tr><td>h</td><td>the hour without a leading zero (0 to 23 or 1 to 12 if AM/PM display)</td></tr>
<tr><td>hh</td><td>the hour with a leading zero (00 to 23 or 01 to 12 if AM/PM display)</td></tr>
<tr><td>H</td><td>the hour without a leading zero (0 to 23, even with AM/PM display)</td></tr>
<tr><td>HH</td><td>the hour with a leading zero (00 to 23, even with AM/PM display)</td></tr>
<tr><td>m</td><td>the minute without a leading zero (0 to 59)</td></tr>
<tr><td>mm</td><td>the minute with a leading zero (00 to 59)</td></tr>
<tr><td>s</td><td>the second without a leading zero (0 to 59)</td></tr>
<tr><td>ss</td><td>the second with a leading zero (00 to 59)</td></tr>
<tr><td>z</td><td>the milliseconds without trailing zeroes (0 to 999)</td></tr>
<tr><td>zzz</td><td>the milliseconds with trailing zeroes (000 to 999)</td></tr>
<tr><td>AP or A</td><td>interpret as an AM/PM time. AP must be either ‚AM‘ or ‚PM‘.</td></tr>
<tr><td>ap or a</td><td>Interpret as an AM/PM time. ap must be either ‚am‘ or ‚pm‘.</td></tr>
</table>

language - language (lowercase, two- or three-letter, ISO 639 language code) used to format the date into a custom string. By default the current QGIS user locale is used.

</td></tr>
<tr><td>Beispiele</td><td>

<code>format_date('2012-05-15','dd.MM.yyyy')</code> → ‚15.05.2012‘
<code>format_date('2012-05-15','d MMMM yyyy','fr')</code> → ‚15 mai 2012‘
<code>format_date('2012-05-15','dddd')</code> → ‚Tuesday‘, if the current locale is an English variant
<code>format_date('2012-05-15 13:54:20','dd.MM.yy')</code> → ‚15.05.12‘
<code>format_date('13:54:20','hh:mm AP')</code> → ‚01:54 PM‘

</td></tr>
</table>

format_number

Returns a number formatted with the locale separator for thousands. By default the current QGIS user locale is used. Also truncates the decimal places to the number of supplied places.

Syntax	format_number(number, [places=0], [language]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **number** - number to be formatted • **places** - integer representing the number of decimal places to truncate the string to. • **language** - language (lowercase, two- or three-letter, ISO 639 language code) used to format the number into a string. By default the current QGIS user locale is used.
Beispiele	• `format_number(10000000.332,2)` → ‚10,000,000.33‘ if e.g. the current locale is an English variant • `format_number(10000000.332,2,'fr')` → ‚10 000 000,33‘

left

Returns a substring that contains the *n* leftmost characters of the string.

Syntax	left(string, length)
Arguments	• **string** - a string • **length** - integer. The number of characters from the left of the string to return.
Beispiele	• `left('Hello World',5)` → ‚Hello‘

length

Returns the number of characters in a string or the length of a geometry linestring.

String variant

Returns the number of characters in a string.

Syntax	length(string)
Arguments	• **string** - string to count length of
Beispiele	• `length('hello')` → 5

Geometry variant

Calculate the length of a geometry line object. Calculations are always planimetric in the Spatial Reference System (SRS) of this geometry, and the units of the returned length will match the units for the SRS. This differs from the calculations performed by the $length function, which will perform ellipsoidal calculations based on the project's ellipsoid and distance unit settings.

Syntax	length(geometry)
Arguments	• **geometry** - line geometry object
Beispiele	• `length(geom_from_wkt('LINESTRING(0 0, 4 0)'))` → 4.0

lower

Converts a string to lower case letters.

Syntax	lower(string)
Arguments	• **string** - the string to convert to lower case
Beispiele	• `lower('HELLO World')` → ‚hello world‘

lpad

Returns a string padded on the left to the specified width, using a fill character. If the target width is smaller than the string's length, the string is truncated.

Syntax	lpad(string, width, fill)
Arguments	• **string** - string to pad • **width** - length of new string • **fill** - character to pad the remaining space with
Beispiele	• `lpad('Hello', 10, 'x')` → ‚xxxxxHello‘ • `lpad('Hello', 3, 'x')` → ‚Hel‘

regexp_match

Return the first matching position matching a regular expression within an unicode string, or 0 if the substring is not found.

Syntax	regexp_match(input_string, regex)
Arguments	• **input_string** - the string to test against the regular expression • **regex** - The regular expression to test against. Backslash characters must be double escaped (e.g., „\\s“ to match a white space character or „\\b“ to match a word boundary).
Beispiele	• `regexp_match('QGIS ROCKS','\\sROCKS')` → 5 • `regexp_match('Budač','udač\\b')` → 2

regexp_replace

Returns a string with the supplied regular expression replaced.

Syntax	regexp_replace(input_string, regex, replacement)
Arguments	• **input_string** - the string to replace matches in • **regex** - The regular expression to replace. Backslash characters must be double escaped (e.g., „\\s“ to match a white space character). • **replacement** - The string that will replace any matching occurrences of the supplied regular expression. Captured groups can be inserted into the replacement string using \\1, \\2, etc.
Beispiele	• `regexp_replace('QGIS SHOULD ROCK','\\sSHOULD\\s',' DOES ')` → ‚QGIS DOES ROCK‘ • `regexp_replace('ABC123','\\d+','')` → ‚ABC‘ • `regexp_replace('my name is John','(.*) is (.*)','\\2 is \\1')` → ‚John is my name‘

regexp_substr

Returns the portion of a string which matches a supplied regular expression.

Syntax	regexp_substr(input_string, regex)
Arguments	• **input_string** - the string to find matches in • **regex** - The regular expression to match against. Backslash characters must be double escaped (e.g., „\\s“ to match a white space character).
Beispiele	• `regexp_substr('abc123','(\\d+)')` → ‚123‘

replace

Returns a string with the supplied string, array, or map of strings replaced.

String & array variant

Returns a string with the supplied string or array of strings replaced by a string or an array of strings.

Syntax	replace(string, before, after)
Arguments	• **string** - the input string • **before** - the string or array of strings to replace • **after** - the string or array of strings to use as a replacement
Beispiele	• `replace('QGIS SHOULD ROCK','SHOULD','DOES')` → ‚QGIS DOES ROCK‘ • `replace('QGIS ABC',array('A','B','C'),array('X','Y','Z'))` → ‚QGIS XYZ‘ • `replace('QGIS',array('Q','S'),'')` → ‚GI‘

Map variant

Returns a string with the supplied map keys replaced by paired values. Longer map keys are evaluated first.

Syntax	replace(string, map)
Arguments	• **string** - the input string • **map** - the map containing keys and values
Beispiele	• `replace('APP SHOULD ROCK',map('APP','QGIS','SHOULD','DOES'))` → ‚QGIS DOES ROCK' • `replace('forty two',map('for','4','two','2','forty two','42'))` → ‚42'

right

Returns a substring that contains the *n* rightmost characters of the string.

Syntax	right(string, length)
Arguments	• **string** - a string • **length** - integer. The number of characters from the right of the string to return.
Beispiele	• `right('Hello World',5)` → ‚World'

rpad

Returns a string padded on the right to the specified width, using a fill character. If the target width is smaller than the string's length, the string is truncated.

Syntax	rpad(string, width, fill)
Arguments	• **string** - string to pad • **width** - length of new string • **fill** - character to pad the remaining space with
Beispiele	• `rpad('Hello', 10, 'x')` → ‚Helloxxxxx' • `rpad('Hello', 3, 'x')` → ‚Hel'

strpos

Return the first matching position of a substring within another string, or 0 if the substring is not found.

Syntax	strpos(haystack, needle)
Arguments	• **haystack** - string that is to be searched • **needle** - string to search for
Beispiele	• `strpos('HELLO WORLD','WORLD')` → 7 • `strpos('HELLO WORLD','GOODBYE')` → 0

substr

Returns a part of a string.

Syntax	substr(string, start, [length]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **string** - the full input string • **start** - integer representing start position to extract beginning with 1; if start is negative, the return string will begin at the end of the string minus the start value • **length** - integer representing length of string to extract; if length is negative, the return string will omit the given length of characters from the end of the string
Beispiele	• `substr('HELLO WORLD',3,5)` → ‚LLO W‘ • `substr('HELLO WORLD',6)` → ‚ WORLD‘ • `substr('HELLO WORLD',-5)` → ‚WORLD‘ • `substr('HELLO',3,-1)` → ‚LL‘ • `substr('HELLO WORLD',-5,2)` → ‚WO‘ • `substr('HELLO WORLD',-5,-1)` → ‚WORL‘

title

Converts all words of a string to title case (all words lower case with leading capital letter).

Syntax	title(string)
Arguments	• **string** - the string to convert to title case
Beispiele	• `title('hello WOrld')` → ‚Hello World‘

to_string

Converts a number to string.

Syntax	to_string(number)
Arguments	• **number** - Integer or real value. The number to convert to string.
Beispiele	• `to_string(123)` → ‚123‘

trim

Removes all leading and trailing whitespace (spaces, tabs, etc) from a string.

Syntax	trim(string)
Arguments	• **string** - string to trim
Beispiele	• `trim(' hello world ')` → ‚hello world‘

upper

Converts a string to upper case letters.

Syntax	upper(string)
Arguments	• **string** - the string to convert to upper case
Beispiele	• `upper('hello WOrld')` → ‚HELLO WORLD‘

wordwrap

Returns a string wrapped to a maximum/minimum number of characters.

Syntax	wordwrap(string, wrap_length, [delimiter_string]) [] marks optional arguments
Arguments	• **string** - the string to be wrapped • **wrap_length** - an integer. If wrap_length is positive the number represents the ideal maximum number of characters to wrap; if negative, the number represents the minimum number of characters to wrap. • **delimiter_string** - Optional delimiter string to wrap to a new line.
Beispiele	• `wordwrap('UNIVERSITY OF QGIS',13)` → ‚UNIVERSITY OF QGIS‘ • `wordwrap('UNIVERSITY OF QGIS',-3)` → ‚UNIVERSITY OF QGIS‘

12.2.25 User Expressions

This group contains the expressions saved as *user expressions*.

12.2.26 Variables

This group contains dynamic variables related to the application, the project file and other settings. The availability of variables depends on the context:

- von dem  Objekte über Ausdruck wählen Dialog
- von dem  Feldrechner Dialog
- von dem Layereigenschaften Dialog
- vom Drucklayout

To use these variables in an expression, they should be preceded by the `@` character (e.g, `@row_number`).

Variable	Beschreibung
algorithm_id	The unique ID of an algorithm
animation_end_time	End of the animation's overall temporal time range (as a datetime value)
animation_interval	Duration of the animation's overall temporal time range (as an interval value)
animation_start_time	Start of the animation's overall temporal time range (as a datetime value)
atlas_feature	The current atlas feature (as feature object)
atlas_featureid	The current atlas feature ID

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Variable	Beschreibung
atlas_featurenumber	The current atlas feature number in the layout
atlas_filename	The current atlas file name
atlas_geometry	The current atlas feature geometry
atlas_layerid	The current atlas coverage layer ID
atlas_layername	The current atlas coverage layer name
atlas_pagename	The current atlas page name
atlas_totalfeatures	The total number of features in atlas
canvas_cursor_point	The last cursor position on the canvas in the project's geographical coordinates
cluster_color	The color of symbols within a cluster, or NULL if symbols have mixed colors
cluster_size	The number of symbols contained within a cluster
current_feature	The feature currently being edited in the attribute form or table row
current_geometry	The geometry of the feature currently being edited in the form or the table row
current_parent_feature	represents the feature currently being edited in the parent form. Only usable in an embedded form context.
current_parent_geometry	represents the geometry of the feature currently being edited in the parent form. Only usable in an embedded form context.
form_mode	What the form is used for, like AddFeatureMode, SingleEditMode, MultiEditMode, SearchMode, AggregateSearchMode or IdentifyMode as string.
frame_duration	Temporal duration of each animation frame (as an interval value)
frame_number	Current frame number during animation playback
frame_rate	Number of frames per second during animation playback
fullextent_maxx	Maximum x value from full canvas extent (including all layers)
fullextent_maxy	Maximum y value from full canvas extent (including all layers)
fullextent_minx	Minimum x value from full canvas extent (including all layers)
fullextent_miny	Minimum y value from full canvas extent (including all layers)
geometry_part_count	The number of parts in rendered feature's geometry
geometry_part_num	The current geometry part number for feature being rendered
geometry_point_count	The number of points in the rendered geometry's part
geometry_point_num	The current point number in the rendered geometry's part
geometry_ring_num	Current geometry ring number for feature being rendered (for polygon features only). The exterior ring has a value of 0.
grid_axis	The current grid annotation axis (eg, ‚x' for longitude, ‚y' for latitude)
grid_number	The current grid annotation value
item_id	The layout item user ID (not necessarily unique)
item_uuid	The layout item unique ID
layer	The current layer
layer_crs `NEW in 3.18`	The Coordinate Reference System Authority ID of the current layer
layer_id	The ID of current layer
layer_ids	The IDs of all the map layers in the current project as a list
layer_name	The name of current layer
layers	All the map layers in the current project as a list
layout_dpi	The composition resolution (DPI)
layout_name	The layout name
layout_numpages	The number of pages in the layout
layout_page	The page number of the current item in the layout
layout_pageheight	The active page height in the layout (in mm for standard paper sizes, or whatever unit was used for custom paper size)
layout_pageoffsets	Array of Y coordinate of the top of each page. Allows to dynamically position items on pages in a context where page sizes may change
layout_pagewidth	The active page width in the layout (in mm for standard paper sizes, or whatever unit was used for custom paper size)
legend_column_count	The number of columns in the legend
legend_filter_by_map	Indicates if the content of the legend is filtered by the map

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Variable	Beschreibung
legend_filter_out_atlas	Indicates if the atlas is filtered out of the legend
legend_split_layers	Indicates if layers can be split in the legend
legend_title	The title of the legend
legend_wrap_string	The character(s) used to wrap the legend text
map_crs	The Coordinate reference system of the current map
map_crs_acronym	The acronym of the Coordinate reference system of the current map
map_crs_definition	The full definition of the Coordinate reference system of the current map
map_crs_description	The name of the Coordinate reference system of the current map
map_crs_ellipsoid	The acronym of the ellipsoid of the Coordinate reference system of the current map
map_crs_proj4	The Proj4 definition of the Coordinate reference system of the current map
map_crs_projection `NEW in 3.20`	The descriptive name of the projection method used by the Coordinate reference system of the map (e.g. ‚Albers Equal Area‘)
map_crs_wkt	The WKT definition of the Coordinate reference system of the current map
map_end_time	The end of the map's temporal time range (as a datetime value)
map_extent	The geometry representing the current extent of the map
map_extent_center	The point feature at the center of the map
map_extent_height	The current height of the map
map_extent_width	The current width of the map
map_id	The ID of current map destination. This will be ‚canvas‘ for canvas renders, and the item ID for layout map renders
map_interval	The duration of the map's temporal time range (as an interval value)
map_layer_ids	The list of map layer IDs visible in the map
map_layers	The list of map layers visible in the map
map_rotation	The current rotation of the map
map_scale	The current scale of the map
map_start_time	The start of the map's temporal time range (as a datetime value)
map_units	The units of map measurements
model_path	Full path (including file name) of current model (or project path if model is embedded in a project).
model_folder	Folder containing current model (or project folder if model is embedded in a project).
model_name	Name of current model
model_group	Group for current model
notification_message	Content of the notification message sent by the provider (available only for actions triggered by provider notifications).
parent	Refers to the current feature in the parent layer, providing access to its attributes and geometry when filtering an *aggregate* function
project_abstract	The project abstract, taken from project metadata
project_area_units	The area unit for the current project, used when calculating areas of geometries
project_author	The project author, taken from project metadata
project_basename	The basename of current project's filename (without path and extension)
project_creation_date	The project creation date, taken from project metadata
project_crs	The Coordinate reference system of the project
project_crs_arconym	The acronym of the Coordinate reference system of the project
project_crs_definition	The full definition of the Coordinate reference system of the project
project_crs_description	The description of the Coordinate reference system of the project
project_crs_ellipsoid	The ellipsoid of the Coordinate reference system of the project
project_crs_proj4	The Proj4 representation of the Coordinate reference system of the project
project_crs_wkt	The WKT (well known text) representation of the coordinate reference system of the project
project_distance_units	The distance unit for the current project, used when calculating lengths of geometries and distances
project_ellipsoid	The name of the ellipsoid of the current project, used when calculating geodetic areas or lengths of geometries

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Variable	Beschreibung
project_filename	The filename of the current project
project_folder	The folder of the current project
project_home	The home path of the current project
project_identifier	The project identifier, taken from the project's metadata
project_keywords	The project keywords, taken from the project's metadata
project_last_saved	Date/time when project was last saved.
project_path	The full path (including file name) of the current project
project_title	The title of current project
project_units	The units of the project's CRS
qgis_locale	The current language of QGIS
qgis_os_name	The current Operating system name, eg ‚windows', ‚linux' or ‚osx'
qgis_platform	The QGIS platform, eg ‚desktop' or ‚server'
qgis_release_name	The current QGIS release name
qgis_short_version	The current QGIS version short string
qgis_version	The current QGIS version string
qgis_version_no	The current QGIS version number
row_number	Speichert die Zahl der aktuellen Reihe
snapping_results	Gibt Zugriff auf die Einrasthinweise beim Digitalisieren eines Objektes (nur beim Hinzufügen von Objekten verfügbar)
scale_value	The current scale bar distance value
selected_file_path	Selected file path from file widget selector when uploading a file with an external storage system
symbol_angle	The angle of the symbol used to render the feature (valid for marker symbols only)
symbol_color	The color of the symbol used to render the feature
symbol_count	The number of features represented by the symbol (in the layout legend)
symbol_id	The Internal ID of the symbol (in the layout legend)
symbol_label	The label for the symbol (either a user defined label or the default autogenerated label - in the layout legend)
symbol_layer_count	Total number of symbol layers in the symbol
symbol_layer_index	Current symbol layer index
symbol_marker_column	Column number for marker (valid for point pattern fills only).
symbol_marker_row	Row number for marker (valid for point pattern fills only).
user_account_name	The current user's operating system account name
user_full_name	The current user's operating system user name
Wert	The current value
vector_tile_zoom	Exact vector tile zoom level of the map that is being rendered (derived from the current map scale). Normally in interval [0, 20]. Unlike @zoom_level, this variable is a floating point value which can be used to interpolate values between two integer zoom levels.
with_variable	Erlaubt das Setzen einer Variable für die Verwendung in einem Ausdruck und vermeidet so die wiederholte Neuberechnung desselben Wertes
zoom_level	Vector tile zoom level of the map that is being rendered (derived from the current map scale). Normally in interval [0, 20].

Einige Beispiele:

- Return the X coordinate of a map item center in layout:

```
x( map_get( item_variables( 'map1'), 'map_extent_center' ) )
```

- Return, for each feature in the current layer, the number of overlapping airport features:

```
aggregate( layer:='airport', aggregate:='count', expression:="code",
               filter:=intersects( $geometry, geometry( @parent ) ) )
```

- Get the object_id of the first snapped point of a line:

```
with_variable(
  'first_snapped_point',
  array_first( @snapping_results ),
  attribute(
    get_feature_by_id(
      map_get( @first_snapped_point, 'layer' ),
      map_get( @first_snapped_point, 'feature_id' )
    ),
    'object_id'
  )
)
```

12.2.27 Kürzlich verwendete Funktionen

This group contains recently used functions. Depending on the context of its usage (feature selection, field calculator, generic), recently applied expressions are added to the corresponding list (up to ten expressions), sorted from more to less recent. This makes it easy to quickly retrieve and reapply previously used expressions.

KAPITEL 13

Die Stilbibliothek

13.1 The Style Manager

13.1.1 The Style Manager dialog

The *Style Manager* is the place where you can manage and create generic style items. These are symbols, color ramps, text formats or label settings that can be used to symbolize features, layers or print layouts. They are stored in the `symbology-style.db` database under the active *user profile* and shared with all the project files opened with that profile. Style items can also be shared with others thanks to the export/import capabilities of the *Style Manager* dialog.

You can open that modeless dialog either:

- from the *Settings* ►  *Style Manager…* menu
- with the  Style Manager button from the Project toolbar
- or with the  Style Manager button from a vector *Layer Properties* ► menu (while *configuring a symbol* or *formatting a text*).

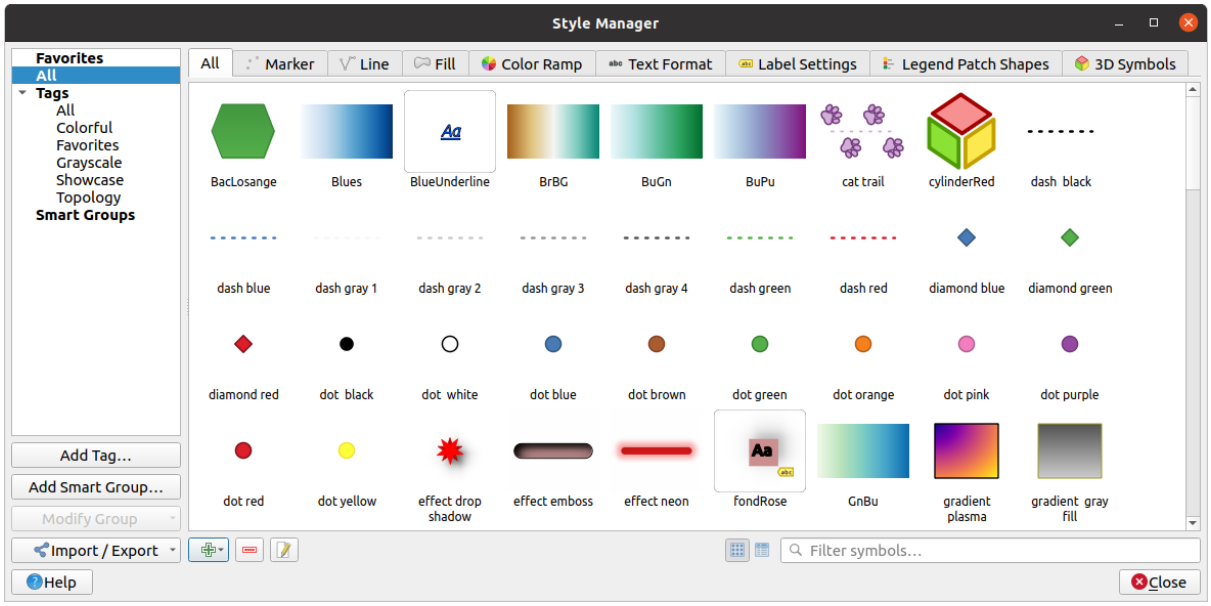


Abb. 13.1: The Style Manager

Organizing style items

The *Style Manager* dialog displays in its center a frame with previewed items organized into tabs:

- *All* for a complete collection of point, linear and surface symbols and label settings as well as predefined color ramps and text formats;
- *Marker* for point symbols only;
- *Line* for linear symbols only;
- *Fill* for surface symbols only;
- *Color ramp*;
- abc *Text format* to manage *text formats*, which store the font, color, buffers, shadows, and backgrounds of texts (i.e. all the formatting parts of the label settings, which for instance can be used in layouts);
- *Label settings* to manage *label settings*, which include the text formats and some layer-type specific settings such as label placement, priority, callouts, rendering…
- *Legend Patch Shapes* to manage custom legend patch shapes, which include *Marker*, *Line* and *Fill* geometries.
- *3D Symbols* to configure symbols with *3D properties* (extrusion, shading, altitude, …) for the features to render in a *3D Map view*

You can arrange the Styles in *Icon View* or in *List View* on the bottom right side. In both views the tooltip shows a larger instance of the style.

For each family of items, you can organize the elements into different categories, listed in the panel on the left:

- **Favorites**: displayed by default when configuring an item, it shows an extensible set of items;
- **All**: lists all the available items for the active type;

- **Tags**: shows a list of labels you can use to identify the items. An item can be tagged more than once. Select a tag in the list and the tabs are updated to show only their items that belong to it. To create a new tag you could later attach to a set of items, use the *Add Tag…* button or select the *Add Tag…* from any tag contextual menu;
- **Smart Group**: a smart group dynamically fetches its symbols according to conditions set (see eg, Abb. 13.2). Click the *Add Smart Group…* button to create smart groups. The dialog box allows you to enter an expression to filter the items to select (has a particular tag, have a string in its name, etc.). Any symbol, color ramp, text format or label setting that satisfies the entered condition(s) is automatically added to the smart group.

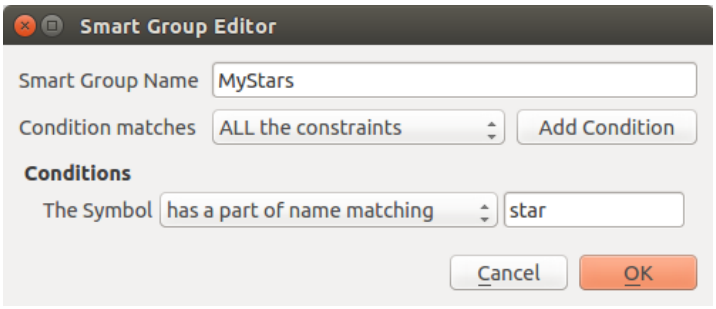


Abb. 13.2: Creating a Smart Group

Tags and smart groups are not mutually exclusive: they are simply two different ways to organize your style elements. Unlike the smart groups that automatically fetch their belonged items based on the input constraints, tags are filled by the user. To edit any of those categories, you can either:

- select the items, right-click and choose *Add to Tag* ► and then select the tag name or create a new tag;
- select the tag and press *Modify group…* ► *Attach Selected Tag to Symbols*. A checkbox appears next to each item to help you select or deselect it. When selection is finished, press *Modify group…* ► *Finish Tagging*.
- select the smart group, press *Modify group…* ► *Edit smart group…* and configure a new set of constraints in the *Smart Group Editor* dialog. This option is also available in the contextual menu of the smart group.

To remove a tag or a smart group, right-click on it and select the *Remove* button. Note that this does not delete the items grouped in the category.

Adding, editing or removing an item

As seen earlier, style elements are listed under different tabs whose contents depend on the active category (tag, smart group, favorites…). When a tab is enabled, you can:

- Add new items: press the Add item button and configure the item following *symbols*, *color ramps* or *text format and label* builder description.
- Modify an existing item: select an item and press Edit item button and configure as mentioned above.
- Delete existing items: to delete an element you no longer need, select it and click Remove item (also available through right-click). The item will be deleted from the local database.

Note that the *All* tab provides access to these options for every type of item.

Right-clicking over a selection of items also allows you to:

- *Add to Favorites*;
- *Remove from Favorites*;
- *Add to Tag* ► and select the appropriate tag or create a new one to use; the currently assigned tags are checked;
- *Clear Tags*: detaching the symbols from any tag;

- *Remove Item(s)*;
- *Edit Item*: applies to the item you right-click over;
- *Copy Item*;
- *Paste Item* …: pasting to one of the categories of the style manager or elsewhere in QGIS (symbol or color buttons)
- *Export Selected Symbol(s) as PNG…* (only available with symbols);
- *Export Selected Symbol(s) as SVG…* (only available with symbols);

Sharing style items

The *Import/Export* tool, at the left bottom of the Style Manager dialog, offers options to easily share symbols, color ramps, text formats and label settings with others. These options are also available through right-click over the items.

Exporting items

You can export a set of items to an `.XML` file:

1. Expand the *Import/Export* drop-down menu and select *Export Item(s)…*
2. Choose the items you'd like to integrate. Selection can be done with the mouse or using a tag or a group previously set.
3. Press *Export* when ready. You'll be prompted to indicate the destination of the saved file. The XML format generates a single file containing all the selected items. This file can then be imported in another user's style library.

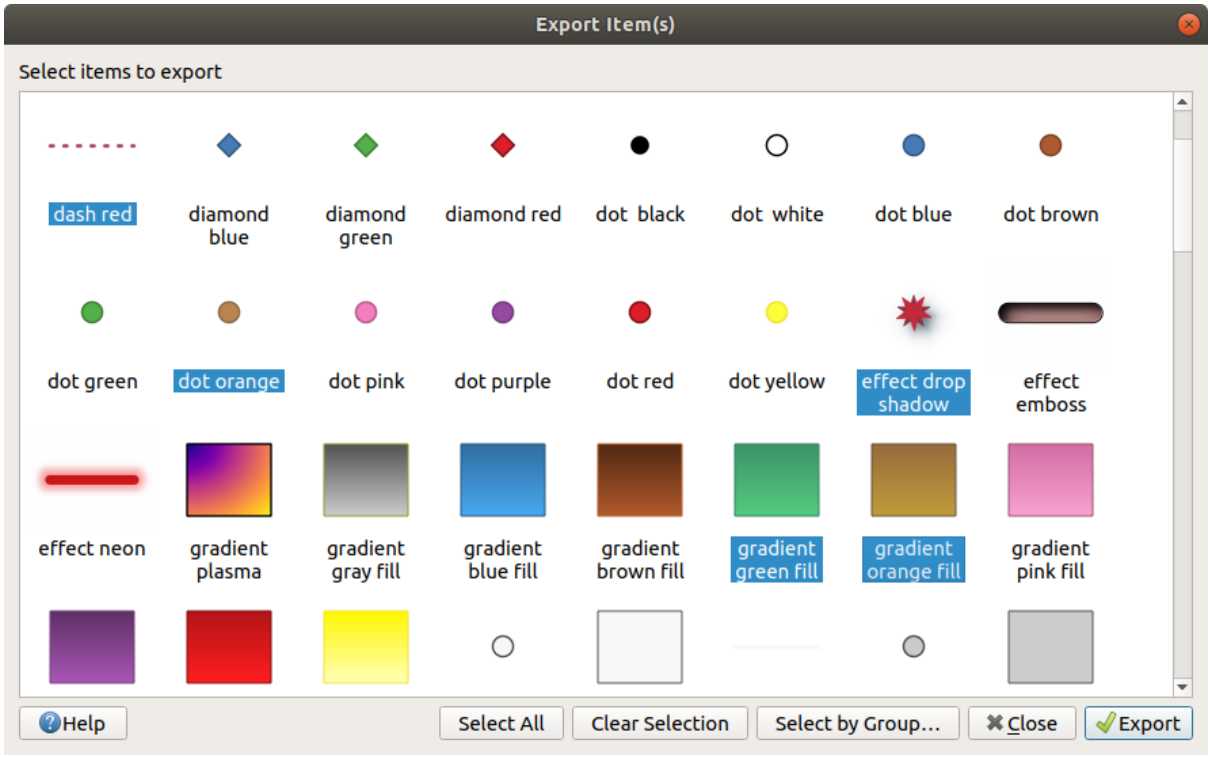


Abb. 13.3: Exporting style items

When symbols are selected, you can also export them to `.PNG` or `.SVG`. Exporting to `.PNG` or `.SVG` (both not available for other style item types) creates a file for each selected symbol in a given folder. The SVG folder can be added to the *SVG paths* in *Settings* ► *Options* ► *System* menu of another user, allowing him direct access to all these symbols.

Importing items

You can extend your style library by importing new items:

1. Expand the *Import/Export* drop-down menu and select *Import Item(s)* at the left bottom of the dialog.
2. In the new dialog, indicate the source of the style items (it can be an `.xml` file on the disk or a url).
3. Set whether to *Add to favorites* the items to import.
4. Check *Do not import embedded tags* to avoid the import of tags associated to the items being imported.
5. Give the name of any *Additional tag(s)* to apply to the new items.
6. Select from the preview the symbols you want to add to your library.
7. And press *Import*.

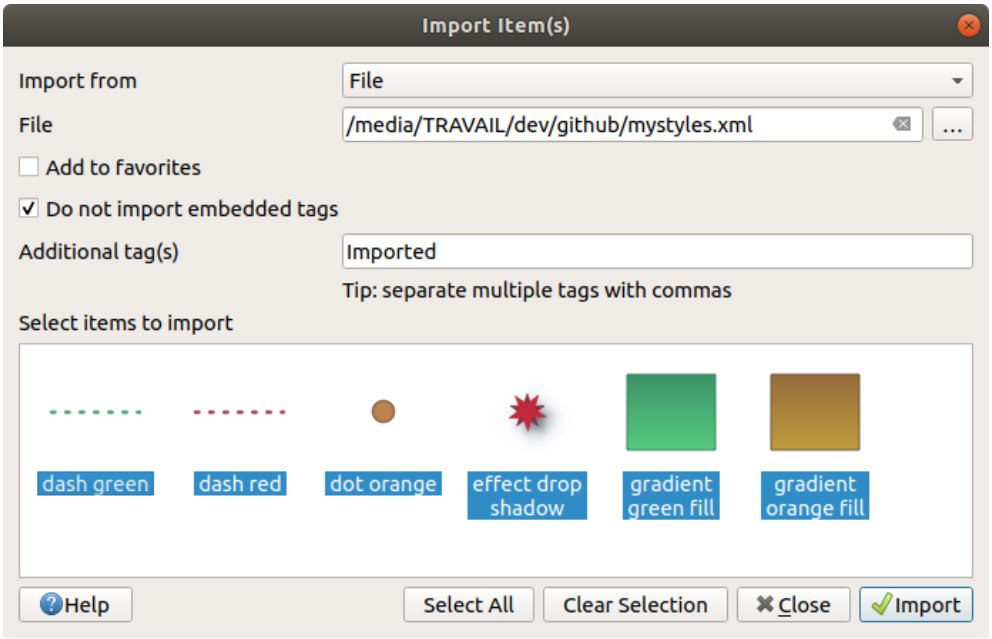


Abb. 13.4: Importing style items

Using the Browser panel

It's also possible to import style items into the active user profile style database directly from the *Browser* panel:

1. Select the style `.xml` file in the browser
2. Drag-and-drop it over the map canvas or right-click and select *Import Style…*
3. Fill the *Import Items* dialog following *Importing items*
4. Press *Import* and the selected style items are added to the style database

Double-clicking the style file in the browser opens the *Style Manager* dialog showing the items in the file. You can select them and press *Copy to Default Style…* to import them into the active style database. Tags can be assigned to items. Also available through right-click, *Open Style…* command.

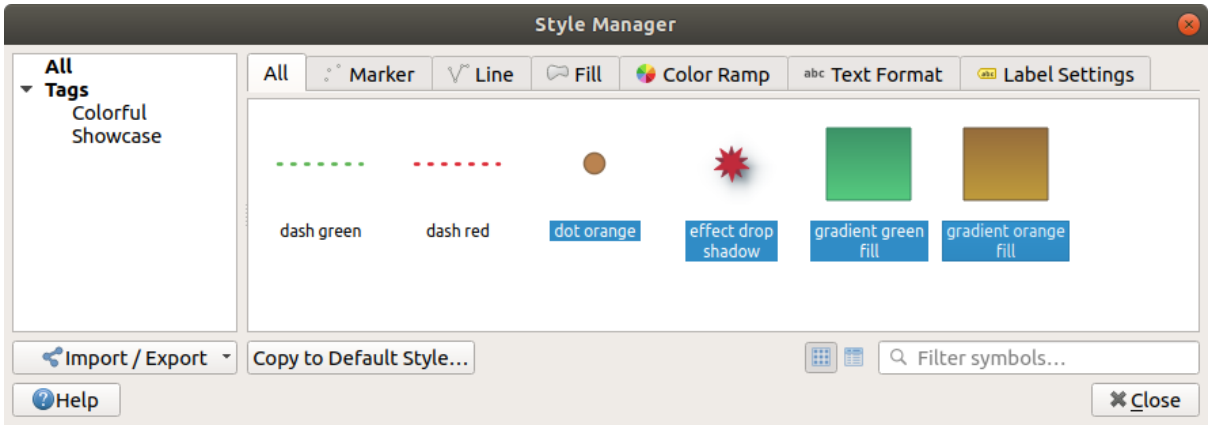


Abb. 13.5: Opening a style items file

The dialog also allows to export single symbols as `.PNG` or `.SVG` files.

Using the online repository

The QGIS project maintains a repository with a collection of styles shared by QGIS users. This is available at https://plugins.qgis.org/styles and can be accessed from the *Style Manager* dialog, pressing the *Browse Online Styles* button at the bottom.

From that repository, you can:

1. Browse and search for any style items, based on their type or name
2. Download the style file and unzip it
3. Load the `.xml` based file into your style database in QGIS, using any of the aforementioned import methods.

13.1.2 Setting a Color Ramp

The Color ramp tab in the *Style Manager* dialog helps you preview different color ramps based on the category selected in the left panel.

To create a custom color ramp, activate the Color ramp tab and click the Add item button. The button reveals a drop-down list to choose the ramp type:

- *Gradient*: given a start and end colors, generate a color ramp which can be **continuous** or **discrete**. With double-clicking the ramp preview, you can add as many intermediate color stops as you want.

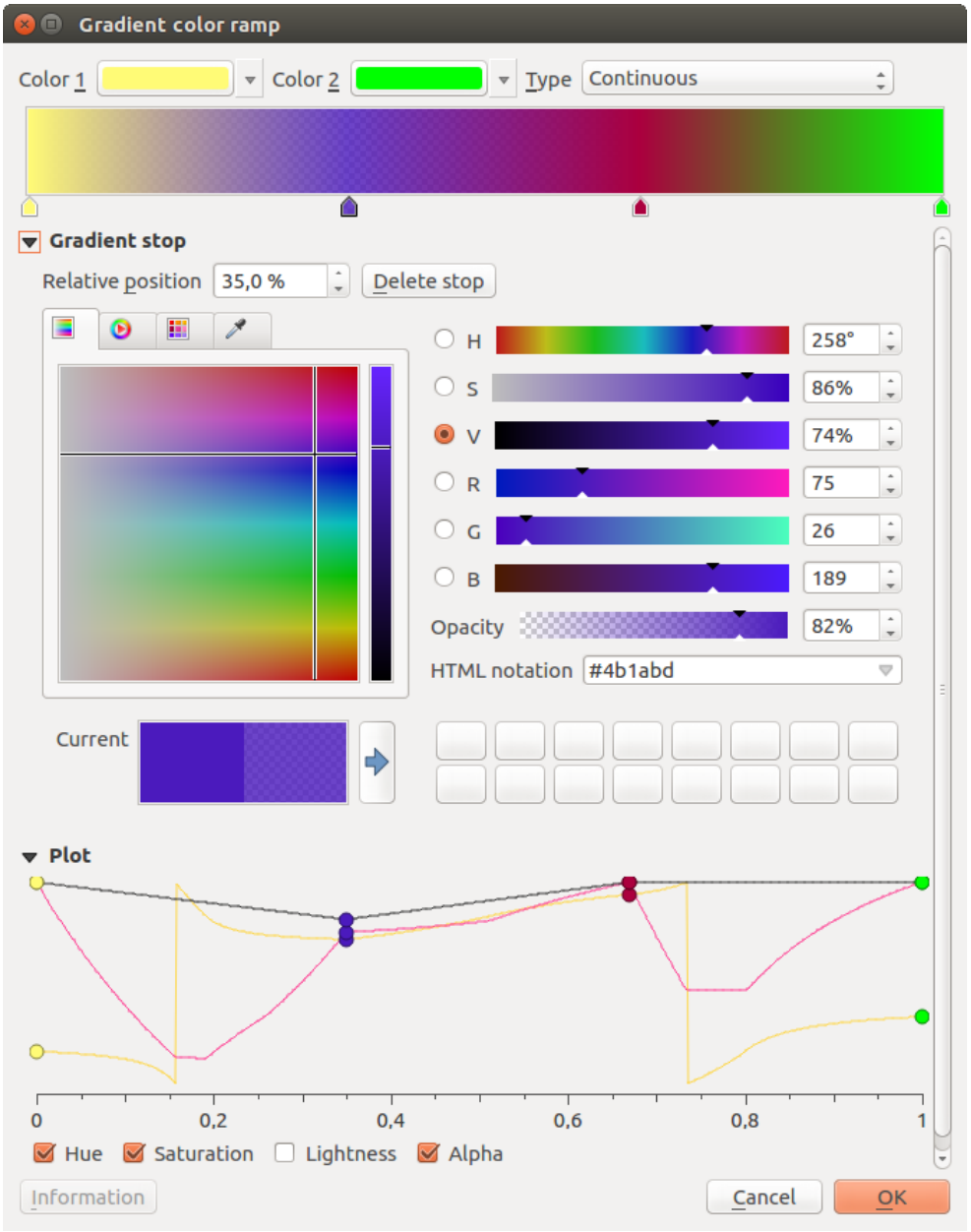


Abb. 13.6: Example of custom gradient color ramp with multiple stops

- *Color presets*: allows to create a color ramp consisting of a list of colors selected by the user;
- *Random*: creates a random set of colors based on range of values for *Hue*, *Saturation*, *Value* and *Opacity* and a number of colors (*Classes*);
- *Catalog: ColorBrewer*: a set of predefined discrete color gradients you can customize the number of colors in the ramp;
- or *Catalog: cpt-city*: an access to a whole catalog of color gradients to locally *save as standard gradient*. The cpt-city option opens a new dialog with hundreds of themes included ‚out of the box'.

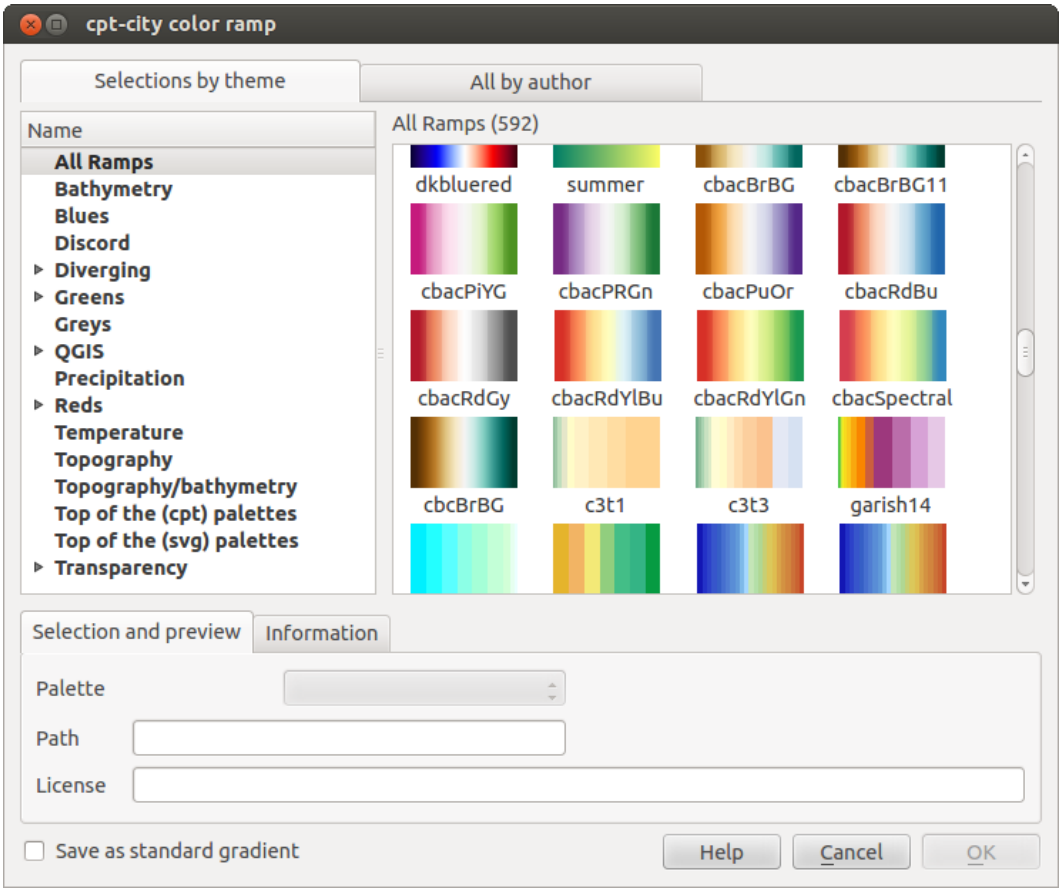


Abb. 13.7: cpt-city dialog with hundreds of color ramps

Tipp: Easily adjust the color stops of the gradient color ramp

Double-clicking the ramp preview or drag-and-drop a color from the color spot onto the ramp preview adds a new color stop. Each color stop can be tweaked using the *Farbauswahl* widgets or by plotting each of its parameters. You can also reposition it using the mouse, the arrow keys (combine with `Shift` key for a larger move) or the *Relative position* spinbox. Pressing *Delete stop* as well as `DEL` key removes the selected color stop.

13.1.3 Creating a Legend Patch Shape

To create a new Legend Patch Shape, activate the *Legend Patch Shapes* tab and click the Add item button. The button reveals a drop-down list to choose the geometry type:

- *Marker Legend Patch Shape…*: to use with point geometries.
- *Line Legend Patch Shape…*: to use with line geometries.
- *Fill Legend Patch Shape…*: to use with polygon geometries.

All three options will show the same dialog.

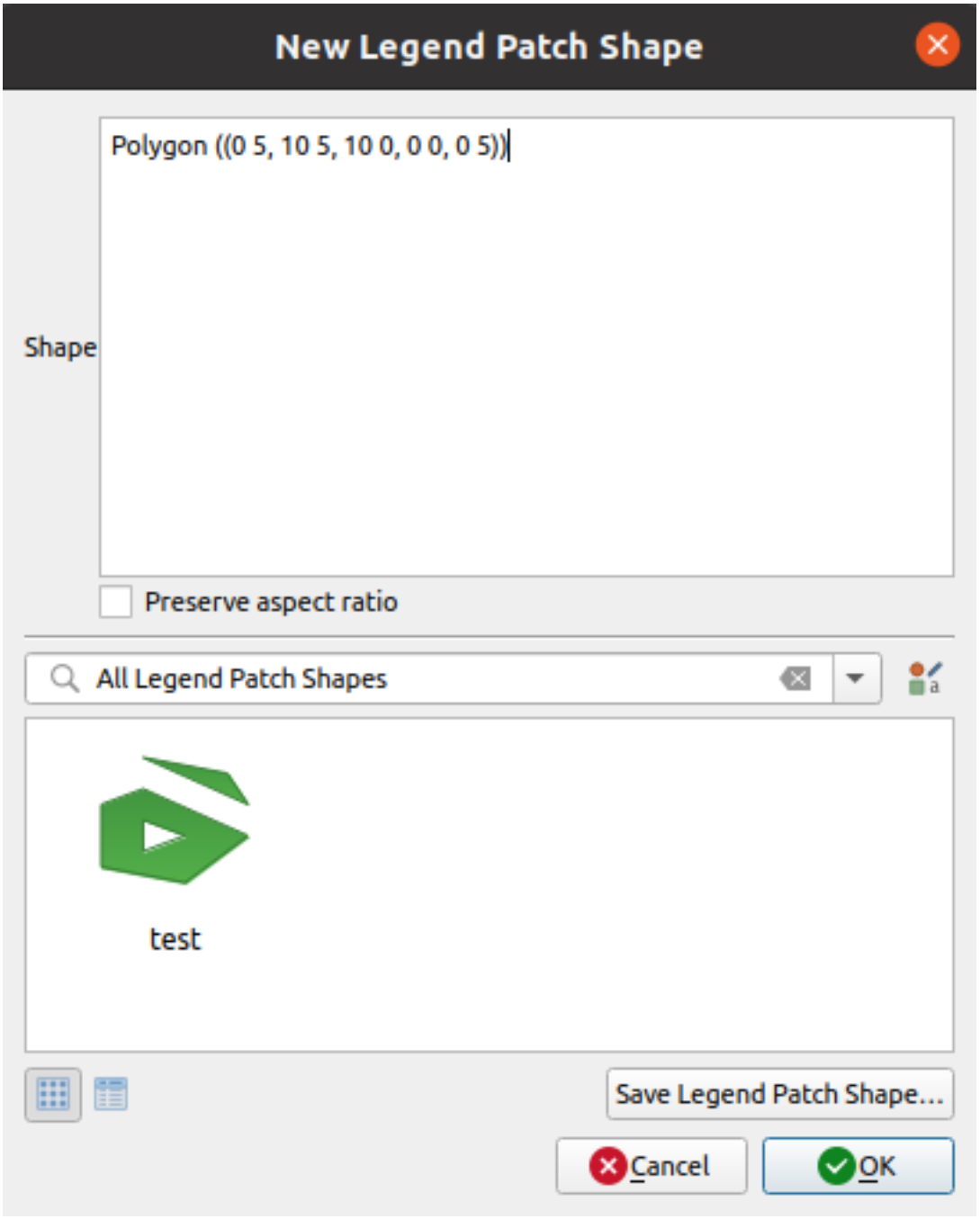


Abb. 13.8: Create a new Legend Patch Shape

Only the shape type and displayed legend patch shapes will differ regarding to the chosen geometry type. The following options will be available:

- *Shape*: define the shape of the legend patch shape as a WKT string. Single and multipart geometries may be used, but no GeometryCollection.
- *Preserve aspect ratio*
- *Icon View* or *List View* of available legend patch shapes, filtered by tags.

When the new Shape is defined you can *Save Legend Patch Shape…* or press *OK*, which will both lead to the same dialog.

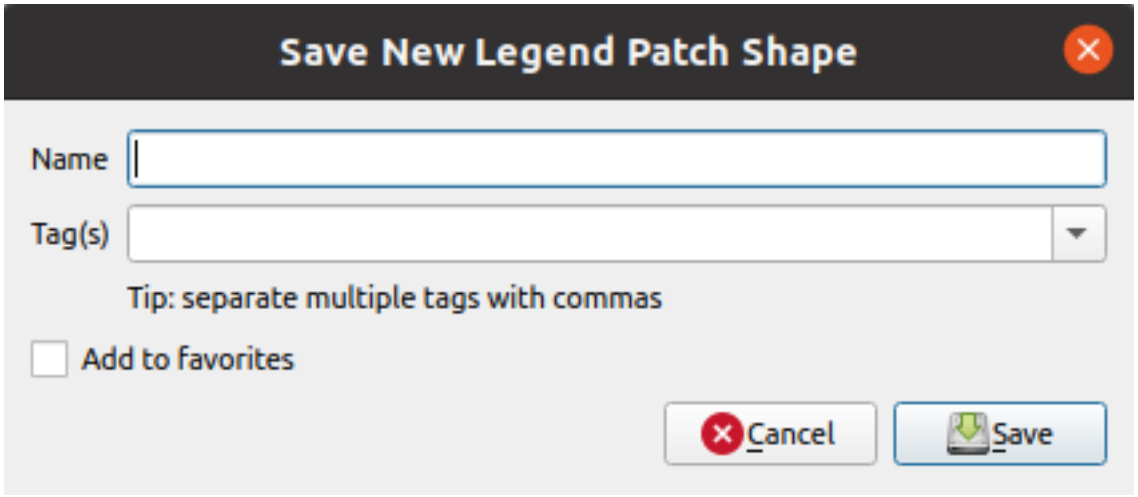


Abb. 13.9: Save a new Legend Patch Shape

Here you have to choose a name, tags to describe the shape and if it should be added to favorites.

If you press *Save…*, the shape is added to the list and you are directed back to the *New Legend Patch Shape* dialog to keep creating new shapes.

13.2 The Symbol Selector

The Symbol selector is the main dialog to design a symbol. You can create or edit Marker, Line or Fill Symbols.

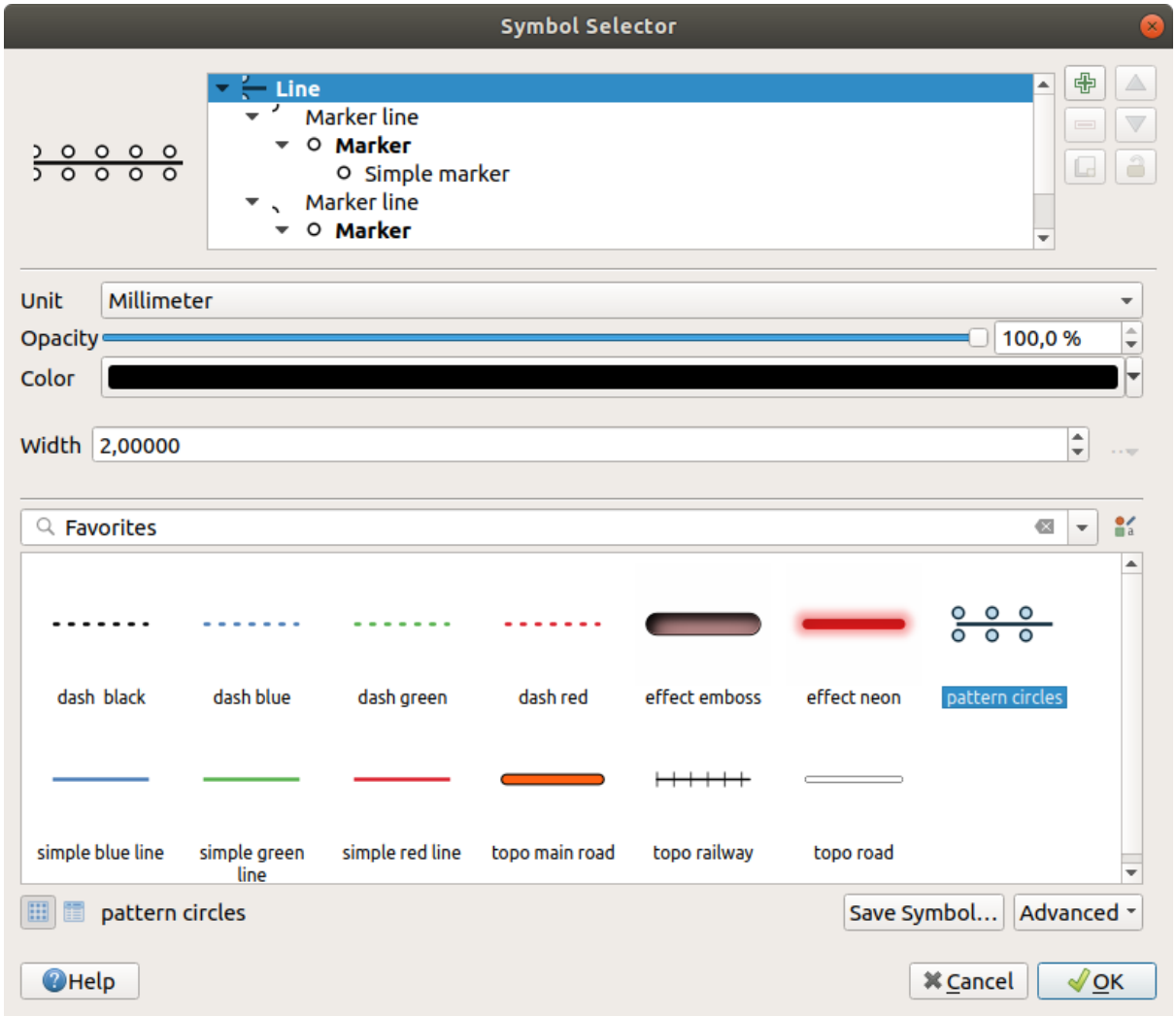


Abb. 13.10: Designing a Line symbol

Two main components structure the symbol selector dialog:

- the symbol tree, showing symbol layers that are combined afterwards to shape a new global symbol
- and settings to configure the selected symbol layer in the tree.

13.2.1 The symbol layer tree

A symbol can consist of several *Symbol layers*. The symbol tree shows the overlay of these symbol layers that are combined afterwards to shape a new global symbol. Besides, a dynamic symbol representation is updated as soon as symbol properties change.

Depending on the level selected in the symbol tree items, various tools are made available to help you manage the tree:

- add new symbol layer: you can stack as many symbols as you want
- remove the selected symbol layer
- lock colors of symbol layer: a locked color stays unchanged when user changes the color at the global (or upper) symbol level
- duplicate a (group of) symbol layer(s)

- move up or down the symbol layer

13.2.2 Configuring a symbol

In QGIS, configuring a symbol is done in two steps: the symbol and then the symbol layer.

The symbol

At the top level of the tree, it depends on the layer geometry and can be of **Marker**, **Line** or **Fill** type. Each symbol can embed one or more symbols (including, of any other type) or symbol layers.

You can setup some parameters that apply to the global symbol:

- *Unit*: it can be **Millimeters**, **Points**, **Pixels**, **Meters at Scale**, **Map units** or **Inches** (see *Unit Selector* for more details)
- *Opacity*
- *Color*: when this parameter is changed by the user, its value is echoed to all unlocked sub-symbols color
- *Size* and *Rotation* for marker symbols
- *Width* for line symbols

Tipp: Use the *Size* (for marker symbols) or the *Width* (for line symbols) properties at the symbol level to proportionally resize all of its embedded *symbol layers* dimensions.

Bemerkung: The *Data-defined override* button next to the width, size or rotation parameters is inactive when setting the symbol from the Style manager dialog. When the symbol is connected to a map layer, this button helps you create *proportional or multivariate analysis* rendering.

- A preview of the *symbols library*: Symbols of the same type are shown and, through the editable drop-down list just above, can be filtered by free-form text or by *categories*. You can also update the list of symbols using the  Style Manager button and open the eponym dialog. There, you can use any capabilities as exposed in *The Style Manager* section.

  The symbols are displayed either:

  - in an icon list (with thumbnail, name and associated tags) using the  List View button below the frame;
  - or as icon preview using the  Icon View button.
- Press the *Save Symbol* button to add the symbol being edited to the symbols library.
- With the *Advanced*  option, you can:
  - for line and fill symbols, *Clip features to canvas extent*.
  - for fill symbols, *Force right-hand rule orientation*: allows forcing rendered fill symbols to follow the standard „right hand rule“ for ring orientation (i.e, polygons where the exterior ring is clockwise, and the interior rings are all counter-clockwise).

    The orientation fix is applied while rendering only, and the original feature geometry is unchanged. This allows for creation of fill symbols with consistent appearance, regardless of the dataset being rendered and the ring orientation of individual features.
  - Depending on the *symbology* of the layer a symbol is being applied to, additional settings are available in the *Advanced* menu:
    - *Symbol levels…* to define the order of symbols rendering

    * *Data-defined Size Legend*
    * *Match to Saved Symbols…* and *Match to Symbols from File…* to automatically *assign symbols to classes*

The symbol layer

At a lower level of the tree, you can customize the symbol layers. The available symbol layer types depend on the upper symbol type. You can apply on the symbol layer  *paint effects* to enhance its rendering.

Because describing all the options of all the symbol layer types would not be possible, only particular and significant ones are mentioned below.

Common parameters

Some common options and widgets are available to build a symbol layer, regardless it's of marker, line or fill sub-type:

- the *color selector* widget to ease color manipulation
- *Units*: it can be **Millimeters**, **Points**, **Pixels**, **Meters at Scale**, **Map units** or **Inches** (see *Unit Selector* for more details)
- the  Data-defined override widget near almost all options, extending capabilities of customizing each symbol (see *Datendefinierte Übersteuerung Setup* for more information)
- the  *Enable symbol layer* option controls the symbol layer's visibility. Disabled symbol layers are not drawn when rendering the symbol but are saved in the symbol. Being able to hide symbol layers is convenient when looking for the best design of your symbol as you don't need to remove any for the testing. The data-defined override then makes it possible to hide or display different symbol layers based on expressions (using, for instance, feature attributes).
- the  *Draw effects* button for *effects rendering*.

Bemerkung: While the description below assumes that the symbol layer type is bound to the feature geometry, keep in mind that you can embed symbol layers in each others. In that case, the lower level symbol layer parameter (placement, offset…) might be bound to the upper-level symbol, and not to the feature geometry itself.

Marker Symbols

Appropriate for point geometry features, marker symbols have several *Symbol layer types*:

- **Simple marker** (default)

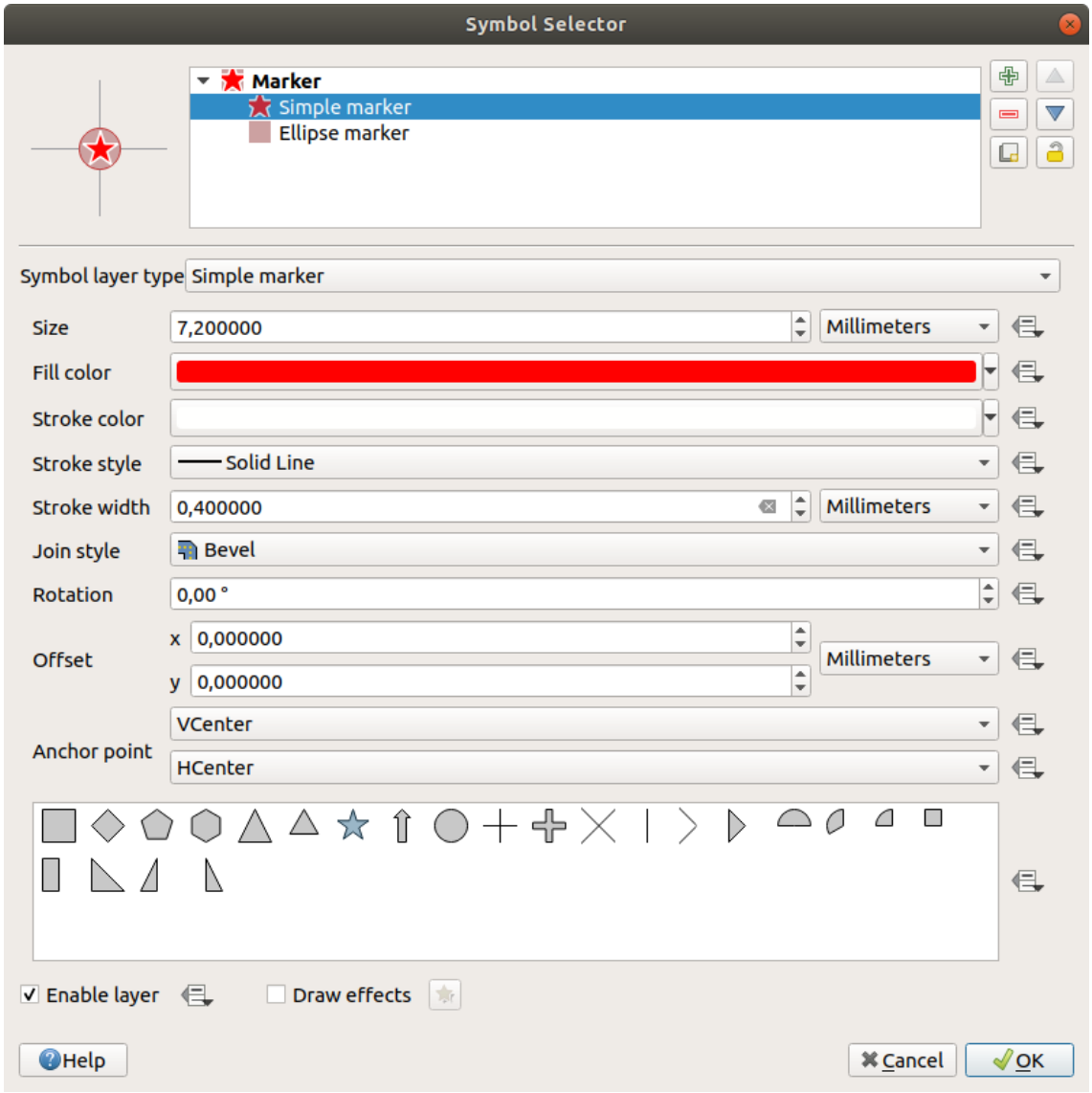


Abb. 13.11: Designing a Simple Marker Symbol

The simple marker symbol layer type has the following properties:

- *Size* in various supported units
- *Fill color*
- *Stroke color*, *Stroke style* from a predefined list and *Stroke size*
- *Join style*: it can be **Bevel**, **Miter** or **Round**
- *Cap style*: it can be **Square**, **Flat** or **Round**
- *Rotation*
- *Offset* in *X* and *Y* directions from the feature
- *Anchor point*: defining the quadrant point on the symbol to settle as placement origin. This is the point the *Offset* is applied on.

- **Ellipse marker**: a simple marker symbol layer, with customizable width and height
- **Filled marker**: similar to the simple marker symbol layer, except that it uses a *fill sub symbol* to render the marker. This allows use of all the existing QGIS fill (and stroke) styles for rendering markers, e.g. gradient or shapeburst fills.

- **Font marker**: similar to the simple marker symbol layer, except that it uses installed fonts to render the marker. Its additional properties are:
  - *Font family*
  - *Font style*
  - *Character(s)*, representing the text to display as symbol. They can be typed in or selected from the font characters collection widget and you can live *Preview* them with the selected settings.
- **Geometry generator** (see *The Geometry Generator*)
- **Mask**: its sub-symbol defines a mask shape whose color property will be ignored and only the opacity will be used. This is convenient when the marker symbol overlaps with labels or other symbols whose colors are close, making it hard to decipher. More details at *Masks Properties*.
- **Raster image marker**: use an image (`PNG`, `JPG`, `BMP` ...) as marker symbol. The image can be a file on the disk, a remote URL, embedded in the style database (*more details*) or it can be encoded as a base64 string. Width and height of the image can be set independently or using the  Lock aspect ratio. The size can be set using any of the *common units* or as a percentage of the image's original size (scaled by the width).
- **Vector Field marker** (see *The Vector Field Marker*)
- **SVG marker**: provides you with images from your SVG paths (set in *Settings* ► *Options...* ► *System* menu) to render as marker symbol. Width and height of the symbol can be set independently or using the  Lock aspect ratio. Each SVG file colors and stroke can also be adapted. The image can be a file on the disk, a remote URL, embedded in the style database (*more details*) or it can be encoded as a base64 string.

  The symbol can also be set with *Dynamic SVG parameters*. See *Parametrizable SVG* section to parametrize an SVG symbol.

Bemerkung: SVG version requirements

QGIS renders SVG files that follow the SVG Tiny 1.2 profile, intended for implementation on a range of devices, from cellphones and PDAs to laptop and desktop computers, and thus includes a subset of the features included in SVG 1.1 Full, along with new features to extend the capabilities of SVG.

Some features not included in these specifications might not be rendered correctly in QGIS.

Line Symbols

Appropriate for line geometry features, line symbols have the following symbol layer types:

- **Simple line** (default)

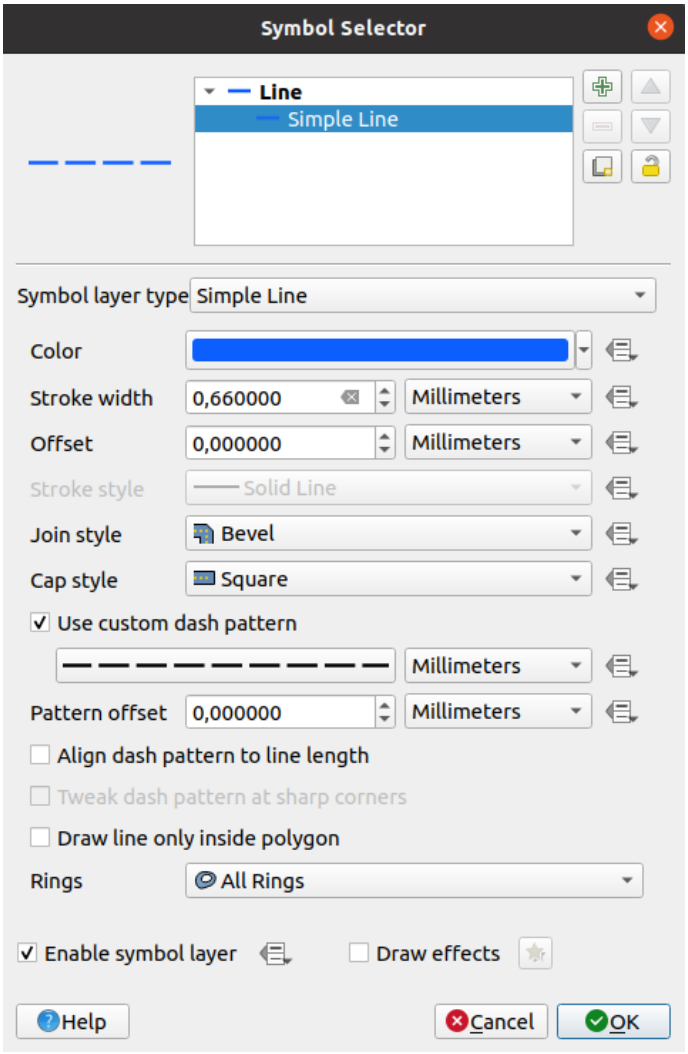


Abb. 13.12: Designing a Simple Line Symbol

The simple line symbol layer type has many of the same properties as the *simple marker symbol*, and in addition:

- *Use custom dash pattern*: overrides the *Stroke style* setting with a custom dash.
- *Pattern offset*: the positioning of the dashes/spaces in the line can be tweaked, so that they can be placed at nicer positions to account for corners in the line (also can be used potentially to „align“ adjacent dash pattern borders)
- *Align dash pattern to line length*: the dash pattern length will be adjusted so that the line will end with a complete dash element, instead of a gap.
- *Tweak dash pattern at sharp corners*: dynamically adjusts the dash pattern placement so that sharp corners are represented by a full dash element coming into and out of the sharp corner. Dependent on *Align dash pattern to line length*.
- *Trim lines* from *Start* and/or *End*: allows for the line rendering to trim off the first x mm and last y mm from the actual line string when drawing the line. It can be used e.g. when creating complex symbols where a line layer should not overlap marker symbol layers placed at the start and end of the line. The start/end trim distance supports a range of *units*, including percentage of the overall line length, and can be data defined for extra control.

- **Arrow**: draws lines as curved (or not) arrows with a single or a double head with configurable (and data-defined):

  - *Head type*
  - *Arrow type*
  - *Arrow width*
  - *Arrow width at start*
  - *Head length*
  - *Head thickness*
  - *Offset*

  It is possible to create *Curved arrows* (the line feature must have at least three vertices) and *Repeat arrow on each segment*. It also uses a *fill symbol* such as gradients or shapeburst to render the arrow body. Combined with the geometry generator, this type of layer symbol helps you representing flow maps.

- **Geometry generator** (see *The Geometry Generator*)
- **Interpolated line**: allows to render a line whose *Stroke width* and/or *Color* may be constant (given a *Fixed width* and *Single color* parameters) or vary along the geometry. When varying, necessary inputs are:
  - *Start value* and *End value*: Values that will be used for interpolation at the extremities of the features geometry. They can be fixed values, feature's attributes or based on an expression.
  - *Min. value* and *Max. value*: Values between which the interpolation is performed. Press the Load button to automatically fill them based on the minimum and maximum start/end values applied to the layer.
  - Only available for the stroke option:
    * *Min. width* and *Max. width*: define the range of the varying width. *Min. width* is assigned to the *Min. value* and *Max. width* to the *Max. value*. A *unit* can be associated.
    * *Use absolute value*: only consider absolute value for interpolation (negative values are used as positive).
    * *Ignore out of range*: by default, when the `[start value - end value]` range of a feature is not included in the `[min. value - max. value]` range, the out-of-bounds parts of the feature's geometry are rendered with the min or max width. Check this option to not render them at all.
  - For varying color, you can use any of the interpolation methods of *color ramp classification*

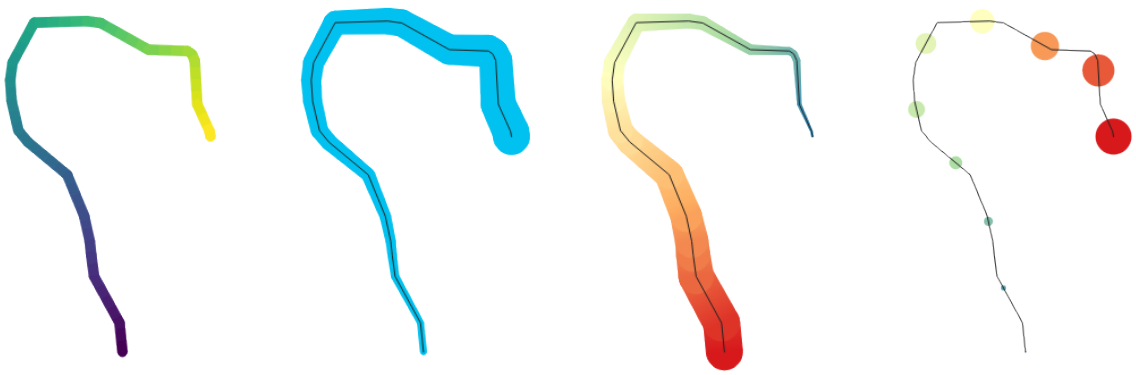


Abb. 13.13: Examples of interpolated lines

- **Marker line**: repeats a *marker symbol* over the length of a line.

  - The *Marker placement* can be at a regular distance or based on the line geometry: first, last or each vertex, on the central point of the line or of each segment, or on every curve point.
  - *Offset along the line*: the markers placement can also be given an offset from the start, along the line
  - The  *Rotate marker to follow line direction* option sets whether each marker symbol should be oriented relative to the line direction or not.

    Because a line is often a succession of segments of different directions, the rotation of the marker is calculated by averaging over a specified distance along the line. For example, setting the *Average angle over* property to `4mm` means that the two points along the line that are `2mm` before and after the symbol placement are used to calculate the line angle for that marker symbol. This has the effect of smoothing (or removing) any tiny local deviations from the overall line direction, resulting in much nicer visual orientations of the marker line symbols.
  - *Line offset*: the marker symbols can also be offset from the line feature.

- **Hashed line**: repeats a line segment (a hash) over the length of a line symbol, with a line sub-symbol used to render each individual segment. In other words, a hashed line is like a marker line in which marker symbols are replaced with segments. As such, the hashed lines have the *same properties* as marker line symbols, along with:
  - *Hash length*
  - *Hash rotation*

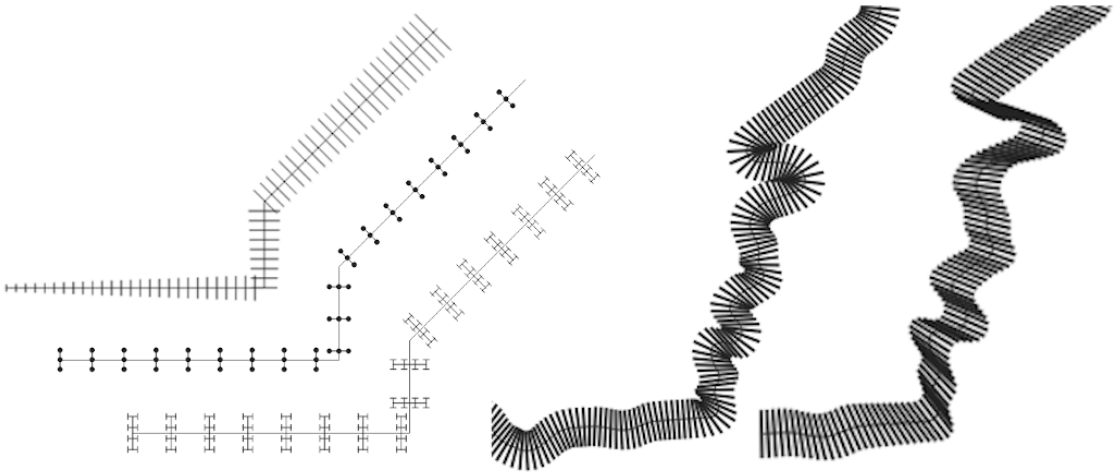


Abb. 13.14: Examples of hashed lines

Fill Symbols

Appropriate for polygon geometry features, fill symbols have also several symbol layer types:

- **Simple fill** (default): fills a polygon with a uniform color

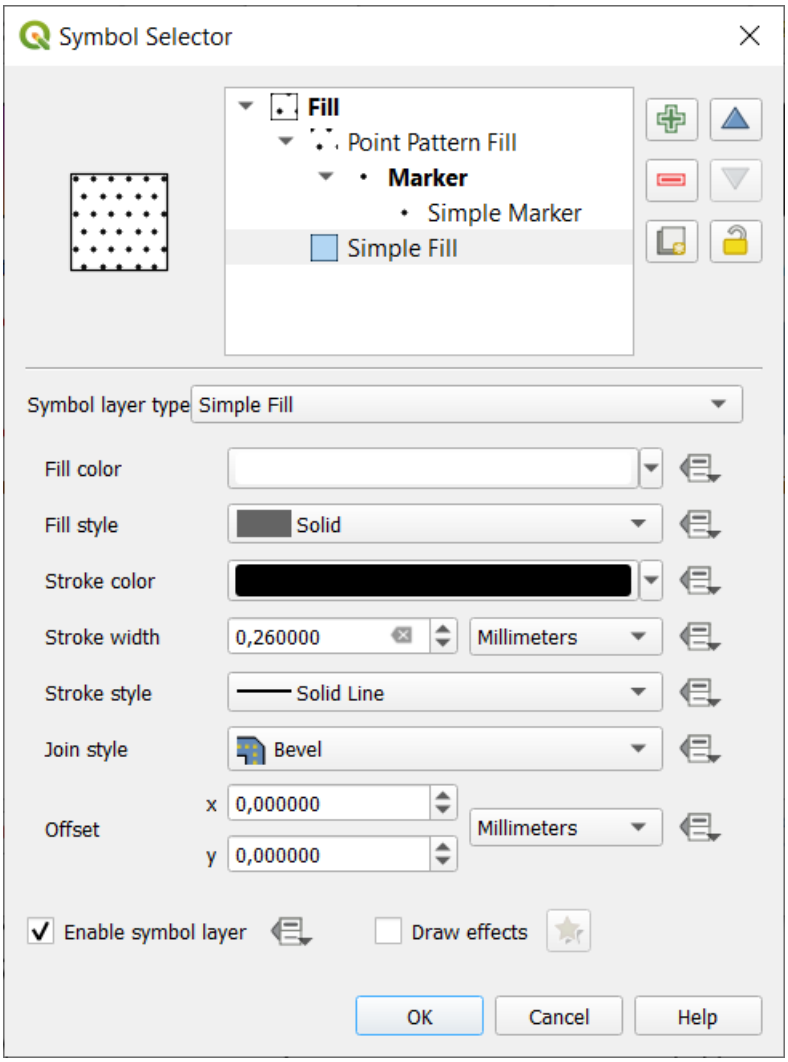


Abb. 13.15: Designing a Simple Fill Symbol

- **Centroid fill**: places a *marker symbol* at the centroid of the visible feature. The position of the marker may not be the real centroid of the feature, because calculation takes into account the polygon(s) clipped to area visible in map canvas for rendering and ignores holes. Use the *geometry generator symbol* if you want the exact centroid.

  You can:

  - *Force placement of markers inside polygons*
  - *Draw markers on every part of multi-part features* or place the point only on its biggest part
  - display the marker symbol(s) in whole or in part, keeping parts overlapping the current feature geometry (*Clip markers to polygon boundary*) or the geometry part the symbol belongs to (*Clip markers to current part boundary only*)
- **Geometry generator** (see *The Geometry Generator*)
- **Gradient fill**: uses a radial, linear or conical gradient, based on either simple two color gradients or a predefined *gradient color ramp* to fill polygons. The gradient can be rotated and applied on a single feature basis or across

the whole map extent. Also start and end points can be set via coordinates or using the centroid (of feature or map). A data-defined offset can be defined;

- **Line pattern fill**: fills the polygon with a hatching pattern of *line symbol layer*. You can set:
  - *Rotation* of the lines, counter-clockwise
  - *Spacing*: distance between consecutive lines
  - *Offset* distance of the lines from the feature boundary
- **Point pattern fill**: fills the polygon with a grid pattern of *marker symbol*. You can set:
  - *Distance*: *Horizontal* and *Vertical* distances between consecutive markers
  - *Displacement*: a *Horizontal* (resp. *Vertical*) offset of alignment between consecutive markers in a column (resp. in a row)
  - *Offset*: *Horizontal* and *Vertical* distances from the feature boundary
- **Random marker fill**: fills the polygon with a *marker symbol* placed at random locations within the polygon boundary. You can set:
  - *Count method*: whether the number of marker symbols to render is considered as an absolute count or density-based
  - *Point count*: the number of marker symbols to render,
  - an optional random number *seed*, to give consistent placement
  - *Density area*: in case of density-based count method, ensures the fill density of markers remains the same on different scale / zoom levels of markers whenever maps are refreshed (also allows random placement to play nice with QGIS server and tile-based rendering)
  - *Clip markers to polygon boundary*: whether markers rendered near the edges of polygons should be clipped to the polygon boundary or not
- **Raster image fill**: fills the polygon with tiles from a raster image (`PNG` `JPG`, `BMP` ...). The image can be a file on the disk, a remote URL or an embedded file encoded as a string (*more details*). Options include (data defined) opacity, image width, coordinate mode (object or viewport), rotation and offset. The image width can be set using any of the *common units* or as a percentage of the original size.
- **SVG fill**: fills the polygon using *SVG markers* of a given size (*Texture width*);
- **Shapeburst fill**: buffers a gradient fill, where a gradient is drawn from the boundary of a polygon towards the polygon's centre. Configurable parameters include distance from the boundary to shade, use of color ramps or simple two color gradients, optional blurring of the fill and offsets;
- **Outline: Arrow**: uses a line *arrow symbol* layer to represent the polygon boundary. The settings for the outline arrow are the same as for arrow line symbols.
- **Outline: Hashed line**: uses a *hash line symbol* layer to represent the polygon boundary (*Rings*) which can be the interior rings only, the exterior ring only or all the rings). The other settings for the outline hashed line are the same as for hashed line symbols.
- **Outline: Marker line**: uses a *marker line symbol* layer to represent the polygon boundary (*Rings*) which can be the interior rings only, the exterior ring only or all the rings). The other settings for the outline marker line are same as for marker line symbols.
- **Outline: simple line**: uses a *simple line symbol* layer to represent the polygon boundary (*Rings*) which can be the interior rings only, the exterior ring only or all the rings). The *Draw line only inside polygon* option displays the polygon borders inside the polygon and can be useful to clearly represent adjacent polygon boundaries. The other settings for the outline simple line are the same as for simple line symbols.

Bemerkung: When geometry type is polygon, you can choose to disable the automatic clipping of lines/polygons to the canvas extent. In some cases this clipping results in unfavourable symbology (e.g. centroid fills where the centroid must always be the actual feature's centroid).

Parametrizable SVG

You have the possibility to change the colors of a *SVG marker*. You have to add the placeholders `param(fill)` for fill color, `param(outline)` for stroke color and `param(outline-width)` for stroke width. These placeholders can optionally be followed by a default value, e.g.:

```
<svg width="100%" height="100%">
<rect fill="param(fill) #ff0000" stroke="param(outline) #00ff00" stroke-width=
↪"param(outline-width) 10" width="100" height="100">
</rect>
</svg>
```

More generally, SVG can be freely parametrized using `param(param_name)`. This param can either be used as an attribute value or a node text:

```
<g stroke-width=".265" text-anchor="middle" alignment-baseline="param(align)">
  <text x="98" y="147.5" font-size="6px">param(text1)</text>
  <text x="98" y="156.3" font-size="4.5px">param(text2)</text>
</g>
```

The parameters can then be defined as expressions in the *Dynamic SVG parameters* table.

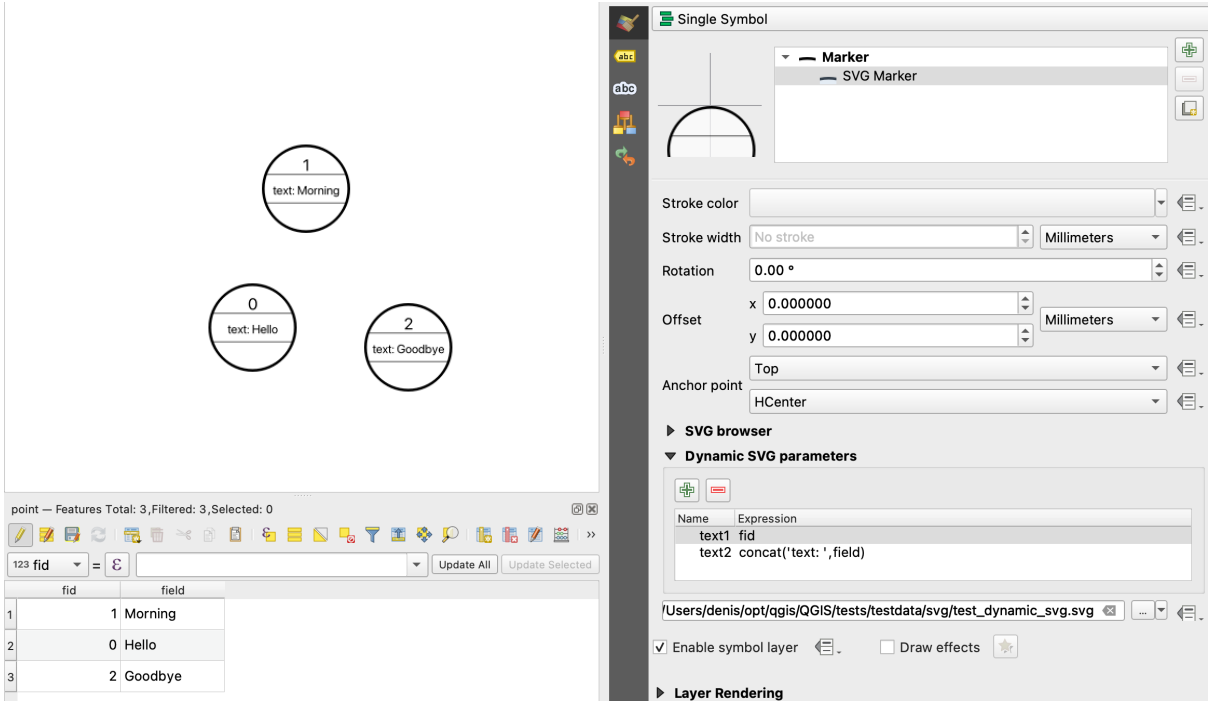


Abb. 13.16: Dynamic SVG parameters table

The Geometry Generator

Available with all types of symbols, the *geometry generator* symbol layer allows to use *expression syntax* to generate a geometry on the fly during the rendering process. The resulting geometry does not have to match with the original *Geometry type* and you can add several differently modified symbol layers on top of each other.

A *Units* property can be set: when the geometry generator symbol is not applied to a layer (e.g., it is used on a layout item), this allows more control over the generated output.

Some examples:

```
-- render the centroid of a feature
centroid( $geometry )

-- visually overlap features within a 100 map units distance from a point
-- feature, i.e generate a 100m buffer around the point
buffer( $geometry, 100 )

-- Given polygon layer1( id1, layer2_id, ...) and layer2( id2, fieldn...)
-- render layer1 with a line joining centroids of both where layer2_id = id2
make_line( centroid( $geometry ),
           centroid( geometry( get_feature( 'layer2', 'id2', attribute(
               $currentfeature, 'layer2_id') ) )
         )

-- Create a nice radial effect of points surrounding the central feature
-- point when used as a MultiPoint geometry generator
collect_geometries(
  array_foreach(
    generate_series( 0, 330, 30 ),
      project( $geometry, .2, radians( @element ) )
  )
)
```

The Vector Field Marker

The vector field marker is used to display vector field data such as earth deformation, tidal flows, and the like. It displays the vectors as lines (preferably arrows) that are scaled and oriented according to selected attributes of data points. It can only be used to render point data; line and polygon layers are not drawn by this symbology.

The vector field is defined by attributes in the data, which can represent the field either by:

- **cartesian** components (`x` and `y` components of the field)
- or **polar** coordinates: in this case, attributes define `Length` and `Angle`. The angle may be measured either clockwise from north, or Counterclockwise from east, and may be either in degrees or radians.
- or as **height only** data, which displays a vertical arrow scaled using an attribute of the data. This is appropriate for displaying the vertical component of deformation, for example.

The magnitude of field can be scaled up or down to an appropriate size for viewing the field.

13.3 Setting a label

Labels are textual information you can display on vector features or maps. They add details you could not necessarily represent using symbols. Two types of text-related items are available in QGIS:

- *Text Format*: defines the appearance of the text, including *font, size, colors*, *shadow*, *background*, *buffer*, …

  They can be used to render texts over the map (layout/map title, decorations, scale bar, …), usually through the *font* widget.

  To create a *Text Format* item:

  1. Open the *Style Manager* dialog
  2. Activate the *Text format* tab

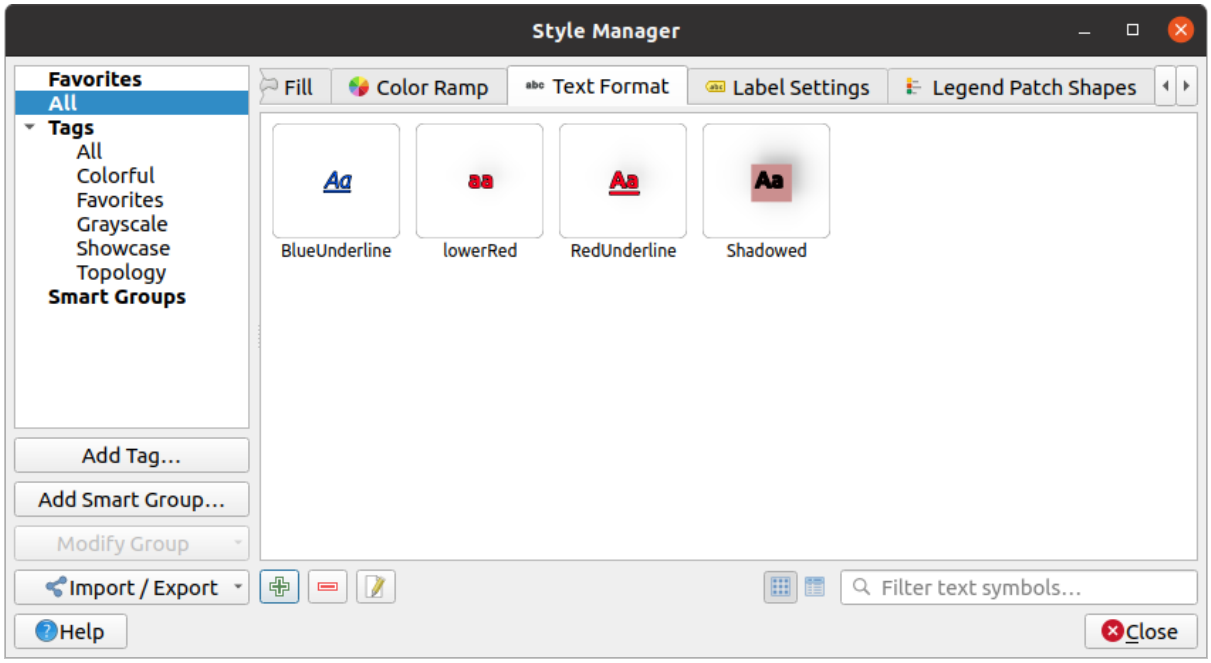


Abb. 13.17: Text formats in Style Manager dialog

3. Press the Add item button. The *Text Format* dialog opens for *configuration*. As usual, these properties are *data-definable*.

- *Label Settings*: extend the text format settings with properties related to the location or the interaction with other texts or features (*callouts*, *placement*, *overlay, scale visibility*, mask …).

  They are used to configure smart labelling for vector layers through the *Labels* tab of the vector *Layer Properties* dialog or *Layer Styling* panel or using the Layer Labeling Options button of the *Label toolbar*.

  To create a *Label Settings* item:

  1. Open the *Style Manager* dialog
  2. Activate the *Label Settings* tab

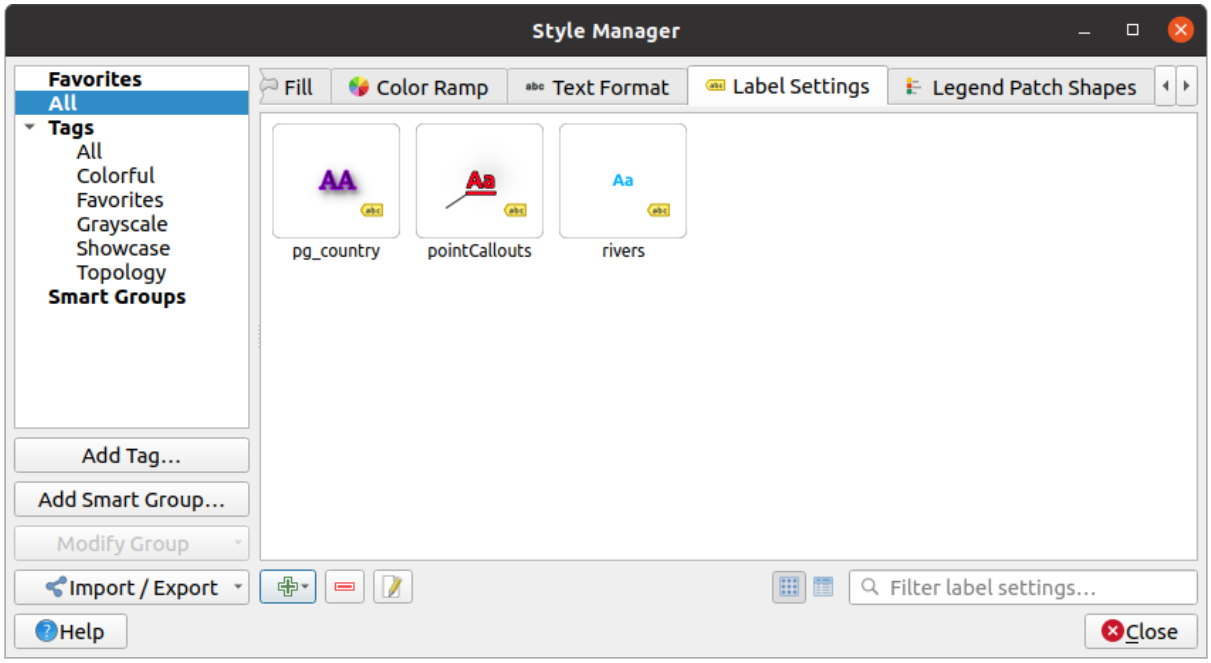


Abb. 13.18: Label Settings in Style Manager dialog

3. Press the Add item menu and select the entry corresponding to the geometry type of the features you want to label.

The *Label Settings* dialog opens with the following properties. As usual, these properties are *data-definable*.

13.3.1 Formatting the label text

Whether you are configuring a *Text Format* or *Label Settings* item, you will be given the following options:

Properties tab	Text format	Label settings
Text	☑	☑
Formatting	☑	☑
Buffer	☑	☑
Mask	☑	☑
Background	☑	☑
Shadow		☑
Callout		☑
Placement		☑
Rendering		☑

Text tab

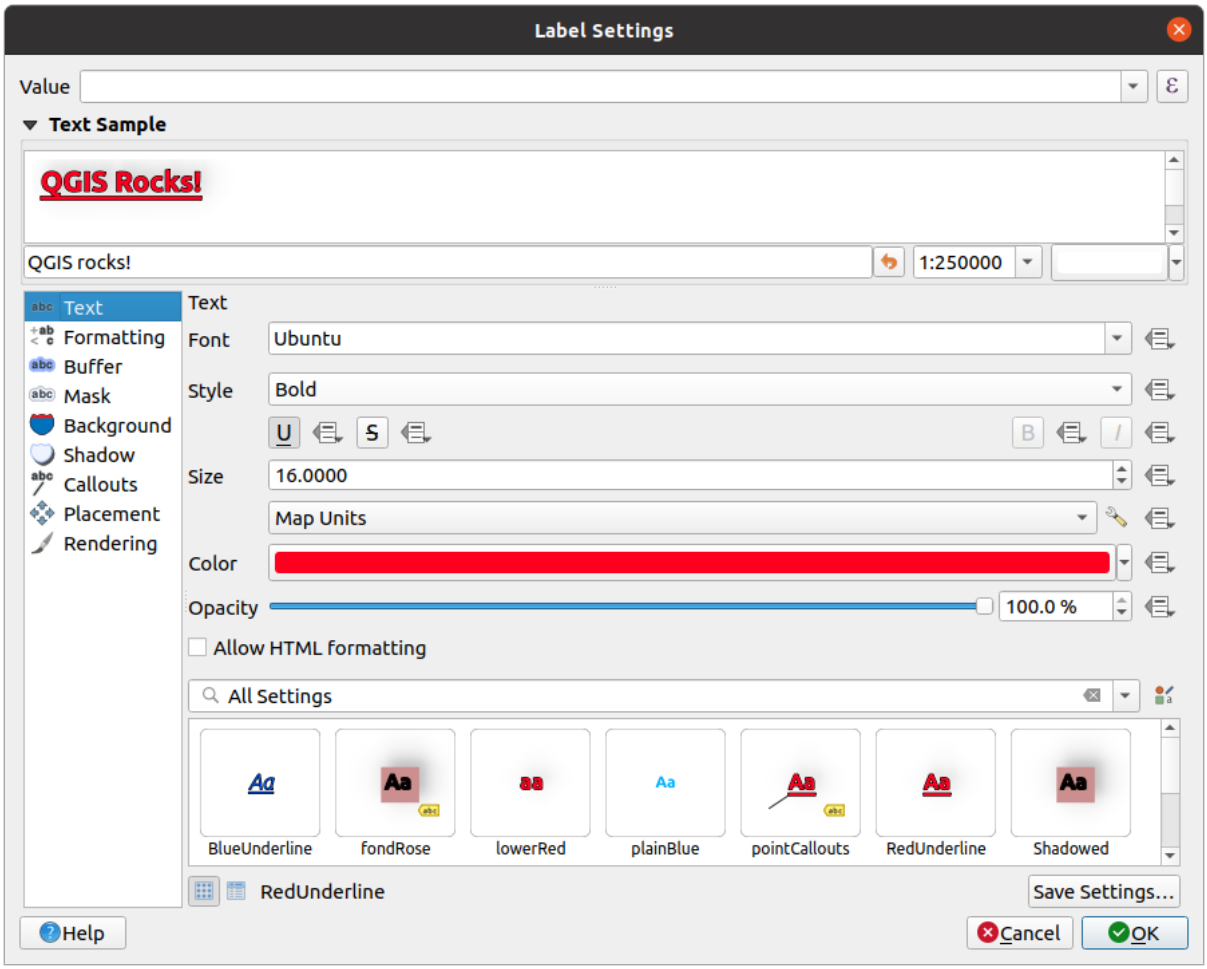


Abb. 13.19: Labels settings - Text tab

In the abc *Text* tab, you can set:

- the *Font*, from the ones available on your machine
- the *Style*: along with the common styles of the font, you can set whether the text should be underlined or striked through
- the *Size* in any *supported unit*
- the *Color*
- the *Opacity*
- and *Allow HTML Formatting*: The HTML formatting option enables the proper rendering of some HTML tags to customize the label. The supported tags are the HTML Color tags (applied to text, underline, strikethrough, and overline).

  In order to use the HTML formatting, you need to provide the HTML code in the *Value* field. The expression is parsed and any supported HTML tag overrides its corresponding setting in the labels properties. They also combine well with other background, shadow, buffer… properties of labels.

  Below an example of a HTML-based expression and rendering (applies different colors and underline to the same label):

```
format(
  '<span style="color:blue">%1</span> ( <span style="color:red"><u>%2 ft</u></
↪span> )',
  title( lower( "Name" ) ),
  round($length)
)
```

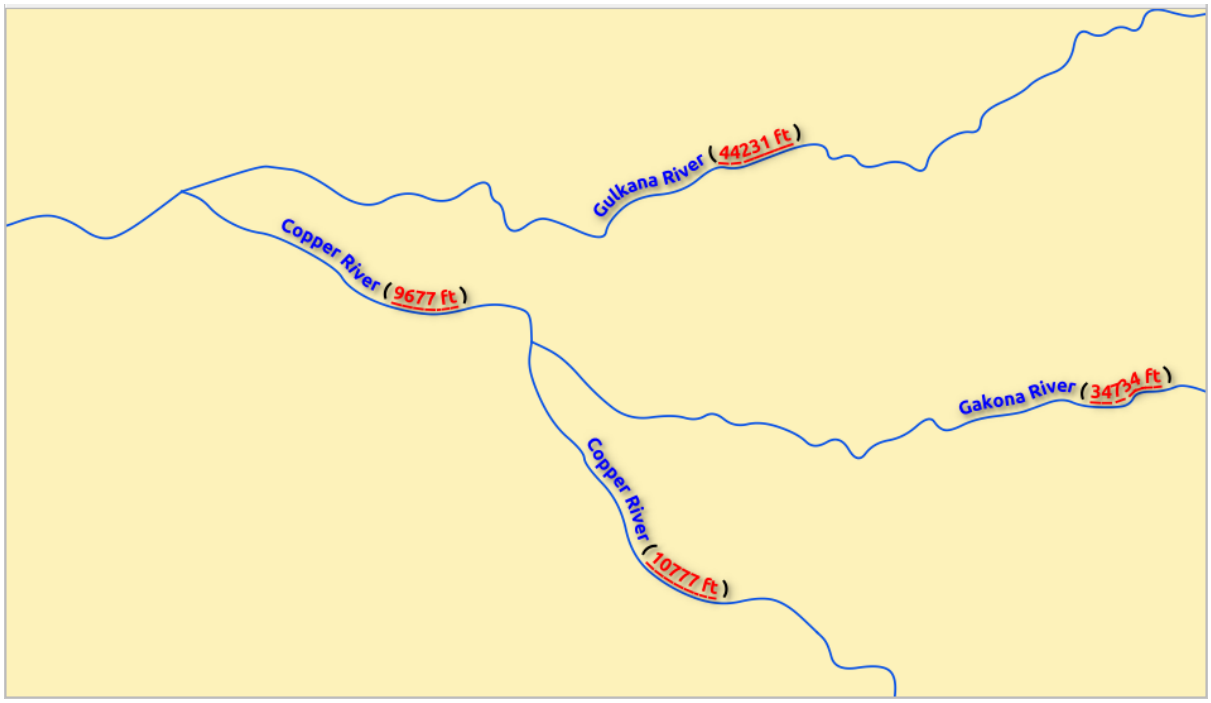


Abb. 13.20: Labeling with HTML formatting enabled

At the bottom of the tab, a widget shows a filterable list of compatible items stored in your *style manager database*. This allows you to easily configure the current text format or label setting based on an existing one, and also save a new item to the style database: Press the *Save format…* or *Save settings…* button and provide a name and tag(s).

Bemerkung: When configuring a *Label Settings* item, text format items are also available in this widget. Select one to quickly overwrite the current *textual properties* of the label. Likewise, you can create/overwrite a text format from there.

Formatting tab

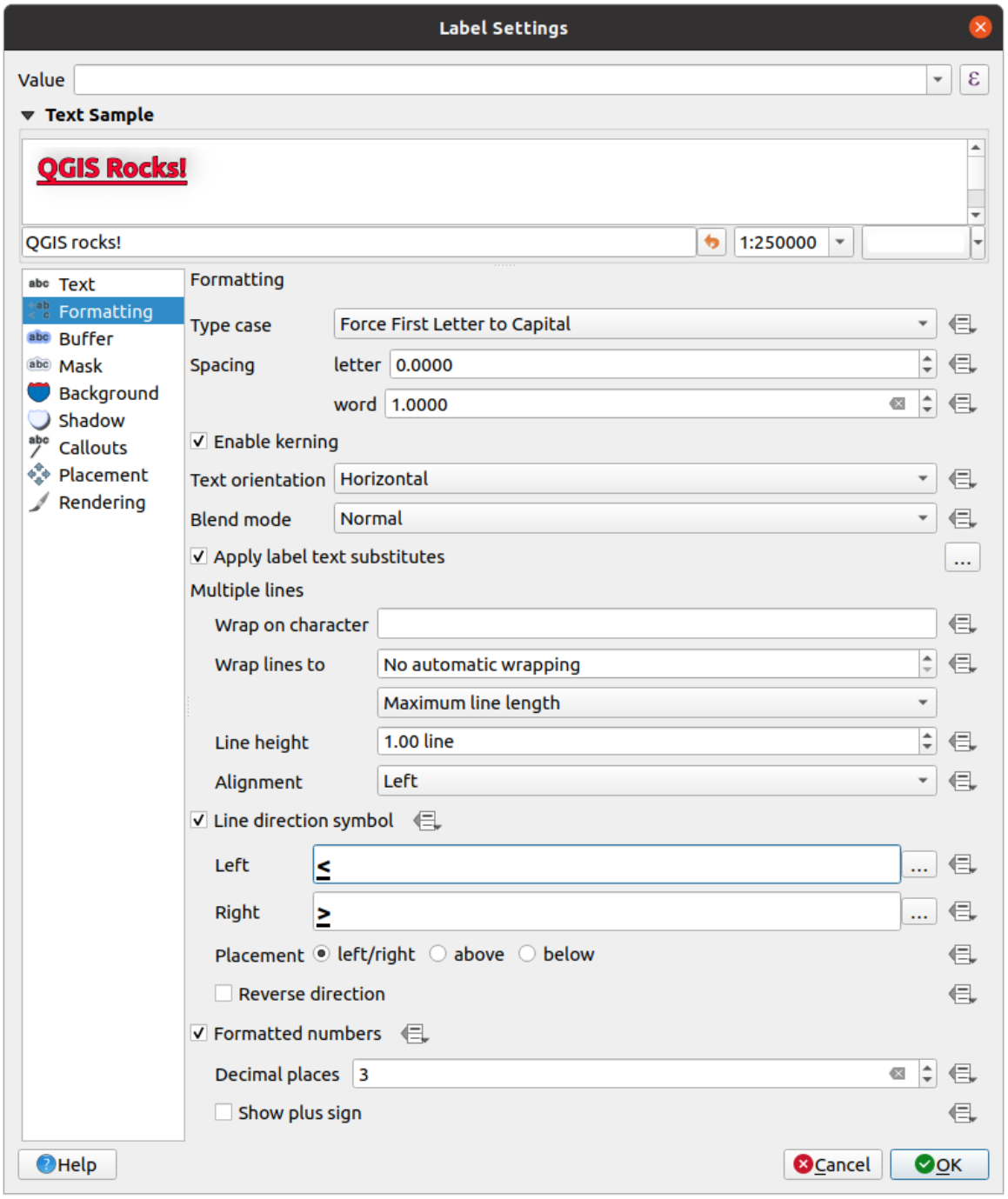


Abb. 13.21: Label settings - Formatting tab

In the *Formatting* tab, you can:

- Use the *Type case* option to change the capitalization style of the text. You have the possibility to render the text as:
  - *No change*
  - *All uppercase*
  - *All lowercase*

  - *Title case*: modifies the first letter of each word into capital, and turns the other letters into lower case if the original text is using a single type case. In case of mixed type cases in the text, the other letters are left untouched.
  - *Force first letter to capital*: modifies the first letter of each word into capital and leaves the other letters in the text untouched.
- Under *Spacing*, change the space between words and between individual letters.
- *Enable kerning* of the text font
- Set the *Text orientation* which can be *Horizontal* or *Vertical*. It can also be *Rotation-based* when setting a label (e.g., to properly label line features in *parallel* placement mode).
- Use the *Blend mode* option to determine how your labels will mix with the map features below them (more details at *Mischmodi*).
- The *Apply label text substitutes* option allows you to specify a list of texts to substitute to texts in feature labels (e.g., abbreviating street types). Replacement texts are used when displaying labels on the map. Users can also export and import lists of substitutes to make reuse and sharing easier.
- Configure *Multiple lines*:
  - Set a character that will force a line break in the text with the *Wrap on character* option
  - Set an ideal line size for auto-wrapping using the *Wrap lines to* option. The size can represent either the *Maximum line length* or the *Minimum line length*.
  - Decide the *Line Height*
  - Format the *Alignment*: typical values available are *Left*, *Right*, *Justify* and *Center*.

    When setting point labels properties, the text alignment can also be *Follow label placement*. In that case, the alignment will depend on the final placement of the label relative to the point. E.g., if the label is placed to the left of the point, then the label will be right aligned, while if it is placed to the right, it will be left aligned.

Bemerkung: The *Multiple lines* formatting is not yet supported by curve based *label placement*. The options will then be deactivated.

- For line labels you can include *Line direction symbol* to help determine the line directions, with symbols to use to indicate the *Left* or *Right*. They work particularly well when used with the *curved* or *Parallel* placement options from the *Placement* tab. There are options to set the symbols position, and to *Reverse direction*.
- Use the *Formatted numbers* option to format numeric texts. You can set the number of *Decimal places*. By default, 3 decimal places will be used. Use the *Show plus sign* if you want to show the plus sign for positive numbers.

Buffer tab

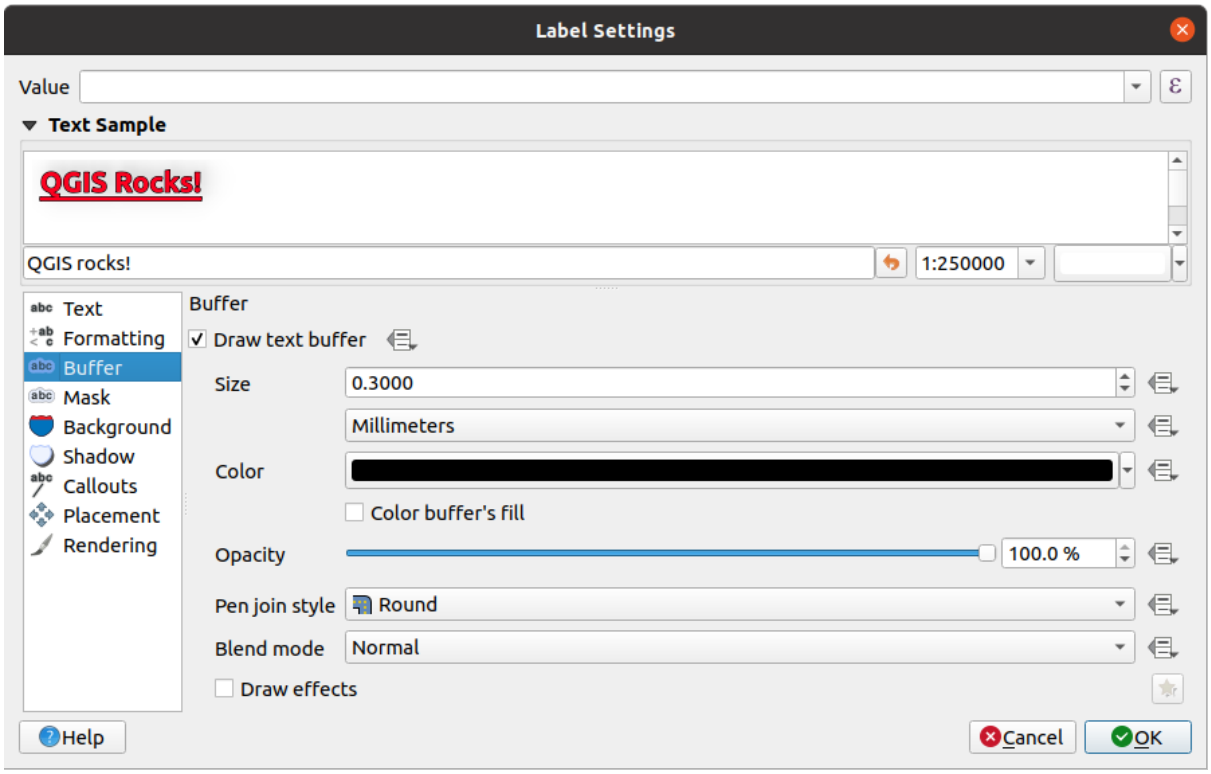


Abb. 13.22: Label settings - Buffer tab

To create a buffer around the label, activate the *Draw text buffer* checkbox in the *Buffer* tab. Then you can:

- Set the buffer's *Size* in any *supported unit*
- Select the buffer's *Color*
- *Color buffer's fill*: The buffer expands from the label's outline, so, if the option is activated, the label's interior is filled. This may be relevant when using partially transparent labels or with non-normal blending modes, which will allow seeing behind the label's text. Unchecking the option (while using totally transparent labels) will allow you to create outlined text labels.
- Define the buffer's *Opacity*
- Apply a *Pen join style*: it can be *Round*, *Miter* or *Bevel*
- Use the *Blend mode* option to determine how your label's buffer will mix with the map components below them (more details at *Mischmodi*).
- Check *Draw effects* to add advanced *paint effects* for improving text readability, eg through outer glows and blurs.

Background tab

The *Background* tab allows you to configure a shape that stays below each label. To add a background, activate the *Draw Background* checkbox and select the *Shape* type. It can be:

- a regular shape such as *Rectangle*, *Square*, *Circle* or *Ellipse* using full properties of a *fill symbol*
- an *SVG* symbol from a file, a URL or embedded in the project or style database (*more details*)
- or a *Marker Symbol* you can create or select from the *symbol library*.

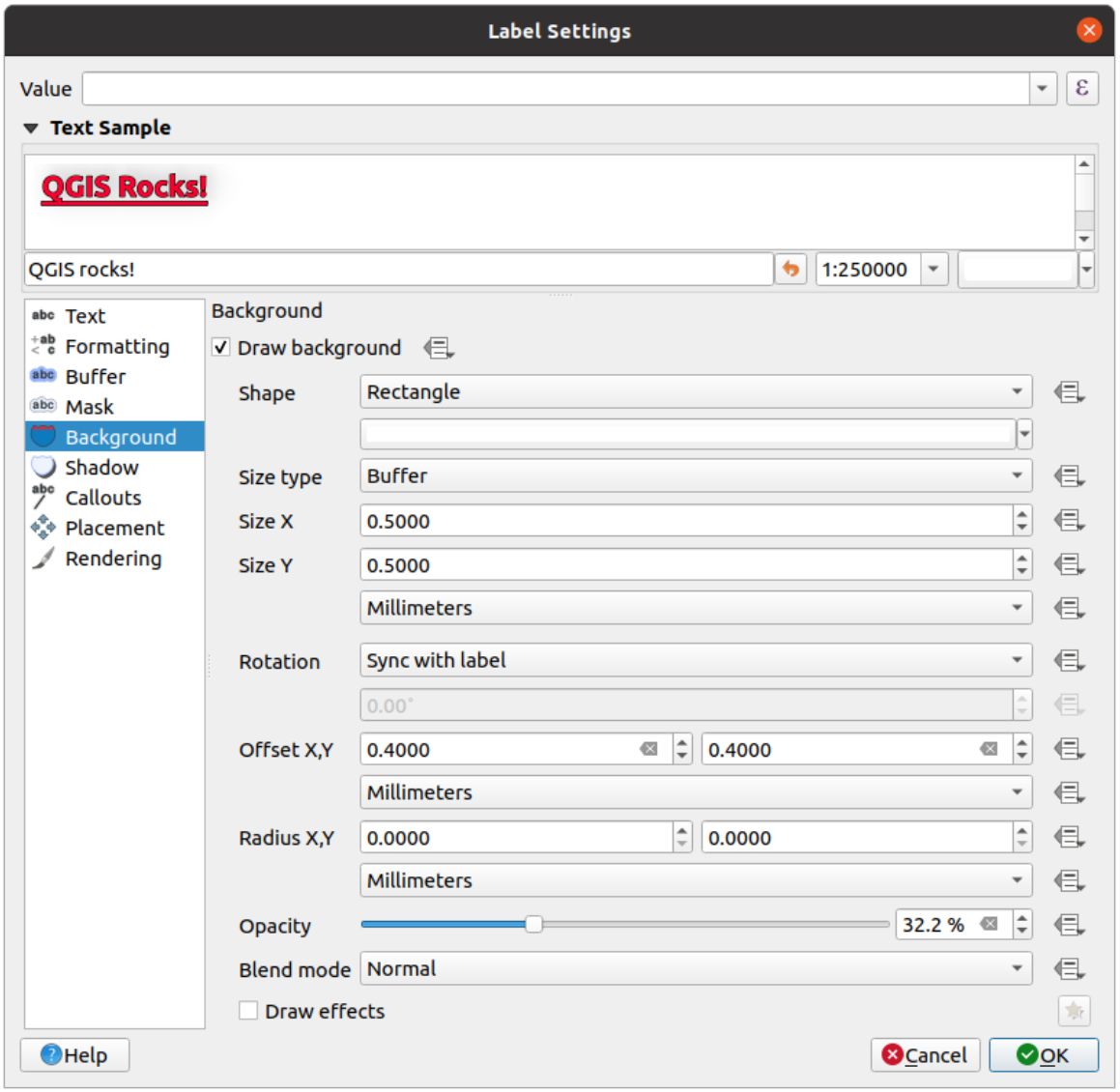


Abb. 13.23: Label settings - Background tab

Depending on the selected shape, you need to configure some of the following properties:

- The *Size type* of the frame, which can be:
  - *Fixed*: using the same size for all the labels, regardless the size of the text
  - or a *Buffer* over the text's bounding box
- The *Size* of the frame in X and Y directions, using any *supported units*
- A *Rotation* of the background, between *Sync with label*, *Offset of label* and *Fixed*. The last two require an angle in degrees.

- An *Offset X,Y* to shift the background item in the X and/or Y directions
- A *Radius X,Y* to round the corners of the background shape (applies to rectangle and square shapes only)
- An *Opacity* of the background
- A *Blend mode* to mix the background with the other items in the rendering (see *Mischmodi*).
- For SVG symbol, you can use its default properties (*Load symbol parameters*) or set a custom *Fill color*, *Stroke color* and *Stroke width*.
- *Draw effects* to add advanced *paint effects* for improving text readability, eg through outer glows and blurs.

Shadow tab

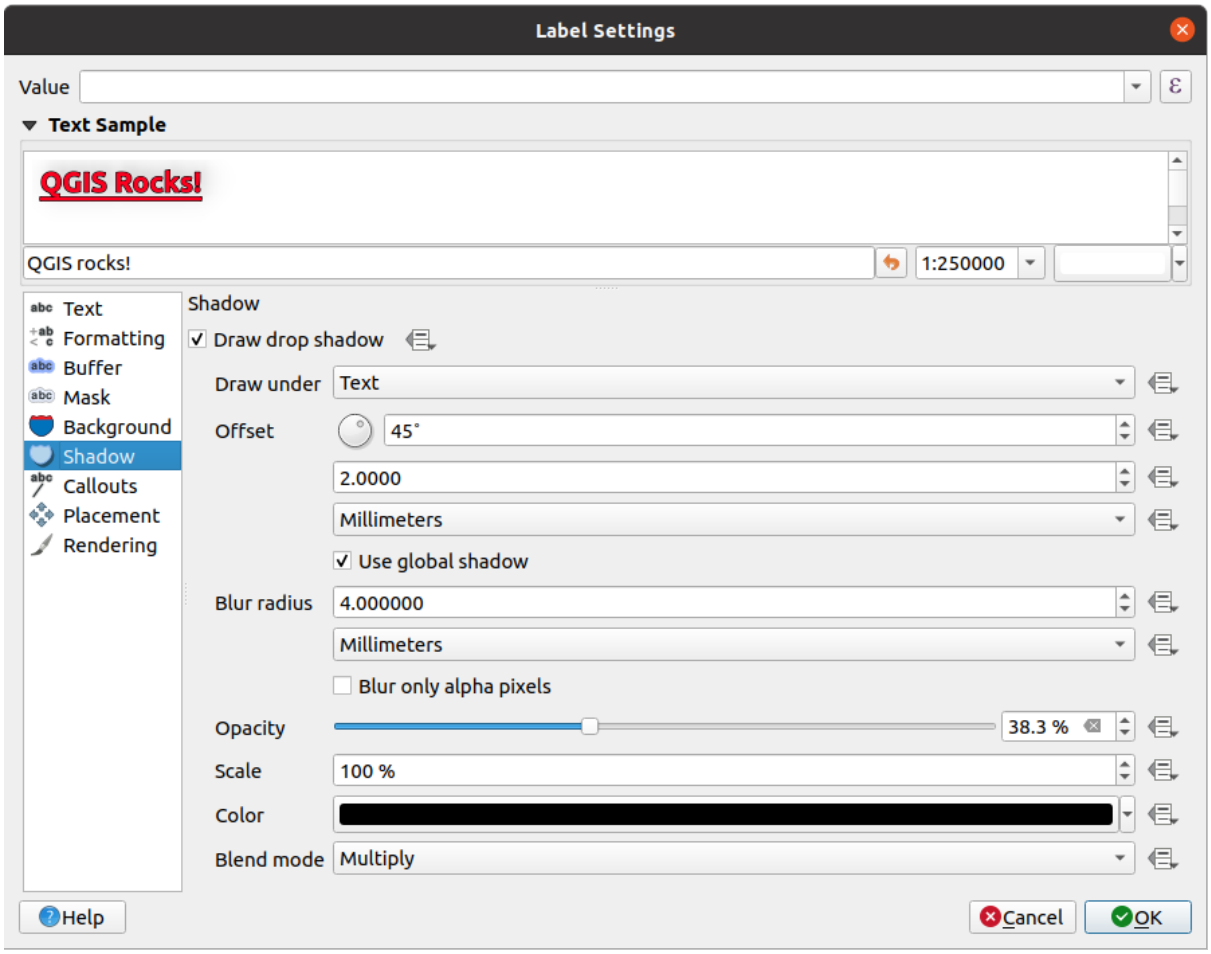


Abb. 13.24: Label settings - Shadow tab

To add a shadow to the text, enable the *Shadow* tab and activate the *Draw drop shadow*. Then you can:

- Indicate the item used to generate the shadow with *Draw under*. It can be the *Lowest label component* or a particular component such as the *Text* itself, the *Buffer* or the *Background*.
- Set the shadow's *Offset* from the item being shadowded, ie:
  - The angle: clockwise, it depends on the underlying item orientation
  - The distance of offset from the item being shadowded
  - The units of the offset

If you tick the *Use global shadow* checkbox, then the zero point of the angle is always oriented to the north and doesn't depend on the orientation of the label's item.

- Influence the appearance of the shadow with the *Blur radius*. The higher the number, the softer the shadows, in the units of your choice.
- Define the shadow's *Opacity*
- Rescale the shadow's size using the *Scale* factor
- Choose the shadow's *Color*
- Use the *Blend mode* option to determine how your label's shadow will mix with the map components below them (more details at *Mischmodi*).

13.3.2 Configuring interaction with labels

Other than the text formatting settings exposed above, you can also set how labels interact with each others or with the features.

Mask tab

The *Mask* tab allows you to define a mask area around the labels. This feature is very useful when you have overlapping symbols and labels with similar colors, and you want to make the labels visible.

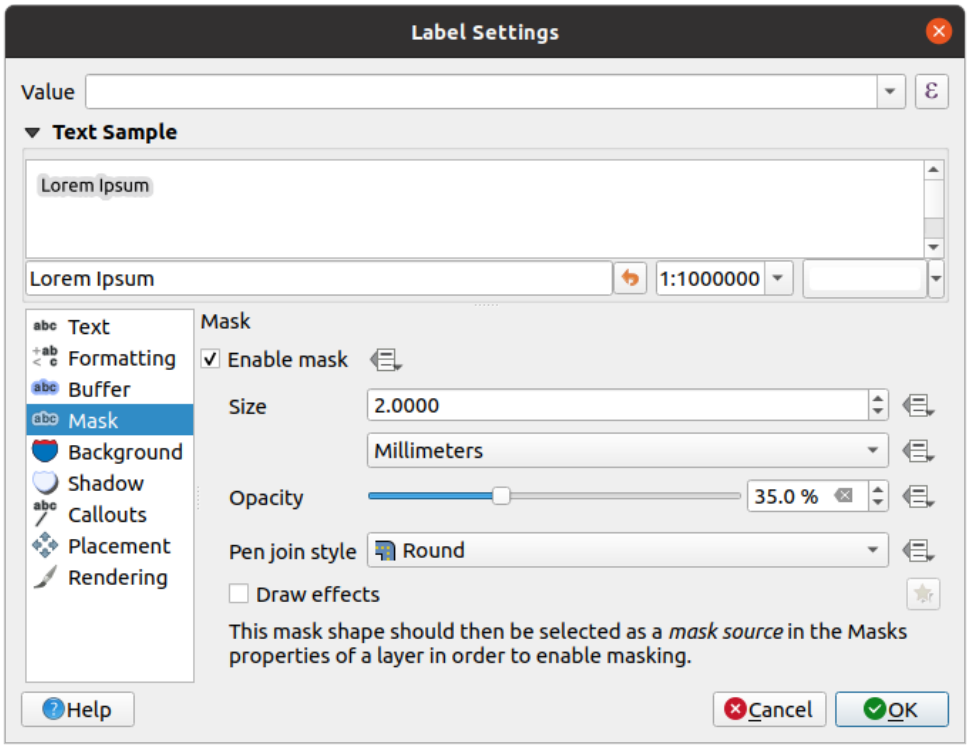


Abb. 13.25: Labels settings - Mask tab

To create masking effects on labels:

1. Activate the *Enable mask* checkbox in the tab.
2. Then you can set:
   - the mask's *Size* in the *supported units*

- the *Opacity* of the mask area around the label
- a *Pen Join Style*
- *paint effects* through the *Draw effects* checkbox.

3. Select this mask shape as a mask source in the overlapping layer properties *Mask* tab (see *Masks Properties*).

Callouts tab

A common practice when placing labels on a crowded map is to use **callouts** - labels which are placed outside (or displaced from) their associated feature are identified with a dynamic line connecting the label and the feature. If one of the two endings (either the label or the feature) is moved, the shape of the connector is recomputed.

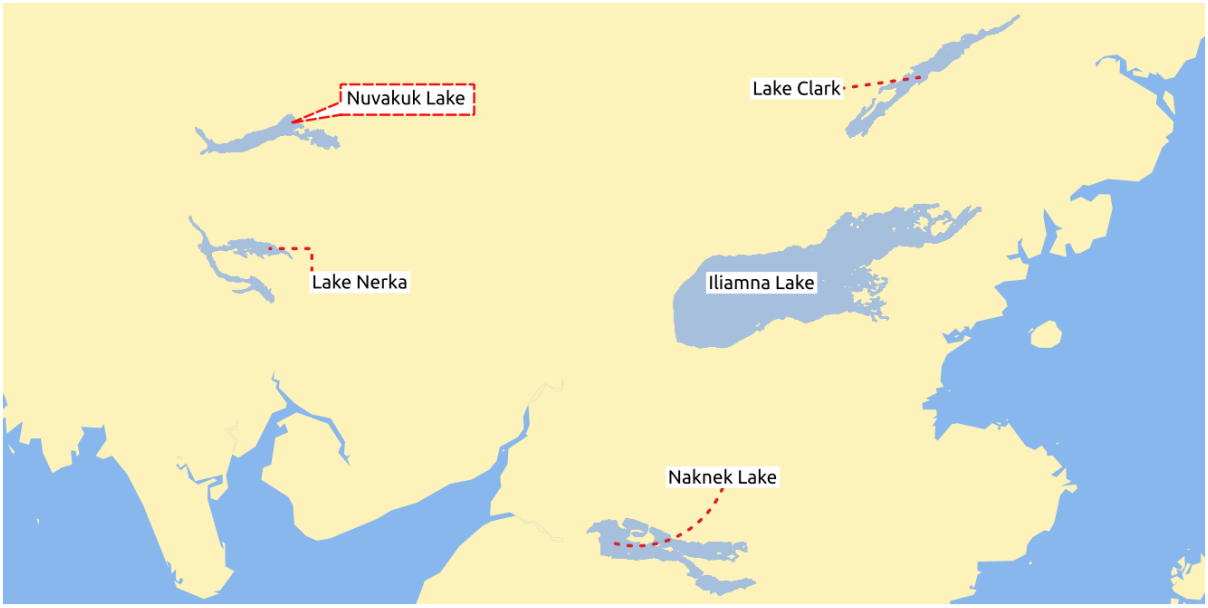


Abb. 13.26: Labels with various callouts settings

To add a callout to a label, enable the *Callouts* tab and activate the *Draw callouts*. Then you can:

1. Select the *Style* of connector, one of:
   - *Simple lines*: a straight line, the shortest path
   - *Manhattan style*: a 90° broken line
   - *Curved lines*: a curved line
   - *Balloons*: a speech bubble surrounding the label and pointing to the feature. It can have rounded corners.
2. For a line-based callout:
   1. Select the *Line style* with full capabilities of a *line symbol* including layer effects, and data-defined settings
   2. If curved, you also define:
      - the percentage of *Curvature* of the connection line
      - and its *Orientation*: starting from the label to the feature, it can be *Clockwise* or *Counter-clockwise*, or *Automatic* (determining an optimal orientation for each label)
   3. Set the *Minimum length* of callout lines
   4. Check whether to *Draw lines to all feature parts* from the feature's label

5. Set the *Label anchor point*: controls where the connector line should join to the label text. Available options:
   - *Closest point*
   - *Centroid*
   - Fixed position at the edge (*Top left*, *Top center*, *Top right*, *Left middle*, *Right middle*, *Bottom left*, *Bottom center* and *Bottom right*).
6. Set the *Offset from label area* option: controls the distance from the label anchor point (where the callout line ends). This avoids drawing lines right up against the text.

3. For a balloon callout, you'd need to set:
   - the *Fill style* with full capabilities of a *fill symbol* including layer effects, and data-defined settings
   - the *Corner radius* of the speech bubble
   - the *Wedge width*: how large the bubble speech connection with feature's pointer should be
   - the *Margins* around the label's text
4. Set the *Offset from feature* option: controls the distance from the feature (or its anchor point if a polygon) where callout lines end. Eg, this avoids drawing lines right up against the edges of the features.
5. Set the *Feature anchor point* for the (polygon) feature (the end point of the connector line). Available options:
   - *Pole of inaccessibility*
   - *Point on exterior*
   - *Point on surface*
   - *Centroid*
6. Set the *Blend mode*: controls the *blending* of the callout.

Under the *Data defined placement* group, coordinates of the *Origin* (on the label side) and/or *Destination* (on the feature side) points of the callout can be controlled. Callouts can also be controlled manually by using the 

Move Label, Diagram or Callout tool in the *Labeling Toolbar*. The start and end points of each callout can be moved this way. The nodes should be highlighted when the mouse pointer is nearby. If needed the `Shift` Key can be held during the movement. This will snap the point in a way that the angle between the two callout points increments by 15 degrees.

Placement tab

Choose the  *Placement* tab for configuring label placement and labeling priority. Note that the placement options differ according to the type of vector layer, namely point, line or polygon, and are affected by the global *PAL setting*.

Placement for point layers

Point labels placement modes available are:

- *Cartographic*: point labels are generated with a better visual relationship with the point feature, following ideal cartographic placement rules. Labels can be placed:
  - at a set *Distance* in *supported units*, either from the point feature itself or from the bounds of the symbol used to represent the feature (set in *Distance offset from*). The latter option is especially useful when the symbol size isn't fixed, e.g. if it's set by a data defined size or when using different symbols in a *categorized* renderer.
  - following a *Position priority* that can be customized or set for an individual feature using a data defined list of prioritised positions. This also allows only certain placements to be used, so e.g. for coastal features you can prevent labels being placed over the land.

By default, cartographic mode placements are prioritised in the following order (respecting the guidelines from Krygier and Wood (2011) and other cartographic textbooks):

1. top right
2. top left
3. bottom right
4. bottom left
5. middle right
6. middle left
7. top, slightly right
8. bottom, slightly left.

- *Around Point*: labels are placed in a circle around the feature. equal radius (set in *Distance*) circle around the feature. The placement priority is clockwise from the „top right“. The position can be constrained using the data-defined *Quadrant* option.
- *Offset from Point*: labels are placed at an *Offset X,Y* distance from the point feature, in various units, or preferably over the feature. You can use a data-defined *Quadrant* to constrain the placement and can assign a *Rotation* to the label.

Placement for line layers

Label modes for line layers include:

- *Parallel*: draws the label parallel to a generalised line representing the feature, with preference for placement over straighter portions of the line. You can define:
  - *Allowed positions*: *Above line*, *On line*, *Below line* and *Line orientation dependent position* (placing the label at the left or the right of the line). It's possible to select several options at once. In that case, QGIS will look for the optimal label position.
  - *Distance* between the label and the line
- *Curved*: draws the label following the curvature of the line feature. In addition to the parameters available with the *Parallel* mode, you can set the *Maximum angle between curved characters*, either inside or outside.
- *Horizontal*: draws labels horizontally along the length of the line feature.

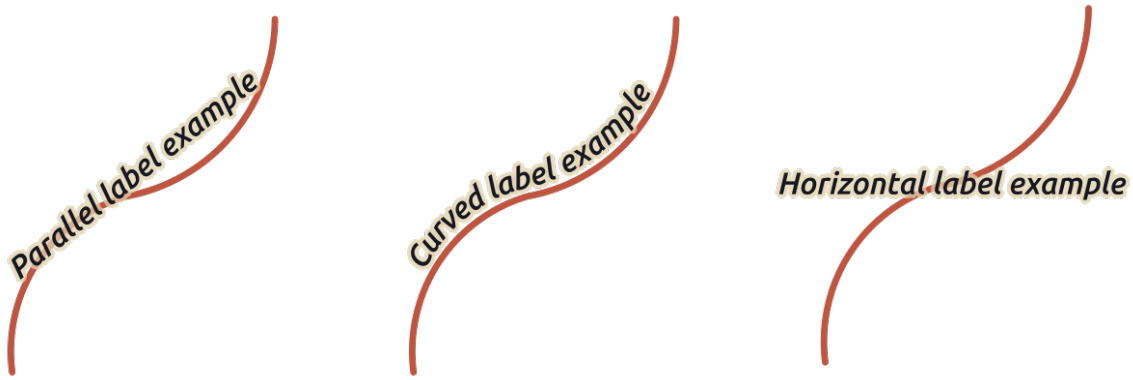


Abb. 13.27: Label placement examples for lines

Next to placement modes, you can set:

- *Repeating Labels Distance* to display multiple times the label over the length of the feature. The distance can be in `Millimeters`, `Points`, `Pixels`, `Meters at scale`, `Map Units` and `Inches`.

- A *Label Overrun Distance* (not available for horizontal mode): specifies the maximal allowable distance a label may run past the end (or start) of line features. Increasing this value can allow for labels to be shown for shorter line features.
- *Label Anchoring*: controls the placement of the labels along the line feature they refer to. Click on *Settings …* to choose:
  - the position along the line (as a ratio) which labels will be placed close to. It can be data-defined and possible values are:
    - *Center of Line*
    - *Start of Line*
    - *End of Line*
    - or *Custom….*
  - *Clipping*: Determines how the label placement on a line is calculated. By default only the visible extent of the line is used but the whole extent can be used to have more consistent results.
  - *Placement Behavior*: use *Preferred Placement Hint* to treat the label anchor only as a hint for the label placement. By choosing *Strict*, labels are placed exactly on the label anchor.

Placement for polygon layers

You can choose one of the following modes for placing labels of polygons:

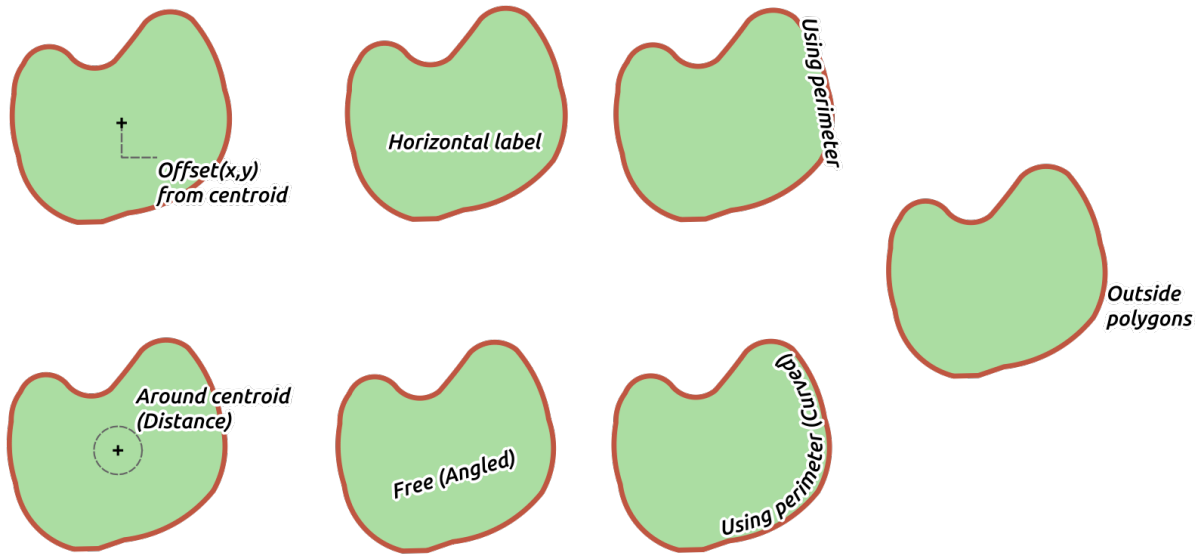


Abb. 13.28: Label placement examples for polygons

- *Offset from Centroid*: labels are placed over the feature centroid or at a fixed *Offset X,Y* distance (in *supported units*) from the centroid. The reference centroid can be determined based on the part of the polygon rendered in the map canvas (*visible polygon*) or the *whole polygon*, no matter if you can see it. You can also:
  - force the centroid point to lay inside their polygon
  - place the label within a specific quadrant
  - assign a rotation

  - *Allow placing labels outside of polygons* when it is not possible to place them inside the polygon. Thanks to data-defined properties, this makes possible to either allow outside labels, prevent outside labels, or force outside labels on a feature-by-feature basis.

- *Around Centroid*: places the label within a preset distance around the centroid, with a preference for the placement directly over the centroid. Again, you can define whether the centroid is the one of the *visible polygon* or the *whole polygon*, and whether to force the centroid point inside the polygon.
- *Horizontal*: places at the best position a horizontal label inside the polygon. The preferred placement is further from the edges of the polygon. It's possible to *Allow placing labels outside of polygons*.
- *Free (Angled)*: places at the best position a rotated label inside the polygon. The rotation respects the polygon's orientation and the preferred placement is further from the edges of the polygon. It's possible to *Allow placing labels outside of polygons*.
- *Using Perimeter*: draws the label parallel to a generalised line representing the polygon boundary, with preference for straighter portions of the perimeter. You can define:
  - *Allowed positions*: *Above line*, *On line*, *Below line* and *Line orientation dependent position* (placing the label at the left or the right of the polygon's boundary). It's possible to select several options at once. In that case, QGIS will look for the optimal label position.
  - *Distance* between the label and the polygon's outline
  - the *Repeating Labels Distance* to display multiple times the label over the length of the perimeter.
- *Using Perimeter (Curved)*: draws the label following the curvature of the polygon's boundary. In addition to the parameters available with the *Using Perimeter* mode, you can set the *Maximum angle between curved characters polygon*, either inside or outside.
- *Outside Polygons*: always places labels outside the polygons, at a set *Distance*

Common placement settings

Some label placement settings are available for all layer geometry types:

Geometry Generator

The *Geometry Generator* section allows a user to alter the underlying geometry used to place and render the label, by using *expressions*. This can be useful to perform displacement of the geometry dynamically or to convert it to another geometry (type).

In order to use the geometry generator:

1. Check the  *Geometry generator* option
2. Enter the expression generating the geometry to rely on
3. If relevant, select the geometry type of the expression output: the label geometry-based settings such as placement or rendering are updated to match the new geometry type capabilities.

Some use cases include:

- Use a geometry which is saved in another field „label_position“
- Use the *generated geometry* from the symbology also for labeling
- Use the @map_scale variable to calculate distances / sizes be zoom level independent.
- Combined with the curved placement mode, creates a circular label around a point feature:

```
exterior_ring(make_circle($geometry, 20))
```

- Add a label at the start and the end of a line feature:

```
collect_geometries( start_point($geometry), end_point($geometry) )
```

- Rely on a smoothed line of a river to get more room for label placement:

```
smooth( $geometry, iterations:=30, offset:=0.25, min_length:=10 )
```

Data Defined

The *Data Defined* group provides direct control on labels placement, on a feature-by-feature basis. It relies on their attributes or an expression to set:

- the *X* and *Y* coordinate
- the text alignment over the custom position set above:
  - *Horizontal*: it can be **Left**, **Center** or **Right**
  - the text *Vertical*: it can be **Bottom**, **Base**, **Half**, **Cap** or **Top**
- the text *Rotation*. Different units can be defined for the labeling rotation (e.g. `degrees`, `minutes of arc`, `turns`). Check the *Preserve data rotation values* entry if you want to keep the rotation value in the associated field and apply it to the label, whether the label is pinned or not. If unchecked, unpinning the label rotation is reset and its value cleared from the attribute table.

  Bemerkung: Data-defined rotation with polygon features is currently supported only with the *Around centroid* placement mode.

Bemerkung: Expressions can not be used in combination with the labels map tools (ie the *Rotate label* and *Move label* tools) to *data-define* labels placement. The widget will be reset to the corresponding *auxiliary storage field*.

Priority

In the *Priority* section you can define the placement priority rank of each label, ie if there are different diagrams or labels candidates for the same location, the item with the higher priority will be displayed and the others could be left out.

The priority rank is also used to evaluate whether a label could be omitted due to a greater weighted *obstacle feature*.

Obstacles

In some contexts (eg, high density labels, overlapping features…), the labels placement can result in labels being placed over unrelated features.

An obstacle is a feature over which QGIS avoids placing other features' labels or diagrams. This can be controlled from the *Obstacles* section:

1. Activate the *Features act as obstacles* option to decide that features of the layer should act as obstacles for any label and diagram (including items from other features in the same layer).

   Instead of the whole layer, you can select a subset of features to use as obstacles, using the Data-defined override control next to the option.

2. Use the *Settings* button to tweak the obstacle's weighting.

- For every potential obstacle feature you can assign an *Obstacle weight*: any *label* or *diagram* whose placement priority rank is greater than this value can be placed over. Labels or diagrams with lower rank will be omitted if no other placement is possible.

  This weighting can also be data-defined, so that within the same layer, certain features are more likely to be covered than others.

- For polygon layers, you can choose the kind of obstacle the feature is:
  - **over the feature's interior**: avoids placing labels over the interior of the polygon (prefers placing labels totally outside or just slightly inside the polygon)
  - or **over the feature's boundary**: avoids placing labels over the boundary of the polygon (prefers placing labels outside or completely inside the polygon). This can be useful for layers where the features cover the whole area (administrative units, categorical coverages, …). In this case, it is impossible to avoid placing labels within these features, and it looks much better when placing them over the boundaries between features is avoided.

Rendering tab

In the *Rendering* tab, you can tune when the labels can be rendered and their interaction with other labels and features.

Label options

Under *Label options*:

- You find the *scale-based* and the *Pixel size-based* visibility settings.
- The *Label z-index* determines the order in which labels are rendered, as well in relation with other feature labels in the layer (using data-defined override expression), as with labels from other layers. Labels with a higher z-index are rendered on top of labels (from any layer) with lower z-index.

  Additionally, the logic has been tweaked so that if two labels have matching z-indexes, then:
  - if they are from the same layer, the smaller label will be drawn above the larger label
  - if they are from different layers, the labels will be drawn in the same order as their layers themselves (ie respecting the order set in the map legend).

  Bemerkung: This setting doesn't make labels to be drawn below the features from other layers, it just controls the order in which labels are drawn on top of all the layers' features.

- While rendering labels and in order to display readable labels, QGIS automatically evaluates the position of the labels and can hide some of them in case of collision. You can however choose to *Show all labels for this layer (including colliding labels)* in order to manually fix their placement (see *The Label Toolbar*).
- With data-defined expressions in *Show label* and *Always Show* you can fine tune which labels should be rendered.
- Allow to *Show upside-down labels*: alternatives are **Never**, **when rotation defined** or **always**.

Feature options

Under *Feature options*:

- You can choose to *Label every part of a multi-part features* and *Limit number of features to be labeled to*.
- Both line and polygon layers offer the option to set a minimum size for the features to be labeled, using *Suppress labeling of features smaller than*.
- For polygon features, you can also filter the labels to show according to whether they completely fit within their feature or not.
- For line features, you can choose to *Merge connected lines to avoid duplicate labels*, rendering a quite airy map in conjunction with the *Distance* or *Repeat* options in the *Placement* tab.

13.4 Creating 3D Symbols

The *Style Manager* helps you create and store 3D symbols for every geometry type to render in the *3D map view*.

As of the other items, enable the  *3D Symbols* tab and expand the  button menu to create:

- *3D point symbols*
- *3D line symbols*
- *3D polygon symbols*

13.4.1 Point Layers

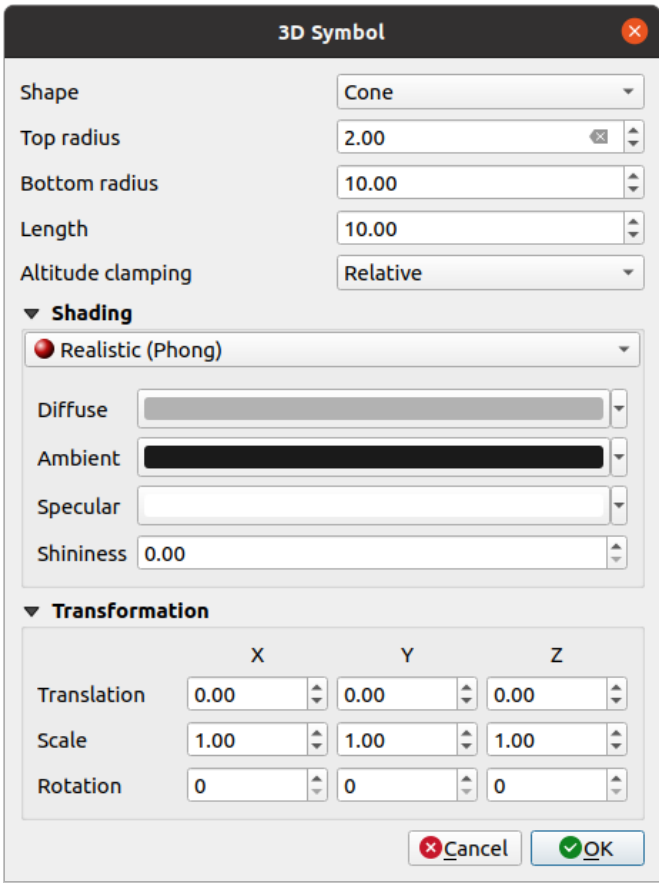


Abb. 13.29: Properties of a 3D point symbol

- You can define different types of 3D *Shape* to use for point symbols. They are mainly defined by their dimensions whose unit refers to the CRS of the project. Available types are:
  - *Sphere* defined by a *Radius*
  - *Cylinder* defined by a *Radius* and *Length*
  - *Cube* defined by a *Size*
  - *Cone* defined by a *Top radius*, a *Bottom radius* and a *Length*
  - *Plane* defined by a *Size*
  - *Torus* defined by a *Radius* and a *Minor radius*
  - *3D Model*, using a 3D model file (several formats are supported) that can be a file on disk, a remote URL or *embedded in the project*.
  - *Billboard*, defined by the *Billboard height* and the *Billboard symbol* (usually based on a *marker symbol*). The symbol will have a stable size. Convenient for visualizing 3D point clouds Shapes.
- The *Altitude clamping* can be set to *Absolute*, *Relative* or *Terrain*. The *Absolute* setting can be used when height values of the 3d vectors are provided as absolute measures from 0. *Relative* and *Terrain* add given elevation values to the underlying terrain elevation.
- The *shading* can be defined.
- Under the *Transformations* frame, you can apply affine transformation to the symbol:
  - *Translation* to move objects in x, y and z axis.

- *Scale* to resize the 3D shapes
- *Rotation* around the x-, y- and z-axis.

13.4.2 Line layers

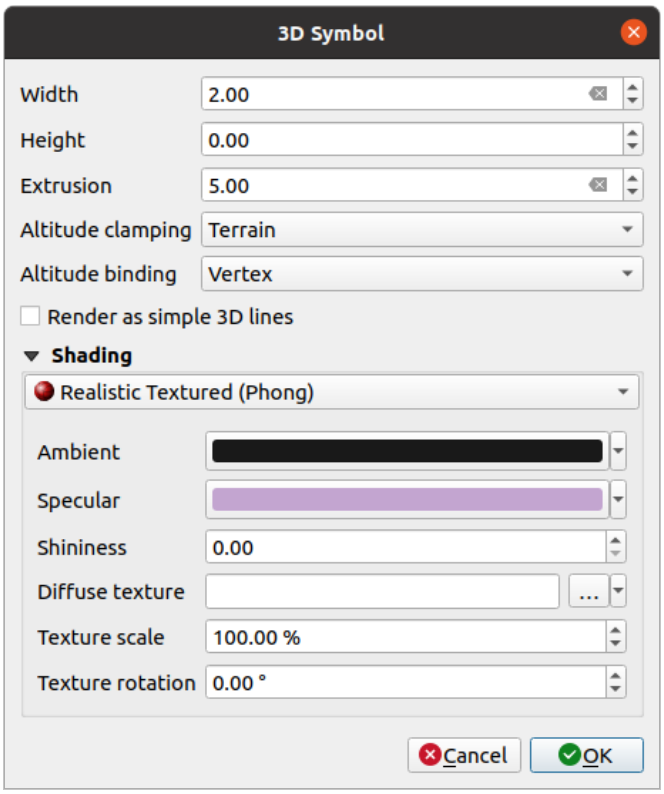


Abb. 13.30: Properties of a 3D line symbol

- Beneath the *Width* and *Height* settings you can define the *Extrusion* of the vector lines. If the lines do not have z-values, you can define the 3d volumes with this setting.
- With the *Altitude clamping* you define the position of the 3D lines relative to the underlying terrain surface, if you have included raster elevation data or other 3D vectors.
- The *Altitude binding* defines how the feature is clamped to the terrain. Either every *Vertex* of the feature will be clamped to the terrain or this will be done by the *Centroid*.
- It is possible to *Render as simple 3D lines*.
- The shading can be defined in the menus *Diffuse*, *Ambient*, *Specular* and *Shininess*.

13.4.3 Polygon Layers

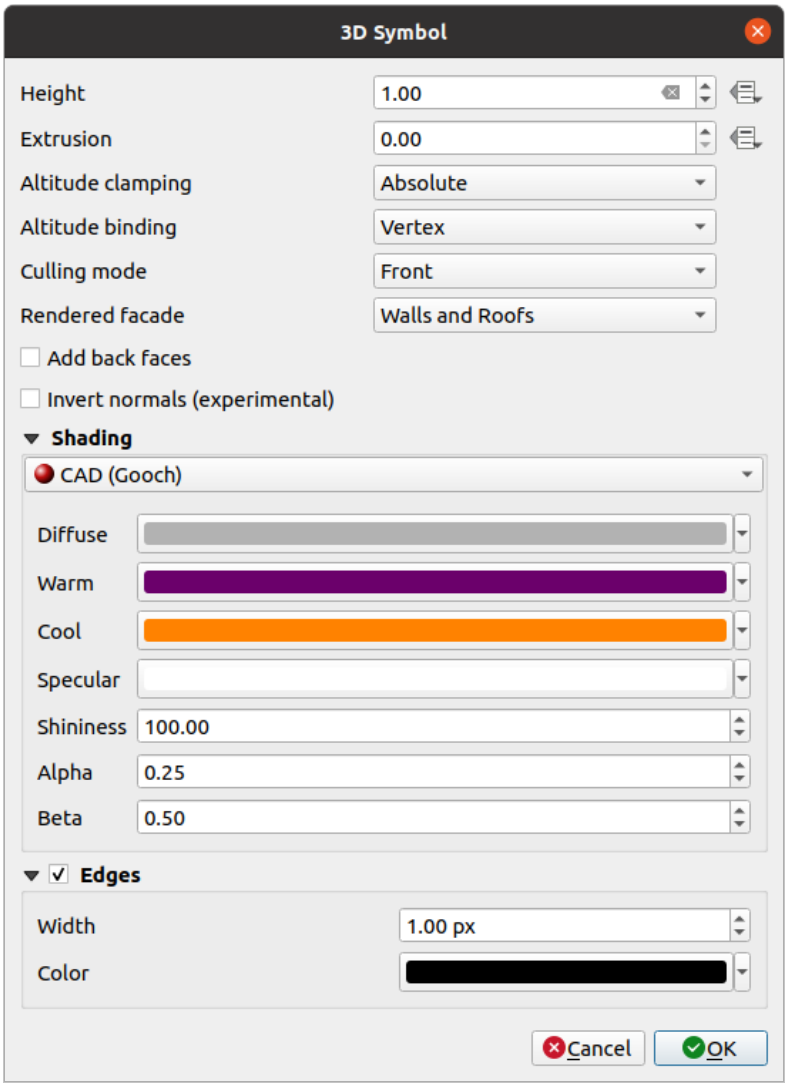


Abb. 13.31: Properties of a 3D polygon symbol

- As for the other ones, *Height* can be defined in CRS units. You can also use the button to overwrite the value with a custom expression, a variable or an entry of the attribute table
- Again, *Extrusion* is possible for missing z-values. Also for the extrusion you can use the button in order to use the values of the vector layer and have different results for each polygon:

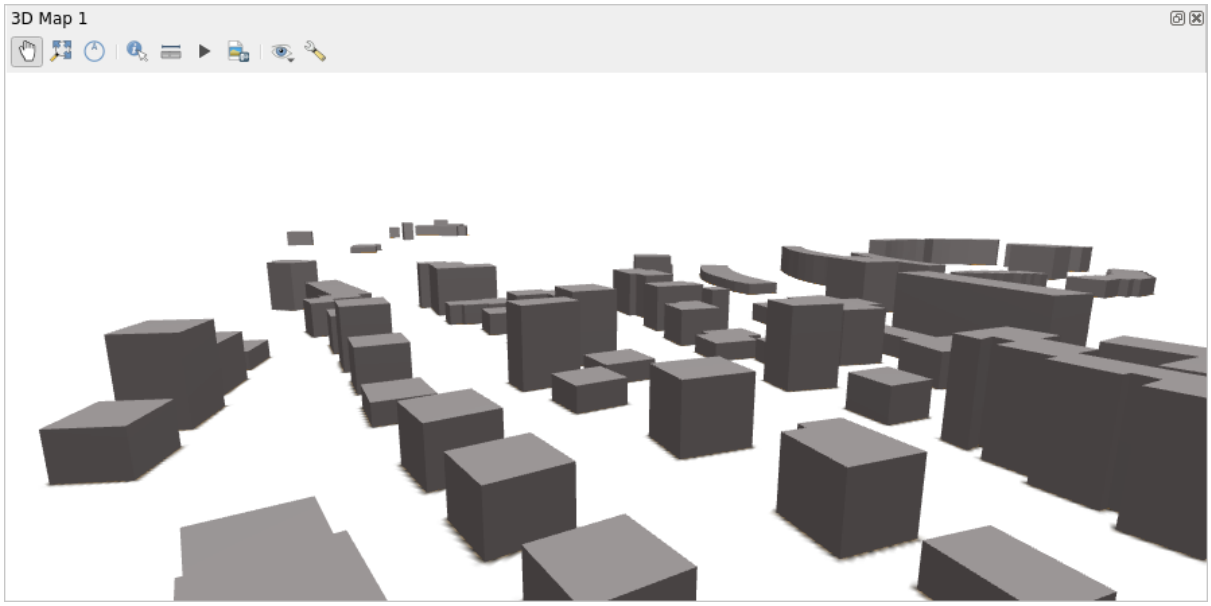


Abb. 13.32: Data Defined Extrusion

- The *Altitude clamping*, *Altitude binding* can be defined as explained above.
- The *Culling mode* to apply to the symbol; it can be:
  - *No Culling*: this can help to avoid seemingly missing surfaces when polygonZ/multipatch data do not have consistent ordering of vertices (e.g. all clock-wise or counter clock-wise)
  - *Front*
  - or *Back*
- The *Rendered facade* determines the faces to display. Possible values are *No facades*, *Walls*, *Roofs*, or *Walls and roofs*
- *Add back faces*: for each triangle, creates both front and back face with correct normals - at the expense of increased number of vertex data. This option can be used to fix shading issues (e.g., due to data with inconsistent order of vertices).
- *Invert normals (experimental)*: can be useful for fixing clockwise/counter-clockwise face vertex orders
- The *shading* can be defined.
- Display of the *Edges* of the symbols can be enabled and assigned a *Width* and *Color*.

Hinweis: Combination for best rendering of 3D data

Culling mode, *Add back faces* and *Invert normals* are all meant to fix the look of 3D data if it does not look right. Typically when loading some data, it is best to first try `culling mode=back` and `add back faces=disabled` - it is the most efficient. If the rendering does not look correct, try `add back faces=enabled` and keep `culling mode=no culling`. Other combinations are more advanced and useful only in some scenarios based on how mixed up is the input dataset.

13.4.4 Shading the texture

Shading helps you reveal 3d details of objects which may otherwise be hidden due to the scene's lighting. Ultimately, it's an easier material to work with as you don't need to worry about setting up appropriate scene lighting in order to visualise features.

Various techniques of shading are used in QGIS and their availability depends on the geometry type of the symbol:

- *Realistic (Phong)*: describes the way a surface reflects light as a combination of the *Diffuse* reflection of rough surfaces with the *Specular* reflection of shiny surfaces (*Shininess*). It also includes an *Ambient* option to account for the small amount of light that is scattered about the entire scene. Read more at https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Phong_reflection_model#Description
- *Realistic Textured (Phong)*: same as the *Realistic (Phong)* except that an image is used as *Diffuse Texture*. The image can be a file on disk, a remote URL or *embedded in the project*. The *Texture scale* and *Texture rotation* are required.
- *CAD (Gooch)*: this technique allows shading to occur only in mid-tones so that edge lines and highlights remain visually prominent. Along with the *Diffuse*, *Specular*, *Shininess* options, you need to provide a *Warm* color (for surface facing toward the light) and a *Cool* color (for the ones facing away). Also, the relative contributions to the cool and warm colors by the diffuse color are controlled by *Alpha* and *Beta* properties respectively. See also https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Gooch_shading
- *Embedded Textures* with 3D models shape

13.4.5 Application example

To go through the settings explained above you can have a look at https://app.merginmaps.com/projects/saber/luxembourg/tree.

KAPITEL 14

Verwaltung von Datenquellen

14.1 Öffnen von Daten

Als Teil eines Open-Source-Software-Ökosystems baut QGIS auf verschiedenen Bibliotheken auf, die in Kombination mit den eigenen Diensten die Fähigkeiten bieten, viele Formate zu lesen und oft zu schreiben:

- Vector data formats include GeoPackage, GML, GeoJSON, GPX, KML, Comma Separated Values, ESRI formats (Shapefile, Geodatabase…), MapInfo and MicroStation file formats, AutoCAD DWG/DXF, GRASS and many more… Read the complete list of supported vector formats.
- Raster data formats include GeoTIFF, JPEG, ASCII Gridded XYZ, MBTiles, R or Idrisi rasters, GDAL Virtual, SRTM, Sentinel Data, ERDAS IMAGINE, ArcInfo Binary Grid, ArcInfo ASCII Grid, and many more… Read the complete list of supported raster formats.
- Database formats include PostgreSQL/PostGIS, SQLite/SpatiaLite, Oracle, MSSQL Spatial, SAP HANA, MySQL…
- Web map and data services (WM(T)S, WFS, WCS, CSW, XYZ tiles, ArcGIS services, …) are also handled by QGIS providers. See *Arbeiten mit OGC / ISO-Protokollen* for more information about some of these.
- You can read supported files from archived folders and use QGIS native formats such as QML files (*QML - Das QGIS-Stil-Dateiformat*) and virtual and memory layers.

More than 80 vector and 140 raster formats are supported by GDAL and QGIS native providers.

Bemerkung: Not all of the listed formats may work in QGIS for various reasons. For example, some require external proprietary libraries, or the GDAL/OGR installation of your OS may not have been built to support the format you want to use. To see the list of available formats, run the command line `ogrinfo --formats` (for vector) and `gdalinfo --formats` (for raster), or check the *Settings* ► *Options* ► *GDAL* menu in QGIS.

In QGIS, depending on the data format, there are different tools to open a dataset, mainly available in the *Layer* ► *Add Layer* ► menu or from the *Manage Layers* toolbar (enabled through *View* ► *Toolbars* menu). However, all these tools point to a unique dialog, the *Data Source Manager* dialog, that you can open with the Open Data Source Manager button, available on the *Data Source Manager Toolbar*, or by pressing `Ctrl+L`. The *Data Source Manager* dialog(Abb. 14.1) offers a unified interface to open vector or raster file-based data as well as databases or web services supported by QGIS. It can be set modal or not with the *Modeless data source manager dialog* in the *Settings* ► *Options* ► *General* menu.

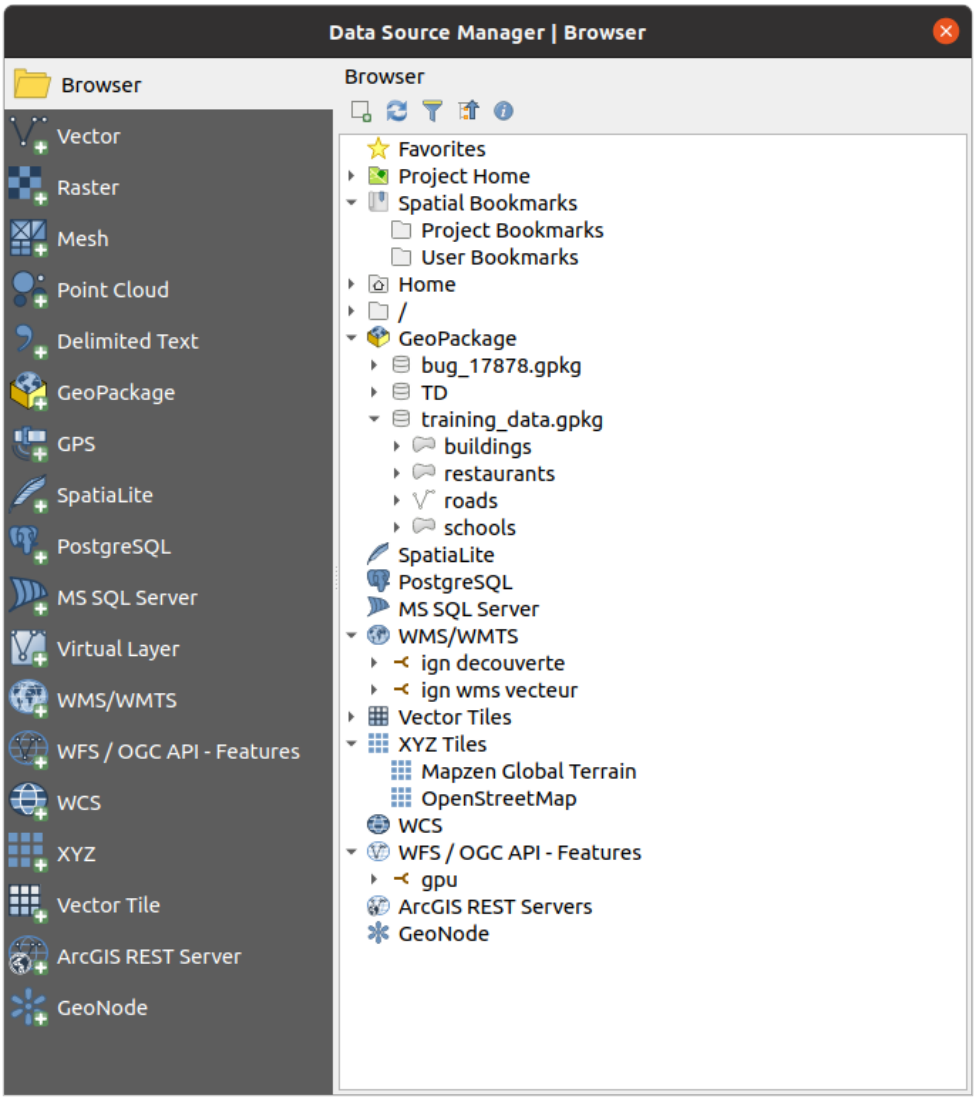


Abb. 14.1: QGIS Data Source Manager dialog

Beside this main entry point, you also have the *DB Manager* plugin that offers advanced capabilities to analyze and manipulate connected databases. More information on DB Manager capabilities can be found in *DB Manager Plugin*.

There are many other tools, native or third-party plugins, that help you open various data formats.

This chapter will describe only the tools provided by default in QGIS for loading data. It will mainly focus on the *Data Source Manager* dialog but more than describing each tab, it will also explore the tools based on the data provider or format specificities.

14.1.1 The Browser Panel

The *Browser* is one of the main ways to quickly and easily add your data to projects. It's available as:

- a *Data Source Manager* tab, enabled pressing the Open Data Source Manager button (`Ctrl+L`);
- as a QGIS panel you can open from the menu *View* ► *Panels* (or *Settings* ► *Panels*) or by pressing `Ctrl+2`.

In both cases, the *Browser* helps you navigate in your file system and manage geodata, regardless the type of layer (raster, vector, table), or the datasource format (plain or compressed files, databases, web services).

Exploring the Interface

At the top of the Browser panel, you find some buttons that help you to:

- Add Selected Layers: you can also add data to the map canvas by selecting **Add selected layer(s)** from the layer's context menu;
- Refresh the browser tree;
- Filter Browser to search for specific data. Enter a search word or wildcard and the browser will filter the tree to only show paths to matching DB tables, filenames or folders – other data or folders won't be displayed. See the Browser Panel(2) example in Abb. 14.2. The comparison can be case-sensitive or not. It can also be set to:
  - *Normal*: show items containing the search text
  - *Wildcard(s)*: fine tune the search using the `?` and/or `*` characters to specify the position of the search text
  - *Regular expression*
- Collapse All the whole tree;
- Enable/disable properties widget: when toggled on, a new widget is added at the bottom of the panel showing, if applicable, metadata for the selected item.

The entries in the *Browser* panel are organised hierarchically, and there are several top level entries:

1. *Favorites* where you can place shortcuts to often used locations
2. *Spatial Bookmarks* where you can store often used map extents (see *Räumliche Lesezeichen*)
3. *Project Home*: for a quick access to the folder in which (most of) the data related to your project are stored. The default value is the directory where your project file resides.
4. *Home* directory in the file system and the filesystem root directory.
5. Connected local or network drives
6. Then comes a number of container / database types and service protocols, depending on your platform and underlying libraries:
   - *GeoPackage*
   - *SpatiaLite*
   - *PostGIS*
   - *MSSQL*
   - *Oracle*
   - *SAP HANA*

-  *WMS/WMTS*
-  *Vector Tiles*
-  *XYZ Tiles*
-  *WCS*
-  *WFS/OGC API-Features*
-  *OWS*
-  *ArcGIS Map Service*
-  *ArcGIS Feature Service*
-  *GeoNode*

Interacting with the Browser items

The browser supports drag and drop within the browser, from the browser to the canvas and *Layers* panel, and from the *Layers* panel to layer containers (e.g. GeoPackage) in the browser.

Project file items inside the browser can be expanded, showing the full layer tree (including groups) contained within that project. Project items are treated the same way as any other item in the browser, so they can be dragged and dropped within the browser (for example to copy a layer item to a geopackage file) or added to the current project through drag and drop or double click.

The context menu for an element in the *Browser* panel is opened by right-clicking on it.

For file system directory entries, the context menu offers the following:

- *New* ► to create in the selected entry a:
  - *Directory…*
  - *GeoPackage…*
  - *ShapeFile…*
- *Add as a Favorite*: favorite folders can be renamed (*Rename favorite…*) or removed (*Remove favorite*) any time.
- *Hide from Browser*: hidden folders can be toggled to visible from the *Settings* ► *Options* ► *Data Sources* ► *Hidden browser paths* setting
- *Fast Scan this Directory*
- *Open Directory*
- *Open in Terminal*
- *Eigenschaften…*
- *Directory Properties…*

For leaf entries that can act as layers in the project, the context menu will have supporting entries. For example, for non-database, non-service-based vector, raster and mesh data sources:

- *Export Layer* ► *To File…*
- *Add Layer to Project*
- *Layer Properties*
- *Manage* ► *Rename „<name of file>“…* or *Delete „<name of file>“…*
- *Show in Files*

- *File Properties*

In the *Layer properties* entry, you will find (similar to what you will find in the *vector* and *raster* layer properties once the layers have been added to the project):

- *Metadata* for the layer. Metadata groups: *Information from provider* (if possible, *Path* will be a hyperlink to the source), *Identification*, *Extent*, *Access*, *Fields* (for vector layers), *Bands* (for raster layers), *Contacts*, *Links* (for vector layers), *References* (for raster layers), *History*.
- A *Preview* panel
- The attribute table for vector sources (in the *Attributes* panel).

To add a layer to the project using the *Browser*:

1. Enable the *Browser* as described above. A browser tree with your file system, databases and web services is displayed. You may need to connect databases and web services before they appear (see dedicated sections).
2. Find the layer in the list.
3. Use the context menu, double-click its name, or drag-and-drop it into the *map canvas*. Your layer is now added to the *Layers panel* and can be viewed on the map canvas.

Tipp: Open a QGIS project directly from the browser

You can also open a QGIS project directly from the Browser panel by double-clicking its name or by drag-and-drop into the map canvas.

Once a file is loaded, you can zoom around it using the map navigation tools. To change the style of a layer, open the *Layer Properties* dialog by double-clicking on the layer name or by right-clicking on the name in the legend and choosing *Properties* from the context menu. See section *Symbology Properties* for more information on setting symbology for vector layers.

Right-clicking an item in the browser tree helps you to:

- for a file or a table, display its metadata or open it in your project. Tables can even be renamed, deleted or truncated.
- for a folder, bookmark it into your favourites or hide it from the browser tree. Hidden folders can be managed from the *Settings* ► *Options* ► *Data Sources* tab.
- manage your *spatial bookmarks*: bookmarks can be created, exported and imported as `XML` files.
- create a connection to a database or a web service.
- refresh, rename or delete a schema.

You can also import files into databases or copy tables from one schema/database to another with a simple drag-and-drop. There is a second browser panel available to avoid long scrolling while dragging. Just select the file and drag-and-drop from one panel to the other.

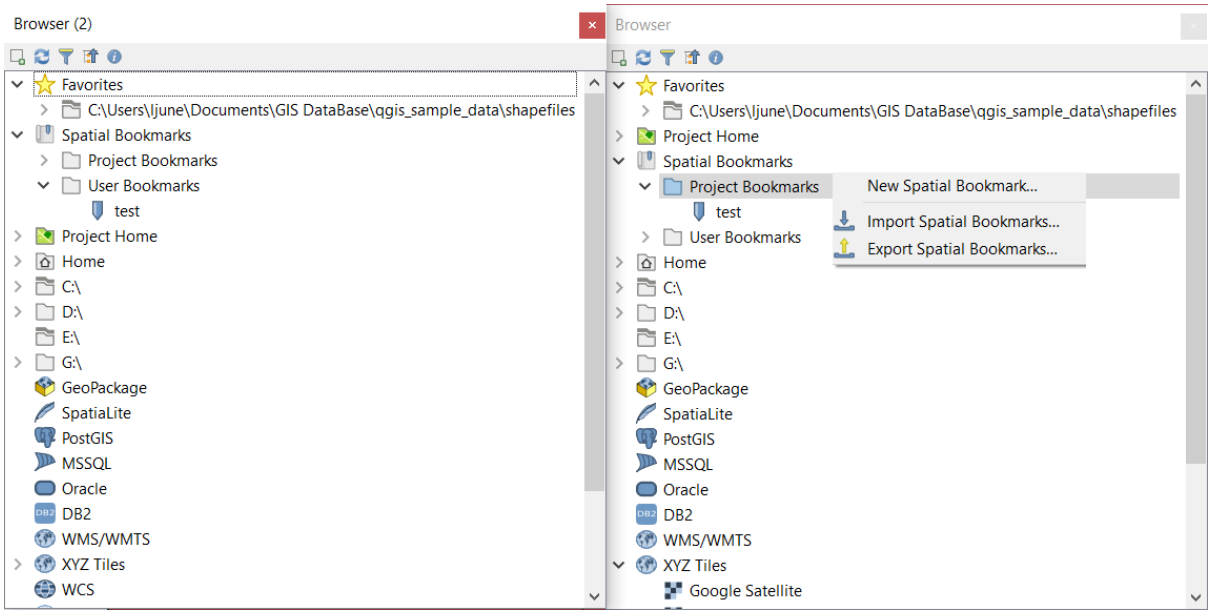


Abb. 14.2: QGIS Browser panels side-by-side

Tipp: Add layers to QGIS by simple drag-and-drop from your OS file browser

You can also add file(s) to the project by drag-and-dropping them from your operating system file browser to the *Layers Panel* or the map canvas.

14.1.2 The DB Manager

The *DB Manager* Plugin is another tool for integrating and managing spatial database formats supported by QGIS (PostGIS, SpatiaLite, GeoPackage, Oracle Spatial, MSSQL, Virtual layers). It can be activated from the *Plugins* ► *Manage and Install Plugins...* menu.

The DB Manager Plugin provides several features:

- connect to databases and display their structure and contents
- preview tables of databases
- add layers to the map canvas, either by double-clicking or drag-and-drop.
- add layers to a database from the QGIS Browser or from another database
- create SQL queries and add their output to the map canvas
- create *virtual layers*

More information on DB Manager capabilities is found in *DB Manager Plugin*.

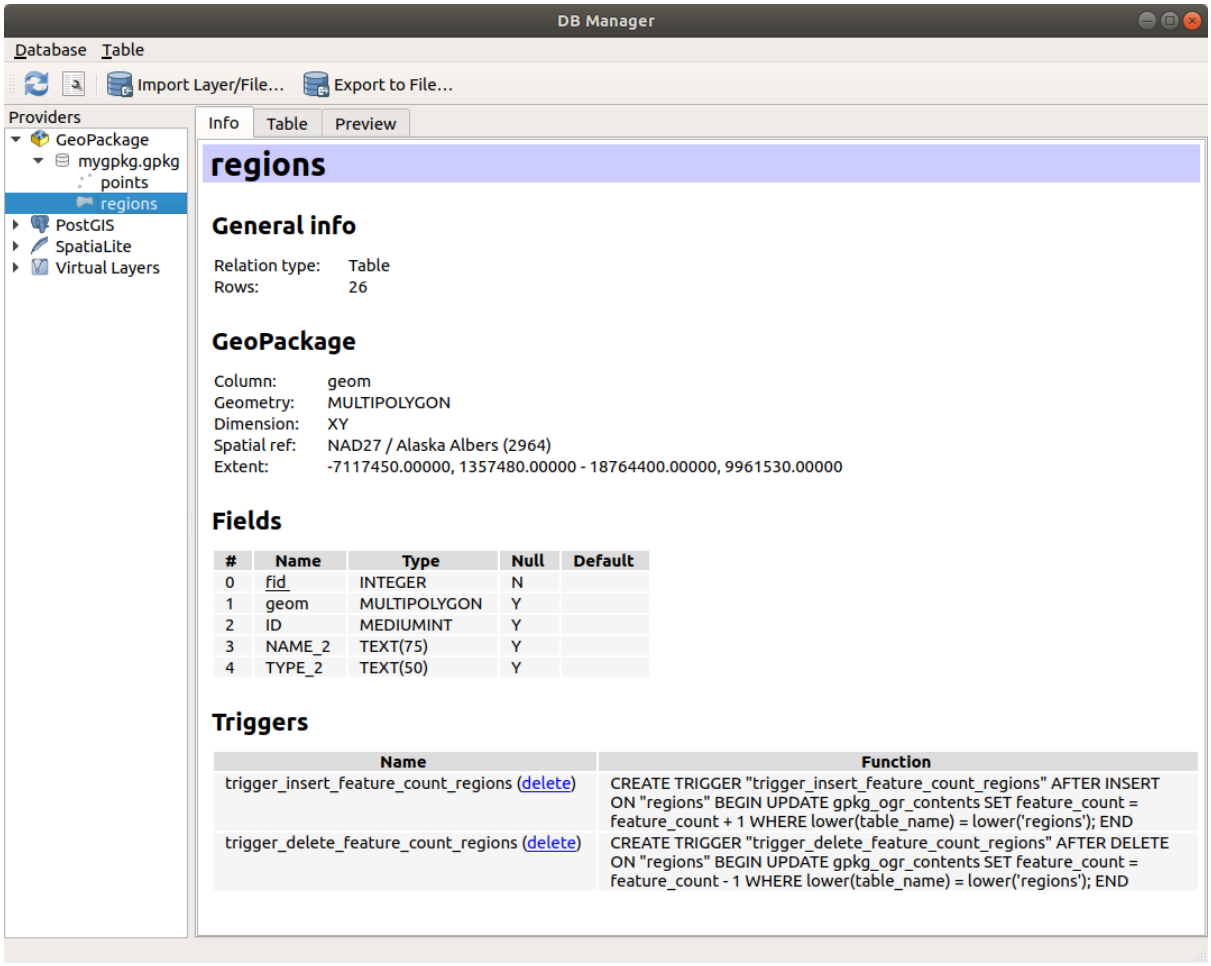


Abb. 14.3: DB Manager dialog

14.1.3 Provider-based loading tools

Beside the Browser Panel and the DB Manager, the main tools provided by QGIS to add layers, you'll also find tools that are specific to data providers.

Bemerkung: Some *external plugins* also provide tools to open specific format files in QGIS.

Loading a layer from a file

To load a layer from a file:

1. Open the layer type tab in the *Data Source Manager* dialog, ie click the Open Data Source Manager button (or press `Ctrl+L`) and enable the target tab or:
   - for vector data (like GML, ESRI Shapefile, Mapinfo and DXF layers): press `Ctrl+Shift+V`, select the *Layer* ► *Add Layer* ► *Add Vector Layer* menu option or click on the Add Vector Layer toolbar button.

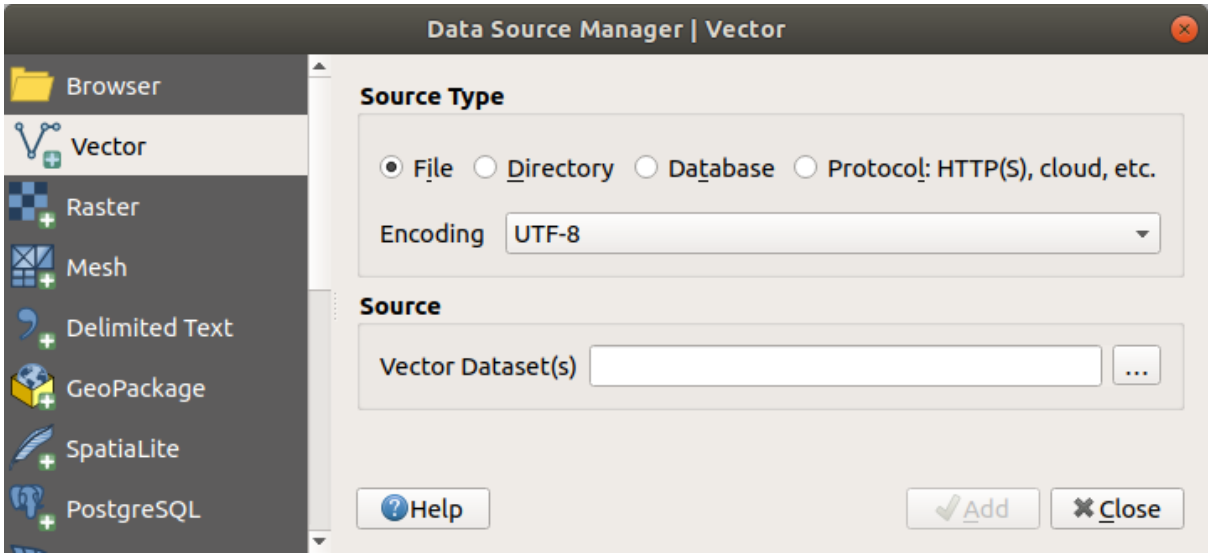


Abb. 14.4: Add Vector Layer Dialog

- for raster data (like GeoTiff, MBTiles, GRIdded Binary and DWG layers): press `Ctrl+Shift+R`, select the *Layer* ► *Add Layer* ► *Add Raster Layer* menu option or click on the Add Raster Layer toolbar button.

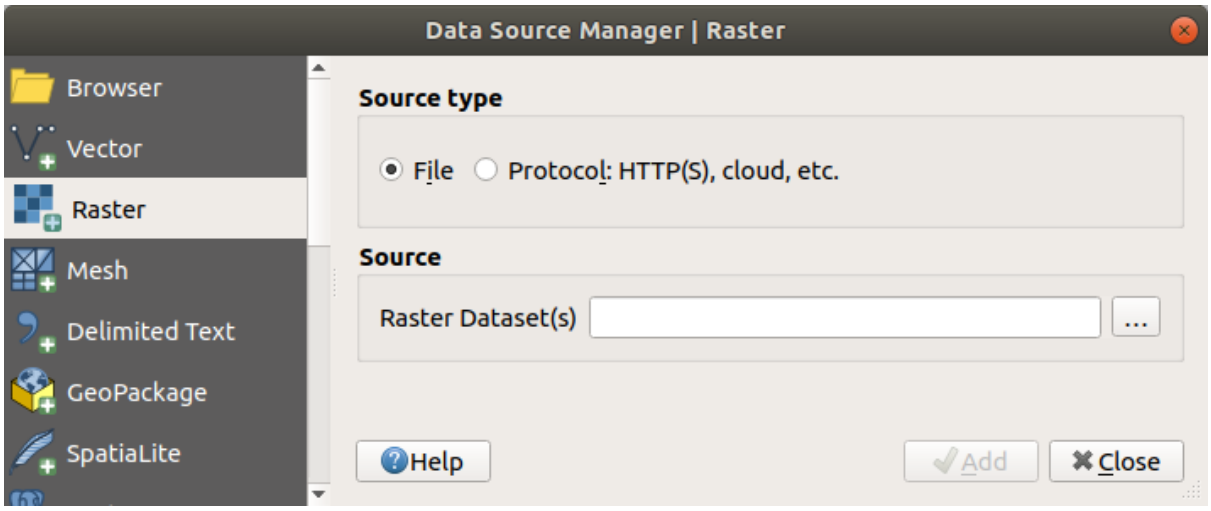


Abb. 14.5: Add Raster Layer Dialog

2. Check *File* source type
3. Click on the ... Browse button
4. Navigate the file system and load a supported data source. More than one layer can be loaded at the same time by holding down the `Ctrl` key and clicking on multiple items in the dialog or holding down the `Shift` key to select a range of items by clicking on the first and last items in the range. Only formats that have been well tested appear in the formats filter. Other formats can be loaded by selecting `All files` (the top item in the pull-down menu).
5. Press *Open* to load the selected file into *Data Source Manager* dialog

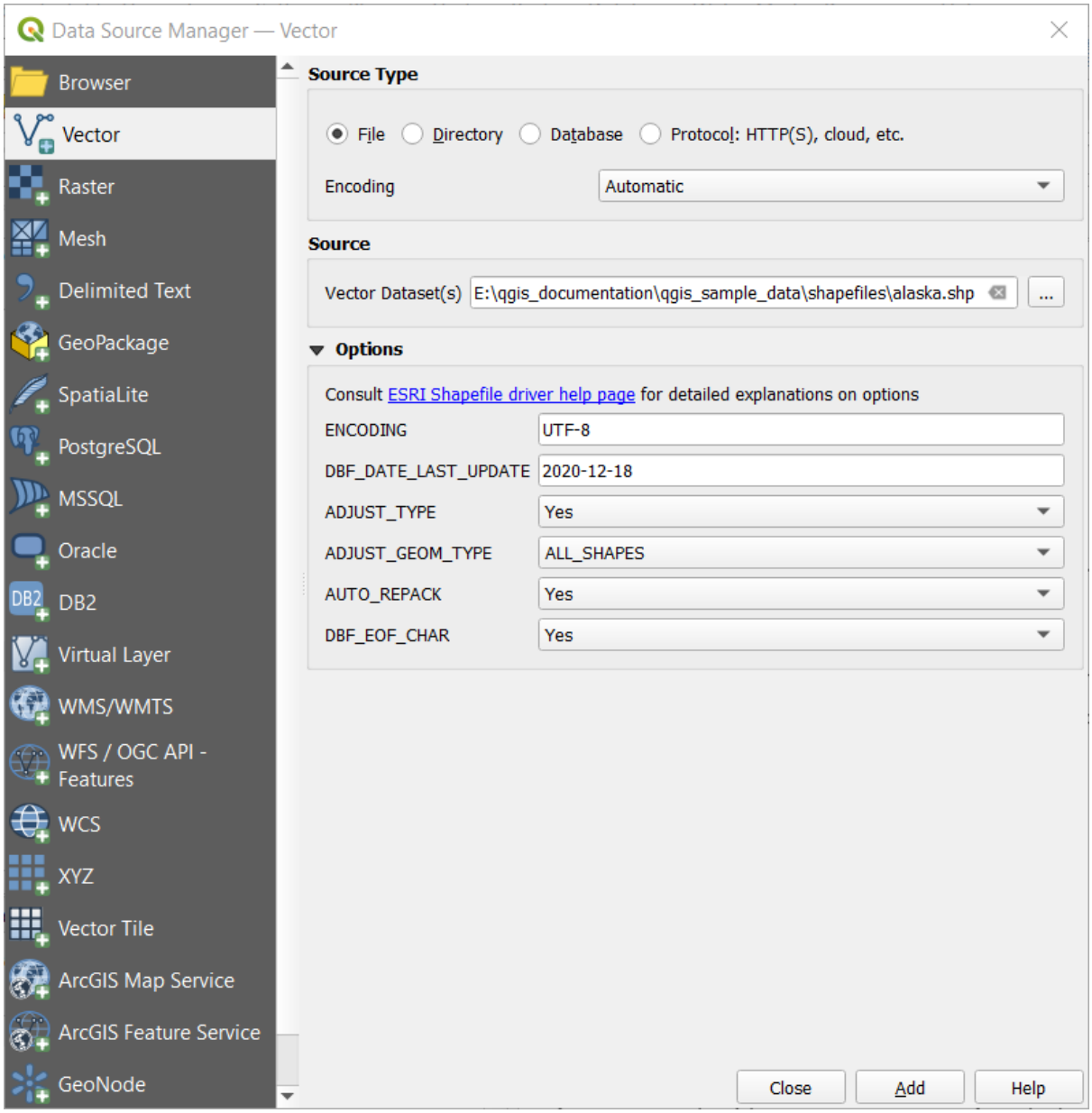


Abb. 14.6: Loading a Shapefile with open options

6. Press *Add* to load the file in QGIS and display them in the map view. Abb. 14.7 shows QGIS after loading the `alaska.shp` file.

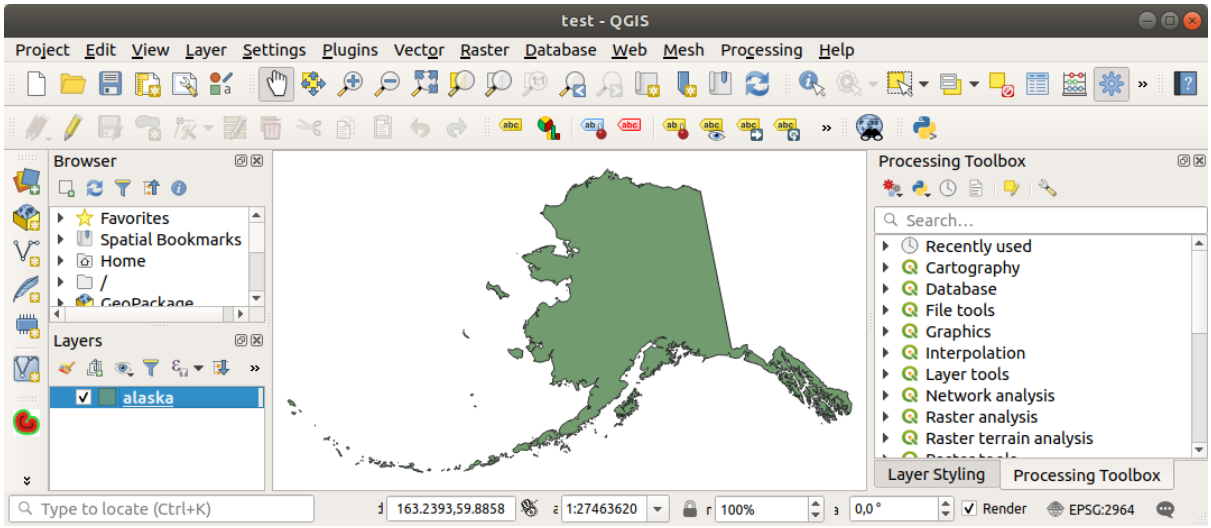


Abb. 14.7: QGIS with Shapefile of Alaska loaded

Bemerkung: For loading vector and raster files the GDAL driver offers to define open actions. These will be shown when a file is selected. Options are described in detail on https://gdal.org/drivers/vector/, https://gdal.org/drivers/raster and if a file is selected in QGIS, a text with hyperlink will directly lead to the documentation of the selected file type.

Bemerkung: Because some formats like MapInfo (e.g., `.tab`) or Autocad (`.dxf`) allow mixing different types of geometry in a single file, loading such datasets opens a dialog to select geometries to use in order to have one geometry per layer.

The Add Vector Layer and Add Raster Layer tabs allow loading of layers from source types other than *File*:

- You can load specific vector formats like `ArcInfo Binary Coverage`, `UK. National Transfer Format`, as well as the raw TIGER format of the `US Census Bureau` or `OpenfileGDB`. To do that, you select *Directory* as *Source type*. In this case, a directory can be selected in the dialog after pressing … Browse.
- With the *Database* source type you can select an existing database connection or create one to the selected database type. Some possible database types are `ODBC`, `Esri Personal Geodatabase`, `MSSQL` as well as `PostgreSQL` or `MySQL` .

  Pressing the *New* button opens the *Create a New OGR Database Connection* dialog whose parameters are among the ones you can find in *Creating a stored Connection*. Pressing *Open* lets you select from the available tables, for example of PostGIS enabled databases.
- The *Protocol: HTTP(S), cloud, etc.* source type opens data stored locally or on the network, either publicly accessible, or in private buckets of commercial cloud storage services. Supported protocol types are:
  - `HTTP/HTTPS/FTP`, with a *URI* and, if required, an *authentication*.
  - Cloud storage such as `AWS S3`, `Google Cloud Storage`, `Microsoft Azure Blob`, `Alibaba OSS Cloud`, `Open Stack Swift Storage`. You need to fill in the *Bucket or container* and the *Object key*.
  - service supporting OGC `WFS 3` (still experimental), using `GeoJSON` or `GEOJSON - Newline Delimited` format or based on `CouchDB` database. A *URI* is required, with optional *authentication*.
  - For all vector source types it is possible to define the *Encoding* or to use the *Automatic* ► setting.

Loading a mesh layer

A mesh is an unstructured grid usually with temporal and other components. The spatial component contains a collection of vertices, edges and faces in 2D or 3D space. More information on mesh layers at *Working with Mesh Data*.

To add a mesh layer to QGIS:

1. Open the *Data Source Manager* dialog, either by selecting it from the *Layer* ► menu or clicking the Open Data Source Manager button.
2. Enable the *Mesh* tab on the left panel
3. Press the … Browse button to select the file. *Various formats* are supported.
4. Select the file and press *Add*. The layer will be added using the native mesh rendering.
5. If the selected file contains many mesh layers, then you'll be prompted with a dialog to choose the sublayers to load. Do your selection and press *OK* and the layers are loaded with the native mesh rendering. It's also possible to load them within a group.

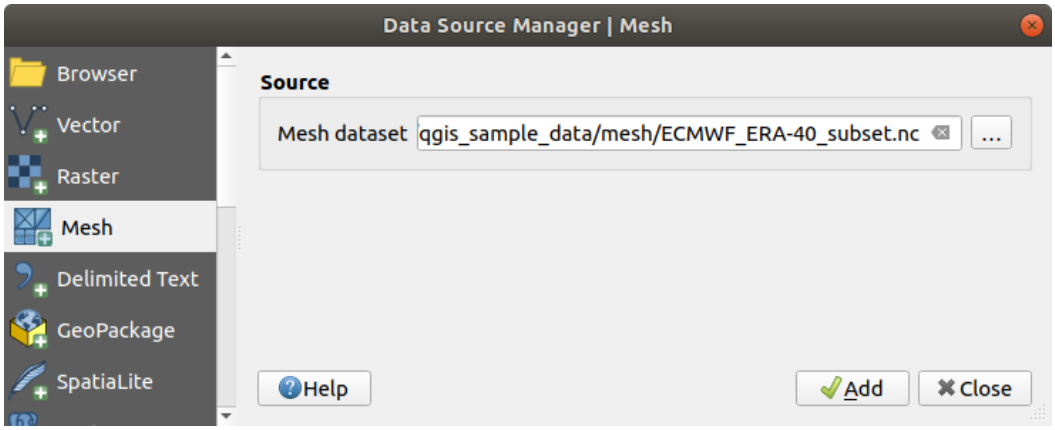


Abb. 14.8: Mesh tab in Data Source Manager

Importing a delimited text file

Delimited text files (e.g. `.txt`, `.csv`, `.dat`, `.wkt`) can be loaded using the tools described above. This way, they will show up as simple tables. Sometimes, delimited text files can contain coordinates / geometries that you could want to visualize. This is what *Add Delimited Text Layer* is designed for.

1. Click the Open Data Source Manager icon to open the *Data Source Manager* dialog
2. Enable the *Delimited Text* tab
3. Select the delimited text file to import (e.g., `qgis_sample_data/csv/elevp.csv`) by clicking on the … Browse button.
4. In the *Layer name* field, provide the name to use for the layer in the project (e.g. `Elevation`).
5. Configure the settings to meet your dataset and needs, as explained below.

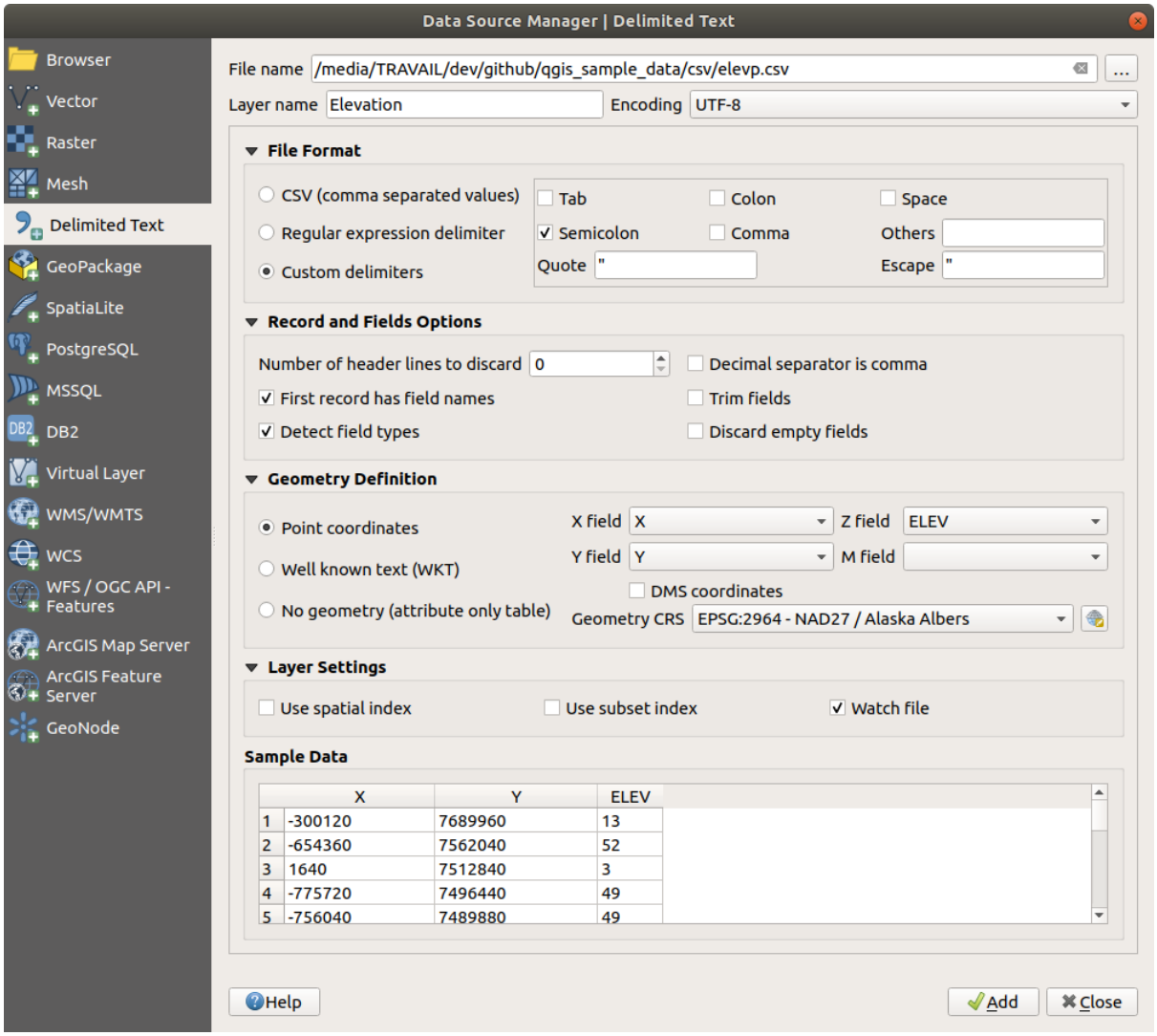


Abb. 14.9: Delimited Text Dialog

File format

Once the file is selected, QGIS attempts to parse the file with the most recently used delimiter, identifying fields and rows. To enable QGIS to correctly parse the file, it is important to select the right delimiter. You can specify a delimiter by choosing between:

- *CSV (comma separated values)* to use the comma character.
- *Regular expression delimiter* and enter text into the *Expression* field. For example, to change the delimiter to tab, use `\t` (this is used in regular expressions for the tab character).
- *Custom delimiters*, choosing among some predefined delimiters like `comma`, `space`, `tab`, `semicolon`, ...

Records and fields

Some other convenient options can be used for data recognition:

- *Number of header lines to discard*: convenient when you want to avoid the first lines in the file in the import, either because those are blank lines or with another formatting.
- *First record has field names*: values in the first line are used as field names, otherwise QGIS uses the field names `field_1`, `field_2`...
- *Detect field types*: automatically recognizes the field type. If unchecked then all attributes are treated as text fields.
- *Decimal separator is comma*: you can force decimal separator to be a comma.
- *Trim fields*: allows you to trim leading and trailing spaces from fields.
- *Discard empty fields*.

As you set the parser properties, a sample data preview updates at the bottom of the dialog.

Geometry definition

Once the file is parsed, set *Geometry definition* to

- *Point coordinates* and provide the *X field*, *Y field*, *Z field* (for 3-dimensional data) and *M field* (for the measurement dimension) if the layer is of point geometry type and contains such fields. If the coordinates are defined as degrees/minutes/seconds, activate the *DMS coordinates* checkbox. Provide the appropriate *Geometry CRS* using the Select CRS widget.
- *Well known text (WKT)* option if the spatial information is represented as WKT: select the *Geometry field* containing the WKT geometry and choose the approriate *Geometry field* or let QGIS auto-detect it. Provide the appropriate *Geometry CRS* using the Select CRS widget.
- If the file contains non-spatial data, activate *No geometry (attribute only table)* and it will be loaded as an ordinary table.

Layer settings

Additionally, you can enable:

- *Use spatial index* to improve the performance of displaying and spatially selecting features.
- *Use subset index* to improve performance of *subset filters* (when defined in the layer properties).
- *Watch file* to watch for changes to the file by other applications while QGIS is running.

At the end, click *Add* to add the layer to the map. In our example, a point layer named `Elevation` is added to the project and behaves like any other map layer in QGIS. This layer is the result of a query on the `.csv` source file (hence, linked to it) and would require *to be saved* in order to get a spatial layer on disk.

Importing a DXF or DWG file

`DXF` and `DWG` files can be added to QGIS by simple drag-and-drop from the Browser Panel. You will be prompted to select the sublayers you would like to add to the project. Layers are added with random style properties.

Bemerkung: For DXF files containing several geometry types (point, line and/or polygon), the name of the layers will be generated as *<filename.dxf> entities <geometry type>*.

To keep the dxf/dwg file structure and its symbology in QGIS, you may want to use the dedicated *Project* ► *Import/Export* ► *Import Layers from DWG/DXF…* tool which allows you to:

1. import elements from the drawing file into a GeoPackage database.
2. add imported elements to the project.

In the *DWG/DXF Import* dialog, to import the drawing file contents:

1. Input the location of the *Target package*, i.e. the new GeoPackage file that will store the data. If an existing file is provided, then it will be overwritten.
2. Specify the coordinate reference system of the data in the drawing file.
3. Check *Expand block references* to import the blocks in the drawing file as normal elements.
4. Check *Use curves* to promote the imported layers to a `curved` geometry type.
5. Use the *Import* button to select the DWG/DXF file to use (one per geopackage). The GeoPackage database will be automatically populated with the drawing file content. Depending on the size of the file, this can take some time.

After the `.dwg` or `.dxf` data has been imported into the GeoPackage database, the frame in the lower half of the dialog is populated with the list of layers from the imported file. There you can select which layers to add to the QGIS project:

1. At the top, set a *Group name* to group the drawing files in the project.
2. Check layers to show: Each selected layer is added to an ad hoc group which contains vector layers for the point, line, label and area features of the drawing layer. The style of the layers will resemble the look they originally had in *CAD.
3. Choose if the layer should be visible at opening.
4. Checking the *Merge layers* option places all layers in a single group.
5. Press *OK* to open the layers in QGIS.

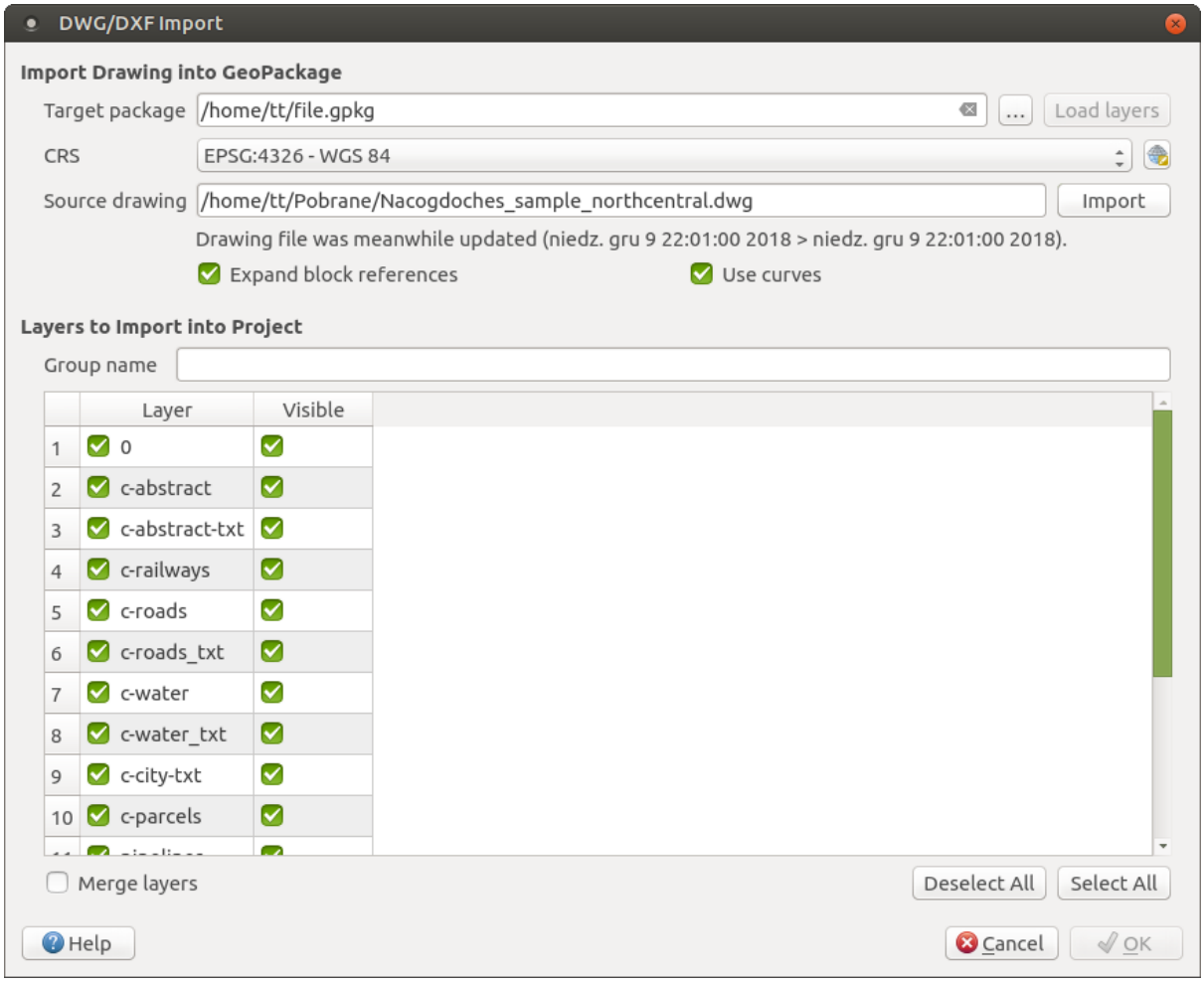


Abb. 14.10: Import dialog for DWG/DXF files

Importing OpenStreetMap Vectors

The OpenStreetMap project is popular because in many countries no free geodata such as digital road maps are available. The objective of the OSM project is to create a free editable map of the world from GPS data, aerial photography and local knowledge. To support this objective, QGIS provides support for OSM data.

Using the *Browser Panel*, you can load an `.osm` file to the map canvas, in which case you'll get a dialog to select sublayers based on the geometry type. The loaded layers will contain all the data of that geometry type in the `.osm` file, and keep the `osm` file data structure.

SpatiaLite Layers

The first time you load data from a SpatiaLite database, begin by:

- clicking on the Add SpatiaLite Layer toolbar button
- selecting the *Add SpatiaLite Layer…* option from the *Layer* ► *Add Layer* menu
- or by typing `Ctrl+Shift+L`

This will bring up a window that will allow you either to connect to a SpatiaLite database already known to QGIS (which you choose from the drop-down menu) or to define a new connection to a new database. To define a new

connection, click on *New* and use the file browser to point to your SpatiaLite database, which is a file with a `.sqlite` extension.

QGIS also supports editable views in SpatiaLite.

GPS

There are dozens of different file formats for storing GPS data. The format that QGIS uses is called GPX (GPS eXchange format), which is a standard interchange format that can contain any number of waypoints, routes and tracks in the same file.

Use the … Browse button to select the GPX file, then use the checkboxes to select the feature types you want to load from that GPX file. Each feature type will be loaded in a separate layer.

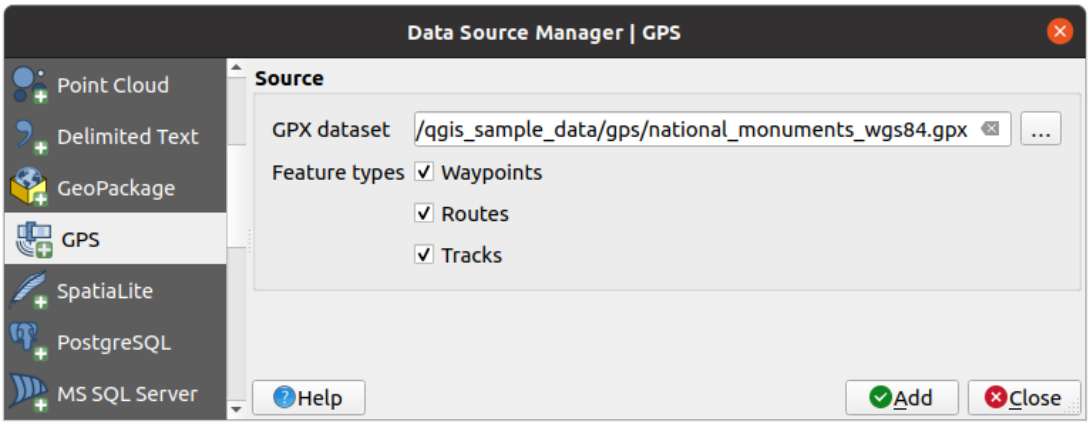


Abb. 14.11: Loading GPS Data dialog

GRASS

Working with GRASS vector data is described in section *GRASS GIS Integration*.

Database related tools

Creating a stored Connection

In order to read and write tables from a database format QGIS supports you have to create a connection to that database. While *QGIS Browser Panel* is the simplest and recommanded way to connect to and use databases, QGIS provides other tools to connect to each of them and load their tables:

- *Add PostGIS Layer…* or by typing `Ctrl+Shift+D`
- *Add MSSQL Spatial Layer*
- *Add Oracle Spatial Layer…* or by typing `Ctrl+Shift+O`
- *Add SAP HANA Spatial Layer…* or by typing `Ctrl+Shift+G`

These tools are accessible either from the *Manage Layers Toolbar* and the *Layer* ► *Add Layer* ► menu. Connecting to SpatiaLite database is described at *SpatiaLite Layers*.

Tipp: Create connection to database from the QGIS Browser Panel

Selecting the corresponding database format in the Browser tree, right-clicking and choosing connect will provide you with the database connection dialog.

Most of the connection dialogs follow a common basis that will be described below using the PostgreSQL database tool as an example. For additional settings specific to other providers, you can find corresponding descriptions at:

- *Connecting to MSSQL Spatial*;
- *Connecting to Oracle Spatial*;
- *Connecting to SAP HANA*.

The first time you use a PostGIS data source, you must create a connection to a database that contains the data. Begin by clicking the appropriate button as exposed above, opening an *Add PostGIS Table(s)* dialog (see Abb. 14.14). To access the connection manager, click on the *New* button to display the *Create a New PostGIS Connection* dialog.

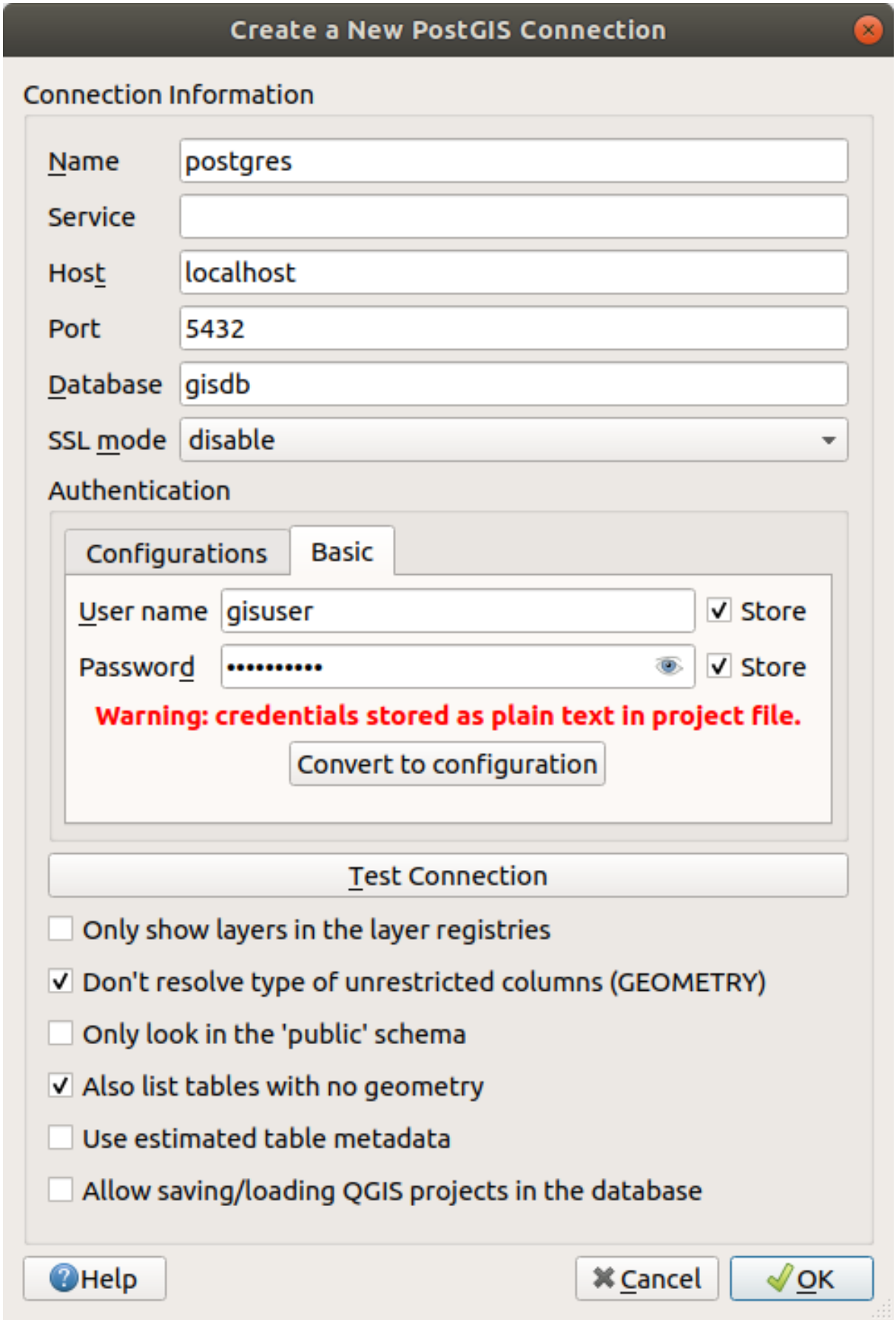


Abb. 14.12: Create a New PostGIS Connection Dialog

The parameters required for a PostGIS connection are explained below. For the other database types, see their differences at *Particular Connection requirements*.

- *Name*: A name for this connection. It can be the same as *Database*.
- *Service*: Service parameter to be used alternatively to hostname/port (and potentially database). This can be defined in `pg_service.conf`. Check the *PostgreSQL Service connection file* section for more details.
- *Host*: Name of the database host. This must be a resolvable host name such as would be used to open a TCP/IP connection or ping the host. If the database is on the same computer as QGIS, simply enter *localhost* here.
- *Port*: Port number the PostgreSQL database server listens on. The default port for PostGIS is `5432`.
- *Database*: Name of the database.
- *SSL mode*: SSL encryption setup The following options are available:
  - *Prefer* (the default): I don't care about encryption, but I wish to pay the overhead of encryption if the server supports it.
  - *Require*: I want my data to be encrypted, and I accept the overhead. I trust that the network will make sure I always connect to the server I want.
  - *Verify CA*: I want my data encrypted, and I accept the overhead. I want to be sure that I connect to a server that I trust.
  - *Verify Full*: I want my data encrypted, and I accept the overhead. I want to be sure that I connect to a server I trust, and that it's the one I specify.
  - *Allow*: I don't care about security, but I will pay the overhead of encryption if the server insists on it.
  - *Disable*: I don't care about security, and I don't want to pay the overhead of encryption.
- *Authentication*, basic.
  - *User name*: User name used to log in to the database.
  - *Password*: Password used with *Username* to connect to the database.

  You can save any or both of the `User name` and `Password` parameters, in which case they will be used by default each time you need to connect to this database. If not saved, you'll be prompted to supply the credentials to connect to the database in next QGIS sessions. The connection parameters you entered are stored in a temporary internal cache and returned whenever a username/password for the same database is requested, until you end the current QGIS session.

  Warnung: QGIS User Settings and Security

  In the *Authentication* tab, saving **username** and **password** will keep unprotected credentials in the connection configuration. Those **credentials will be visible** if, for instance, you share the project file with someone. Therefore, it is advisable to save your credentials in an *Authentication configuration* instead (*Configurations* tab - See *Authentifizierungssystem* for more details) or in a service connection file (see *PostgreSQL Service connection file* for example).

- *Authentication*, configurations. Choose an authentication configuration. You can add configurations using the  button. Choices are:
  - Basic authentication
  - PKI PKCS#12 authentication
  - PKI paths authentication
  - PKI stored identity certificate

Optionally, depending on the type of database, you can activate the following checkboxes:

-  *Only show layers in the layer registries*

- *Don't resolve type of unrestricted columns (GEOMETRY)*
- *Only look in the ‚public' schema*
- *Also list tables with no geometry*
- *Use estimated table metadata*
- *Allow saving/loading QGIS projects in the database* - more details *here*

Tipp: Use estimated table metadata to speed up operations

When initializing layers, various queries may be needed to establish the characteristics of the geometries stored in the database table. When the *Use estimated table metadata* option is checked, these queries examine only a sample of the rows and use the table statistics, rather than the entire table. This can drastically speed up operations on large datasets, but may result in incorrect characterization of layers (e.g. the feature count of filtered layers will not be accurately determined) and may even cause strange behaviour if columns that are supposed to be unique actually are not.

Once all parameters and options are set, you can test the connection by clicking the *Test Connection* button or apply it by clicking the *OK* button. From *Add PostGIS Table(s)*, click now on *Connect*, and the dialog is filled with tables from the selected database (as shown in Abb. 14.14).

Particular Connection requirements

Because of database type particularities, provided options are not the same. Database specific options are described below.

PostgreSQL Service connection file

The service connection file allows PostgreSQL connection parameters to be associated with a single service name. That service name can then be specified by a client and the associated settings will be used.

It's called `.pg_service.conf` under *nix systems (GNU/Linux, macOS etc.) and `pg_service.conf` on Windows.

The service file can look like this:

```
[water_service]
host=192.168.0.45
port=5433
dbname=gisdb
user=paul
password=paulspass

[wastewater_service]
host=dbserver.com
dbname=water
user=waterpass
```

Bemerkung: There are two services in the above example: `water_service` and `wastewater_service`. You can use these to connect from QGIS, pgAdmin, etc. by specifying only the name of the service you want to connect to (without the enclosing brackets). If you want to use the service with `psql` you need to do something like `export PGSERVICE=water_service` before doing your psql commands.

You can find all the PostgreSQL parameters here

Bemerkung: If you don't want to save the passwords in the service file you can use the .pg_pass option.

On *nix operating systems (GNU/Linux, macOS etc.) you can save the `.pg_service.conf` file in the user's home directory and PostgreSQL clients will automatically be aware of it. For example, if the logged user is `web`, `.pg_service.conf` should be saved in the `/home/web/` directory in order to directly work (without specifying any other environment variables).

You can specify the location of the service file by creating a `PGSERVICEFILE` environment variable (e.g. run the `export PGSERVICEFILE=/home/web/.pg_service.conf` command under your *nix OS to temporarily set the `PGSERVICEFILE` variable)

You can also make the service file available system-wide (all users) either by placing the `.pg_service.conf` file in `pg_config --sysconfdir` or by adding the `PGSYSCONFDIR` environment variable to specify the directory containing the service file. If service definitions with the same name exist in the user and the system file, the user file takes precedence.

Warnung: There are some caveats under Windows:

- The service file should be saved as `pg_service.conf` and not as `.pg_service.conf`.
- The service file should be saved in Unix format in order to work. One way to do it is to open it with Notepad++ and *Edit* ► *EOL Conversion* ► *UNIX Format* ► *File save*.
- You can add environmental variables in various ways; a tested one, known to work reliably, is *Control Panel* ► *System and Security* ► *System* ► *Advanced system settings* ► *Environment Variables* adding `PGSERVICEFILE` with the path - e.g. `C:\Users\John\pg_service.conf`
- After adding an environment variable you may also need to restart the computer.

Connecting to Oracle Spatial

The spatial features in Oracle Spatial aid users in managing geographic and location data in a native type within an Oracle database. In addition to some of the options in *Creating a stored Connection*, the connection dialog proposes:

- **Database**: SID or SERVICE_NAME of the Oracle instance;
- **Port**: Port number the Oracle database server listens on. The default port is `1521`;
- **Options**: Oracle connection specific options (e.g. OCI_ATTR_PREFETCH_ROWS, OCI_ATTR_PREFETCH_MEMORY). The format of the options string is a semicolon separated list of option names or option=value pairs;
- **Workspace**: Workspace to switch to;
- **Schema**: Schema in which the data are stored

Optionally, you can activate the following checkboxes:

- ☑ *Only look in metadata table*: restricts the displayed tables to those that are in the `all_sdo_geom_metadata` view. This can speed up the initial display of spatial tables.
- ☑ *Only look for user's tables*: when searching for spatial tables, restricts the search to tables that are owned by the user.
- ☑ *Also list tables with no geometry*: indicates that tables without geometry should also be listed by default.
- ☑ *Use estimated table statistics for the layer metadata*: when the layer is set up, various metadata are required for the Oracle table. This includes information such as the table row count, geometry type and spatial extents of the data in the geometry column. If the table contains a large number of rows, determining this metadata can be time-consuming. By activating this option, the following fast table metadata operations are done: Row count is determined from `all_tables.num_rows`. Table extents are always determined with the

SDO_TUNE.EXTENTS_OF function, even if a layer filter is applied. Table geometry is determined from the first 100 non-null geometry rows in the table.

- *Only existing geometry types*: only lists the existing geometry types and don't offer to add others.
- *Include additional geometry attributes*.

Tipp: Oracle Spatial Layers

Normally, an Oracle Spatial layer is defined by an entry in the **USER_SDO_METADATA** table.

To ensure that selection tools work correctly, it is recommended that your tables have a **primary key**.

Connecting to MSSQL Spatial

In addition to some of the options in *Creating a stored Connection*, creating a new MSSQL connection dialog proposes you to fill a **Provider/DSN** name. You can also display available databases.

Connecting to SAP HANA

Bemerkung: You require the SAP HANA Client to connect to a SAP HANA database. You can download the SAP HANA Client for your platform at the SAP Development Tools website.

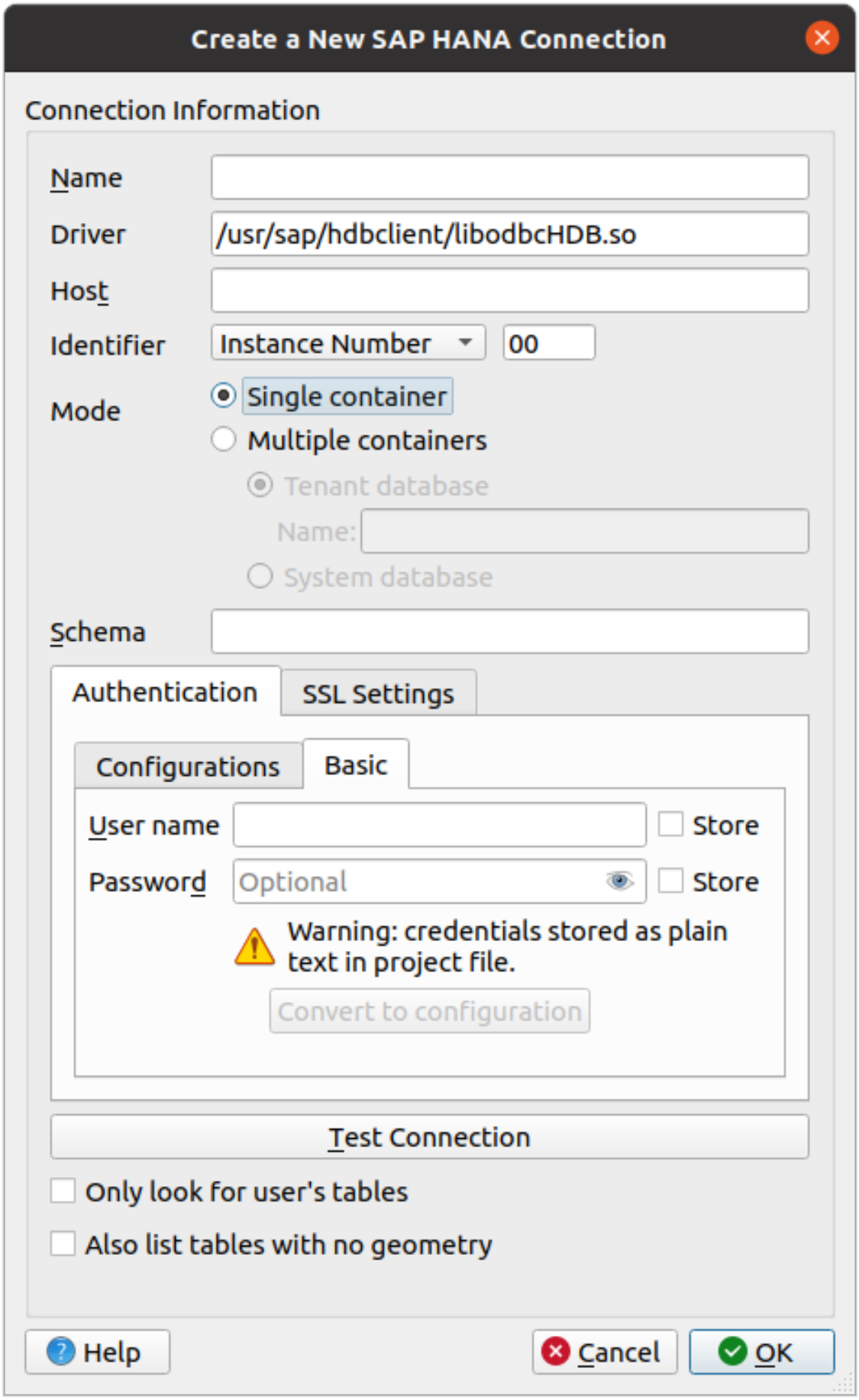


Abb. 14.13: Create a New SAP HANA Connection Dialog

The following parameters can be entered:

- *Name*: A name for this connection.
- *Driver* : The name of the HANA ODBC driver. It is `HDBODBC` if you are using 64-bit QGIS, `HDBODBC32` if you are using 32-bit QGIS. The appropriate driver name is entered automatically.
- *Driver* : Either the name under which the SAP HANA ODBC driver has been registered in `/etc/odbcinst.ini` or the full path to the SAP HANA ODBC driver. The SAP HANA Client installer will install the ODBC driver to `/usr/sap/hdbclient/libodbcHDB.so` by default.
- *Host*: The name of the database host.
- *Identifier*: Identifies the instance to connect to on the host. This can be either *Instance Number* or *Port Number*. Instance numbers consist of two digits, port numbers are in the range from 1 to 65,535.
- *Mode*: Specifies the mode in which the SAP HANA instance runs. This setting is only taken into account if *Identifier* is set to *Instance Number*. If the database hosts multiple containers, you can either connect to a tenant with the name given at *Tenant database* or you can connect to the system database.
- *Schema*: This parameter is optional. If a schema name is given, QGIS will only search for data in that schema. If this field is left blank, QGIS will search for data in all schemas.
- *Authentication* ► *Basic*.
  - *User name*: User name used to connect to the database.
  - *Password*: Password used to connect to the database.
- *SSL Settings*
  - *Enable TLS/SSL encryption*: Enables TLS 1.1 - TLS1.2 encryption. The server will choose the highest available.
  - *Provider*: Specifies the cryptographic library provider used for SSL communication. *sapcrypto* should work on all platforms, *openssl* should work on , *mscrypto* should work on and *commoncrypto* requires CommonCryptoLib to be installed.
  - *Validate SSL certificate*: If checked, the SSL certificate will be validated using the truststore given in *Trust store file with public key*.
  - *Override hostname in certificate*: Specifies the host name used to verify server's identity. The host name specified here verifies the identity of the server instead of the host name with which the connection was established. If you specify `*` as the host name, then the server's host name is not validated. Other wildcards are not permitted.
  - *Keystore file with private key*: Currently ignored. This parameter might allow to authenticate via certificate instead via user and password in future.
  - *Trust store file with public key*: Specifies the path to a trust store file that contains the server's public certificates if using OpenSSL. Typically, the trust store contains the root certificate or the certificate of the certification authority that signed the server's public certificates. If you are using the cryptographic library CommonCryptoLib or msCrypto, then leave this property empty.
- *Only look for user's tables*: If checked, QGIS searches only for tables and views that are owned by the user that connects to the database.
- *Also list tables with no geometries*: If checked, QGIS searches also for tables and views that do not contain a spatial column.

Tipp: Connecting to SAP HANA Cloud

If you'd like to connect to an SAP HANA Cloud instance, you usually must set *Port Number* to `443` and check *Enable TLS/SSL encryption*.

Loading a Database Layer

Once you have one or more connections defined to a database (see section *Creating a stored Connection*), you can load layers from it. Of course, this requires that data are available. See section *Importing Data into PostgreSQL* for a discussion on importing data into a PostGIS database.

To load a layer from a database, you can perform the following steps:

1. Open the „Add <database> table(s)“ dialog (see *Creating a stored Connection*).
2. Choose the connection from the drop-down list and click *Connect*.
3. Select or unselect *Also list tables with no geometry*.
4. Optionally, use some *Search Options* to reduce the list of tables to those matching your search. You can also set this option before you hit the *Connect* button, speeding up the database fetching.
5. Find the layer(s) you wish to add in the list of available layers.
6. Select it by clicking on it. You can select multiple layers by holding down the `Shift` or `Ctrl` key while clicking.
7. If applicable, use the *Set Filter* button (or double-click the layer) to start the *Query Builder* dialog (see section *Abfrageeditor*) and define which features to load from the selected layer. The filter expression appears in the `sql` column. This restriction can be removed or edited in the *Layer Properties* ► *General* ► *Provider Feature Filter* frame.
8. The checkbox in the `Select at id` column that is activated by default gets the feature ids without the attributes and generally speeds up the data loading.
9. Click on the *Add* button to add the layer to the map.

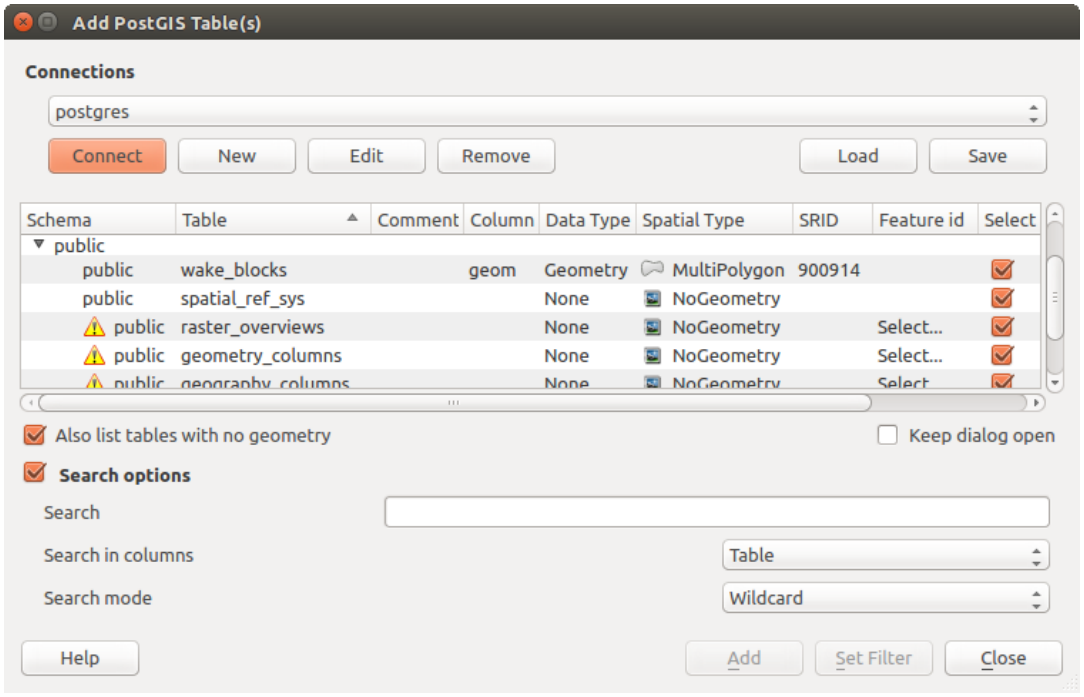


Abb. 14.14: Add PostGIS Table(s) Dialog

Tipp: Use the Browser Panel to speed up loading of database table(s)

Adding DB tables from the *Data Source Manager* may sometimes be time consuming as QGIS fetches statistics and properties (e.g. geometry type and field, CRS, number of features) for each table beforehand. To avoid this, once *the*

connection is set, it is better to use the *Browser Panel* or the *DB Manager* to drag and drop the database tables into the map canvas.

14.1.4 QGIS Custom formats

QGIS proposes two custom formats:

- Temporary Scratch Layer: a memory layer that is bound to the project (see *Creating a new Temporary Scratch Layer* for more information)
- Virtual Layers: a layer resulting from a query on other layer(s) (see *Creating virtual layers* for more information)

14.1.5 QLR - QGIS Layer Definition File

Layer definitions can be saved as a *Layer Definition File* (QLR - `.qlr`) using *Export* ► *Save As Layer Definition File…* in the layer context menu.

The QLR format makes it possible to share „complete“ QGIS layers with other QGIS users. QLR files contain links to the data sources and all the QGIS style information necessary to style the layer.

QLR files are shown in the Browser Panel and can be used to add layers (with their saved styles) to the Layers Panel. You can also drag and drop QLR files from the system file manager into the map canvas.

14.1.6 Connecting to web services

With QGIS you can get access to different types of OGC web services (WM(T)S, WFS(-T), WCS, CSW, …). Thanks to QGIS Server, you can also publish such services. QGIS-Server-manual contains descriptions of these capabilities.

Using Vector Tiles services

Vector Tile services can be added via the  *Vector Tiles* tab of the *Data Source Manager* dialog or the contextual menu of the *Vector Tiles* entry in the *Browser* panel. Services can be either a *New Generic Connection…* or a *New ArcGIS Vector Tile Service Connection…*.

You set up a service by adding:

- a *Name*
- the *URL*: of the type `http://example.com/{z}/{x}/{y}.pbf` for generic services and `http://example.com/arcgis/rest/services/Layer/VectorTileServer` for ArcGIS based services. The service must provide tiles in `.pbf` format.
- the  *Min. Zoom Level* and the  *Max. Zoom Level*. Vector Tiles have a pyramid structure. By using these options you have the opportunity to individually generate layers from the tile pyramid. These layers will then be used to render the Vector Tile in QGIS.

  For Mercator projection (used by OpenStreetMap Vector Tiles) Zoom Level 0 represents the whole world at a scale of 1:500.000.000. Zoom Level 14 represents the scale 1:35.000.
- a *Style URL*: a URL to a MapBox GL JSON style configuration. If provided, then that style will be applied whenever the layers from the connection are added to QGIS. In the case of Arcgis vector tile service connections, the URL overrides the default style configuration specified in the server configuration.
- the *authentication* configuration if necessary
- a *Referer*

Abb. 14.15 shows the dialog with the MapTiler planet Vector Tiles service configuration.

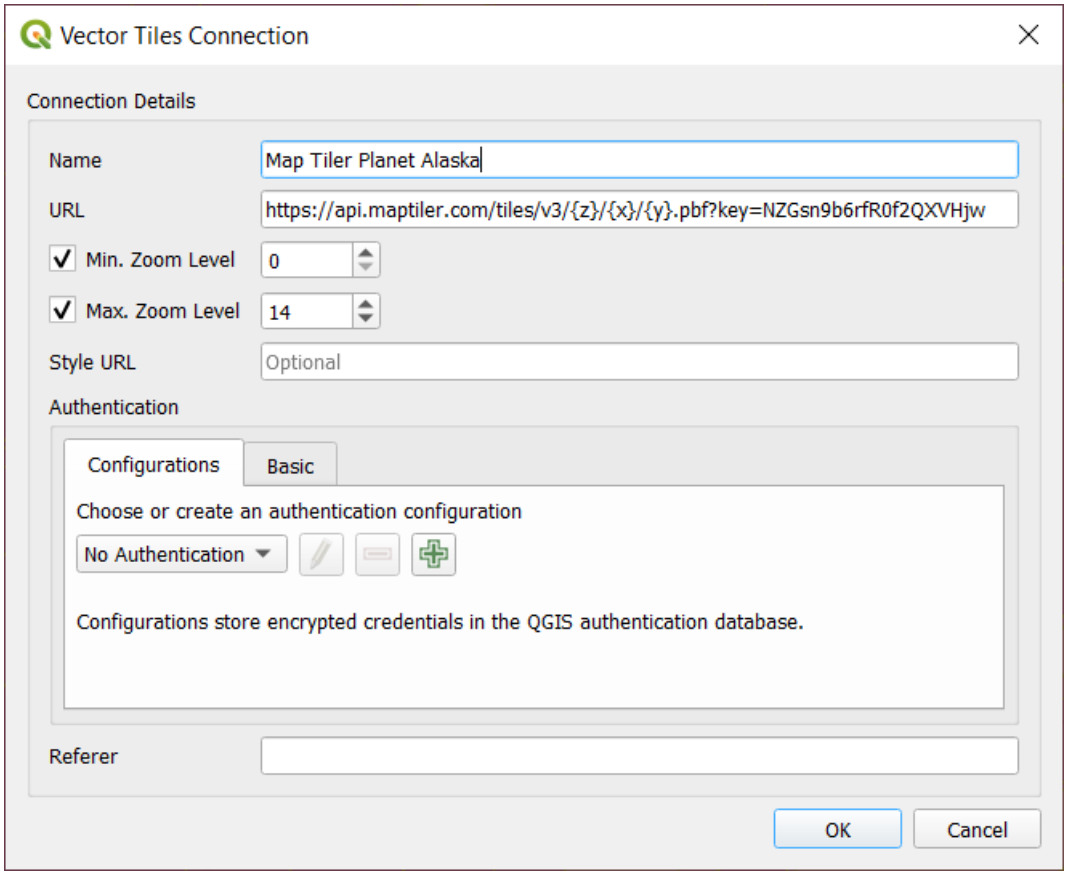


Abb. 14.15: Vector Tiles - Maptiler Planet configuration

Configurations can be saved to `.XML` file (*Save Connections*) through the *Vector Tiles* entry in *Data Source Manager* dialog or its context menu in the *Browser* panel. Likewise, they can be added from a file (*Load Connections*).

Once a connection to a vector tile service is set, it's possible to:

- *Edit* the vector tile connection settings
- *Remove* the connection
- From the *Browser* panel, right-click over the entry and you can also:
  - *Add layer to project*: a double-click also adds the layer
  - View the *Layer Properties...* and get access to metadata and a preview of the data provided by the service. More settings are available when the layer has been loaded into the project.

Using XYZ Tile services

XYZ Tile services can be added via the  *XYZ* tab of the *Data Source Manager* dialog or the contextual menu of the *XYZ Tiles* entry in the *Browser* panel. Press *New* (respectively *New Connection*) and provide:

- a *Name*
- the *URL*
- the *authentication* configuration if necessary
- the *Min. Zoom level* and *Max. Zoom level*

- a *Referer*
- the *Tile Resolution*: possible values are *Unknown (not scaled)*, *Standard (256x256 / 96DPI)* and *High (512x512 / 192DPI)*

By default, the OpenStreetMap XYZ Tile service is configured. Abb. 14.16 shows the dialog with the OpenStreetMap XYZ Tile service configuration.

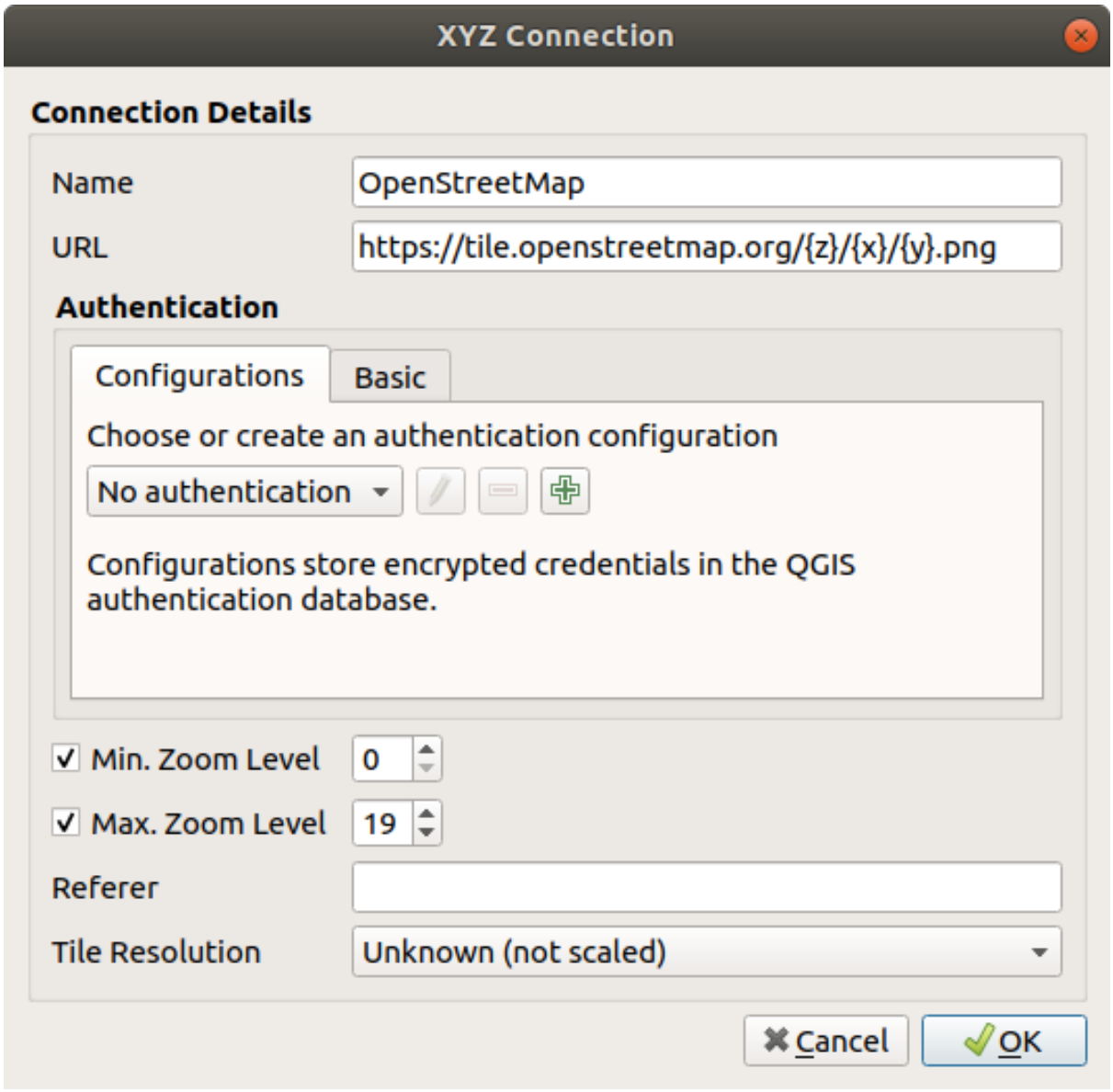


Abb. 14.16: XYZ Tiles - OpenStreetMap configuration

Configurations can be saved to `.XML` file (*Save Connections*) through the *XYZ Tiles* entry in *Data Source Manager* dialog or its context menu in the *Browser* panel. Likewise, they can be added from a file (*Load Connections*).

The XML file for OpenStreetMap looks like this:

```
<!DOCTYPE connections>
<qgsXYZTilesConnections version="1.0">
  <xyztiles url="https://tile.openstreetmap.org/{z}/{x}/{y}.png"
   zmin="0" zmax="19" tilePixelRatio="0" password="" name="OpenStreetMap"
   username="" authcfg="" referer=""/>
</qgsXYZTilesConnections>
```

Once a connection to a XYZ tile service is set, it's possible to:

- *Edit* the XYZ connection settings
- *Remove* the connection
- From the *Browser* panel, right-click over the entry and you can also:
  - *Export layer…* ► *To File*, *saving it as a raster*
  - *Add layer to project*: a double-click also adds the layer
  - View the *Layer Properties…* and get access to metadata and a preview of the data provided by the service. More settings are available when the layer has been loaded into the project.

Examples of XYZ Tile services:

- OpenStreetMap Monochrome: *URL*: `http://tiles.wmflabs.org/bw-mapnik/{z}/{x}/{y}.png`, *Min. Zoom Level*: 0, *Max. Zoom Level*: 19.
- Google Maps: *URL*: `https://mt1.google.com/vt/lyrs=m&x={x}&y={y}&z={z}`, *Min. Zoom Level*: 0, *Max. Zoom Level*: 19.
- Open Weather Map Temperature: *URL*: `http://tile.openweathermap.org/map/temp_new/{z}/{x}/{y}.png?appid={api_key}` *Min. Zoom Level*: 0, *Max. Zoom Level*: 19.

Using ArcGIS REST Servers

ArcGIS REST Servers can be added via the  *ArcGIS REST Server* tab of the *Data Source Manager* dialog or the contextual menu of the *ArcGIS REST Servers* entry in the *Browser* panel. Press *New* (respectively *New Connection*) and provide:

- a *Name*
- the *URL*
- a *Community endpoint URL*
- a *Content endpoint URL*
- the *authentication* configuration if necessary
- a *Referer*

Bemerkung: ArcGIS Feature Service connections which have their corresponding Portal endpoint URLS set can be explored by content groups in the browser panel.

If a connection has the Portal endpoints set, then expanding out the connection in the browser will show a "Groups" and "Services" folder, instead of the full list of services usually shown. Expanding out the groups folder will show a list of all content groups that the user is a member of, each of which can be expanded to show the service items belonging to that group.

Configurations can be saved to `.XML` file (*Save Connections*) through the *ArcGIS REST Server* entry in *Data Source Manager* dialog. Likewise, they can be added from a file (*Load Connections*).

Once a connection to an ArcGIS REST Server is set, it's possible to:

- *Edit* the ArcGIS REST Server connection settings
- *Remove* the connection
- *Refresh* the connection
- use a filter for the available layers
- choose from a list of available layers with the option to  *Only request features overlapping the current view extent*

- From the *Browser* panel, right-click over the connection entry and you can:
  - *Refresh*
  - *Edit connection…*
  - *Delete connection…*
  - *View Service Info* which will open the default web browser and display the Service Info.
- Right-click over the layer entry and you can also:
  - *View Service Info* which will open the default web browser and display the Service Info.
  - *Export layer…* ► *To File*
  - *Add layer to project*: a double-click also adds the layer
  - View the *Layer Properties…* and get access to metadata and a preview of the data provided by the service. More settings are available when the layer has been loaded into the project.

14.2 Erstellung von Layern

Layer können auf viele Arten erstellt werden, unter anderem:

- leere Layer von Grund auf
- Layer von vorhandenen Layern
- Layer aus der Zwischenablage
- Layer als Ergebnis einer SQL-ähnlichen Abfrage, die auf einem oder mehreren Layern basiert: die (*virtuellen Layer*)

QGIS bietet auch Werkzeuge zum Importieren/Exportieren verschiedener Formate.

14.2.1 Neue Vektorlayer erstellen

QGIS erlaubt es Ihnen, neue Layer in verschiedenen Formaten zu erstellen. Es bietet Werkzeuge für die Erstellung von GeoPackage-, Shapefile-, SpatiaLite-, GPX-Format und flüchtige Layer (Temporärlayer). Die Erstellung eines *neuen GRASS-Layer* wird innerhalb des GRASS-Plugins unterstützt.

Einen neuen GeoPackage-Layer erstellen

To create a new GeoPackage layer, press the  *New GeoPackage Layer…* button in the *Layer* ► *Create Layer* ► menu or from the *Data Source Manager* toolbar. The *New GeoPackage Layer* dialog will be displayed as shown in Abb. 14.17.

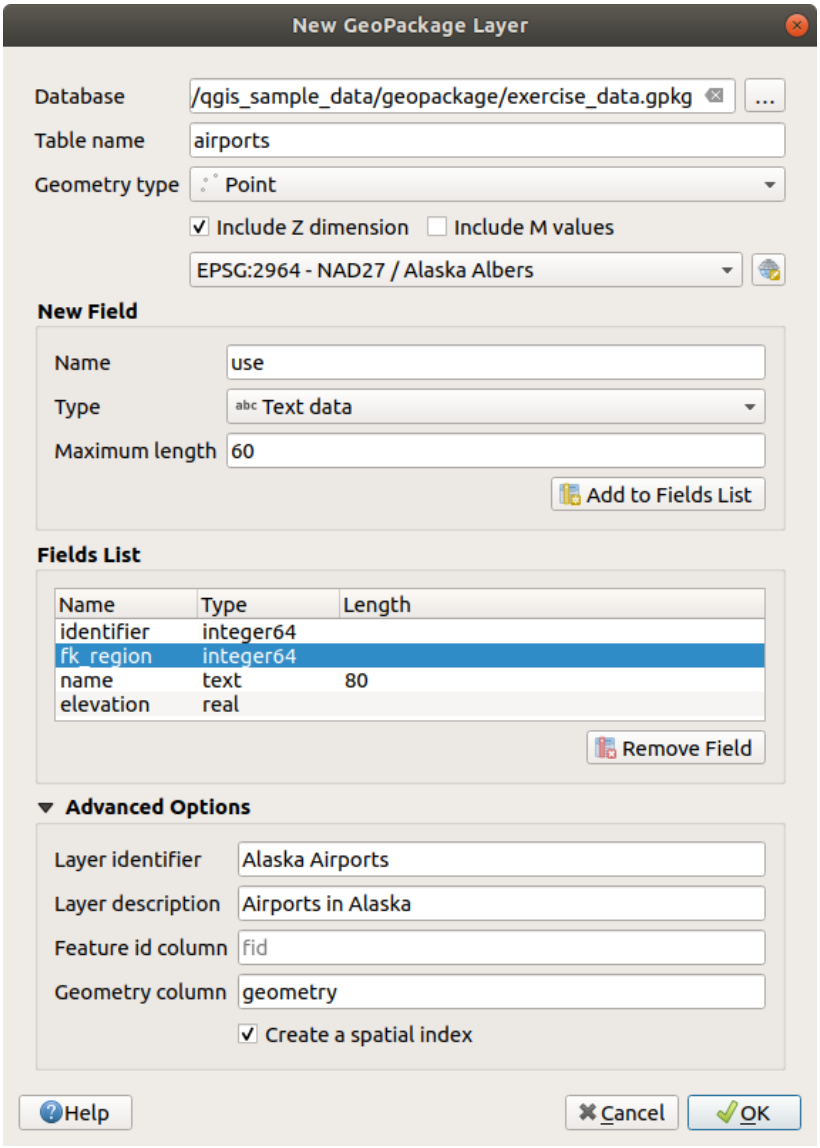


Abb. 14.17: Dialogfenster zum Erstellen eines neuen GeoPackage-Layers

1. Der erste Schritt besteht darin, den Speicherort der Datenbankdatei anzugeben. Dies kann durch Drücken der Schaltfläche …. rechts neben dem Feld *Datenbank* erfolgen und eine vorhandene GeoPackage-Datei auswählen oder eine neue erstellen. QGIS wird automatisch die richtige Erweiterung zu dem von Ihnen angegebenen Namen hinzufügen.
2. Geben Sie dem neuen Layer/Tabelle einen Namen (*Tabellenname*)
3. Definieren Sie den *Geometrietyp*. Wenn es sich nicht um einen geometrielosen Layer handelt, können Sie angeben, ob er *Z-Dimension einschließen* und/oder *M-Werte einschließen* soll.
4. Geben Sie das Koordinatenreferenzsystem mit der Schaltfläche an

Zum Hinzufügen von Feldern zu dem Layer, den Sie erstellen:

1. Geben Sie *Name* des Feldes ein
2. Wählen Sie die Daten *Typ*. Unterstützte Typen sind *Text*, *Ganze Zahl* (sowohl Integer als auch Integer 64 bit), *Dezimalzahl*, *Datum* und *Datum & Zeit*, *Binärobjekt (BLOB)* und *Boolean*.
3. Je nach gewähltem Datenformat geben Sie die *Maximallänge* der Werte ein.
4. Klicken Sie auf die Schaltfläche *Zur Feldliste hinzufügen*.

5. Wiederholen Sie die obigen Schritte für jedes Feld, das Sie hinzufügen müssen
6. Wenn Sie mit den Attributen zufrieden sind, klicken Sie auf *OK*. QGIS wird den neuen Layer zur Legende hinzufügen, und Sie können ihn wie in Abschnitt *Einen vorhandenen Layer editieren* beschrieben bearbeiten.

Standardmäßig erzeugt QGIS beim Erstellen eines GeoPackage-Layers eine *Objektkennungsspalte* namens `fid`, die als Primärschlüssel des Layers fungiert. Der Name kann geändert werden. Das Geometriefeld, falls verfügbar, heißt `geometry`, und Sie können wählen, ob Sie darauf einen räumlichen Index erstellen wollen. Diese Optionen sind unter dem *Erweiterte Optionen* zusammen mit dem :guilabel: *Layerkennung* (kurzer menschenlesbarer Name des Layers) und der :guilabel: *Layerbeschreibung* zu finden.

Die weitere Verwaltung von GeoPackage-Layern kann mit dem *DB-Verwaltung* erfolgen.

Einen neuen Shapedatei-Layer erstellen

To create a new ESRI Shapefile format layer, press the *New Shapefile Layer…* button in the *Layer* ► *Create Layer* ► menu or from the *Data Source Manager* toolbar. The *New Shapefile Layer* dialog will be displayed as shown in Abb. 14.18.

1. Provide a path and file name using the … button next to *File name*. QGIS will automatically add the right extension to the name you provide.
2. Next, indicate the *File encoding* of the data
3. Choose the *Geometry type* of the layer: No Geometry (resulting in a `.DBF` format file), point, multipoint, line or polygon
4. Specify whether the geometry should have additional dimensions: *None*, *Z (+ M values)* or *M values*
5. Geben Sie das Koordinatenreferenzsystem mit der Schaltfläche an

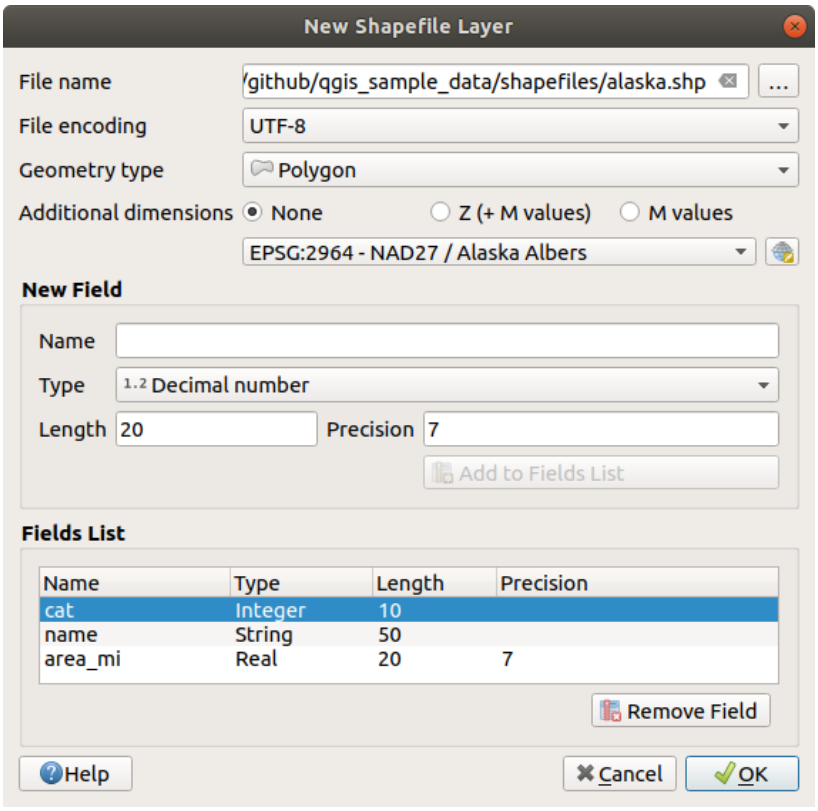


Abb. 14.18: Dialogfenster zum Erstellen eines neuen Shapedatei-Layers

Zum Hinzufügen von Feldern zu dem Layer, den Sie erstellen:

1. Geben Sie *Name* des Feldes ein
2. Select the data *Type*. Only *Decimal number*, *Whole number*, *Text data* and *Date* attributes are supported.
3. Depending on the selected data format, enter the *Length* and *Precision*.
4. Klicken Sie auf die Schaltfläche *Zur Feldliste hinzufügen*.
5. Wiederholen Sie die obigen Schritte für jedes Feld, das Sie hinzufügen müssen
6. Wenn Sie mit den Attributen zufrieden sind, klicken Sie auf *OK*. QGIS wird den neuen Layer zur Legende hinzufügen, und Sie können ihn wie in Abschnitt *Einen vorhandenen Layer editieren* beschrieben bearbeiten.

By default, a first integer `id` column is added but can be removed.

Creating a new SpatiaLite layer

To create a new SpatiaLite layer, press the *New SpatiaLite Layer…* button in the *Layer* ► *Create Layer* ► menu or from the *Data Source Manager* toolbar. The *New SpatiaLite Layer* dialog will be displayed as shown in Abb. 14.19.

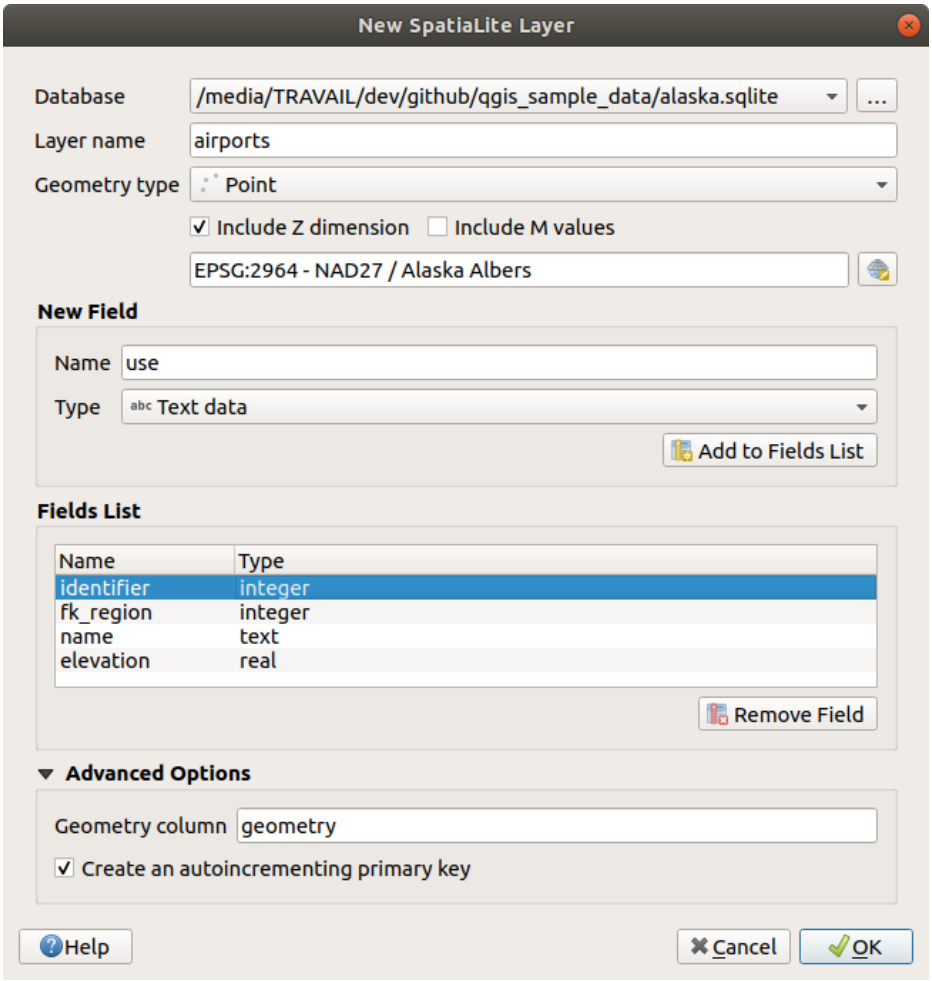


Abb. 14.19: Creating a New SpatiaLite layer dialog

1. The first step is to indicate the database file location. This can be done by pressing the … button to the right of the *Database* field and select an existing SpatiaLite file or create a new one. QGIS will automatically add the right extension to the name you provide.
2. Provide a name (*Layer name*) for the new layer

3. Definieren Sie den *Geometrietyp*. Wenn es sich nicht um einen geometrielosen Layer handelt, können Sie angeben, ob er *Z-Dimension einschließen* und/oder *M-Werte einschließen* soll.
4. Specify the coordinate reference system using the button.

Zum Hinzufügen von Feldern zu dem Layer, den Sie erstellen:

1. Geben Sie *Name* des Feldes ein
2. Select the data *Type*. Supported types are *Text data*, *Whole number*, *Decimal number*, *Date* and *Date time*.
3. Klicken Sie auf die Schaltfläche *Zur Feldliste hinzufügen*.
4. Wiederholen Sie die obigen Schritte für jedes Feld, das Sie hinzufügen müssen
5. Wenn Sie mit den Attributen zufrieden sind, klicken Sie auf *OK*. QGIS wird den neuen Layer zur Legende hinzufügen, und Sie können ihn wie in Abschnitt *Einen vorhandenen Layer editieren* beschrieben bearbeiten.

If desired, you can select *Create an autoincrementing primary key* under the guilabel:*Advanced Options* section. You can also rename the *Geometry column* (`geometry` by default).

Further management of SpatiaLite layers can be done with *DB Manager*.

Creating a new Mesh layer

To create a new Mesh layer, press the *New Mesh Layer…* button in the *Layer* ► *Create Layer* ► menu or from the *Data Source Manager* toolbar. The *New Mesh Layer* dialog will be displayed as shown in Abb. 14.20.

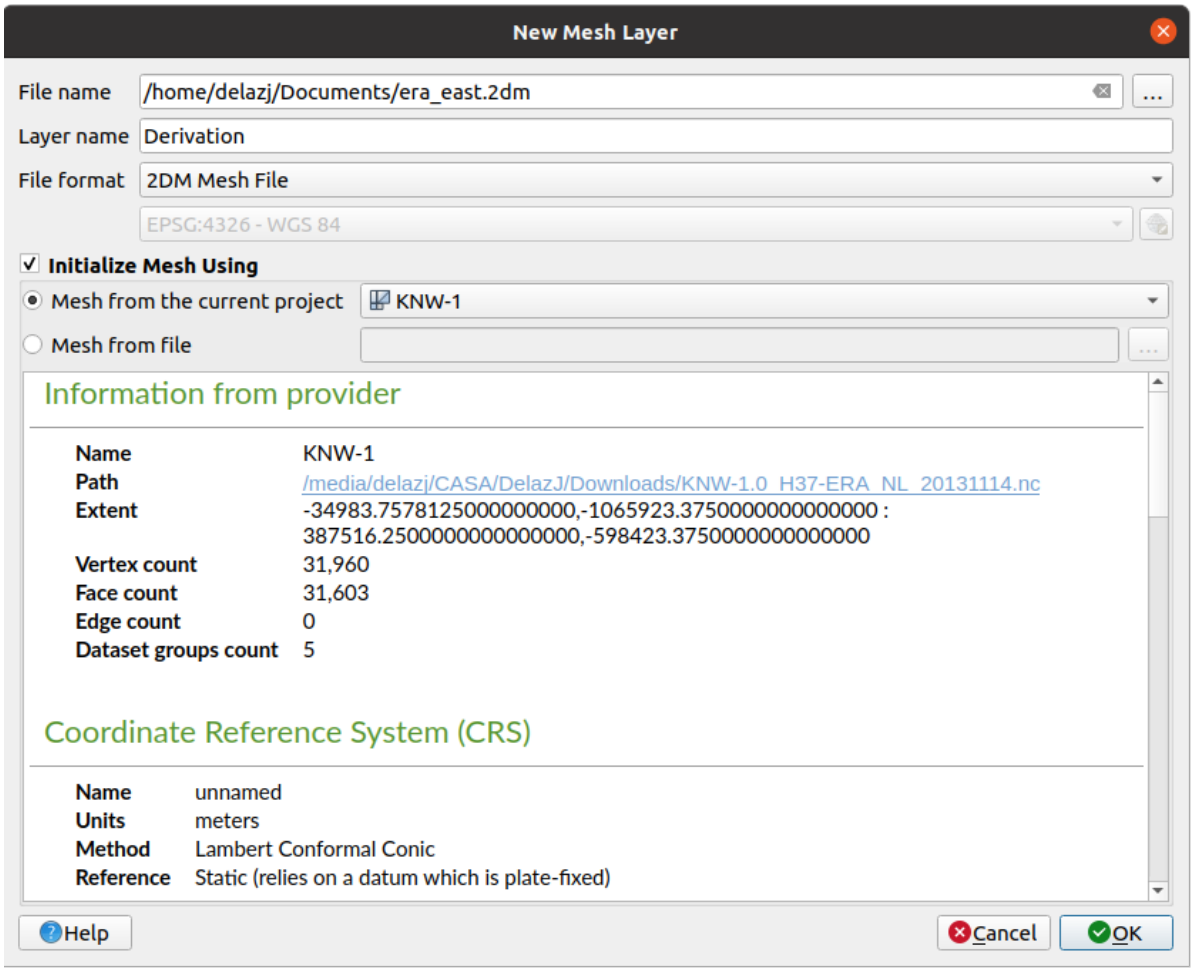


Abb. 14.20: Creating a New Mesh layer dialog

1. The first step is to indicate the mesh file location. This can be done by pressing the … button to the right of the *File name* field and select an existing mesh file or create a new one.
2. Provide a name (*Layer name*), i.e. the name the layer is displayed with in the *Layers* panel
3. Select the *File format*: currently supported mesh file formats are `2DM Mesh File (*.2dm)`, `Selafin File (*.slf)` and `UGRID (*.nc)`.
4. Indicate the *Coordinate Reference System* to assign to the dataset
5. The above steps will generate an empty layer that you can afterwards digitize vertices and add dataset groups to. It's however also possible to initialize the layer with an existing mesh layer, i.e. populate the new layer with vertices or faces from the other. To do so:
   1. Check *Initialize Mesh using*
   2. and select either a *Mesh from the current project* or *Mesh from a file*. Informations on the selected mesh file are displayed for checkup.

   Note that only the frame of the mesh layer is transferred to the new layer; their datasets are not copied.

Creating a new GPX layer

To create a new GPX file:

1. Select *Create Layer* ►  *New GPX Layer…* from the *Layer* menu.
2. In the dialog, choose where to save the new file, name it and press *Save*.
3. Three new layers are added to the *Layers Panel*:
   - a point layer to digitize locations (`waypoints`) with fields storing the name, elevation, comment, description, source, url and url name
   - a line layer to digitize sequences of locations that make up a planned route (`routes`) with fields storing the name, symbol, number, comment, description, source, url, url name
   - and a line layer to track the receiver's movement over time (`tracks`) with fields storing the name, symbol, number, comment, description, source, url, url name.
4. You can now edit any of them as described in section *Einen vorhandenen Layer editieren*.

Creating a new Temporary Scratch Layer

Temporary Scratch Layers are in-memory layers, meaning that they are not saved on disk and will be discarded when QGIS is closed. They can be handy for storing features you temporarily need or as intermediate layers during geoprocessing operations.

To create a new Temporary Scratch layer, choose the  *New Temporary Scratch Layer…* entry in the *Layer* ► *Create Layer* ► menu or in the *Data Source Manager* toolbar. The *New Temporary Scratch Layer* dialog will be displayed as shown in Abb. 14.21. Then:

1. Provide the *Layer name*
2. Select the *Geometry type*. Here you can create a:
   - `No geometry` type layer, served as simple table,
   - `Point` or `MultiPoint` layer,
   - `LineString/CompoundCurve` or `MultiLineString/MultiCurve` layer,
   - `Polygon/CurvePolygon` or `MultiPolygon/MultiSurface` layer.
3. For geometric types, specify the dimensions of the dataset: check whether it should *Include Z dimension* and/or *Include M values*
4. Specify the coordinate reference system using the  button.
5. Add fields to the layer. Note that unlike many formats, temporary layers can be created without any fields. This step is thus optional.
   1. Geben Sie *Name* des Feldes ein
   2. Select the data *Type*: *Text*, *Whole number*, *Decimal number*, *Boolean*, *Date*, *Time*, *Date & Time* and *Binary (BLOB)* are supported.
   3. Depending on the selected data format, enter the *Length* and *Precision*
   4. Klicken Sie auf die Schaltfläche  *Zur Feldliste hinzufügen*.
   5. Repeat the steps above for each field you need to add
6. Once you are happy with the settings, click *OK*. QGIS will add the new layer to the *Layers* panel, and you can edit it as described in section *Einen vorhandenen Layer editieren*.

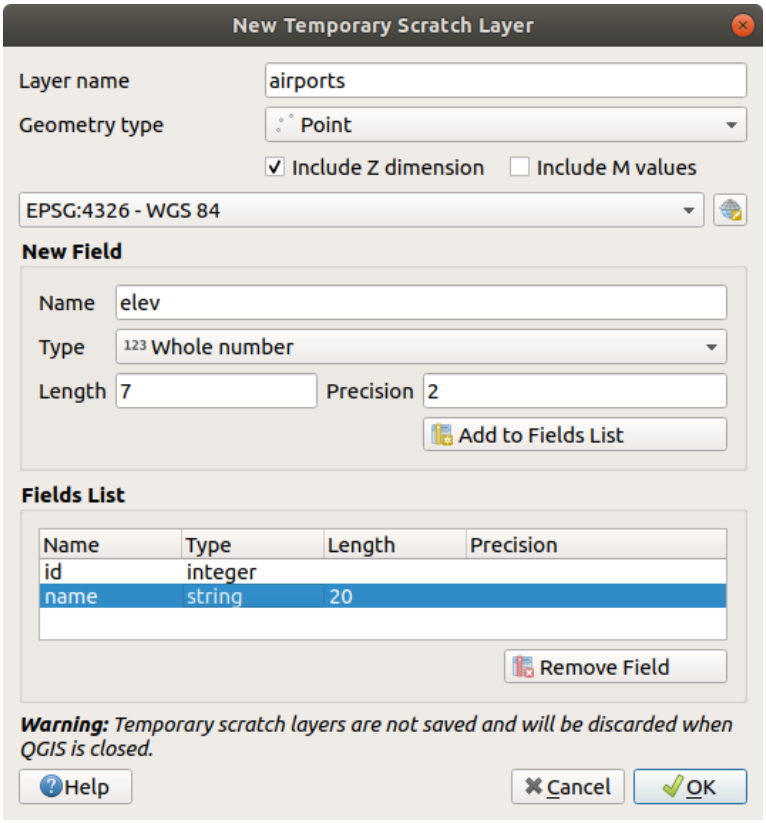


Abb. 14.21: Creating a new Temporary Scratch layer dialog

You can also create prepopulated temporary scratch layers using e.g. the clipboard (see *Creating new layers from the clipboard*) or as a result of a *Processing algorithm*.

Tipp: Permanently store a memory layer on disk

To avoid data loss when closing a project with temporary scratch layers, you can save these layers to any vector format supported by QGIS:

- clicking the indicator icon next to the layer;
- selecting the *Make permanent* entry in the layer contextual menu;
- using the *Export* ► entry from the contextual menu or the *Layer* ► *Save As…* menu.

Each of these commands opens the *Save Vector Layer as* dialog described in the *Creating new layers from an existing layer* section and the saved file replaces the temporary one in the *Layers* panel.

14.2.2 Creating new layers from an existing layer

Both raster and vector layers can be saved in a different format and/or reprojected to a different coordinate reference system (CRS) using the *Layer* ► *Save As…* menu or right-clicking on the layer in the *Layers panel* and selecting:

- *Export* ► *Save As…* for raster layers
- *Export* ► *Save Features As…* or *Export* ► *Save Selected Features As…* for vector layers.
- Drag and drop the layer from the layer tree to the PostGIS entry in the *Browser Panel*. Note that you must have a PostGIS connection in the *Browser Panel*.

Common parameters

The *Save Layer as...* dialog shows several parameters to change the behavior when saving the layer. Among the common parameters for raster and vector are:

- *File name*: the location of the file on the disk. It can refer to the output layer or to a container that stores the layer (for example database-like formats such as GeoPackage, SpatiaLite or Open Document Spreadsheets).
- *CRS*: can be changed to reproject the data
- *Extent*: restricts the extent of the input that is to be exported using the *extent_selector* widget
- *Add saved file to map*: to add the new layer to the canvas

However, some parameters are specific to raster and vector formats:

Raster specific parameters

Depending on the format of export, some of these options may not be available:

- *Output mode* (it can be **raw data** or **rendered image**)
- *Format*: exports to any raster format GDAL can write to, such as GeoTiff, GeoPackage, MBTiles, Geospatial PDF, SAGA GIS Binary Grid, Intergraph Raster, ESRI .hdr Labelled…
- *Resolution*
- *Create Options*: use advanced options (file compression, block sizes, colorimetry…) when generating files, either from the *predefined create profiles* related to the output format or by setting each parameter.
- *Pyramids* creation
- *VRT Tiles* in case you opted to  *Create VRT*
- *No data values*

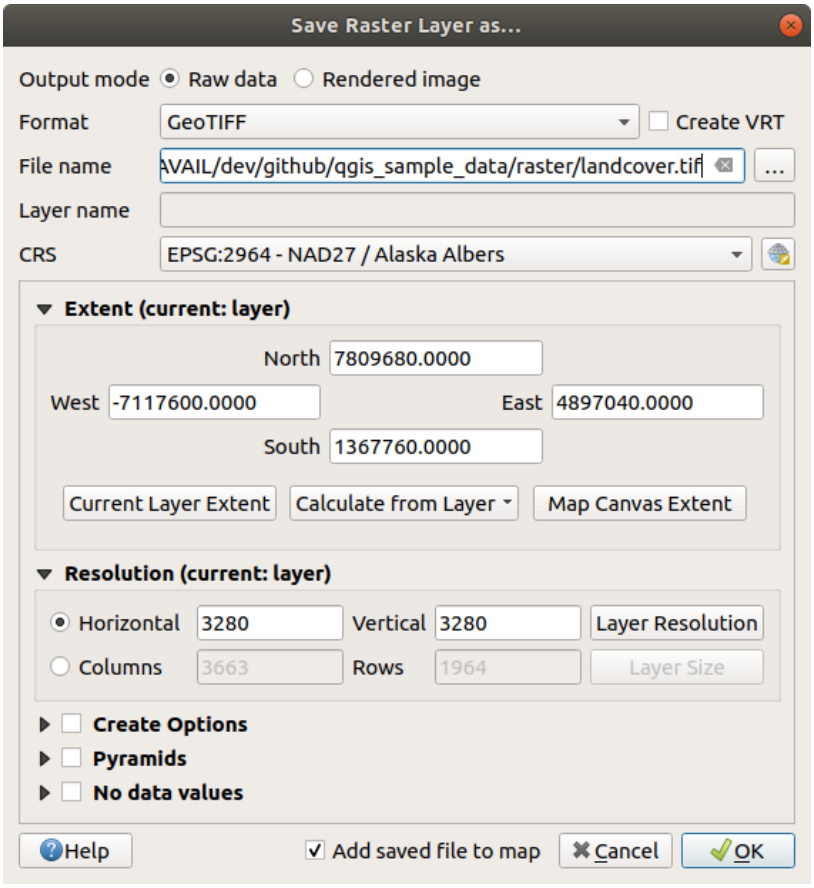


Abb. 14.22: Saving as a new raster layer

Vector specific parameters

Depending on the format of export, some of these options may be available:

- *Format*: exports to any vector format GDAL can write to, such as GeoPackage, GML, ESRI Shapefile, AutoCAD DXF, ESRI FileGDB, Mapinfo TAB or MIF, SpatiaLite, CSV, KML, ODS, …
- *Layer name*: available when the *File name* refers to a container-like format, this entry represents the output layer.
- *Encoding*
- *Save only selected features*
- *Select fields to export and their export options*. In case you set your fields behavior with some *Edit widgets*, e.g. `value map`, you can keep the displayed values in the layer by checking *Replace all selected raw fields values by displayed values.*
- *Persist layer metadata*: ensures that any layer *metadata* present in the source layer will be copied and stored:
  - in the newly created layer, if the output is of GeoPackage format
  - as a `.qmd` file along with the output layer, for other formats. Note that file-based formats supporting more than one dataset (e.g. SpatiaLite, DXF,…) may have unintended behavior.
- *Symbology export*: can be used mainly for DXF export and for all file formats who manage OGR feature styles (see note below) as DXF, KML, tab file formats:
  - **No symbology**: default style of the application that reads the data
  - **Feature symbology**: save style with OGR Feature Styles (see note below)

  - **Symbol Layer symbology**: save with OGR Feature Styles (see note below) but export the same geometry multiple times if there are multiple symbology symbol layers used
  - A **Scale** value can be applied to the latest options

Bemerkung: *OGR Feature Styles* are a way to store style directly in the data as a hidden attribute. Only some formats can handle this kind of information. KML, DXF and TAB file formats are such formats. For advanced details, you can read the OGR Feature Styles specification document.

- *Geometry*: you can configure the geometry capabilities of the output layer
  - *geometry type*: keeps the original geometry of the features when set to **Automatic**, otherwise removes or overrides it with any type. You can add an empty geometry column to an attribute table and remove the geometry column of a spatial layer.
  - *Force multi-type*: forces creation of multi-geometry features in the layer.
  - *Include z-dimension* to geometries.

Tipp: Overriding layer geometry type makes it possible to do things like save a geometryless table (e.g. `.csv` file) into a shapefile WITH any type of geometry (point, line, polygon), so that geometries can then be manually added to rows with the  Add Part tool.

- *Datasource Options*, *Layer Options* or *Custom Options* which allow you to configure advanced parameters depending on the output format. Some are described in *Exploring Data Formats and Fields* but for full details, see the GDAL driver documentation. Each file format has its own custom parameters, e.g. for the `GeoJSON` format have a look at the GDAL GeoJSON documentation.

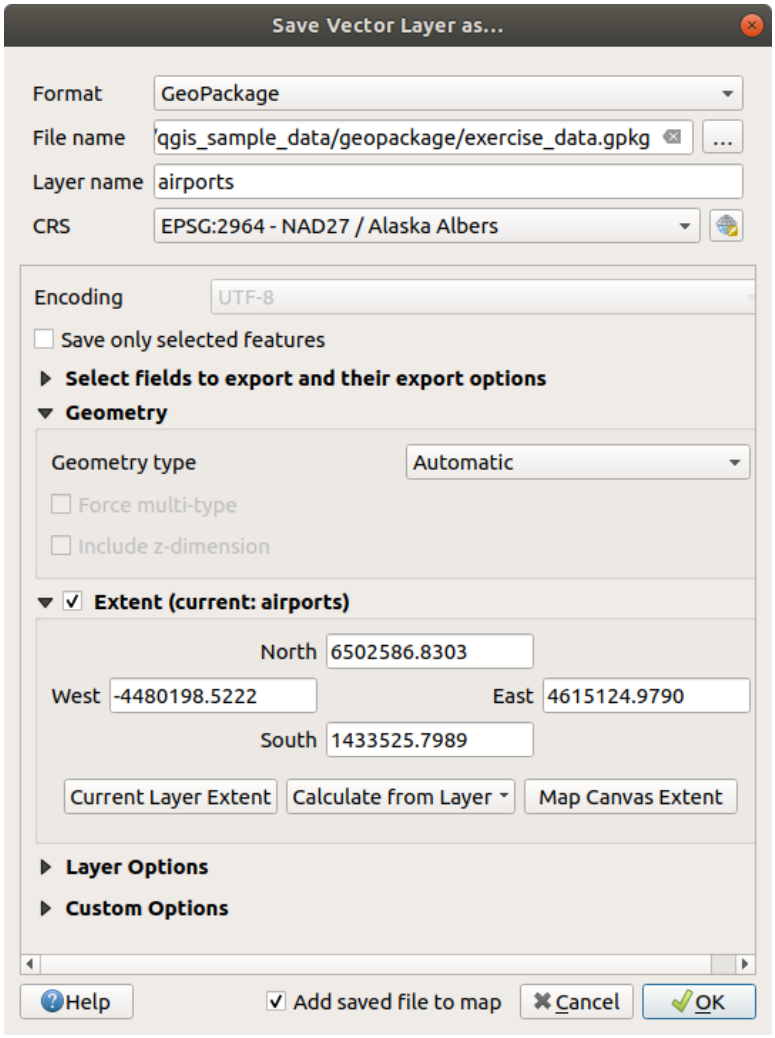


Abb. 14.23: Saving as a new vector layer

When saving a vector layer into an existing file, depending on the capabilities of the output format (Geopackage, SpatiaLite, FileGDB…), the user can decide whether to:

- overwrite the whole file
- overwrite only the target layer (the layer name is configurable)
- append features to the existing target layer
- append features, add new fields if there are any.

For formats like ESRI Shapefile, MapInfo .tab, feature append is also available.

14.2.3 Creating new DXF files

Besides the *Save As…* dialog which provides options to export a single layer to another format, including `*.DXF`, QGIS provides another tool to export multiple layers as a single DXF layer. It's accessible in the *Project* ► *Import/Export* ► *Export Project to DXF…* menu.

In the *DXF Export* dialog:

1. Provide the destination file.
2. Choose the symbology mode and scale (see the *OGR Feature Styles* note), if applicable.
3. Select the data *Encoding*.

4. Select the *CRS* to apply: the selected layers will be reprojected to the given CRS.
5. Select the layers to include in the DXF files either by checking them in the table widget or automatically picking them from an existing *map theme*. The *Select All* and *Deselect All* buttons can help to quickly set the data to export.

   For each layer, you can choose whether to export all the features in a single DXF layer or rely on a field whose values are used to split the features into layers in the DXF output.

Optionally, you can also choose to:

- *Use the layer title as name if set* instead of the layer name itself;
- *Export features intersecting the current map extent*;
- *Force 2d output (eg. to support polyline width)*;
- *Export label as MTEXT elements* or TEXT elements.

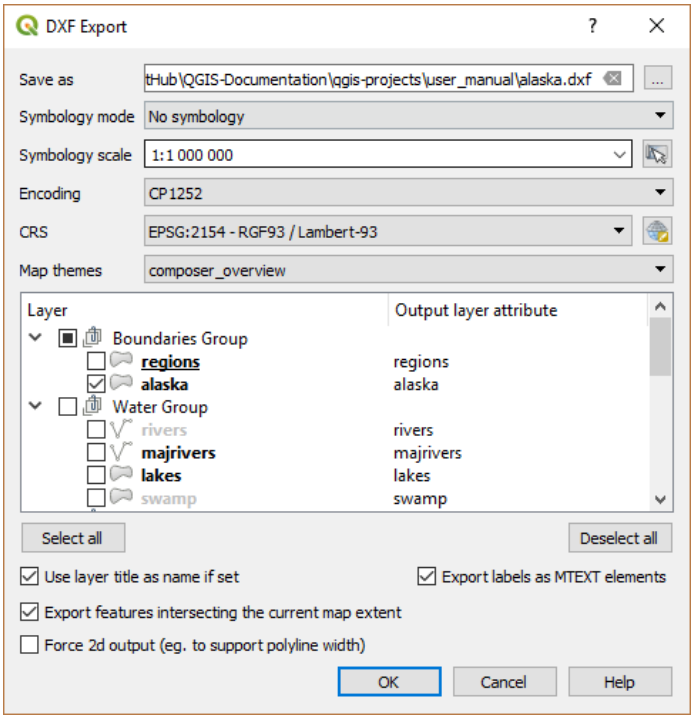


Abb. 14.24: Exporting a project to DXF dialog

14.2.4 Creating new layers from the clipboard

Features that are on the clipboard can be pasted into a new layer. To do this, Select some features, copy them to the clipboard, and then paste them into a new layer using *Edit* ► *Paste Features as* ► and choosing:

- *New Vector Layer…*: the *Save vector layer as…* dialog appears (see *Creating new layers from an existing layer* for parameters)
- or *Temporary Scratch Layer…*: you need to provide a name for the layer

A new layer, filled with selected features and their attributes is created (and added to map canvas).

Bemerkung: Creating layers from the clipboard is possible with features selected and copied within QGIS as well as features from another application, as long as their geometries are defined using well-known text (WKT).

14.2.5 Creating virtual layers

A virtual layer is a special kind of vector layer. It allows you to define a layer as the result of an SQL query involving any number of other vector layers that QGIS is able to open. Virtual layers do not carry data by themselves and can be seen as views.

To create a virtual layer, open the virtual layer creation dialog by:

- choosing the *Add/Edit Virtual Layer* entry in the *Layer* ► *Add Layer* ► menu;
- enabling the *Add Virtual Layer* tab in the *Data Source Manager* dialog;
- or using the *DB Manager* dialog tree.

The dialog allows you to specify a *Layer name* and an SQL *Query*. The query can use the name (or id) of loaded vector layers as tables, as well as their field names as columns.

For example, if you have a layer called `airports`, you can create a new virtual layer called `public_airports` with an SQL query like:

```
SELECT *
FROM airports
WHERE USE = "Civilian/Public"
```

The SQL query will be executed, regardless of the underlying provider of the `airports` layer, even if this provider does not directly support SQL queries.

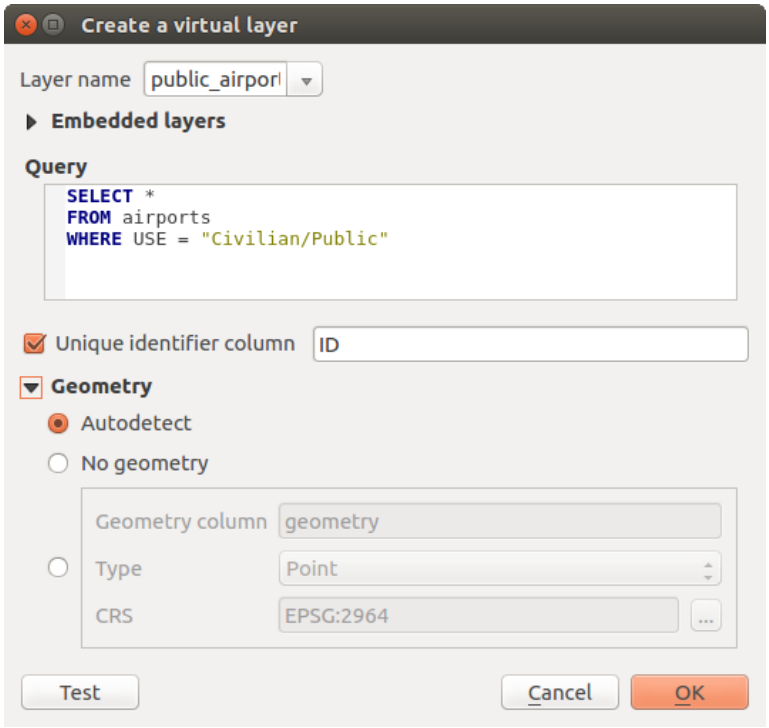


Abb. 14.25: Create virtual layers dialog

Joins and complex queries can also be created, for example, to join airports and country information:

```
SELECT airports.*, country.population
FROM airports
JOIN country
ON airports.country = country.name
```

Bemerkung: It's also possible to create virtual layers using the SQL window of *DB Manager Plugin*.

Embedding layers for use in queries

Besides the vector layers available in the map canvas, the user can add layers to the *Embedded layers* list, which can be used in queries without the need to have them showing in the map canvas or Layers panel.

To embed a layer, click *Add* and provide the *Local name*, *Provider*, *Encoding* and the path to the *Source*.

The *Import* button allows adding layers in the map canvas into the Embedded layers list. Those layers can then be removed from the Layers panel without breaking existent queries.

Supported query language

The underlying engine uses SQLite and SpatiaLite to operate.

It means you can use all of the SQL your local installation of SQLite understands.

Functions from SQLite and spatial functions from SpatiaLite can also be used in a virtual layer query. For instance, creating a point layer out of an attribute-only layer can be done with a query similar to:

```
SELECT id, MakePoint(x, y, 4326) as geometry
FROM coordinates
```

Functions of QGIS expressions can also be used in a virtual layer query.

To refer the geometry column of a layer, use the name `geometry`.

Contrary to a pure SQL query, all the fields of a virtual layer query must be named. Don't forget to use the `as` keyword to name your columns if they are the result of a computation or a function call.

Performance issues

With default parameters, the virtual layer engine will try its best to detect the type of the different columns of the query, including the type of the geometry column if one is present.

This is done by introspecting the query when possible or by fetching the first row of the query (LIMIT 1) as a last resort. Fetching the first row of the result just to create the layer may be undesirable for performance reasons.

The creation dialog parameters:

- *Unique identifier column*: specifies a field of the query that represents unique integer values that QGIS can use as row identifiers. By default, an autoincrementing integer value is used. Defining a unique identifier column speeds up the selection of rows by id.
- *No geometry*: forces the virtual layer to ignore any geometry field. The resulting layer is an attribute-only layer.
- Geometry *Column*: specifies the name of the geometry column.
- Geometry *Type*: specifies the type of the geometry.
- Geometry *CRS*: specifies the coordinate reference system of the virtual layer.

Special comments

The virtual layer engine tries to determine the type of each column of the query. If it fails, the first row of the query is fetched to determine column types.

The type of a particular column can be specified directly in the query by using some special comments.

The syntax is the following: `/*:type*/`. It has to be placed just after the name of a column. `type` can be either `int` for integers, `real` for floating point numbers or `text`.

For instance:

```
SELECT id+1 as nid /*:int*/
FROM table
```

The type and coordinate reference system of the geometry column can also be set thanks to special comments with the following syntax `/*:gtype:srid*/` where `gtype` is the geometry type (`point`, `linestring`, `polygon`, `multipoint`, `multilinestring` or `multipolygon`) and `srid` an integer representing the EPSG code of a coordinate reference system.

Use of indexes

When requesting a layer through a virtual layer, the source layer indices will be used in the following ways:

- if an = predicate is used on the primary key column of the layer, the underlying data provider will be asked for a particular id (FilterFid)
- for any other predicates (>, <=, !=, etc.) or on a column without a primary key, a request built from an expression will be used to request the underlying vector data provider. It means indexes may be used on database providers if they exist.

A specific syntax exists to handle spatial predicates in requests and triggers the use of a spatial index: a hidden column named `_search_frame_` exists for each virtual layer. This column can be compared for equality to a bounding box. Example:

```
SELECT *
FROM vtab
WHERE _search_frame_=BuildMbr(-2.10,49.38,-1.3,49.99,4326)
```

Spatial binary predicates like `ST_Intersects` are sped up significantly when used in conjunction with this spatial index syntax.

14.3 Exploring Data Formats and Fields

14.3.1 Raster data

GIS raster data are matrices of discrete cells that represent features / phenomena on, above or below the earth's surface. Each cell in the raster grid has the same size, and cells are usually rectangular (in QGIS they will always be rectangular). Typical raster datasets include remote sensing data, such as aerial photography, or satellite imagery and modelled data, such as elevation or temperature.

Unlike vector data, raster data typically do not have an associated database record for each cell. They are geocoded by pixel resolution and the X/Y coordinate of a corner pixel of the raster layer. This allows QGIS to position the data correctly on the map canvas.

The GeoPackage format is convenient for storing raster data when working with QGIS. The popular and powerful GeoTiff format is a good alternative.

QGIS makes use of georeference information inside the raster layer (e.g., GeoTiff) or an associated *world file* to properly display the data.

14.3.2 Vektordaten

Many of the features and tools available in QGIS work the same, regardless the vector data source. However, because of the differences in format specifications (GeoPackage, ESRI Shapefile, MapInfo and MicroStation file formats, AutoCAD DXF, PostGIS, SpatiaLite, Oracle Spatial, MSSQL Spatial, SAP HANA Spatial databases and many more), QGIS may handle some of their properties differently. Support is provided by the OGR Simple Feature Library. This section describes how to work with these specificities.

Bemerkung: QGIS supports (multi)point, (multi)line, (multi)polygon, CircularString, CompoundCurve, CurvePolygon, MultiCurve, MultiSurface feature types, all optionally with Z and/or M values.

You should also note that some drivers don't support some of these feature types, like CircularString, CompoundCurve, CurvePolygon, MultiCurve, MultiSurface feature type. QGIS will convert them.

GeoPackage

The GeoPackage (GPKG) format is platform-independent, and is implemented as a SQLite database container, and can be used to store both vector and raster data. The format was defined by the Open Geospatial Consortium (OGC), and was published in 2014.

GeoPackage can be used to store the following in a SQLite database:

- **vector** features
- **tile matrix sets of imagery** and **raster** maps
- attributes (non-spatial data)
- extensions

Since QGIS version 3.8, GeoPackage can also store QGIS projects. GeoPackage layers can have JSON fields.

GeoPackage is the default format for vector data in QGIS.

ESRI Shapefile format

The ESRI Shapefile format is still one of the most used vector file formats, even if it has some limitations compared to for instance GeoPackage and SpatiaLite.

An ESRI Shapefile format dataset consists of several files. The following three are required:

1. `.shp` file containing the feature geometries
2. `.dbf` file containing the attributes in dBase format
3. `.shx` index file

An ESRI Shapefile format dataset can also include a file with a `.prj` suffix, which contains projection information. While it is very useful to have a projection file, it is not mandatory. A Shapefile format dataset can contain additional files. For further details, see the the ESRI technical specification.

GDAL 3.1 has read-write support for compressed ESRI Shapefile format (`shz` and `shp.zip`).

Improving Performance for ESRI Shapefile format datasets

To improve the drawing performance for an ESRI Shapefile format dataset, you can create a spatial index. A spatial index will improve the speed of both zooming and panning. Spatial indexes used by QGIS have a `.qix` extension.

Use these steps to create the index:

1. Load an ESRI Shapefile format dataset (see *The Browser Panel*)
2. Open the *Layer Properties* dialog by double-clicking on the layer name in the legend or by right-clicking and choosing *Properties…* from the context menu

3. In the *Source* tab, click the *Create Spatial Index* button

Problem loading a .prj file

If you load an ESRI Shapefile format dataset with a `.prj` file and QGIS is not able to read the coordinate reference system from that file, you will need to define the proper projection manually in the *Layer Properties* ► *Source* tab of the layer by clicking the  Select CRS button. This is due to the fact that `.prj` files often do not provide the complete projection parameters as used in QGIS and listed in the *CRS* dialog.

For the same reason, if you create a new ESRI Shapefile format dataset with QGIS, two different projection files are created: a `.prj` file with limited projection parameters, compatible with ESRI software, and a `.qpj` file, providing all the parameters of the CRS. Whenever QGIS finds a `.qpj` file, it will be used instead of the `.prj`.

Delimited Text Files

Delimited text files are very common and widely used because of their simplicity and readability – data can be viewed and edited in a plain text editor. A delimited text file is tabular data with columns separated by a defined character and rows separated by line breaks. The first row usually contains the column names. A common type of delimited text file is a CSV (Comma Separated Values), with columns separated by commas. Delimited text files can also contain positional information (see *Storing geometry information in delimited text files*).

QGIS allows you to load a delimited text file as a layer or an ordinary table (see *The Browser Panel* or *Importing a delimited text file*). First check that the file meets the following requirements:

1. The file must have a delimited header row of field names. This must be the first line of the data (ideally the first row in the text file).
2. If geometry should be enabled, the file must contain field(s) that define the geometry. These field(s) can have any name.
3. The X and Y coordinates fields (if geometry is defined by coordinates) must be specified as numbers. The coordinate system is not important.
4. If you have a CSV file with non-string columns, you must have an accompanying CSVT file (see section *Using CSVT file to control field formatting*).

The elevation point data file `elevp.csv` in the QGIS sample dataset (see section *Beispieldaten herunterladen*) is an example of a valid text file:

```
X;Y;ELEV
-300120;7689960;13
-654360;7562040;52
1640;7512840;3
[...]
```

Some things to note about the text file:

1. The example text file uses `;` (semicolon) as delimiter (any character can be used to delimit the fields).
2. The first row is the header row. It contains the fields `X`, `Y` and `ELEV`.
3. No quotes (`"`) are used to delimit text fields
4. The X coordinates are contained in the `X` field
5. The Y coordinates are contained in the `Y` field

Storing geometry information in delimited text files

Delimited text files can contain geometry information in two main forms:

- As coordinates in separate columns (eg. `Xcol`, `Ycol`...), for point geometry data;
- As well-known text (WKT) representation of geometry in a single column, for any geometry type.

Features with curved geometries (CircularString, CurvePolygon and CompoundCurve) are supported. Here are some examples of geometry types in a delimited text file with geometries coded as WKT:

```
Label;WKT_geom
LineString;LINESTRING(10.0 20.0, 11.0 21.0, 13.0 25.5)
CircularString;CIRCULARSTRING(268 415,227 505,227 406)
CurvePolygon;CURVEPOLYGON(CIRCULARSTRING(1 3, 3 5, 4 7, 7 3, 1 3))
CompoundCurve;COMPOUNDCURVE((5 3, 5 13), CIRCULARSTRING(5 13, 7 15,
  9 13), (9 13, 9 3), CIRCULARSTRING(9 3, 7 1, 5 3))
```

Delimited text files also support Z and M coordinates in geometries:

```
LINESTRINGZ(10.0 20.0 30.0, 11.0 21.0 31.0, 11.0 22.0 30.0)
```

Using CSVT file to control field formatting

When loading CSV files, the OGR driver assumes all fields are strings (i.e. text) unless it is told otherwise. You can create a CSVT file to tell OGR (and QGIS) the data type of the different columns:

Type	Name	Example
Whole number	Integer	4
Decimal number	Real	3.456
Datum	Date (YYYY-MM-DD)	2016-07-28
Time	Time (HH:MM:SS+nn)	18:33:12+00
Date & Time	DateTime (YYYY-MM-DD HH:MM:SS+nn)	2016-07-28 18:33:12+00

The CSVT file is a **ONE line** plain text file with the data types in quotes and separated by commas, e.g.:

```
"Integer","Real","String"
```

You can even specify width and precision of each column, e.g.:

```
"Integer(6)","Real(5.5)","String(22)"
```

This file is saved in the same folder as the `.csv` file, with the same name, but `.csvt` as the extension.

You can find more information at GDAL CSV Driver.

PostGIS Layers

PostGIS layers are stored in a PostgreSQL database. The advantages of PostGIS are spatial indexing, filtering and querying capabilities. Using PostGIS, vector functions such as select and identify work more accurately than they do with OGR layers in QGIS.

Tipp: PostGIS Layers

Normally, a PostGIS layer is identified by an entry in the geometry_columns table. QGIS can load layers that do not have an entry in the geometry_columns table. This includes both tables and views. Refer to your PostgreSQL manual for information on creating views.

This section contains some details on how QGIS accesses PostgreSQL layers. Most of the time, QGIS should simply provide you with a list of database tables that can be loaded, and it will load them on request. However, if you have trouble loading a PostgreSQL table into QGIS, the information below may help you understand QGIS messages and give you directions for modifying the PostgreSQL table or view definition to allow QGIS to load it.

Bemerkung: A PostgreSQL database can also store QGIS projects.

Primary key

QGIS requires that PostgreSQL layers contain a column that can be used as a unique key for the layer. For tables, this usually means that the table needs a primary key, or a column with a unique constraint on it. In QGIS, this column needs to be of type int4 (an integer of size 4 bytes). Alternatively, the ctid column can be used as primary key. If a table lacks these items, the oid column will be used instead. Performance will be improved if the column is indexed (note that primary keys are automatically indexed in PostgreSQL).

QGIS offers a checkbox **Select at id** that is activated by default. This option gets the ids without the attributes, which is faster in most cases.

Ansicht

If the PostgreSQL layer is a view, the same requirement exists, but views do not always have primary keys or columns with unique constraints on them. You have to define a primary key field (has to be integer) in the QGIS dialog before you can load the view. If a suitable column does not exist in the view, QGIS will not load the layer. If this occurs, the solution is to alter the view so that it does include a suitable column (a type of integer and either a primary key or with a unique constraint, preferably indexed).

As for table, a checkbox **Select at id** is activated by default (see above for the meaning of the checkbox). It can make sense to disable this option when you use expensive views.

Bemerkung: PostgreSQL foreign table

PostgreSQL foreign tables are not explicitely supported by the PostgreSQL provider and will be handled like a view.

QGIS layer_style table and database backup

If you want to make a backup of your PostGIS database using the `pg_dump` and `pg_restore` commands, and the default layer styles as saved by QGIS fail to restore afterwards, you need to set the XML option to `DOCUMENT` before the restore command:

1. Make a PLAIN backup of the `layer_style` table
2. Open the file within a text editor
3. Change the line `SET xmloption = content;` into `SET XML OPTION DOCUMENT;`
4. Save the file
5. Use psql to restore the table in the new database

Filter database side

QGIS allows to filter features already on server side. Check *Settings* ► *Options* ► *Data Sources* ► *Execute expressions on server-side if possible* to do so. Only supported expressions will be sent to the database. Expressions using unsupported operators or functions will gracefully fallback to local evaluation.

Support of PostgreSQL data types

Data types supported by the PostgreSQL provider include: integer, float, boolean, binary object, varchar, geometry, timestamp, array, hstore and json.

Importing Data into PostgreSQL

Data can be imported into PostgreSQL/PostGIS using several tools, including the DB Manager plugin and the command line tools shp2pgsql and ogr2ogr.

DB Manager

QGIS comes with a core plugin named DB Manager. It can be used to load data, and it includes support for schemas. See section *DB Manager Plugin* for more information.

shp2pgsql

PostGIS includes a utility called **shp2pgsql**, that can be used to import Shapefile format datasets into a PostGIS-enabled database. For example, to import a Shapefile format dataset named `lakes.shp` into a PostgreSQL database named `gis_data`, use the following command:

```
shp2pgsql -s 2964 lakes.shp lakes_new | psql gis_data
```

This creates a new layer named `lakes_new` in the `gis_data` database. The new layer will have a spatial reference identifier (SRID) of 2964. See section *Arbeiten mit Projektionen* for more information about spatial reference systems and projections.

Tipp: Exporting datasets from PostGIS

There is also a tool for exporting PostGIS datasets to Shapefile format: **pgsql2shp**. It is shipped within your PostGIS distribution.

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ogr2ogr

In addition to **shp2pgsql** and **DB Manager**, there is another tool for feeding geographical data in PostGIS: **ogr2ogr**. It is part of your GDAL installation.

To import a Shapefile format dataset into PostGIS, do the following:

```
ogr2ogr -f "PostgreSQL" PG:"dbname=postgis host=myhost.de user=postgres
password=topsecret" alaska.shp
```

This will import the Shapefile format dataset `alaska.shp` into the PostGIS database *postgis* using the user *postgres* with the password *topsecret* on the host server *myhost.de*.

Note that OGR must be built with PostgreSQL to support PostGIS. You can verify this by typing (in):

```
ogrinfo --formats | grep -i post
```

If you prefer to use the PostgreSQL's **COPY** command instead of the default **INSERT INTO** method, you can export the following environment variable (at least available on and):

```
export PG_USE_COPY=YES
```

ogr2ogr does not create spatial indexes like **shp2pgsl** does. You need to create them manually, using the normal SQL command **CREATE INDEX** afterwards, as an extra step (as described in the next section *Improving Performance*).

Improving Performance

Retrieving features from a PostgreSQL database can be time-consuming, especially over a network. You can improve the drawing performance of PostgreSQL layers by ensuring that a PostGIS spatial index exists on each layer in the database. PostGIS supports creation of a GiST (Generalized Search Tree) index to speed up spatial searching (GiST index information is taken from the PostGIS documentation available at https://postgis.net).

Tipp: You can use the DBManager to create an index for your layer. You should first select the layer and click on *Table* ► *Edit table*, go to *Indexes* tab and click on *Add Spatial Index*.

The syntax for creating a GiST index is:

```
CREATE INDEX [indexname] ON [tablename]
  USING GIST ( [geometryfield] GIST_GEOMETRY_OPS );
```

Note that for large tables, creating the index can take a long time. Once the index is created, you should perform a `VACUUM ANALYZE`. See the PostGIS documentation (POSTGIS-PROJECT in *Literatur und Internetreferenzen*) for more information.

The following example creates a GiST index:

```
gsherman@madison:~/current$ psql gis_data
Welcome to psql 8.3.0, the PostgreSQL interactive terminal.

Type:  \copyright for distribution terms
       \h for help with SQL commands
       \? for help with psql commands
       \g or terminate with semicolon to execute query
       \q to quit

gis_data=# CREATE INDEX sidx_alaska_lakes ON alaska_lakes
gis_data-# USING GIST (the_geom GIST_GEOMETRY_OPS);
CREATE INDEX
gis_data=# VACUUM ANALYZE alaska_lakes;
VACUUM
gis_data=# \q
gsherman@madison:~/current$
```

Vector layers crossing 180° longitude

Many GIS packages don't wrap vector maps with a geographic reference system (lat/lon) crossing the 180 degrees longitude line (https://postgis.net/docs/ST_Shift_Longitude.html). As result, if we open such a map in QGIS, we could see two widely separated locations, that should appear near each other. In Abb. 14.26, the tiny point on the far left of the map canvas (Chatham Islands) should be within the grid, to the right of the New Zealand main islands.

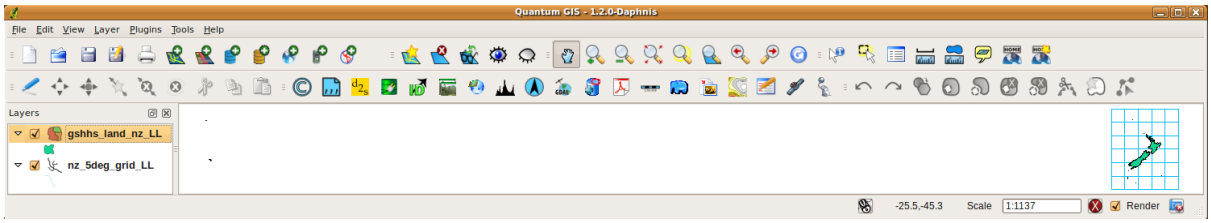


Abb. 14.26: Map in lat/lon crossing the 180° longitude line

A work-around is to transform the longitude values using PostGIS and the **ST_Shift_Longitude** function. This function reads every point/vertex in every component of every feature in a geometry, and if the longitude coordinate is < 0°, it adds 360° to it. The result is a 0° - 360° version of the data to be plotted in a 180°-centric map.

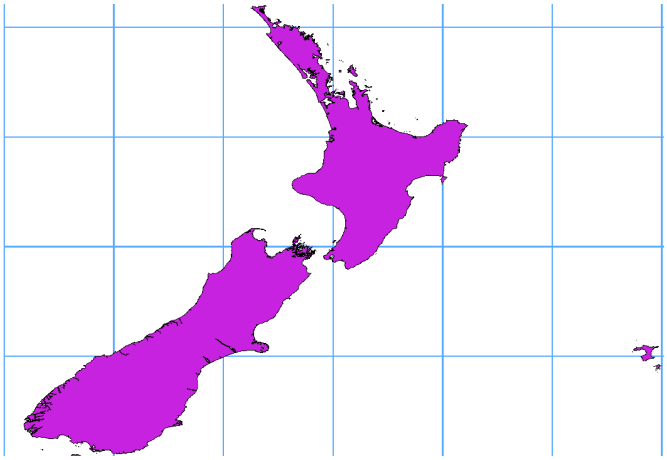


Abb. 14.27: Crossing 180° longitude applying the **ST_Shift_Longitude** function

Anwendung

- Import data into PostGIS (*Importing Data into PostgreSQL*) using, for example, the DB Manager plugin.
- Use the PostGIS command line interface to issue the following command (in this example, „TABLE" is the actual name of your PostGIS table): `gis_data=# update TABLE set the_geom=ST_Shift_Longitude(the_geom);`
- If everything went well, you should receive a confirmation about the number of features that were updated. Then you'll be able to load the map and see the difference (*Figure_vector_crossing_map*).

SpatiaLite Layers

If you want to save a vector layer using the SpatiaLite format, you can do this by following instructions at *Creating new layers from an existing layer*. You select `SpatiaLite` as *Format* and enter both *File name* and *Layer name*.

Also, you can select `SQLite` as format and then add `SPATIALITE=YES` in the *Custom Options* ► *Data source* field. This tells GDAL to create a SpatiaLite database. See also https://gdal.org/drivers/vector/sqlite.html.

QGIS also supports editable views in SpatiaLite. For SpatiaLite data management, you can also use the core plugin *DB Manager*.

If you want to create a new SpatiaLite layer, please refer to section *Creating a new SpatiaLite layer*.

GeoJSON specific parameters

When *exporting layers* to GeoJSON, there are some specific *Layer Options* available. These options come from GDAL which is responsible for the writing of the file:

- *COORDINATE_PRECISION* the maximum number of digits after the decimal separator to write in coordinates. Defaults to 15 (note: for Lat Lon coordinates 6 is considered enough). Truncation will occur to remove trailing zeros.
- *RFC7946* by default GeoJSON 2008 will be used. If set to YES, the updated RFC 7946 standard will be used. Default is NO (thus GeoJSON 2008). See https://gdal.org/drivers/vector/geojson.html#rfc-7946-write-support for the main differences, in short: only EPSG:4326 is allowed, other crs's will be transformed, polygons will be written such as to follow the right-hand rule for orientation, values of a „bbox" array are [west, south, east, north], not [minx, miny, maxx, maxy]. Some extension member names are forbidden in FeatureCollection, Feature and Geometry objects, the default coordinate precision is 7 decimal digits
- *WRITE_BBOX* set to YES to include the bounding box of the geometries at the feature and feature collection level

Besides GeoJSON there is also an option to export to „GeoJSON - Newline Delimited" (see https://gdal.org/drivers/vector/geojsonseq.html). Instead of a FeatureCollection with Features, you can stream one type (probably only Features) sequentially separated with newlines.

GeoJSON - Newline Delimited has some specific Layer options availabe too:

- *COORDINATE_PRECISION* see above (same as for GeoJSON)
- *RS* whether to start records with the RS=0x1E character. The difference is how the features are separated: only by a newline (LF) character (Newline Delimited JSON, geojsonl) or by also prepending a record-separator (RS) character (giving GeoJSON Text Sequences, geojsons). Default to NO. Files are given the `.json` extension if extension is not provided.

SAP HANA Spatial Layers

This section contains some details on how QGIS accesses SAP HANA layers. Most of the time, QGIS should simply provide you with a list of database tables and views that can be loaded, and it will load them on request. However, if you have trouble loading an SAP HANA table or view into QGIS, the information below may help you understand the root cause and assist in resolving the issue.

Feature Identification

If you'd like to use all of QGIS' feature editing capabilities, QGIS must be able to unambiguously identify each feature in a layer. Internally, QGIS uses a 64-bit signed integer to identify features, whereas the negative range is reserved for special purposes.

Therefore, the SAP HANA provider requires a unique key that can be mapped to a positive 64-bit integer to fully support QGIS' feature editing capabilities. If it is not possible to create such a mapping, you might still view the features, but editing might not work.

Adding tables

When adding a table as a layer, the SAP HANA provider uses the table's primary key to map it to a unique feature id. Therefore, to have full feature editing support, you need to have a primary key to your table definition.

The SAP HANA provider supports multi-column primary keys, but if you'd like to get the best performance, your primary key should be a single column of type `INTEGER`.

Adding views

When adding a view as a layer, the SAP HANA provider cannot automatically identify columns that unambiguously identify a feature. Furthermore, some views are read-only and cannot be edited.

To have full feature editing support, the view must be updatable (check column `IS_READ_ONLY` in system view `SYS.VIEWS` for the view in question) and you must manually provide QGIS with one or more columns that identify a feature. The columns can be given by using *Layer* ► *Add Layer* ► *Add SAP HANA Spatial Layer* and then selecting the columns in the *Feature id* column. For best performance, the *Feature id* value should be a single `INTEGER` column.

KAPITEL 15

Arbeiten mit Vektordaten

15.1 Vektorlayereigenschaften

Der *Layereigenschaften* Dialog für Vektorlayer enthält generelle Einstellungen, um das Aussehen der Layerobjekte in der Karte (Symbologie, Beschriftung, Diagramme) und die Interaktion mit der Maus (Aktionen, Kartentipps, …) zu verwalten. Er bietet auch Informationen über den Layer.

Sie können den *Layereigenschaften* Dialog öffnen, indem Sie:

- im *Layer `Bedienfeld einen Doppelklick auf den Layer machen oder einen Rechtsklick und im Kontextmenü :guilabel:`Eigenschaften …* auswählen
- in der Menüleiste *Layer* ► *Layereigenschaften …* auswählen wenn der Layer aktiv ist

Der *Layereigenschaften* Dialog für Vektorlayer bietet die folgenden Bereiche:

Information	*Source*	*Symbology*[1]
Labels[1]	*Mask*[1]	*3D View*[1]
Diagrams	*Fields*	*Attributes Form*
Joins	*Auxiliary Storage*	*Actions*
Display	*Rendering*	*Temporal*
Variables	*Metadata*	*Dependencies*
Legend	*QGIS Server*	*Digitizing*
External plugins[2] tabs		

[1] Auch im Bedienfeld *Layergestalltung* verfügbar

Durch das Installieren von [2] *Plugins* können hier im Dialog *Layereigenschaften* weitere Tabs hizugefügt werden. Diese werden nicht in dieser Dokumentation behandelt, bitte schauen Sie in der entsprechenden Dokumentation nach.

Tipp: Layereigenschaften speichern und teilen

Mit dem *Stil* Menü unten im Dialogfenster ist es möglich die Layereigenschaften (oder Teile davon) zu speichern und zu laden . Für mehr Informationen s. *Verwalten von benutzerdefinierten Stilen*.

Bemerkung: Da die Eigenschaften von eingebetteten Layern (see *Embedding layers from external projects*) aus der ursprünglichen QGIS-Projektdatei stammen und um Änderungen zu vermeiden, die mit diesen Einstellungen Konflikte verursachen könnten, ist der Ebeneneigenschaften-Dialog für eingebetteten Ebenen nicht verfügbar.

15.1.1 Information Properties

The *Information* tab is read-only and represents an interesting place to quickly grab summarized information and metadata on the current layer. Provided information are:

- general such as name in the project, source path, list of auxiliary files, last save time and size, the used provider
- based on the provider of the layer: format of storage, geometry type, data source encoding, extent, feature count…
- the Coordinate Reference System: name, units, method, accuracy, reference (i.e. whether it's static or dynamic)
- picked from the *filled metadata*: access, extents, links, contacts, history…
- and related to its geometry (spatial extent, CRS…) or its attributes (number of fields, characteristics of each…).

15.1.2 Source Properties

Use this tab to define general settings for the vector layer.

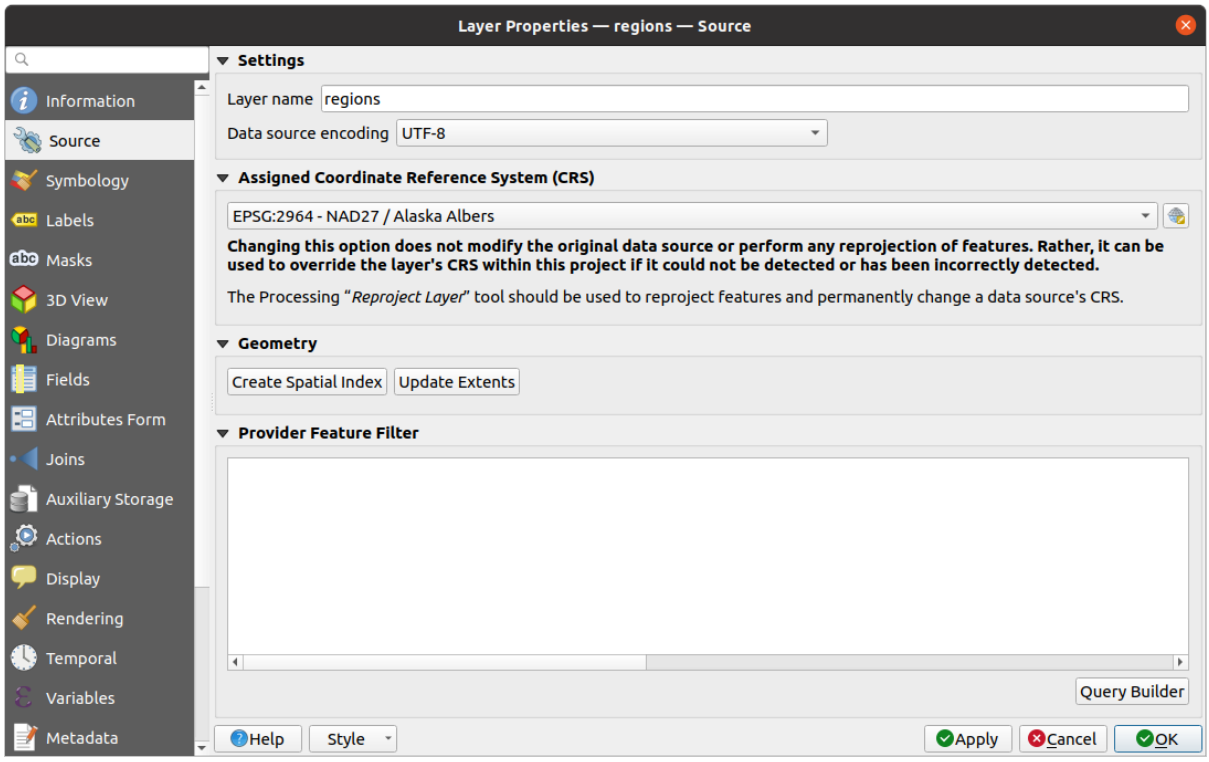


Abb. 15.1: Source tab in vector Layer Properties dialog

Settings

- Set a *Layer name* different from the layer filename that will be used to identify the layer in the project (in the *Layers Panel*, with expressions, in print layout legend, …)
- Depending on the data format, select the *Data source encoding* if not correctly detected by QGIS.

Coordinate Reference System and Geometry

- Displays the layer's *Assigned Coordinate Reference System (CRS)*. You can change the layer's CRS, selecting a recently used one in the drop-down list or clicking on  Select CRS button (see *Coordinate Reference System Selector*). Use this process only if the CRS applied to the layer is a wrong one or if none was applied. If you wish to reproject your data into another CRS, rather use layer reprojection algorithms from Processing or *Save it into another layer*.
- *Create spatial index* (only for OGR-supported formats).
- *Update extents* information for a layer.

Abfrageeditor

The *Query Builder* dialog is accessible through the eponym button at the bottom of the *Source* tab in the Layer Properties dialog, under the *Provider feature filter* group.

The Query Builder provides an interface that allows you to define a subset of the features in the layer using a SQL-like WHERE clause and to display the result in the main window. As long as the query is active, only the features corresponding to its result are available in the project.

You can use one or more layer attributes to define the filter in the `Query Builder`. The use of more than one attribute is shown in Abb. 15.2. In the example, the filter combines the attributes

- `toa` (`DateTime` field: `cast("toa" as character) > '2017-05-17'` and `cast("toa" as character) < '2019-12-24T18:00:00'`),
- `name` (`String` field: `"name" > 'S'`) and
- `FID` (`Integer` field: `FID > 10`)

using the AND, OR and NOT operators and parenthesis. This syntax (including the DateTime format for the `toa` field) works for GeoPackage datasets.

The filter is made at the data provider (OGR, PostgreSQL, MSSQL…) level. So the syntax depends on the data provider (DateTime is for instance not supported for the ESRI Shapefile format). The complete expression:

```
cast("toa" as character) > '2017-05-17' AND
cast("toa" as character) < '2019-12-24T18:00:00' AND
NOT ("name" > 'S' OR FID > 10)
```

You can also open the *Query Builder* dialog using the *Filter…* option from the *Layer* menu or the layer contextual menu. The *Fields*, *Values* and *Operators* sections in the dialog help you to construct the SQL-like query exposed in the *Provider specific filter expression* box.

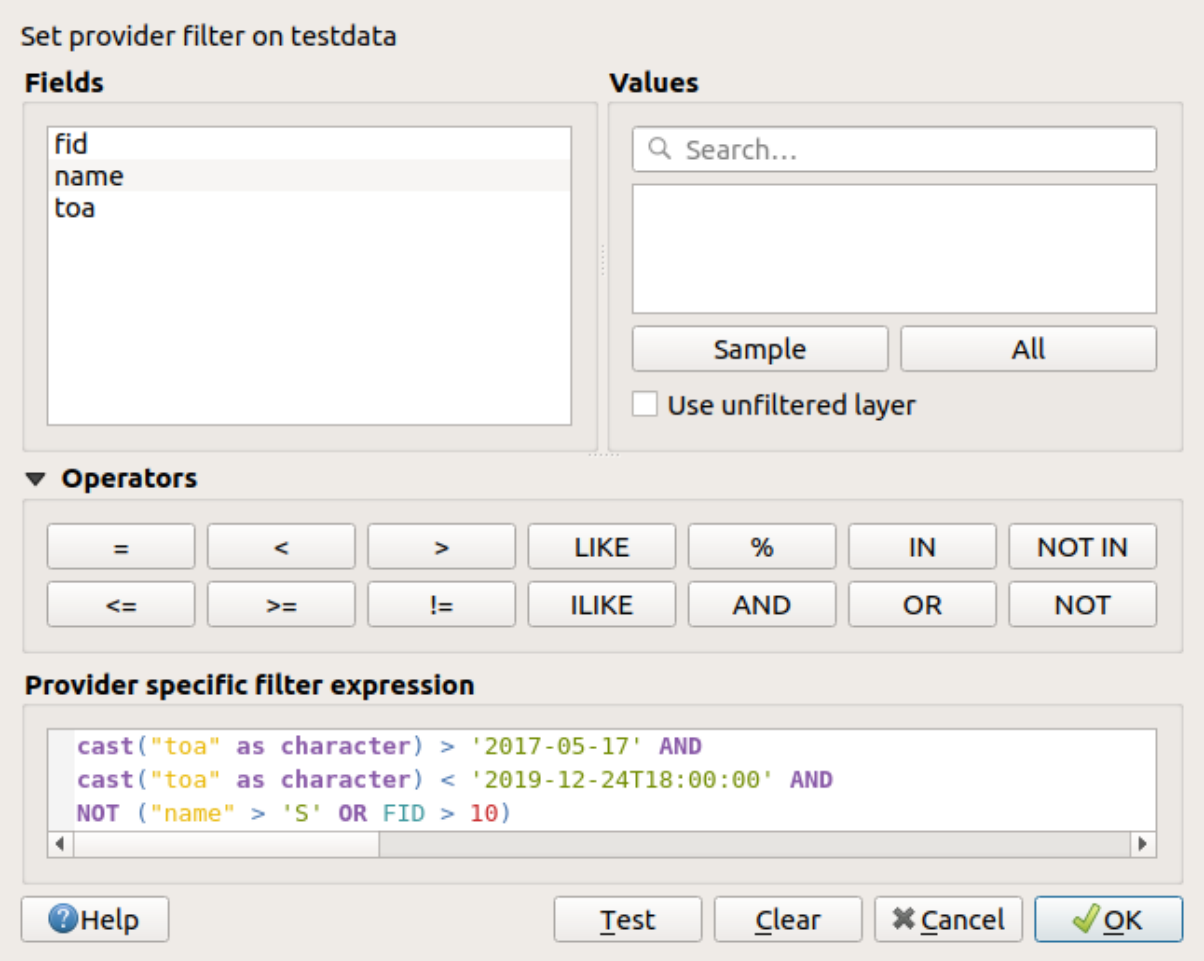


Abb. 15.2: Abfrageeditor

The **Fields** list contains all the fields of the layer. To add an attribute column to the SQL WHERE clause field, double-click its name or just type it into the SQL box.

The **Values** frame lists the values of the currently selected field. To list all unique values of a field, click the *All* button. To instead list the first 25 unique values of the column, click the *Sample* button. To add a value to the SQL WHERE clause field, double click its name in the Values list. You can use the search box at the top of the Values frame to easily browse and find attribute values in the list.

The **Operators** section contains all usable operators. To add an operator to the SQL WHERE clause field, click the appropriate button. Relational operators (= , > , …), string comparison operator (`LIKE`), and logical operators (`AND`, `OR`, …) are available.

The *Test* button helps you check your query and displays a message box with the number of features satisfying the current query. Use the *Clear* button to wipe the SQL query and revert the layer to its original state (ie, fully load all the features).

When a filter is applied, QGIS treats the resulting subset acts as if it were the entire layer. For example if you applied the filter above for ‚Borough' (`"TYPE_2" = 'Borough'`), you can not display, query, save or edit `Anchorage`, because that is a ‚Municipality' and therefore not part of the subset.

Tipp: Filtered layers are indicated in the Layers Panel

In the *Layers* panel, filtered layer is listed with a  Filter icon next to it indicating the query used when the mouse hovers over the button. Double-click the icon opens the *Query Builder* dialog for edit.

15.1.3 Symbology Properties

 The Symbology tab provides you with a comprehensive tool for rendering and symbolizing your vector data. You can use tools that are common to all vector data, as well as special symbolizing tools that were designed for the different kinds of vector data. However all types share the following dialog structure: in the upper part, you have a widget that helps you prepare the classification and the symbol to use for features and at the bottom the *Layerdarstellung* widget.

Tipp: Wechseln Sie schnell zwischen verschiedenen Layerdarstellungen

Using the *Styles* ► *Add* menu at the bottom of the *Layer Properties* dialog, you can save as many styles as needed. A style is the combination of all properties of a layer (such as symbology, labeling, diagram, fields form, actions…) as you want. Then, simply switch between styles from the context menu of the layer in *Layers Panel* to automatically get different representations of your data.

Tipp: Symbologie exportierten

Sie haben die Option die Vektorsymbologie von QGIS nach Google *.kml, *.dxf und MapInfo .*.tab Dateien zu exportieren. Öffnen Sie einfach das Rechte-Maustasten-Menü des Layers und klicken Sie auf *Speichern als …* `*um den Namen der Ausgabedatei und ihr Format festzulegen. Verwenden Sie im Dialog das :guilabel:`Darstellungsexport* Menü um die Symbologie entweder als *Objektdarstellung* ► oder *Symbollayerdarstellung* ► zu speichern. Wenn Sie Symbollayer verwendet haben wird empfohlen die zweite Einstellung zu benutzen.

Objekt Darstellung

The renderer is responsible for drawing a feature together with the correct symbol. Regardless layer geometry type, there are four common types of renderers: single symbol, categorized, graduated and rule-based. For point layers, there are a point displacement and a heatmap renderers available while polygon layers can also be rendered with the inverted polygons and 2.5 D renderers.

Es gibt keinen kontinuirliche Farbe Renderer da es in der Tat einfach ein spezieller Fall des Abgestuft Renderers ist. Die Kategorisiert und Abgestuft Renderer können erstellt werden indem ein Symbol und ein Farbverlauf festgelegt werden - Sie werden die Farben für Symbole angemessen einsetzen. Für jeden Datentyp (Punkte, Linien und Polygone) sind Symbollayertypen erhältlich. Abhängig vom ausgesuchten Renderer gibt es verschiedene zusätzliche Bereiche.

Bemerkung: Wenn Sie den Darstellungstyp beim Einstellen des Stils eines Vektorlayers ändern werden die Einstellungen für das Symbol beibehalten. Beachten Sie dass dieses Vorgehen nur für eine Änderunge funktioniert. Wenn Sie den Darstellungstyp wiederholt ändern gehen die Einstellungen für das Symbol verloren.

Einzelsymbol Darstellung

The  *Single Symbol* renderer is used to render all features of the layer using a single user-defined symbol. See *The Symbol Selector* for further information about symbol representation.

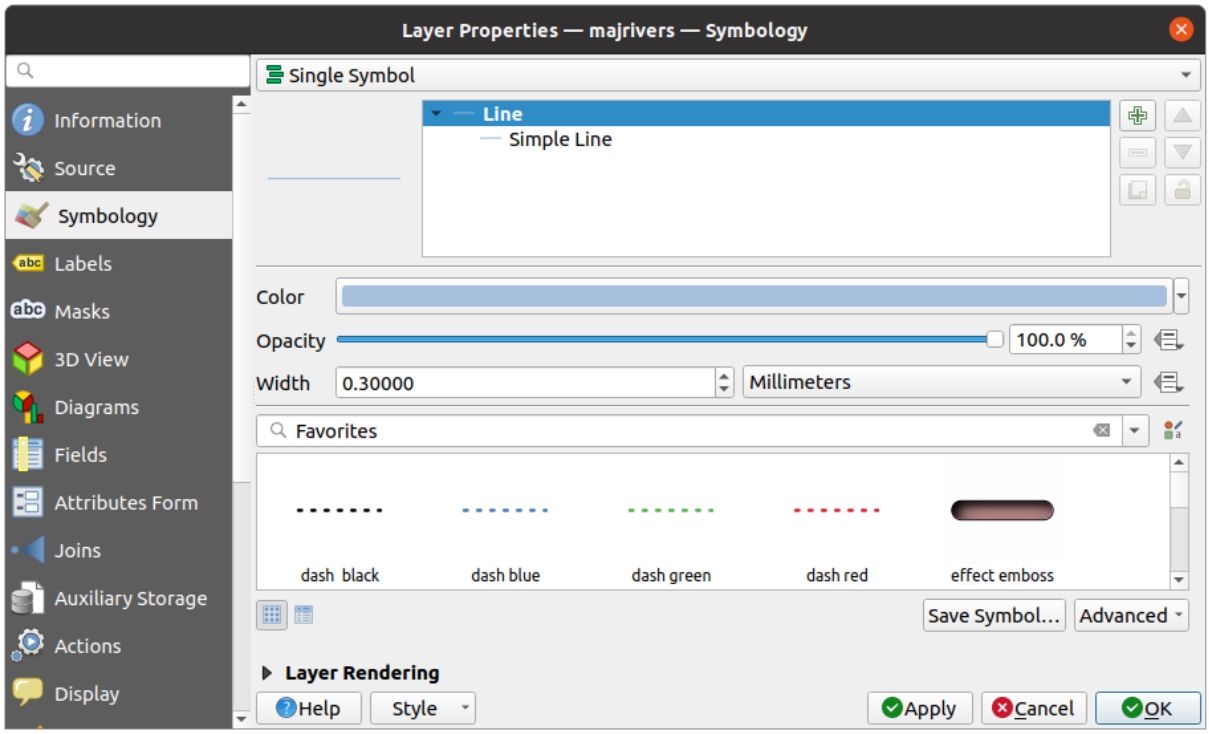


Abb. 15.3: Linieneigenschaften Einzelsymbol

No Symbols Renderer

The *No Symbols* renderer is a special use case of the Single Symbol renderer as it applies the same rendering to all features. Using this renderer, no symbol will be drawn for features, but labeling, diagrams and other non-symbol parts will still be shown.

Selections can still be made on the layer in the canvas and selected features will be rendered with a default symbol. Features being edited will also be shown.

This is intended as a handy shortcut for layers which you only want to show labels or diagrams for, and avoids the need to render symbols with totally transparent fill/border to achieve this.

Kategorisierte Darstellung

The *Categorized* renderer is used to render the features of a layer, using a user-defined symbol whose aspect reflects the discrete values of a field or an expression.

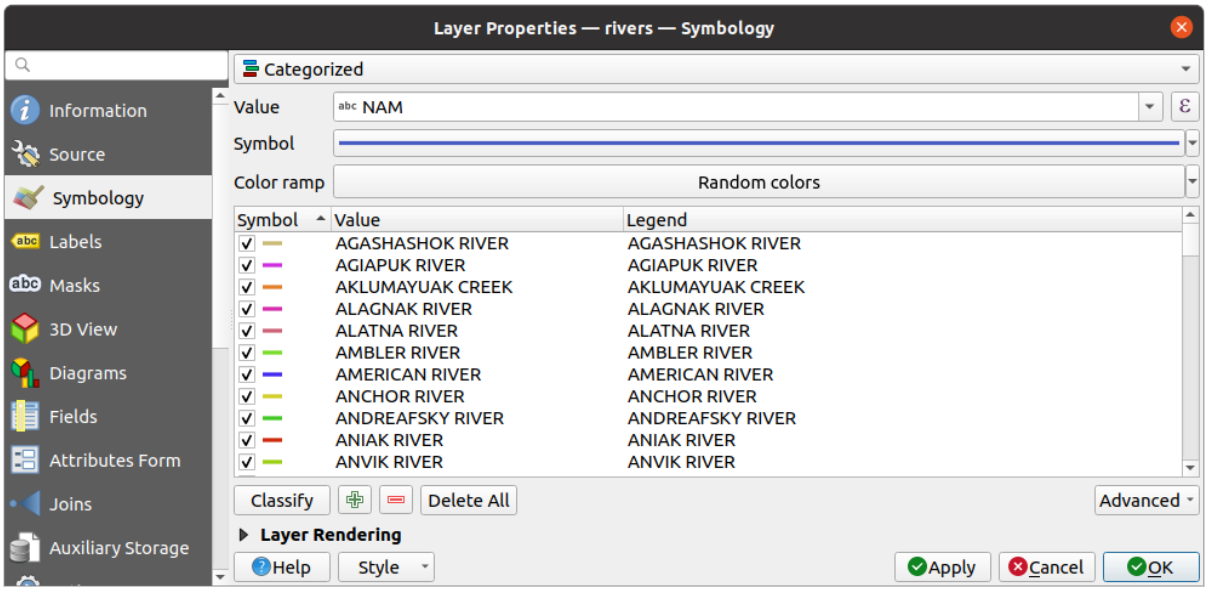


Abb. 15.4: Kategorisierte Symbolisierungsoptionen

To use categorized symbology for a layer:

1. Select the *Value* of classification: it can be an existing field or an *expression* you can type in the box or build using the associated ε button. Using expressions for categorizing avoids the need to create an ad hoc field for symbology purposes (eg, if your classification criteria are derived from one or more attributes).

   The expression used to classify features can be of any type; eg, it can:

   - be a comparison. In this case, QGIS returns values `1` (**True**) and `0` (**False**). Some examples:

     ```
     myfield >= 100
     $id = @atlas_featureid
     myfield % 2 = 0
     within( $geometry, @atlas_geometry )
     ```

   - combine different fields:

     ```
     concat( field_1, ' ', field_2 )
     ```

   - be a calculation on fields:

     ```
     myfield % 2
     year( myfield )
     field_1 + field_2
     substr( field_1, -3 )
     ```

   - be used to transform linear values to discrete classes, e.g.:

     ```
     CASE WHEN x > 1000 THEN 'Big' ELSE 'Small' END
     ```

   - combine several discrete values into a single category, e.g.:

```
CASE
WHEN building IN ('residence', 'mobile home') THEN 'residential'
WHEN building IN ('commercial', 'industrial') THEN 'Commercial and␣
↪Industrial'
END
```

Tipp: While you can use any kind of expression to categorize features, for some complex expressions it might be simpler to use *rule-based rendering*.

2. Configure the *Symbol*, which will be used as base symbol for all the classes;
3. Indicate the *Color ramp*, ie the range of colors from which the color applied to each symbol is selected.

   Besides the common options of the *color ramp widget*, you can apply a *Random Color Ramp* to the categories. You can click the *Shuffle Random Colors* entry to regenerate a new set of random colors if you are not satisfied.
4. Then click on the *Classify* button to create classes from the distinct values of the provided field or expression.
5. *Apply* the changes if the *live update* is not in use and each feature on the map canvas will be rendered with the symbol of its class.

   By default, QGIS appends an *all other values* class to the list. While empty at the beginning, this class is used as a default class for any feature not falling into the other classes (eg, when you create features with new values for the classification field / expression).

Further tweaks can be done to the default classification:

- You can Add new categories, Remove selected categories or *Delete All* of them.
- A class can be disabled by unchecking the checkbox to the left of the class name; the corresponding features are hidden on the map.
- Drag-and-drop the rows to reorder the classes
- To change the symbol, the value or the legend of a class, double click the item.

Right-clicking over selected item(s) shows a contextual menu to:

- *Copy Symbol* and *Paste Symbol*, a convenient way to apply the item's representation to others
- *Change Color…* of the selected symbol(s)
- *Change Opacity…* of the selected symbol(s)
- *Change Output Unit…* of the selected symbol(s)
- *Change Width…* of the selected line symbol(s)
- *Change Size…* of the selected point symbol(s)
- *Change Angle…* of the selected point symbol(s)
- *Merge Categories*: Groups multiple selected categories into a single one. This allows simpler styling of layers with a large number of categories, where it may be possible to group numerous distinct categories into a smaller and more manageable set of categories which apply to multiple values.

  Tipp: Since the symbol kept for the merged categories is the one of the topmost selected category in the list, you may want to move the category whose symbol you wish to reuse to the top before merging.

- *Unmerge Categories* that were previously merged

The *Advanced* menu gives access to options to speed classification or fine-tune the symbols rendering:

- *Match to saved symbols*: Using the *symbols library*, assigns to each category a symbol whose name represents the classification value of the category
- *Match to symbols from file…*: Provided a file with symbols, assigns to each category a symbol whose name represents the classification value of the category
- *Symbol levels…* to define the order of symbols rendering.

Tipp: Edit categories directly from the *Layers* panel

When a layer symbology is based on a *categorized*, *graduated* or *rule-based* symbology mode, you can edit each of the categories from the *Layers* Panel. Right-click on a sub-item of the layer and you will:

- *Toggle items* visibility
- *Show all items*
- *Hide all items*
- Modify the symbol color thanks to the *color selector* wheel
- *Edit symbol…* from the *symbol selector* dialog
- *Copy symbol*
- *Paste symbol*

Abgestufte Darstellung

The *Graduated* renderer is used to render all the features from a layer, using an user-defined symbol whose color or size reflects the assignment of a selected feature's attribute to a class.

Like the Categorized Renderer, the Graduated Renderer allows you to define rotation and size scale from specified columns.

Genauso können Sie -analog zum Kategorisierten Renderer - im Menü auswählen:

- The value (using the fields listbox or the Set value expression function)
- Das Symbol (nutzen des Symbolauswahl Dialogs)
- Die Legendenformatierung und die Genauigkeit
- Die Methode, um das Symbol zu ändern: Farbe oder Größe
- Die Farben (indem man die Farbverlaufsliste verwendet), wenn die Farbmethode ausgewählt ist
- The size (using the size domain and its unit)

Then you can use the Histogram tab which shows an interactive histogram of the values from the assigned field or expression. Class breaks can be moved or added using the histogram widget.

Bemerkung: Sie können die statistische Zusammenfassung nutzen, um mehr Informationen über Ihren Vektorlayer zu erhalten. Siehe *Statistical Summary Panel*.

Zurück zu dem Klassen Reiter, Sie können die Anzahl der Klassen und auch den Modus für das Klassifizieren von Objekten innerhalb der Klassen (indem man die Modus-Liste verwendet) einstellen. Die möglichen Modi sind:

- Equal Count (Quantile): each class will have the same number of elements (the idea of a boxplot).
- Equal Interval: each class will have the same size (e.g. with the values from 1 to 16 and four classes, each class will have a size of four).

- Logarithmic scale: suitable for data with a wide range of values. Narrow classes for low values and wide classes for large values (e.g. for decimal numbers with range [0..100] and two classes, the first class will be from 0 to 10 and the second class from 10 to 100).
- Natural Breaks (Jenks): the variance within each class is minimized while the variance between classes is maximized.
- Pretty Breaks: computes a sequence of about n+1 equally spaced nice values which cover the range of the values in x. The values are chosen so that they are 1, 2 or 5 times a power of 10. (based on pretty from the R statistical environment https://www.rdocumentation.org/packages/base/topics/pretty).
- Standard Deviation: classes are built depending on the standard deviation of the values.

The listbox in the center part of the *Symbology* tab lists the classes together with their ranges, labels and symbols that will be rendered.

Klicken Sie auf den **Klassifizieren** Knopf um Klassen anhand des ausgewählten Modus zu erstellen. Jede Klasse kann anhand des Deaktivierens des Kontrollkästchens links neben dem Klassennamen ausgeschaltet werden.

Sie können das Symbol, den Wert oder die Beschriftung verändern, klicken Sie einfach auf das Element, das Sie ändern wollen.

Right-clicking over selected item(s) shows a contextual menu to:

- *Copy Symbol* and *Paste Symbol*, a convenient way to apply the item's representation to others
- *Change Color…* of the selected symbol(s)
- *Change Opacity…* of the selected symbol(s)
- *Change Output Unit…* of the selected symbol(s)
- *Change Width…* of the selected line symbol(s)
- *Change Size…* of the selected point symbol(s)
- *Change Angle…* of the selected point symbol(s)

The example in Abb. 15.5 shows the graduated rendering dialog for the major_rivers layer of the QGIS sample dataset.

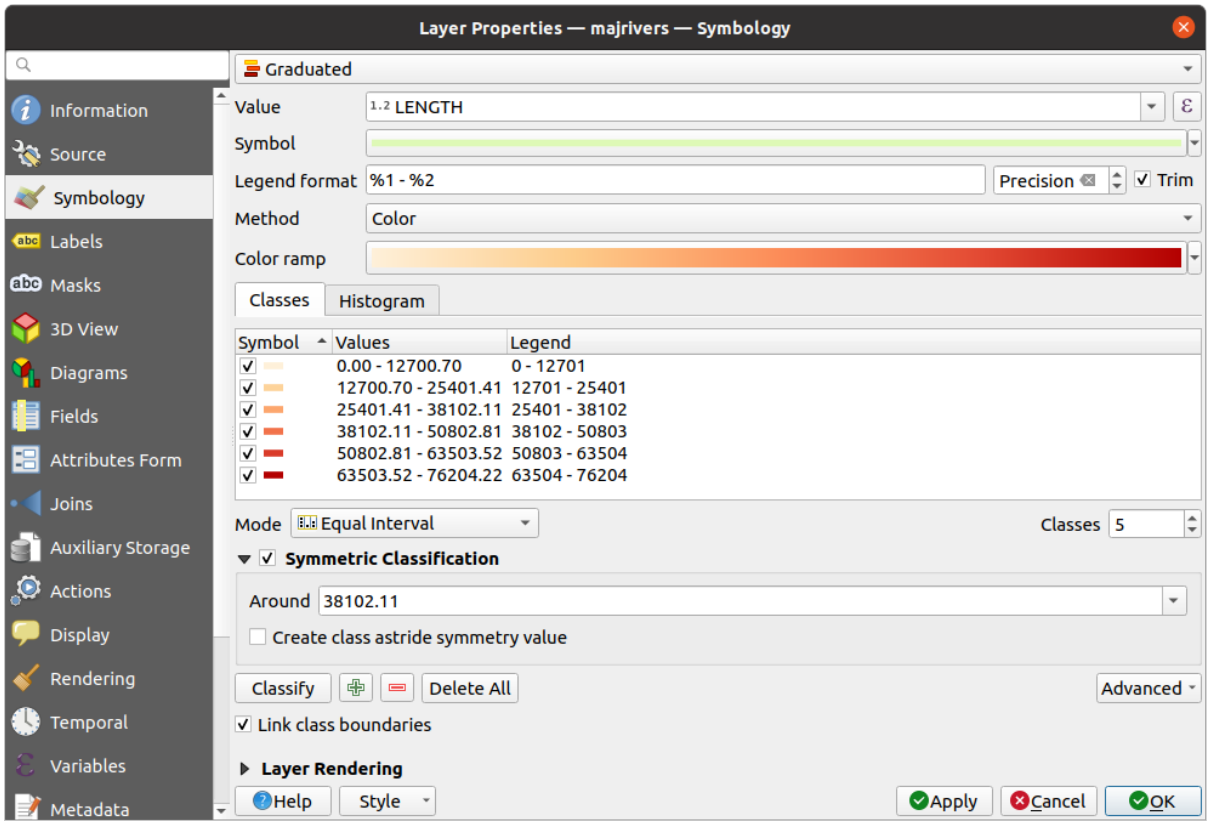


Abb. 15.5: Abgestufte Symbolisierungsoptionen

Tipp: Thematische Karten anhand von Ausdrücken erstellen

Categorized and graduated thematic maps can be created using the result of an expression. In the properties dialog for vector layers, the attribute chooser is extended with a Set column expression function. So you don't need to write the classification attribute to a new column in your attribute table if you want the classification attribute to be a composite of multiple fields, or a formula of some sort.

Proportionale Symbole und mehrdimensionale Analysen

Proportional Symbol and Multivariate Analysis are not rendering types available from the Symbology rendering drop-down list. However with the *data-defined override* options applied over any of the previous rendering options, QGIS allows you to display your point and line data with such representation.

Proportionale Symbole erstellen

To apply a proportional rendering:

1. First apply to the layer the *single symbol renderer*.
2. Then set the symbol to apply to the features.
3. Select the item at the upper level of the symbol tree, and use the Data-defined override *button* next to the *Size* (for point layer) or *Width* (for line layer) option.
4. Select a field or enter an expression, and for each feature, QGIS will apply the output value to the property and proportionally resize the symbol in the map canvas.

If need be, use the *Size assistant…* option of the menu to apply some transformation (exponential, flannery…) to the symbol size rescaling (see *Using the data-defined assistant interface* for more details).

You can choose to display the proportional symbols in the *Layers panel* and the *print layout legend item*: unfold the *Advanced* drop-down list at the bottom of the main dialog of the *Symbology* tab and select **Data-defined size legend…** to configure the legend items (see *Data-defined size legend* for details).

Mehrdimensionale Analyse erzeugen

Eine mehrdimensionale Analyse hilft Ihnen, die Beziehungen zwischen zwei oder mehr Variablen auszuwerten z. B. kann eine als Farbverlauf und die andere als Größe dargestellt werden.

The simplest way to create multivariate analysis in QGIS is to:

1. First apply a categorized or graduated rendering on a layer, using the same type of symbol for all the classes.
2. Then, apply a proportional symbology on the classes:
    1. Click on the *Change* button above the classification frame: you get the *The Symbol Selector* dialog.
    2. Rescale the size or width of the symbol layer using the *data defined override* widget as seen above.

Like the proportional symbol, the scaled symbology can be added to the layer tree, on top of the categorized or graduated classes symbols using the *data defined size legend* feature. And both representation are also available in the print layout legend item.

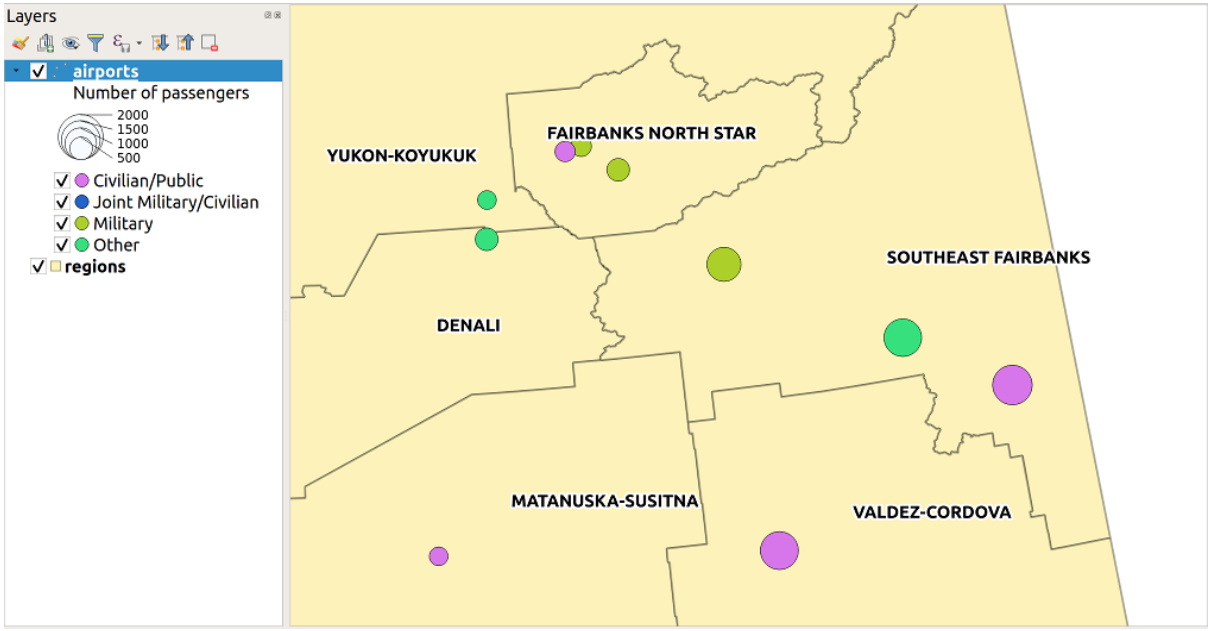


Abb. 15.6: Multivariate example with scaled size legend

Rule-based Renderer

Rules are QGIS *expressions* used to discriminate features according to their attributes or properties in order to apply specific rendering settings to them. Rules can be nested, and features belong to a class if they belong to all the upper nesting level(s).

The *Rule-based* renderer is thus designed to render all the features from a layer, using symbols whose aspect reflects the assignment of a selected feature to a fine-grained class.

To create a rule:

1. Activate an existing row by double-clicking it (by default, QGIS adds a symbol without a rule when the rendering mode is enabled) or click the  Edit rule or  Add rule button.
2. In the *Edit Rule* dialog that opens, you can define a label to help you identify each rule. This is the label that will be displayed in the *Layers Panel* and also in the print composer legend.
3. Manually enter an expression in the text box next to the  *Filter* option or press the  button next to it to open the expression string builder dialog.
4. Use the provided functions and the layer attributes to build an *expression* to filter the features you'd like to retrieve. Press the *Test* button to check the result of the query.
5. You can enter a longer label to complete the rule description.
6. You can use the  *Scale Range* option to set scales at which the rule should be applied.
7. Finally, configure the *symbol to use* for these features.
8. And press *OK*.

A new row summarizing the rule is added to the Layer Properties dialog. You can create as many rules as necessary following the steps above or copy pasting an existing rule. Drag-and-drop the rules on top of each other to nest them and refine the upper rule features in subclasses.

The rule-based renderer can be combined with categorized or graduated renderers. Selecting a rule, you can organize its features in subclasses using the *Refine selected rules* drop-down menu. Refined classes appear like sub-items of the rule, in a tree hierarchy and like their parent, you can set the symbology and the rule of each class. Automated rule refinement can be based on:

- **scales**: given a list of scales, this option creates a set of classes to which the different user-defined scale ranges apply. Each new scale-based class can have its own symbology and expression of definition. This can e.g. be a convenient way to display the same features with various symbols at different scales, or display only a set of features depending on the scale (e.g. local airports at large scale vs international airports at small scale).
- **categories**: applies a *categorized renderer* to the features falling in the selected rule.
- or **ranges**: applies a *graduated renderer* to the features falling in the selected rule.

Refined classes appear like sub-items of the rule, in a tree hierarchy and like above, you can set symbology of each class. Symbols of the nested rules are stacked on top of each other so be careful in choosing them. It is also possible to uncheck  *Symbols* in the *Edit rule* dialog to avoid rendering a particular symbol in the stack.

In the *Edit rule* dialog, you can avoid writing all the rules and make use of the  *Else* option to catch all the features that do not match any of the other rules, at the same level. This can also be achieved by writing `Else` in the *Rule* column of the *Layer Properties* ► *Symbology* ► *Rule-based* dialog.

Right-clicking over selected item(s) shows a contextual menu to:

- *Copy* and *Paste*, a convenient way to create new item(s) based on existing item(s)
- *Copy Symbol* and *Paste Symbol*, a convenient way to apply the item's representation to others
- *Change Color…* of the selected symbol(s)
- *Change Opacity…* of the selected symbol(s)
- *Change Output Unit…* of the selected symbol(s)
- *Change Width…* of the selected line symbol(s)
- *Change Size…* of the selected point symbol(s)
- *Change Angle…* of the selected point symbol(s)
- *Refine Current Rule*: open a submenu that allows to refine the current rule with **scales**, **categories** or **Ranges**. Same as selecting the *corresponding menu* at the bottom of the dialog.

Unchecking a row in the rule-based renderer dialog hides in the map canvas the features of the specific rule and the nested ones.

The created rules also appear in a tree hierarchy in the map legend. Double-click an entry in the map legend to edit the assigned symbol.

The example in Abb. 15.7 shows the rule-based rendering dialog for the rivers layer of the QGIS sample dataset.

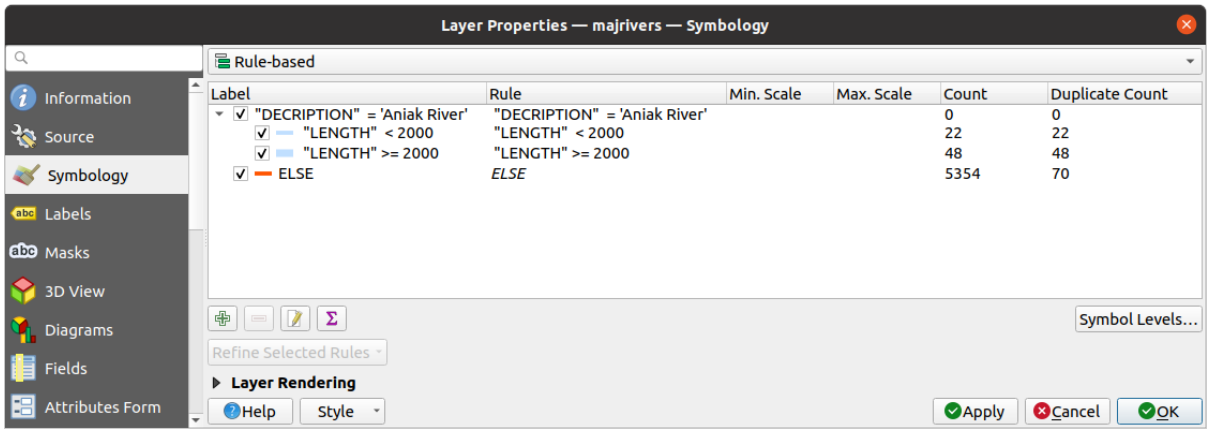


Abb. 15.7: Regelbasierte Symbolisierungsoptionen

Point displacement Renderer

The *Point Displacement* renderer works to visualize all features of a point layer, even if they have the same location. To do this, the renderer takes the points falling in a given *Distance* tolerance from each other and places them around their barycenter following different *Placement methods*:

- **Ring**: places all the features on a circle whose radius depends on the number of features to display.
- **Concentric rings**: uses a set of concentric circles to show the features.
- **Grid**: generates a regular grid with a point symbol at each intersection.

The *Center symbol* widget helps you customize the symbol and color of the middle point. For the distributed points symbols, you can apply any of the *No symbols*, *Single symbol*, *Categorized*, *Graduated* or *Rule-based* renderer using the *Renderer* drop-down list and customize them using the *Renderer Settings…* button.

While the minimal spacing of the *Displacement lines* depends on the point symbol renderer's, you can still customize some of its settings such as the *Stroke width*, *Stroke color* and *Size adjustment* (eg, to add more spacing between the rendered points).

Use the *Labels* group options to perform points labeling: the labels are placed near the displaced position of the symbol, and not at the feature real position. Other than the *Label attribute*, *Label font* and *Label color*, you can set the *Minimum map scale* to display the labels.

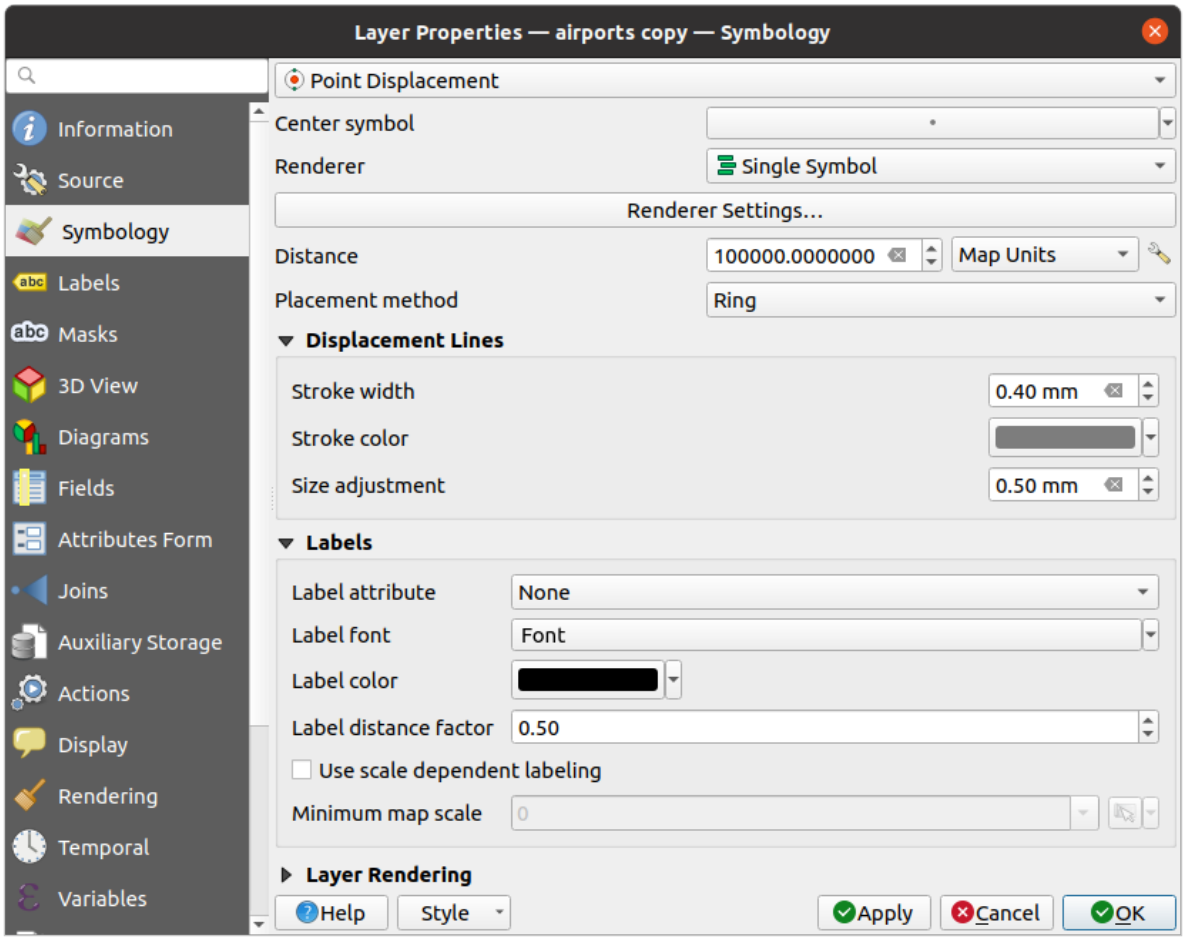


Abb. 15.8: Dialog Punktverdrängung

Bemerkung: Point Displacement renderer does not alter feature geometry, meaning that points are not moved from their position. They are still located at their initial place. Changes are only visual, for rendering purpose. Use instead the Processing *Points displacement* algorithm if you want to create displaced features.

Point Cluster Renderer

Unlike the *Point Displacement* renderer which blows up nearest or overlaid point features placement, the *Point Cluster* renderer groups nearby points into a single rendered marker symbol. Based on a specified *Distance*, points that fall within from each others are merged into a single symbol. Points aggregation is made based on the closest group being formed, rather than just assigning them the first group within the search distance.

From the main dialog, you can:

- set the symbol to represent the point cluster in the *Cluster symbol*; the default rendering displays the number of aggregated features thanks to the `@cluster_size` *variable* on Font marker symbol layer.
- use the *Renderer* drop-down list to apply any of the other feature rendering types to the layer (single, categorized, rule-based…). Then, push the *Renderer Settings…* button to configure features' symbology as usual. Note that this renderer is only visible on features that are not clustered. Also, when the symbol color is the same for all the point features inside a cluster, that color sets the `@cluster_color` variable of the cluster.

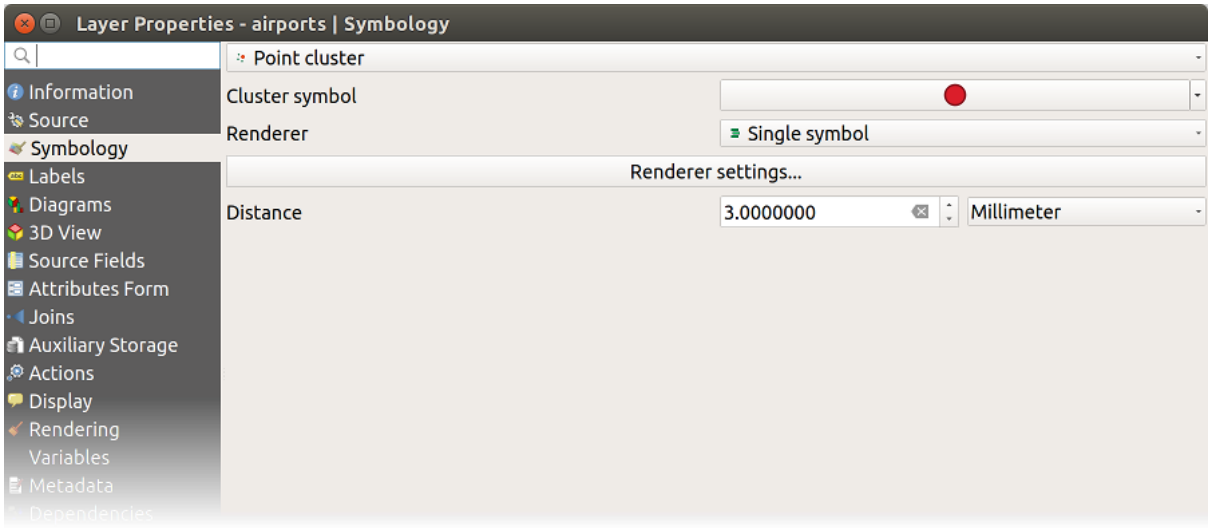


Abb. 15.9: Point Cluster dialog

Bemerkung: Point Cluster renderer does not alter feature geometry, meaning that points are not moved from their position. They are still located at their initial place. Changes are only visual, for rendering purpose. Use instead the Processing *K-means clustering* or *DBSCAN clustering* algorithm if you want to create cluster-based features.

Merged Features Renderer

The *Merged Features* renderer allows area and line features to be "dissolved" into a single object prior to rendering to ensure that complex symbols or overlapping features are represented by a uniform and contiguous cartographic symbol.

Inverted Polygon Renderer

The *Inverted Polygon* renderer allows user to define a symbol to fill in outside of the layer's polygons. As above you can select subrenderers, namely Single symbol, Graduated, Categorized, Rule-Based or 2.5D renderer.

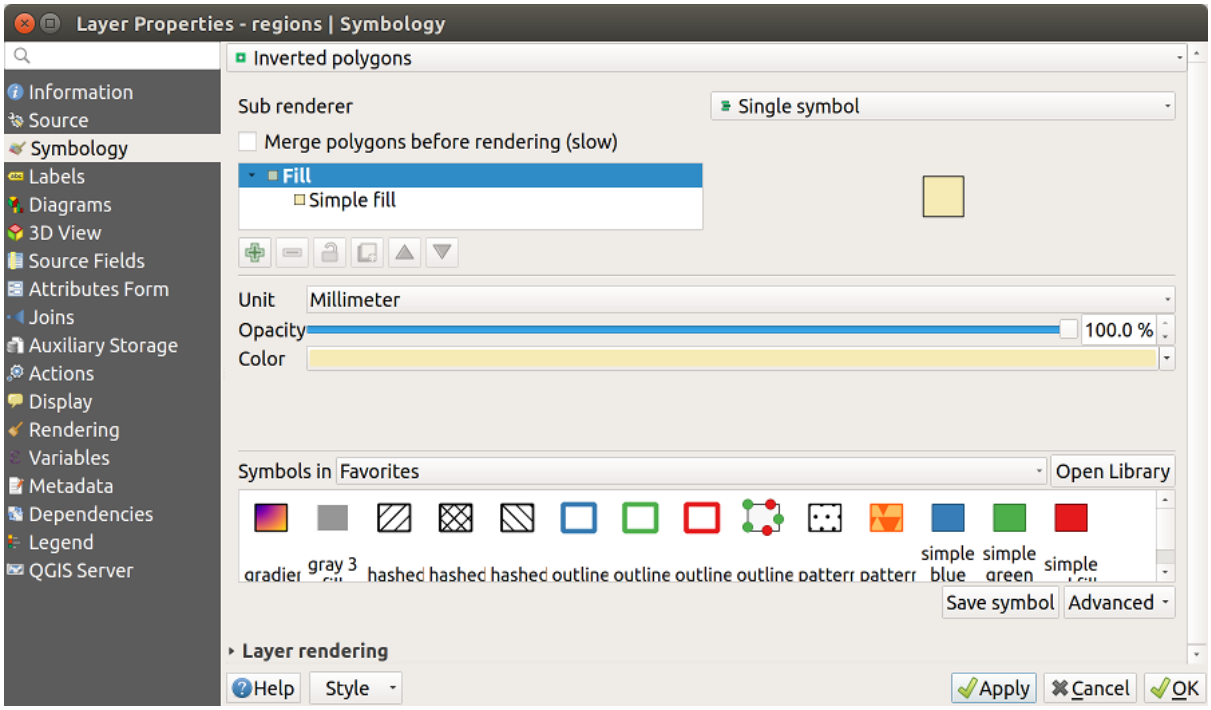


Abb. 15.10: Umgekehrte Polygone Dialog

Heatmap Renderer

With the *Heatmap* renderer you can create live dynamic heatmaps for (multi)point layers. You can specify the heatmap radius in millimeters, points, pixels, map units or inches, choose and edit a color ramp for the heatmap style and use a slider for selecting a trade-off between render speed and quality. You can also define a maximum value limit and give a weight to points using a field or an expression. When adding or removing a feature the heatmap renderer updates the heatmap style automatically.

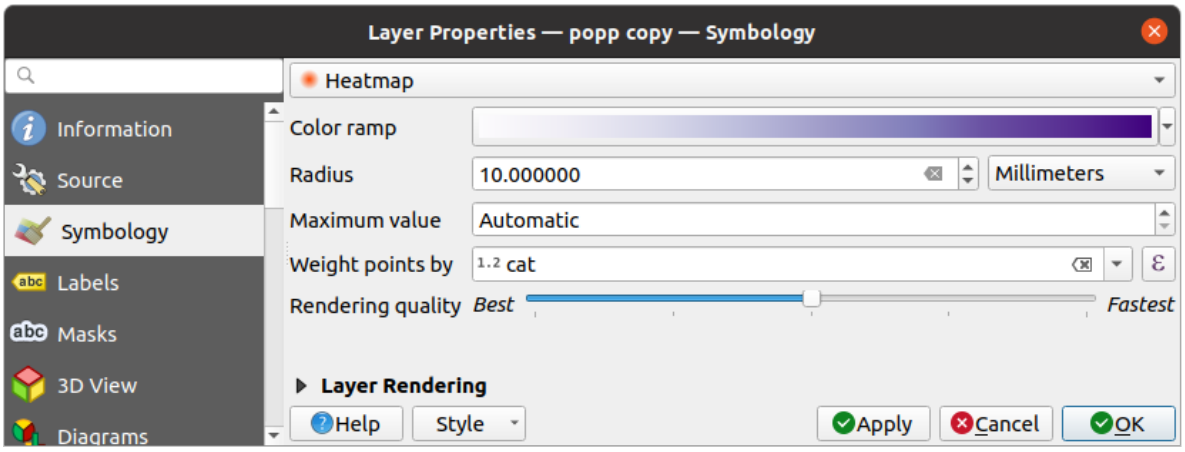


Abb. 15.11: Der Heatmap-Erweiterung Dialog

2.5D Renderer

Using the *2.5D* renderer it's possible to create a 2.5D effect on your layer's features. You start by choosing a *Height* value (in map units). For that you can use a fixed value, one of your layer's fields, or an expression. You also need to choose an *Angle* (in degrees) to recreate the viewer position (0° means west, growing in counter clock wise). Use advanced configuration options to set the *Roof Color* and *Wall Color*. If you would like to simulate solar radiation on the features walls, make sure to check the *Shade walls based on aspect* option. You can also simulate a shadow by setting a *Color* and *Size* (in map units).

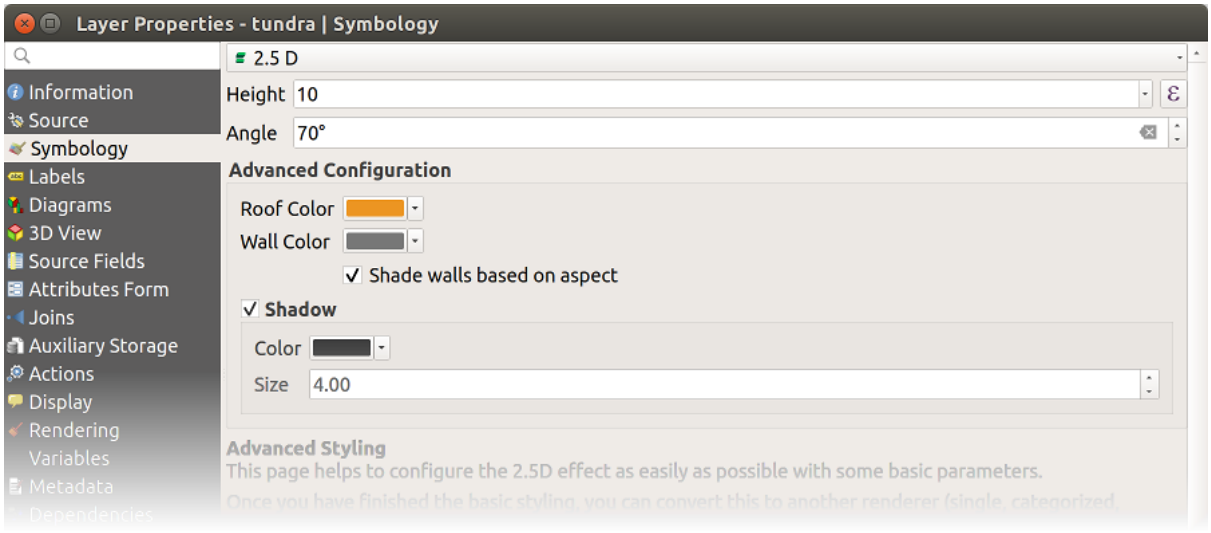


Abb. 15.12: 2.5D dialog

Tipp: Using 2.5D effect with other renderers

Once you have finished setting the basic style on the 2.5D renderer, you can convert this to another renderer (single, categorized, graduated). The 2.5D effects will be kept and all other renderer specific options will be available for you to fine tune them (this way you can have for example categorized symbols with a nice 2.5D representation or add some extra styling to your 2.5D symbols). To make sure that the shadow and the „building" itself do not interfere with other nearby features, you may need to enable Symbols Levels (*Advanced* ► *Symbol levels…*). The 2.5D height and angle values are saved in the layer's variables, so you can edit it afterwards in the variables tab of the layer's properties dialog.

Embedded Renderer

The *Embedded Symbols* renderer allows to display the ‚native' symbology of a provided datasource. This is mostly the case with `KML` and `TAB` datasets that have predefined symbology.

Layerdarstellung

From the Symbology tab, you can also set some options that invariably act on all features of the layer:

- *Opacity* : You can make the underlying layer in the map canvas visible with this tool. Use the slider to adapt the visibility of your vector layer to your needs. You can also make a precise definition of the percentage of visibility in the menu beside the slider.
- *Blending mode* at the *Layer* and *Feature* levels: You can achieve special rendering effects with these tools that you may previously only know from graphics programs. The pixels of your overlaying and underlaying layers are mixed through the settings described in *Mischmodi*.
- Wenden Sie *Zeicheneffekte* auf alle Layerobjekte an, mit dem *Zeicheneffekte* Knopf.
- *Control feature rendering order* allows you, using features attributes, to define the z-order in which they shall be rendered. Activate the checkbox and click on the  button beside. You then get the *Define Order* dialog in which you:

  1. Choose a field or build an expression to apply to the layer features.
  2. Set in which order the fetched features should be sorted, i.e. if you choose **Ascending** order, the features with lower value are rendered under those with higher value.
  3. Define when features returning NULL value should be rendered: **first** (bottom) or **last** (top).
  4. Repeat the above steps as many times as rules you wish to use.

  The first rule is applied to all the features in the layer, z-ordering them according to their returned value. Then, within each group of features with the same value (including those with NULL value) and thus the same z-level, the next rule is applied to sort them. And so on…

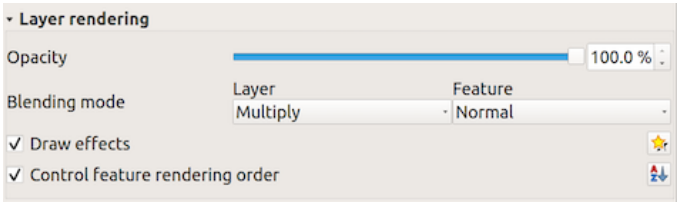


Abb. 15.13: Layerdarstellungsoptionen

Andere Einstellungen

Symbol levels

Für Renderer, die Symbollayer gestapelt ermöglichen (nur Heatmap nicht) gibt es eine Option, um die Darstellungsreihenfolge der einzelnen Symbolebenen zu steuern.

For most of the renderers, you can access the Symbols levels option by clicking the *Advanced* button below the saved symbols list and choosing *Symbol levels*. For the *Rule-based Renderer* the option is directly available through *Symbols Levels…* button, while for *Point displacement Renderer* renderer the same button is inside the *Rendering settings* dialog.

Um die Symbolebenen zu aktivieren, wählen Sie  *Symbolebenen aktivieren*. Jede Reihe zeigt eine kleine Vorschau des kombinierten Symbols, seiner Beschriftung und die individuellen Symbollayer, unterteilt in verschiedene Spalten mit einer Nummer. Die Nummern zeigen die Darstellungsreihenfolge, in der die Symbollayer gezeichnet werden.

Niedrige Werteebenen werden zuerst gezeichnet, liegen ganz unten, während höhere Werte als letztes gezeichnet werden und über den anderen liegen.

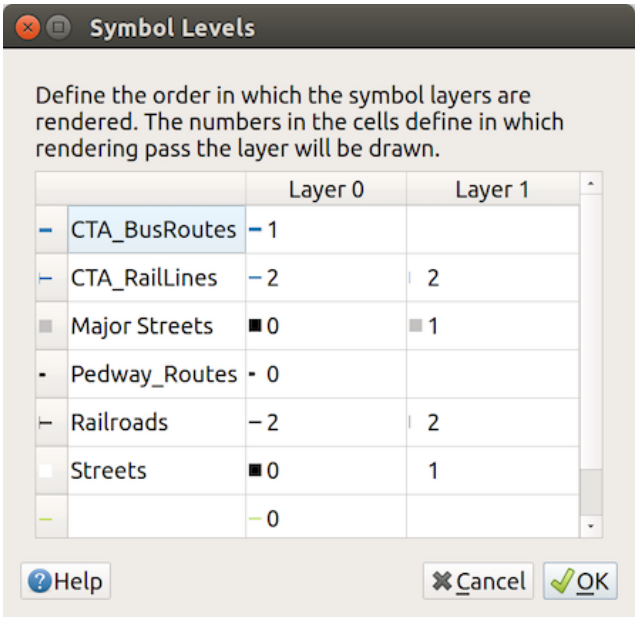


Abb. 15.14: Symbolebenen Dialog

Bemerkung: Wenn Symbolebenen deaktiviert werden, werden alle Symbole entsprechend ihren jeweiligen Objektreihenfolge gezeichnet. Überlappende Symbole werden einfach zu anderen darunter verschleiert. Außerdem „verschmelzen“ ähnliche Symbole nicht mit anderen.

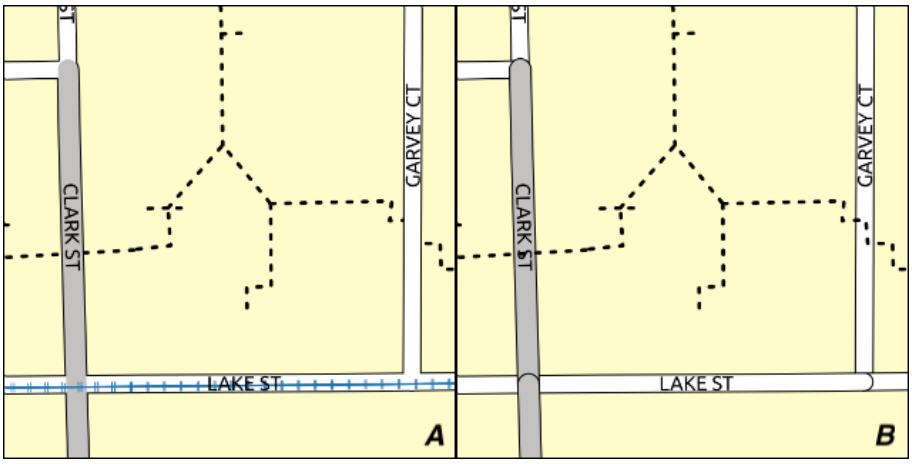


Abb. 15.15: Unterschied von aktivierten (A) und deaktivierten (B) Symbolebenen

Data-defined size legend

When a layer is rendered with the *proportional symbol or the multivariate rendering* or when a *scaled size diagram* is applied to the layer, you can allow the display of the scaled symbols in both the *Layers panel* and the *print layout legend*.

To enable the *Data-defined Size Legend* dialog to render symbology, select the eponym option in the *Advanced* button below the saved symbols list. For diagrams, the option is available under the *Legend* tab. The dialog provides the following options to:

- select the type of legend: *Legend not enabled*, *Separated legend items* and *Collapsed legend*. For the latter option, you can select whether the legend items are aligned at the **Bottom** or at the **Center**;
- preview the *symbol to use* for legend representation;
- insert the title in the legend;
- resize the classes to use: by default, QGIS provides you with a legend of five classes (based on natural pretty breaks) but you can apply your own classification using the *Manual size classes* option. Use the and buttons to set your custom classes values and labels.
- For collapsed legend, it's possible to:
  - *Align symbols* in the center or the bottom
  - configure the horizontal leader *Line symbol* from the symbol to the corresponding legend text.

A preview of the legend is displayed in the right panel of the dialog and updated as you set the parameters.

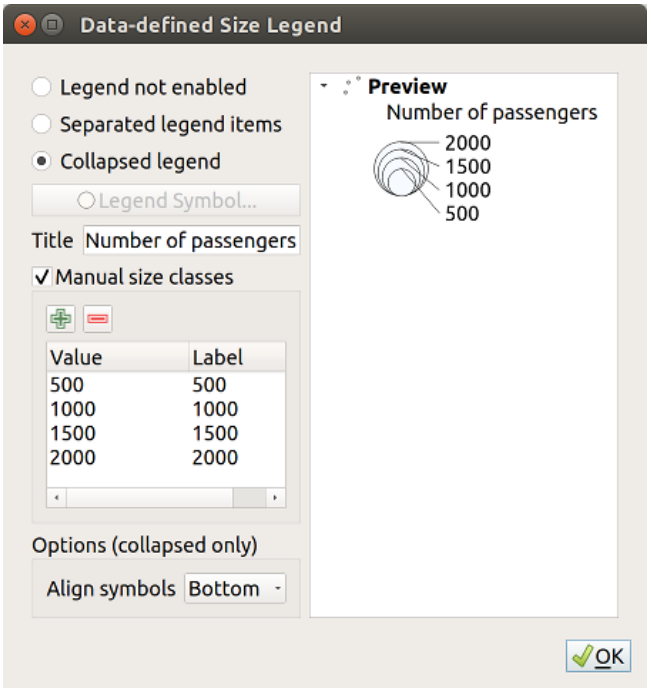


Abb. 15.16: Setting size scaled legend

Bemerkung: Currently, data-defined size legend for layer symbology can only be applied to point layer using single, categorized or graduated symbology.

Zeicheneffekte

Damit die Layerdarstellung verbessert und vermieden (oder zumindest reduziert) wird, dass andere Software auf die endgültige Darstellung der Karte umsortiert, bietet QGIS eine weitere leistungsfähige Funktionalität: Die Option *Zeicheneffekte*, die zur Anpassung Zeicheneffekte für die Visualisierung von Vektorlayern hinzufügt.

The option is available in the *Layer Properties* ► *Symbology* dialog, under the *Layer rendering* group (applying to the whole layer) or in *symbol layer properties* (applying to corresponding features). You can combine both usage.

Paint effects can be activated by checking the *Draw effects* option and clicking the Customize effects button. That will open the *Effect Properties* Dialog (see Abb. 15.17). The following effect types, with custom options are available:

- **Source**: Draws the feature's original style according to the configuration of the layer's properties. The *Opacity* of its style can be adjusted as well as the *Blend mode* and *Draw mode*. These are common properties for all types of effects.

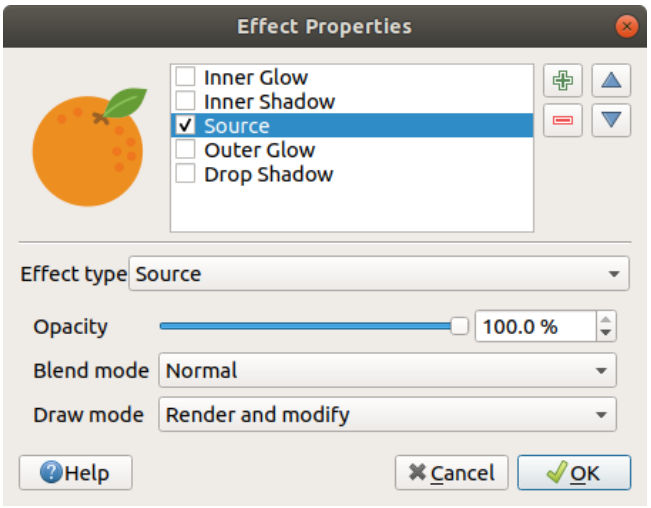


Abb. 15.17: Zeicheneffekte: Dialog Quelle

- **Blur**: Adds a blur effect on the vector layer. The custom options that you can change are the *Blur type* (*Stack blur (fast)* or *Gaussian blur (quality)*) and the *Blur strength*.

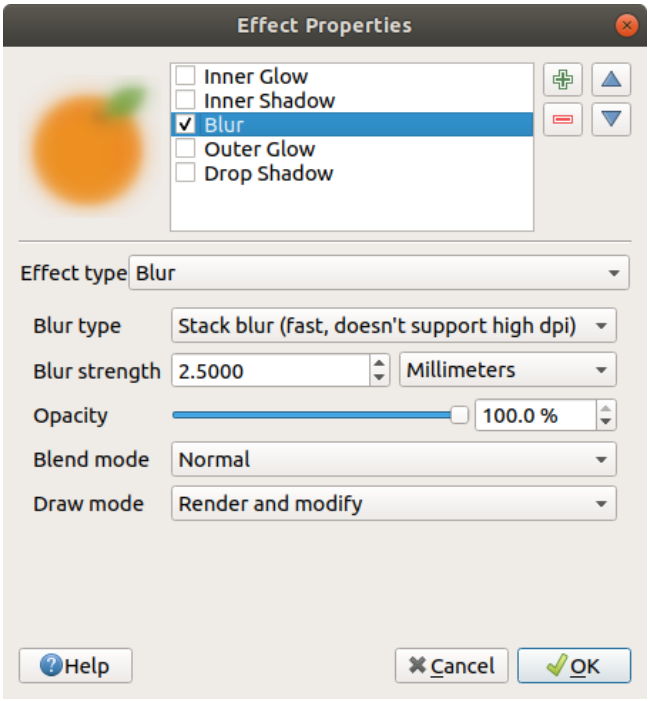


Abb. 15.18: Zeicheneffekte: Dialog verwischen

- **Colorise**: This effect can be used to make a version of the style using one single hue. The base will always be a grayscale version of the symbol and you can:
  - Use the  *Grayscale* to select how to create it: options are ‚By lightness', ‚By luminosity', ‚By average' and ‚Off'.
  - If  *Colorise* is selected, it will be possible to mix another color and choose how strong it should be.
  - Control the *Brightness*, *Contrast* and *Saturation* levels of the resulting symbol.

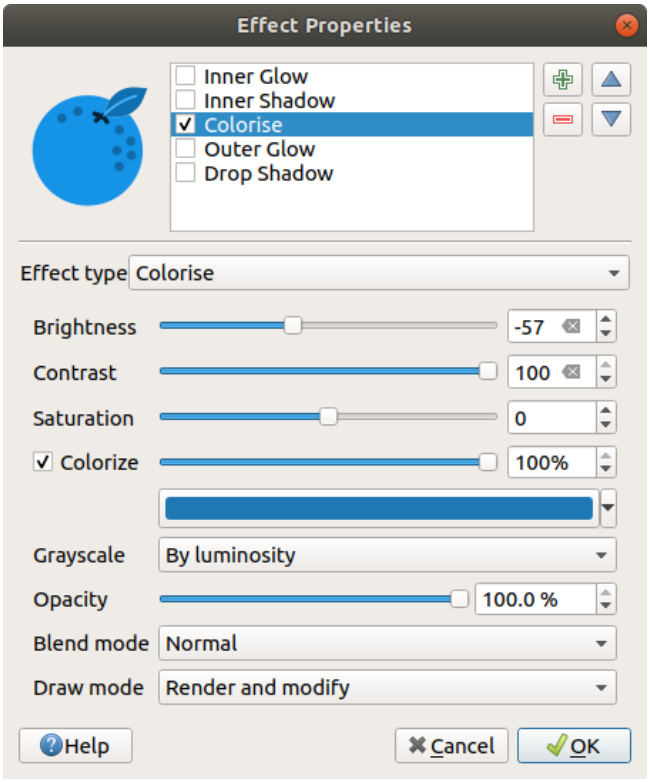


Abb. 15.19: Zeicheneffekte: Dialog einfärben

- **Drop Shadow**: Using this effect adds a shadow on the feature, which looks like adding an extra dimension. This effect can be customized by changing the *Offset* angle and distance, determining where the shadow shifts towards to and the proximity to the source object. *Drop Shadow* also has the option to change the *Blur radius* and the *Color* of the effect.

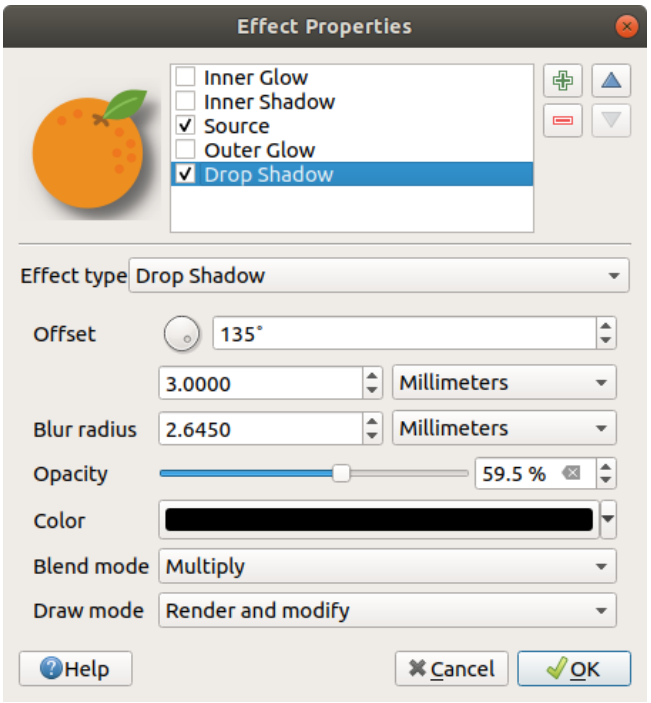


Abb. 15.20: Zeicheneffekte: Dialog Schattenwurf

- **Inner Shadow**: This effect is similar to the *Drop Shadow* effect, but it adds the shadow effect on the inside of the edges of the feature. The available options for customization are the same as the *Drop Shadow* effect.

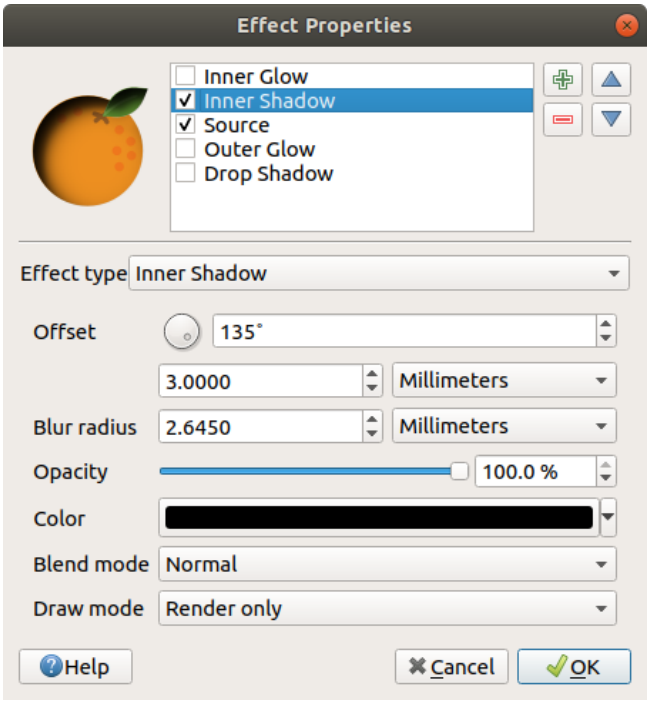


Abb. 15.21: Zeicheneffekte: Dialog Innerer Schatten

- **Inner Glow**: Adds a glow effect inside the feature. This effect can be customized by adjusting the *Spread* (width) of the glow, or the *Blur radius*. The latter specifies the proximity from the edge of the feature where you want any blurring to happen. Additionally, there are options to customize the color of the glow using a *Single color* or a *Color ramp*.

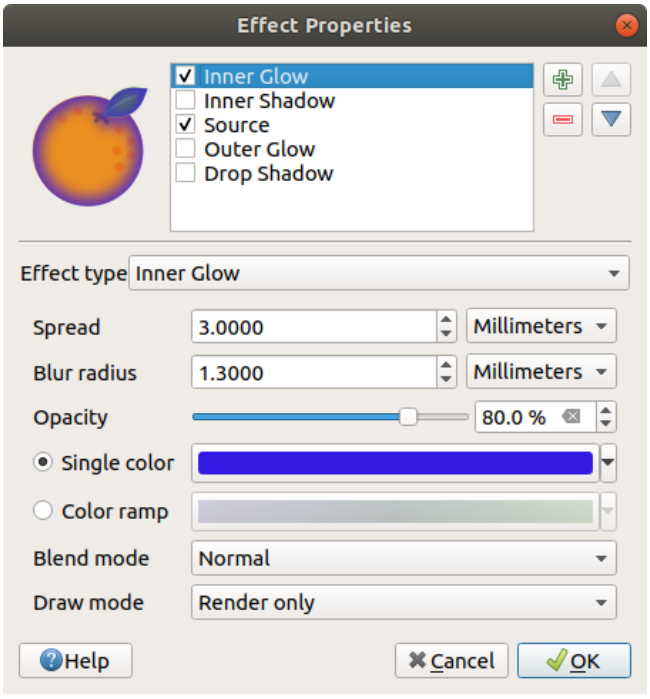


Abb. 15.22: Zeicheneffekte: Dialog Inneres Glühen

- **Outer Glow**: This effect is similar to the *Inner Glow* effect, but it adds the glow effect on the outside of the edges of the feature. The available options for customization are the same as the *Inner Glow* effect.

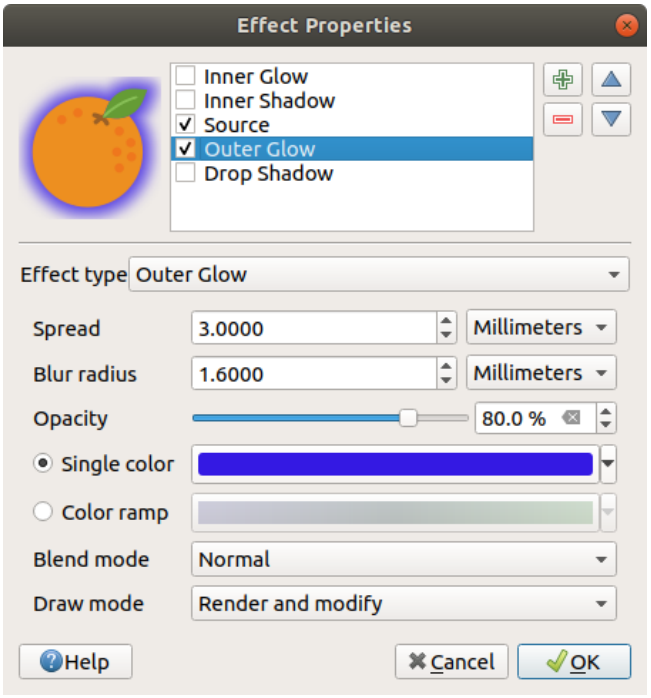


Abb. 15.23: Zeicheneffekte: Dialog Äußeres Glühen

- **Transform**: Adds the possibility of transforming the shape of the symbol. The first options available for customization are the *Reflect horizontal* and *Reflect vertical*, which actually create a reflection on the horizontal and/or vertical axes. The other options are:
  - *Shear X,Y*: Slants the feature along the X and/or Y axis.
  - *Scale X,Y*: Enlarges or minimizes the feature along the X and/or Y axis by the given percentage.
  - *Rotation*: Turns the feature around its center point.
  - and *Translate X,Y* changes the position of the item based on a distance given on the X and/or Y axis.

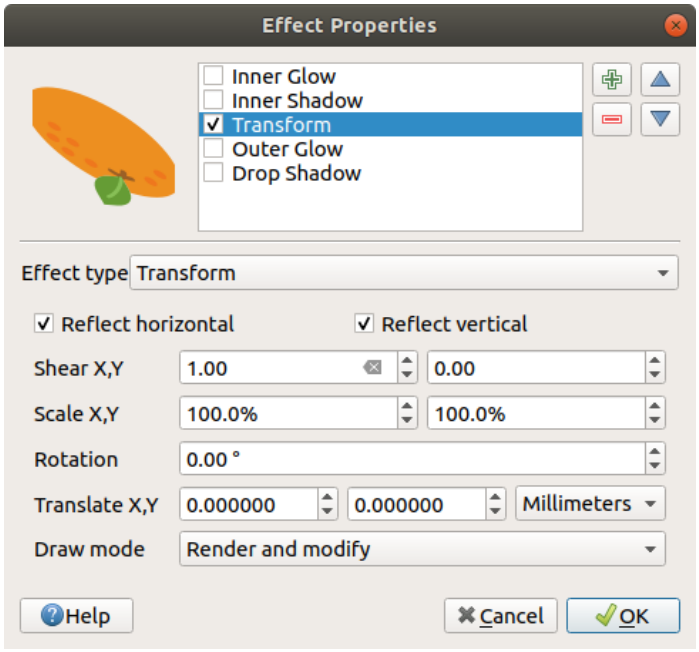


Abb. 15.24: Zeicheneffekte: Dialog transformieren

One or more effect types can be used at the same time. You (de)activate an effect using its checkbox in the effects list. You can change the selected effect type by using the *Effect type* option. You can reorder the effects using Move up and Move down buttons, and also add/remove effects using the Add new effect and Remove effect buttons.

There are some common options available for all draw effect types. *Opacity* and *Blend mode* options work similar to the ones described in *Layerdarstellung* and can be used in all draw effects except for the transform one.

There is also a *Draw mode* option available for every effect, and you can choose whether to render and/or modify the symbol, following some rules:

- Effects render from top to bottom.
- *Render only* mode means that the effect will be visible.
- *Modifier only* mode means that the effect will not be visible but the changes that it applies will be passed to the next effect (the one immediately below).
- The *Render and Modify* mode will make the effect visible and pass any changes to the next effect. If the effect is at the top of the effects list or if the immediately above effect is not in modify mode, then it will use the original source symbol from the layers properties (similar to source).

15.1.4 Labels Properties

The *Labels* properties provides you with all the needed and appropriate capabilities to configure smart labeling on vector layers. This dialog can also be accessed from the *Layer Styling* panel, or using the Layer Labeling Options button of the **Labels toolbar**.

The first step is to choose the labeling method from the drop-down list. Available methods are:

- *No labels*: the default value, showing no labels from the layer
- *Single labels*: Show labels on the map using a single attribute or an expression
- *Rule-based labeling*

- and *Blocking*: allows to set a layer as just an obstacle for other layer's labels without rendering any labels of its own.

The next steps assume you select the *Single labels* option, opening the following dialog.

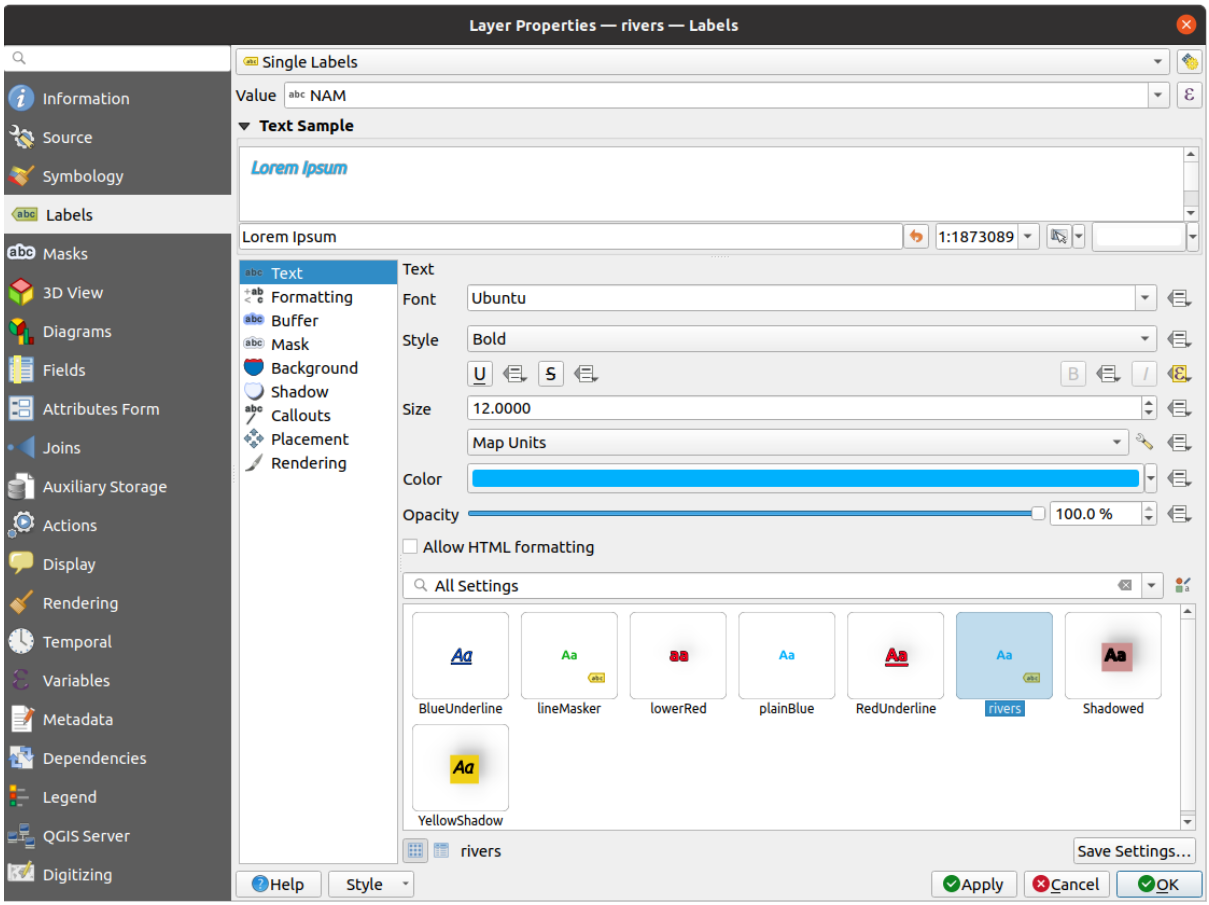


Abb. 15.25: Layer labeling settings - Single labels

At the top of the dialog, a *Value* drop-down list is enabled. You can select an attribute column to use for labeling. By default, the *display field* is used. Click ε if you want to define labels based on expressions - See *Ausdrucksbasierte Beschriftungen definieren*.

Bemerkung: Labels with their formatting can be displayed as entries in the legends, if enabled in the *Legend* tab.

Below are displayed options to customize the labels, under various tabs:

- *Text*
- *Formatting*
- *Buffer*
- *Mask*
- *Background*
- *Shadow*
- *Callouts*

- *Placement*
- *Rendering*

Description of how to set each property is exposed at *Setting a label*.

Setting the automated placement engine

You can use the automated placement settings to configure a project-level automated behavior of the labels. In the top right corner of the *Labels* tab, click the Automated placement settings (applies to all layers) button, opening a dialog with the following options:

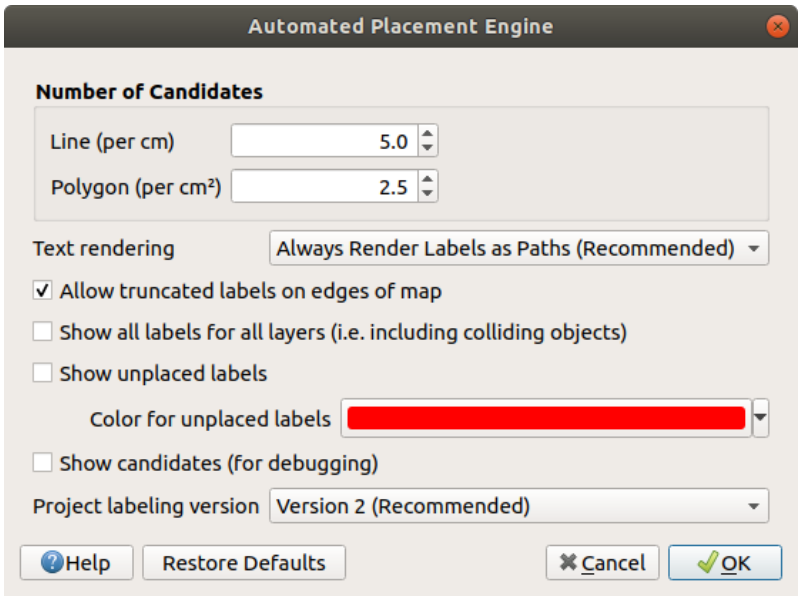


Abb. 15.26: The labels automated placement engine

- *Number of candidates*: calculates and assigns to line and polygon features the number of possible labels placement based on their size. The longer or wider a feature is, the more candidates it has, and its labels can be better placed with less risk of collision.
- *Text rendering*: sets the default value for label rendering widgets when *exporting a map canvas* or *a layout* to PDF or SVG. If *Always render labels as text* is selected then labels can be edited in external applications (e.g. Inkscape) as normal text. BUT the side effect is that the rendering quality is decreased, and there are issues with rendering when certain text settings like buffers are in place. That's why *Always render labels as paths (recommended)* which exports labels as outlines, is recommended.
- *Allow truncated labels on edges of map*: controls whether labels which fall partially outside of the map extent should be rendered. If checked, these labels will be shown (when there's no way to place them fully within the visible area). If unchecked then partially visible labels will be skipped. Note that this setting has no effects on labels' display in the *layout map item*.
- *Show all labels for all layers (i.e. including colliding objects)*. Note that this option can be also set per layer (see *Rendering tab*)
- *Show unplaced labels*: allows to determine whether any important labels are missing from the maps (e.g. due to overlaps or other constraints). They are displayed using a customizable color.
- *Show candidates (for debugging)*: controls whether boxes should be drawn on the map showing all the candidates generated for label placement. Like the label says, it's useful only for debugging and testing the effect different labeling settings have. This could be handy for a better manual placement with tools from the *label toolbar*.

- *Project labeling version*: QGIS supports two different versions of label automatic placement:
  - *Version 1*: the old system (used by QGIS versions 3.10 and earlier, and when opening projects created in these versions in QGIS 3.12 or later). Version 1 treats label and obstacle priorities as „rough guides“ only, and it's possible that a low-priority label will be placed over a high-priority obstacle in this version. Accordingly, it can be difficult to obtain the desired labeling results when using this version and it is thus recommended only for compatibility with older projects.
  - *Version 2 (recommended)*: this is the default system in new projects created in QGIS 3.12 or later. In version 2, the logic dictating when labels are allowed to overlap *obstacles* has been reworked. The newer logic forbids any labels from overlapping any obstacles with a greater obstacle weight compared to the label's priority. As a result, this version results in much more predictable and easier to understand labeling results.

Regelbasierte Beschriftung

With rule-based labeling multiple label configurations can be defined and applied selectively on the base of expression filters and scale range, as in *Rule-based rendering*.

To create a rule:

1. Select the **Rule-based labeling** option in the main drop-down list from the *Labels* tab
2. Click the Add rule button at the bottom of the dialog.
3. Fill the new dialog with:
   - *Description*: a text used to identify the rule in the *Labels* tab and as a *label legend entry* in the print layout legend
   - *Filter*: an expression to select the features to apply the label settings to
   - If there are rules already set, the *Else* option can be used to select all the features not matching any filter of the rules in the same group.
4. You can set a *scale range* in which the label rule should be applied.
5. The options available under the *Labels* group box are the usual *label settings*. Configure them and press *OK*.

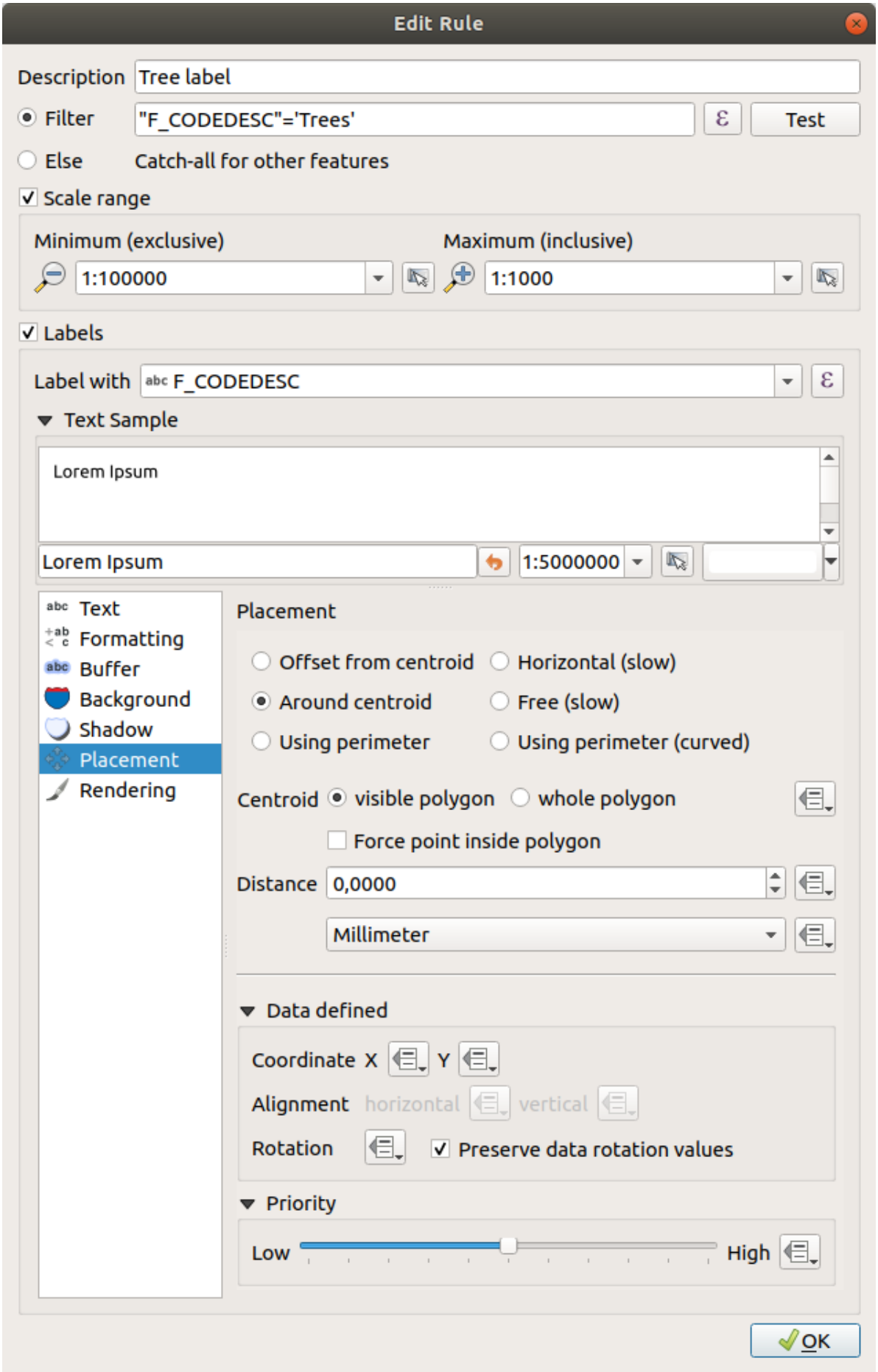


Abb. 15.27: Regeleigenschaften

A summary of existing rules is shown in the main dialog (see Abb. 15.28). You can add multiple rules, reorder or imbricate them with a drag-and-drop. You can as well remove them with the button or edit them with button or a double-click.

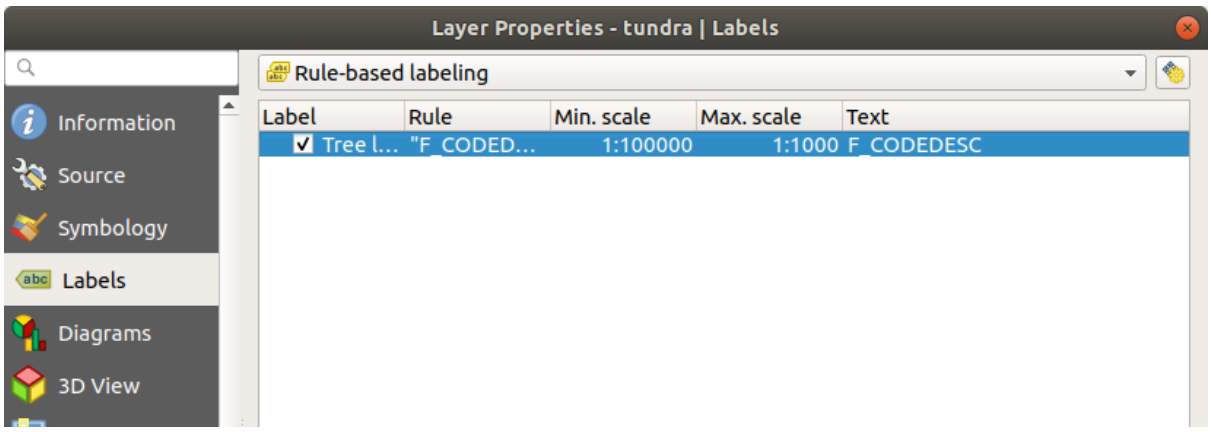


Abb. 15.28: Regelbasierte Beschriftung Bedienfelder

Ausdrucksbasierte Beschriftungen definieren

Whether you choose single or rule-based labeling type, QGIS allows using expressions to label features.

Assuming you are using the *Single labels* method, click the button near the *Value* drop-down list in the *Labels* tab of the properties dialog.

In Abb. 15.29, you see a sample expression to label the alaska trees layer with tree type and area, based on the field ‚VEGDESC', some descriptive text, and the function `$area` in combination with `format_number()` to make it look nicer.

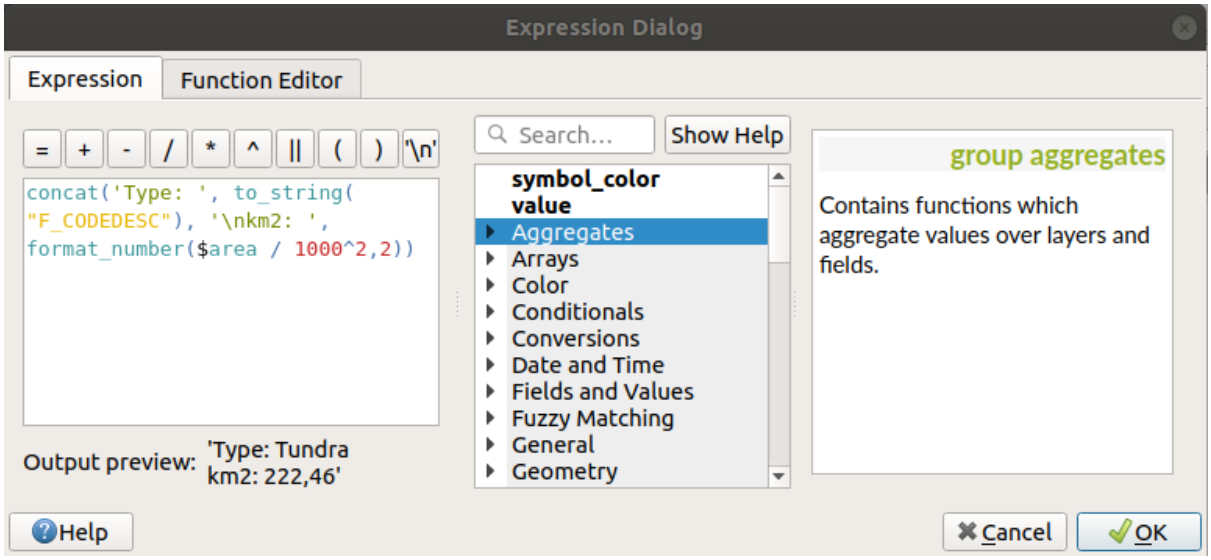


Abb. 15.29: Ausdrücke für das Beschriften verwenden

Expression based labeling is easy to work with. All you have to take care of is that:

- You may need to combine all elements (strings, fields, and functions) with a string concatenation function such as `concat`, `+` or `||`. Be aware that in some situations (when null or numeric value are involved) not all of these tools will fit your need.

- Strings are written in ‚single quotes'.
- Fields are written in „double quotes" or without any quote.

Schauen wir uns einige Beispiele an:

1. Label based on two fields ‚name' and ‚place' with a comma as separator:

```
"name" || ', ' || "place"
```

   Returns:

```
John Smith, Paris
```

2. Label based on two fields ‚name' and ‚place' with other texts:

```
'My name is ' + "name" + 'and I live in ' + "place"
'My name is ' || "name" || 'and I live in ' || "place"
concat('My name is ', name, ' and I live in ', "place")
```

   Returns:

```
My name is John Smith and I live in Paris
```

3. Label based on two fields ‚name' and ‚place' with other texts combining different concatenation functions:

```
concat('My name is ', name, ' and I live in ' || place)
```

   Returns:

```
My name is John Smith and I live in Paris
```

   Or, if the field ‚place' is NULL, returns:

```
My name is John Smith
```

4. Multi-line label based on two fields ‚name' and ‚place' with a descriptive text:

```
concat('My name is ', "name", '\n' , 'I live in ' , "place")
```

   Returns:

```
My name is John Smith
I live in Paris
```

5. Label based on a field and the $area function to show the place's name and its rounded area size in a converted unit:

```
'The area of ' || "place" || ' has a size of '
|| round($area/10000) || ' ha'
```

   Returns:

```
The area of Paris has a size of 10500 ha
```

6. Create a CASE ELSE condition. If the population value in field *population* is <= 50000 it is a town, otherwise it is a city:

```
concat('This place is a ',
CASE WHEN "population" <= 50000 THEN 'town' ELSE 'city' END)
```

   Returns:

```
This place is a town
```

7. Display name for the cities and no label for the other features (for the „city“ context, see example above):

```
CASE WHEN "population" > 50000 THEN "NAME" END
```

Returns:

```
Paris
```

Wie Sie im Ausdruckeditor sehen können stehen Ihnen hunderte von Funktionen zur Verfügung um einfache und sehr komplexe Ausdrücke zumBeschriften Ihrer Daten in QGIS zu erstellen. Siehe das *Ausdrücke* Kapitel für weitere Informationen und ein Beispiel zu Ausdrücken.

Datendefinierte Übersteuerung für das Beschriften

With the Data defined override function, the settings for the labeling are overridden by entries in the attribute table or expressions based on them. This feature can be used to set values for most of the labeling options described above.

For example, using the Alaska QGIS sample dataset, let's label the `airports` layer with their name, based on their militarian `USE`, i.e. whether the airport is accessible to :

- military people, then display it in gray color, size 8;
- others, then show in blue color, size 10.

To do this, after you enabled the labeling on the `NAME` field of the layer (see *Setting a label*):

1. Activate the *Text* tab.
2. Click on the icon next to the *Size* property.
3. Select *Edit…* and type:

```
CASE
  WHEN "USE" like '%Military%' THEN 8 -- because compatible values are
↪'Military'
                                    -- and 'Joint Military/Civilian'
  ELSE 10
END
```

4. Press *OK* to validate. The dialog closes and the button becomes meaning that an rule is being run.
5. Then click the button next to the color property, type the expression below and validate:

```
CASE
  WHEN "USE" like '%Military%' THEN '150, 150, 150'
  ELSE '0, 0, 255'
END
```

Likewise, you can customize any other property of the label, the way you want. See more details on the Data-define override widget's description and manipulation in *Datendefinierte Übersteuerung Setup* section.

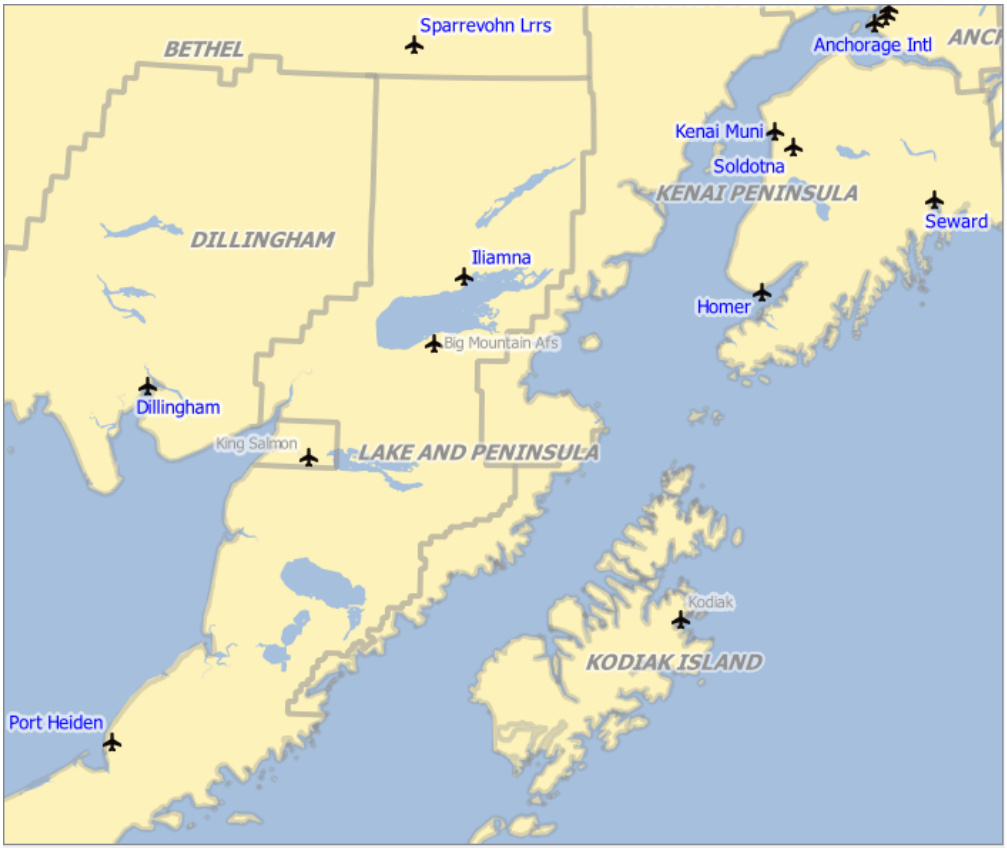


Abb. 15.30: Airports labels are formatted based on their attributes

Tipp: Use the data-defined override to label every part of multi-part features

There is an option to set the labeling for multi-part features independently from your label properties. Choose the *Rendering*, `Feature options`, go to the Data-define override button next to the checkbox *Label every part of multipart-features* and define the labels as described in *Datendefinierte Übersteuerung Setup*.

The Label Toolbar

The *Label Toolbar* provides some tools to manipulate *label* (including their *callout*) or *diagram* properties:



Abb. 15.31: The Label toolbar

- Highlight Pinned Labels, Diagrams and Callouts. If the vector layer of the item is editable, then the highlighting is green, otherwise it's blue.
- Toggle Display of Unplaced Labels: Allows to determine whether any important labels are missing from the maps (e.g. due to overlaps or other constraints). They are displayed with a customizable color (see *Setting the automated placement engine*).
- Pin/Unpin Labels and Diagrams. By clicking or draging an area, you pin overlaid items. If you click or drag an area

holding `Shift`, the items are unpinned. Finally, you can also click or drag an area holding `Ctrl` to toggle their pin status.

- Show/Hide Labels and Diagrams. If you click on the items, or click and drag an area holding `Shift`, they are hidden. When an item is hidden, you just have to click on the feature to restore its visibility. If you drag an area, all the items in the area will be restored.
- Move a Label, Diagram or Callout: click to select the item and click to move it to the desired place. The new coordinates are stored in *auxiliary fields*. Selecting the item with this tool and hitting the `Delete` key will delete the stored position value.
- Rotate a Label. Click to select the label and click again to apply the desired rotation. Likewise, the new angle is stored in an auxiliary field. Selecting a label with this tool and hitting the `Delete` key will delete the rotation value of this label.
- Change Label Properties. It opens a dialog to change the clicked label properties; it can be the label itself, its coordinates, angle, font, size, multiline alignment … as long as this property has been mapped to a field. Here you can set the option to *Label every part of a feature*.

Warnung: Label tools overwrite current field values

Using the *Label toolbar* to customize the labeling actually writes the new value of the property in the mapped field. Hence, be careful to not inadvertently replace data you may need later!

Bemerkung: The *Auxiliary Storage Properties* mechanism may be used to customize labeling (position, and so on) without modifying the underlying data source.

Customize the labels from the map canvas

Combined with the *Label Toolbar*, the data defined override setting helps you manipulate labels in the map canvas (move, edit, rotate). We now describe an example using the data-defined override function for the Move Label, Diagram or Callout function (see Abb. 15.32).

1. Importieren Sie `lakes.shp` aus dem QGIS Beispieldatensatz.
2. Doppelklicken Sie den Layer um die Layereigenschaften zu öffnen. Klicken Sie auf *Beschriftungen* und *Platzierung*. Wählen Sie *Abstand vom Punkt*.
3. Look for the *Data defined* entries. Click the icon to define the field type for the *Coordinate*. Choose `xlabel` for X and `ylabel` for Y. The icons are now highlighted in yellow.

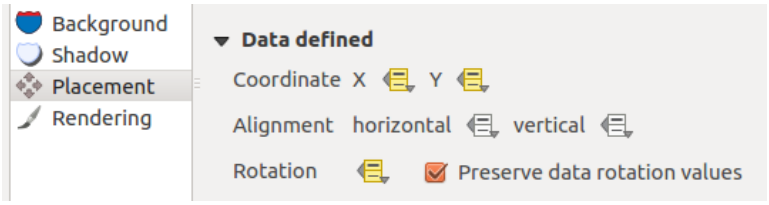


Abb. 15.32: Das Beschriften von Polygonlayern mit datendefinierter Übersteuerung

4. Zoomen Sie auf einen See.
5. Set editable the layer using the Toggle Editing button.

6. Go to the Label toolbar and click the icon. Now you can shift the label manually to another position (see Abb. 15.33). The new position of the label is saved in the `xlabel` and `ylabel` columns of the attribute table.
7. It's also possible to add a line connecting each lake to its moved label using:
   - the label's *callout property*
   - or the *geometry generator symbol layer* with the expression below:

```
make_line( centroid( $geometry ), make_point( "xlabel", "ylabel" ) )
```

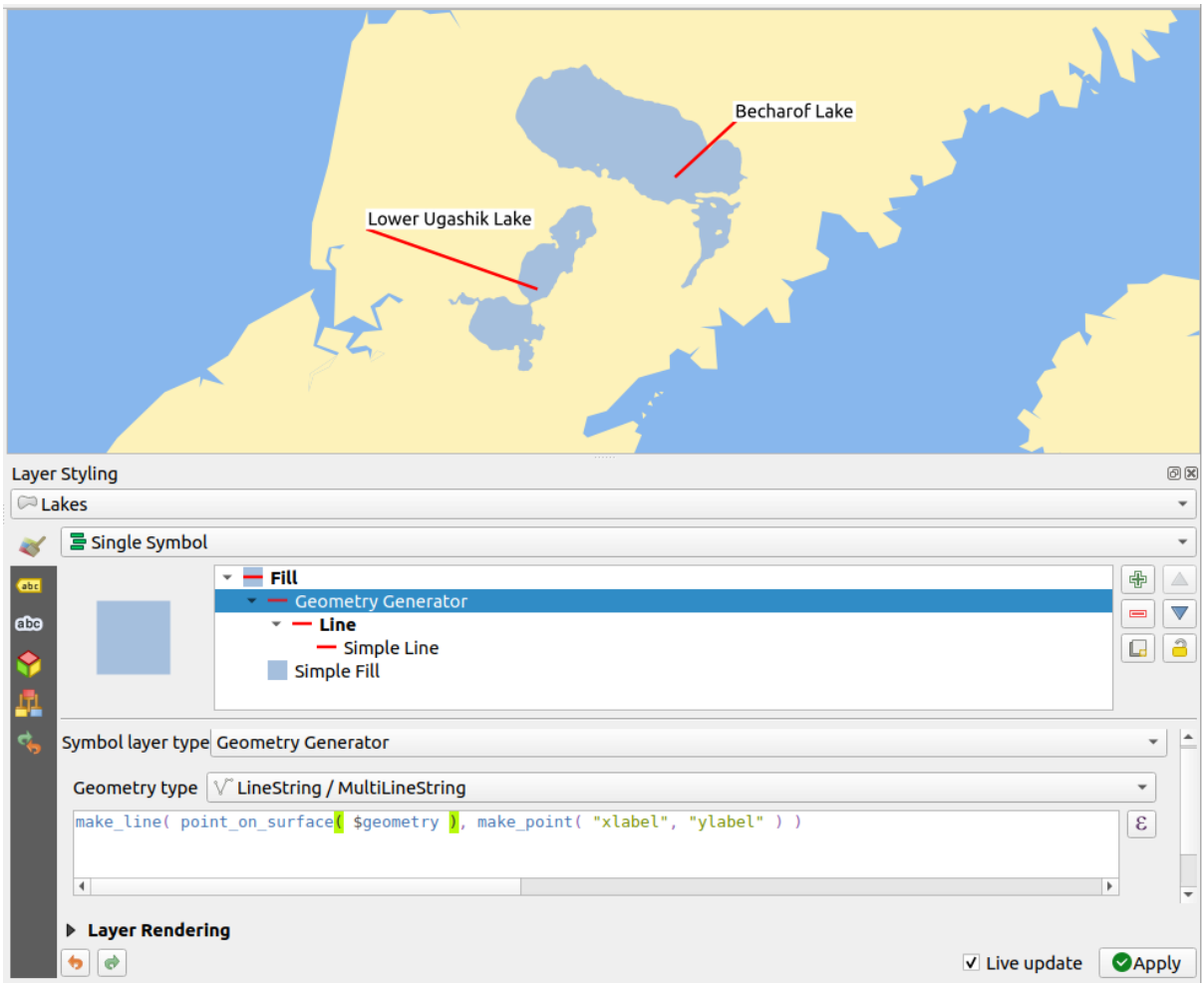


Abb. 15.33: Moved labels

Bemerkung: The *Auxiliary Storage Properties* mechanism may be used with data-defined properties without having an editable data source.

15.1.5 Diagrams Properties

 The *Diagrams* tab allows you to add a graphic overlay to a vector layer (see Abb. 15.34).

Die aktuelle Kernimplementation von Diagrammen bietet Unterstützung von:

- *No diagrams*: the default value with no diagram displayed over the features;
- *Pie chart*, a circular statistical graphic divided into slices to illustrate numerical proportion. The arc length of each slice is proportional to the quantity it represents;
- abc *Text diagram*, a horizontaly divided circle showing statistics values inside;
- *Histogram*, bars of varying colors for each attribute aligned next to each other
- *Stacked bars*, Stacks bars of varying colors for each attribute on top of each other vertically or horizontally

In the top right corner of the *Diagrams* tab, the Automated placement settings (applies to all layers) button provides means to control diagram *labels placement* on the map canvas.

Tipp: Switch quickly between types of diagrams

Given that the settings are almost common to the different types of diagram, when designing your diagram, you can easily change the diagram type and check which one is more appropriate to your data without any loss.

For each type of diagram, the properties are divided into several tabs:

- *Attributes*
- *Rendering*
- *Size*
- *Placement*
- *Options*
- *Legend*

Attribute

Attribute`definiert, welche Variablen in dem Diagramm gezeigt werden. Nutzen Sie den :sup:`Objekt hinzufügen Knopf um das gewünschte Feld in das ‚Zugeordnete Attribut' Bedienfeld zu schieben. Erzeugte Attribute mit den *Ausdrücke* können auch genutzt werden.

You can move up and down any row with click and drag, sorting how attributes are displayed. You can also change the label in the ‚Legend' column or the attribute color by double-clicking the item.

This label is the default text displayed in the legend of the print layout or of the layer tree.

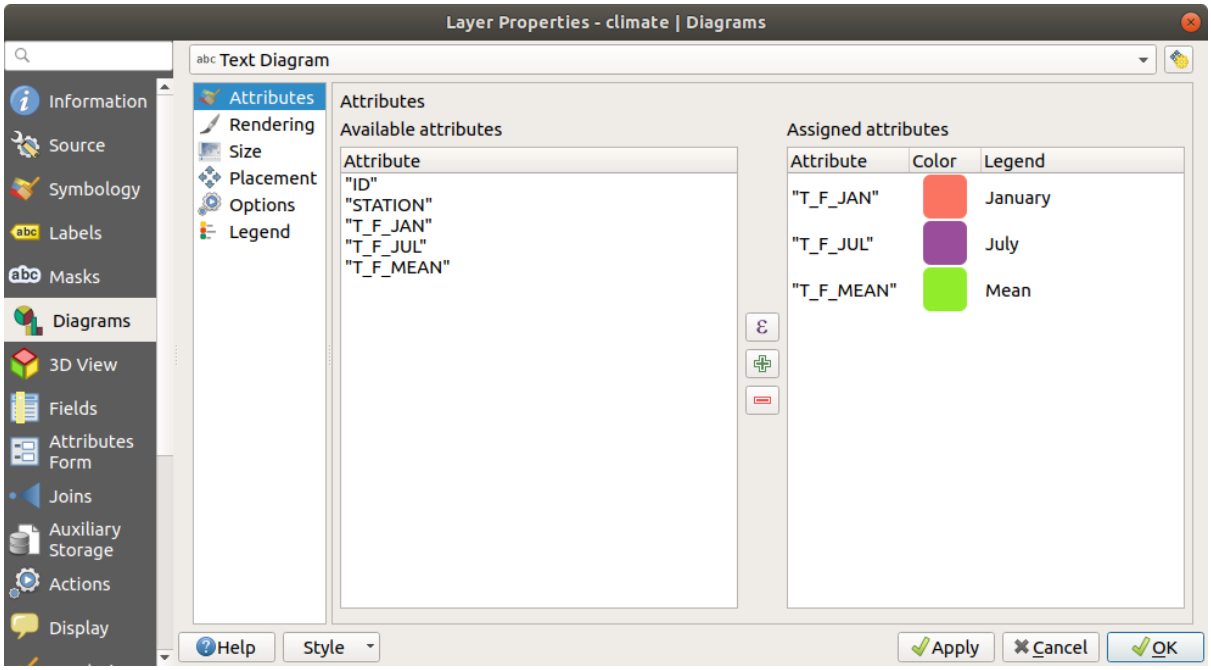


Abb. 15.34: Diagram properties - Attributes tab

Layeranzeige kontrollieren

Rendering defines how the diagram looks like. It provides general settings that do not interfere with the statistic values such as:

- the graphic's opacity, its outline width and color;
- depending on the type of diagram:
  - for histogram and stacked bars, the width of the bar and the spacing between the bars. You may want to set the spacing to `0` for stacked bars. Moreover, the *Axis line symbol* can be made visible on the map canvas and customized using *line symbol properties*.
  - for text diagram, the circle background color and the *font* used for texts;
  - for pie charts, the *Start angle* of the first slice and their *Direction* (clockwise or not).
- the use of *paint effects* on the graphics.

In this tab, you can also manage and fine tune the diagram visibility with different options:

- *Diagram z-index*: controls how diagrams are drawn on top of each other and on top of labels. A diagram with a high index is drawn over diagrams and labels;
- *Show all diagrams*: shows all the diagrams even if they overlap each other;
- *Show diagram*: allows only specific diagrams to be rendered;
- *Always Show*: selects specific diagrams to always render, even when they overlap other diagrams or map labels;
- setting the *Scale dependent visibility*;

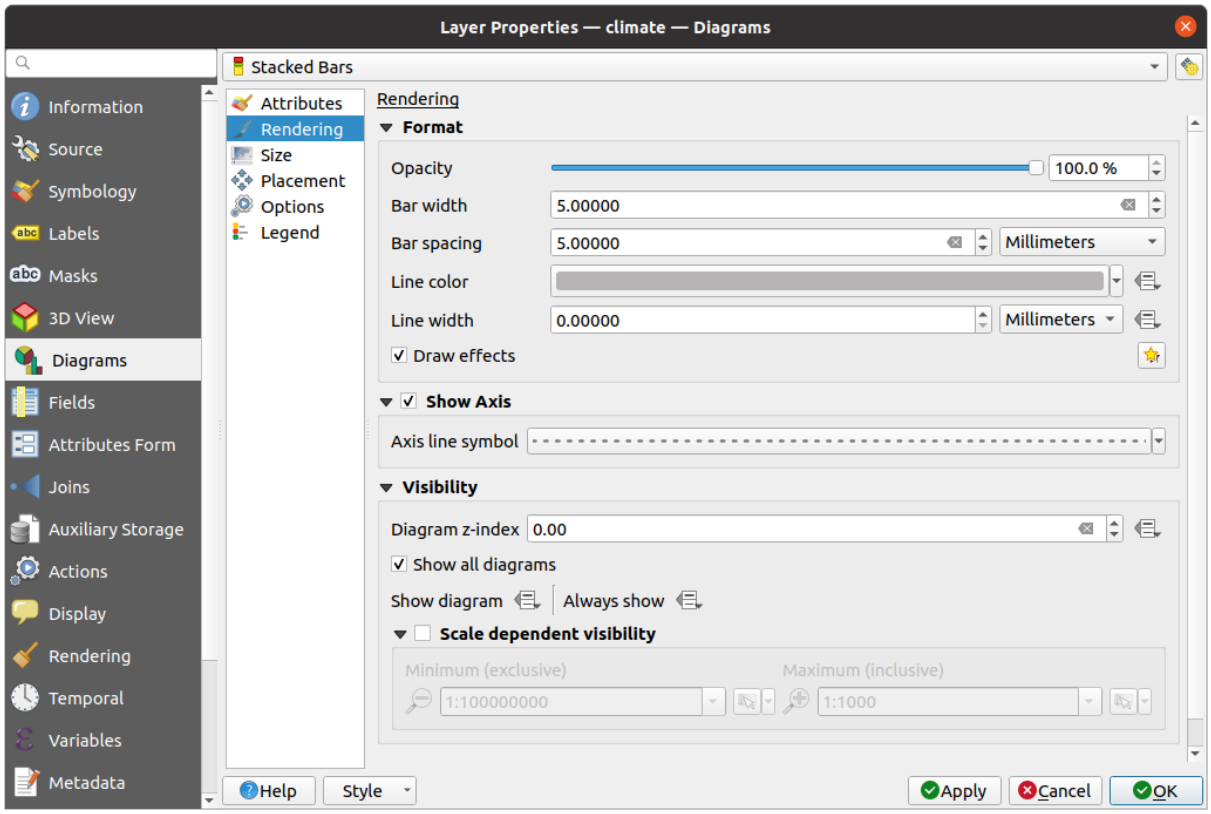


Abb. 15.35: Diagram properties - Rendering tab

Größe

Size is the main tab to set how the selected statistics are represented. The diagram size *units* can be ‚Millimeters', ‚Points', ‚Pixels', ‚Map Units' or ‚Inches'. You can use:

- *Fixed size*, a unique size to represent the graphic of all the features (not available for histograms)
- or *Scaled size*, based on an expression using layer attributes:
  1. In *Attribute*, select a field or build an expression
  2. Press *Find* to return the *Maximum value* of the attribute or enter a custom value in the widget.
  3. For histogram and stacked bars, enter a *Bar length* value, used to represent the *Maximum value* of the attributes. For each feature, the bar lenght will then be scaled linearly to keep this matching.
  4. For pie chart and text diagram, enter a *Size* value, used to represent the *Maximum value* of the attributes. For each feature, the circle area or diameter will then be scaled linearly to keep this matching (from `0`). A *Minimum size* can however be set for small diagrams.

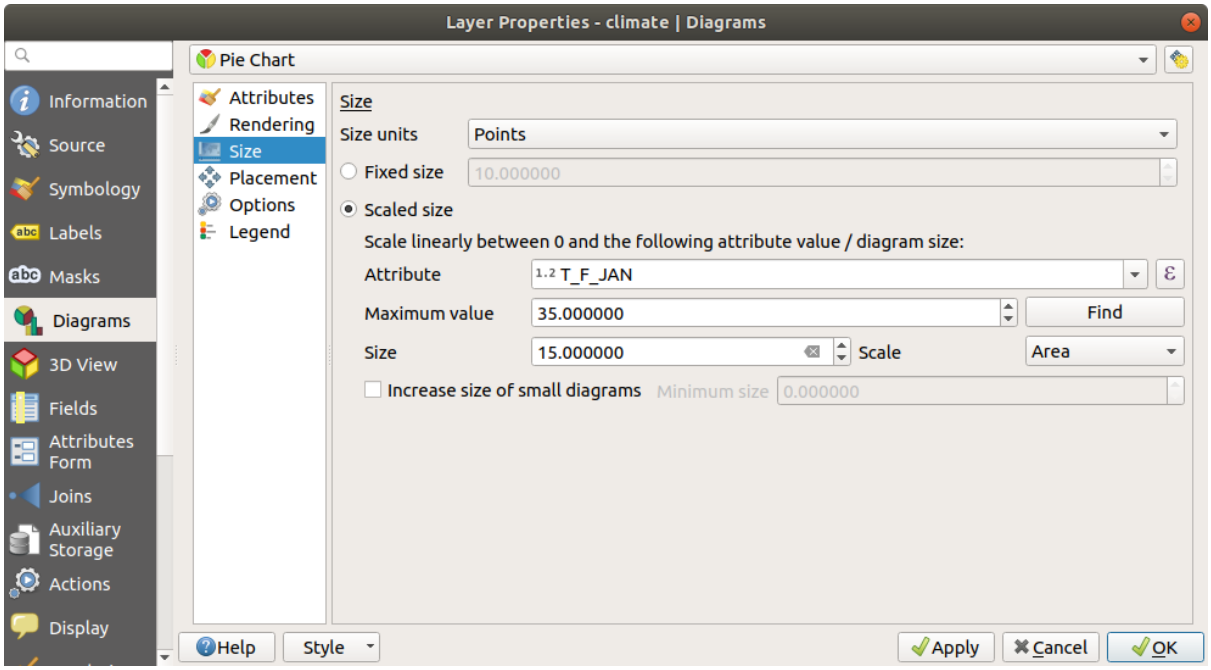


Abb. 15.36: Diagram properties - Size tab

Platzierung

Placement defines the diagram position. Depending on the layer geometry type, it offers different options for the placement (more details at *Placement*):

- *Around point* or *Over point* for point geometry. The former variable requires a radius to follow.
- *Around line* or *Over line* for line geometry. Like point feature, the first variable requires a distance to respect and you can specify the diagram placement relative to the feature (‚above', ‚on' and/or ‚below' the line) It's possible to select several options at once. In that case, QGIS will look for the optimal position of the diagram. Remember that you can also use the line orientation for the position of the diagram.
- *Around centroid* (at a set *Distance*), *Over centroid*, *Using perimeter* and *Inside polygon* are the options for polygon features.

The *Coordinate* group provides direct control on diagram placement, on a feature-by-feature basis, using their attributes or an expression to set the *X* and *Y* coordinate. The information can also be filled using the *Move labels and diagrams* tool.

In the *Priority* section, you can define the placement priority rank of each diagram, ie if there are different diagrams or labels candidates for the same location, the item with the higher priority will be displayed and the others could be left out.

Discourage diagrams and labels from covering features defines features to use as *obstacles*, ie QGIS will try to not place diagrams nor labels over these features. The priority rank is then used to evaluate whether a diagram could be omitted due to a greater weighted obstacle feature.

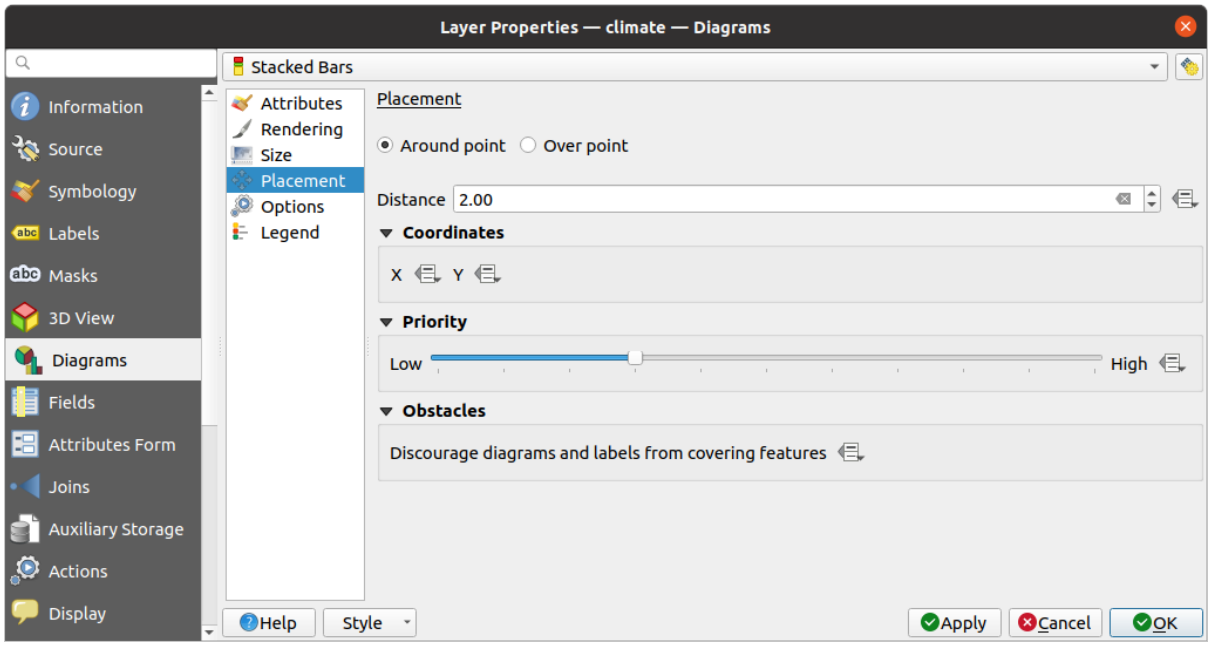


Abb. 15.37: Vector properties dialog with diagram properties, Placement tab

Optionen

The *Options* tab has settings for histograms and stacked bars. You can choose whether the *Bar orientation* should be *Up*, *Down*, *Right* or *Left*, for horizontal and vertical diagrams.

Legend

From the *Legend* tab, you can choose to display items of the diagram in the *Layers panel*, and in the *print layout legend*, next to the layer symbology:

- check *Show legend entries for diagram attributes* to display in the legends the `Color` and `Legend` properties, as previously assigned in the *Attributes* tab;
- and, when a *scaled size* is being used for the diagrams, push the *Legend Entries for Diagram Size…* button to configure the diagram symbol aspect in the legends. This opens the *Data-defined Size Legend* dialog whose options are described in *Data-defined size legend*.

When set, the diagram legend items (attributes with color and diagram size) are also displayed in the print layout legend, next to the layer symbology.

15.1.6 Masks Properties

The *Masks* tab helps you configure the current layer symbols overlay with other symbol layers or labels, from any layer. This is meant to improve the readability of symbols and labels whose colors are close and can be hard to decipher when overlapping; it adds a custom and transparent mask around the items to „hide“ parts of the symbol layers of the current layer.

To apply masks on the active layer, you first need to enable in the project either *mask symbol layers* or *mask labels*. Then, from the *Masks* tab, check:

- the *Masked symbol layers*: lists in a tree structure all the symbol layers of the current layer. There you can select the symbol layer item you would like to transparently „cut out“ when they overlap the selected mask sources
- the *Mask sources* tab: list all the mask labels and mask symbol layers defined in the project. Select the items that would generate the mask over the selected masked symbol layers

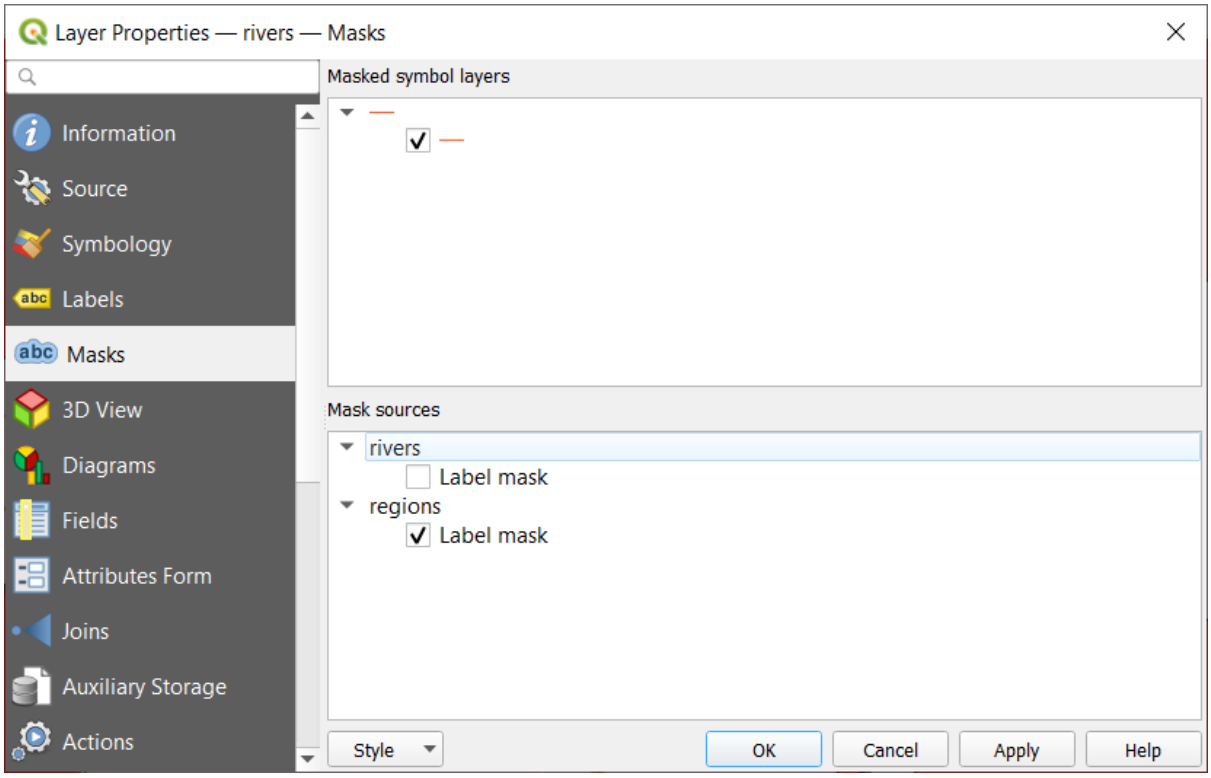


Abb. 15.38: Layer properties - Masks tab

15.1.7 3D View Properties

The *3D View* tab provides settings for vector layers that should be depicted in the *3D Map view* tool.

For better performance, data from vector layers are loaded in the background, using multithreading, and rendered in tiles whose size can be controlled from the *Layer rendering* section of the tab:

- *Zoom levels count*: determines how deep the quadtree will be. For example, one zoom level means there will be a single tile for the whole layer. Three zoom levels means there will be 16 tiles at the leaf level (every extra zoom level multiplies that by 4). The default is `3` and the maximum is `8`.
- *Show bounding boxes of tiles*: especially useful if there are issues with tiles not showing up when they should

To display a layer in 3D, select from the combobox at the top of the tab, either:

- *Single symbol*: features are rendered using a common 3D symbol whose properties can be *data-defined* or not. Read details on *setting a 3D symbol* for each layer geometry type.
- *Rule-based*: multiple symbol configurations can be defined and applied selectively based on expression filters and scale range. More details on how-to at *Rule-based rendering*.

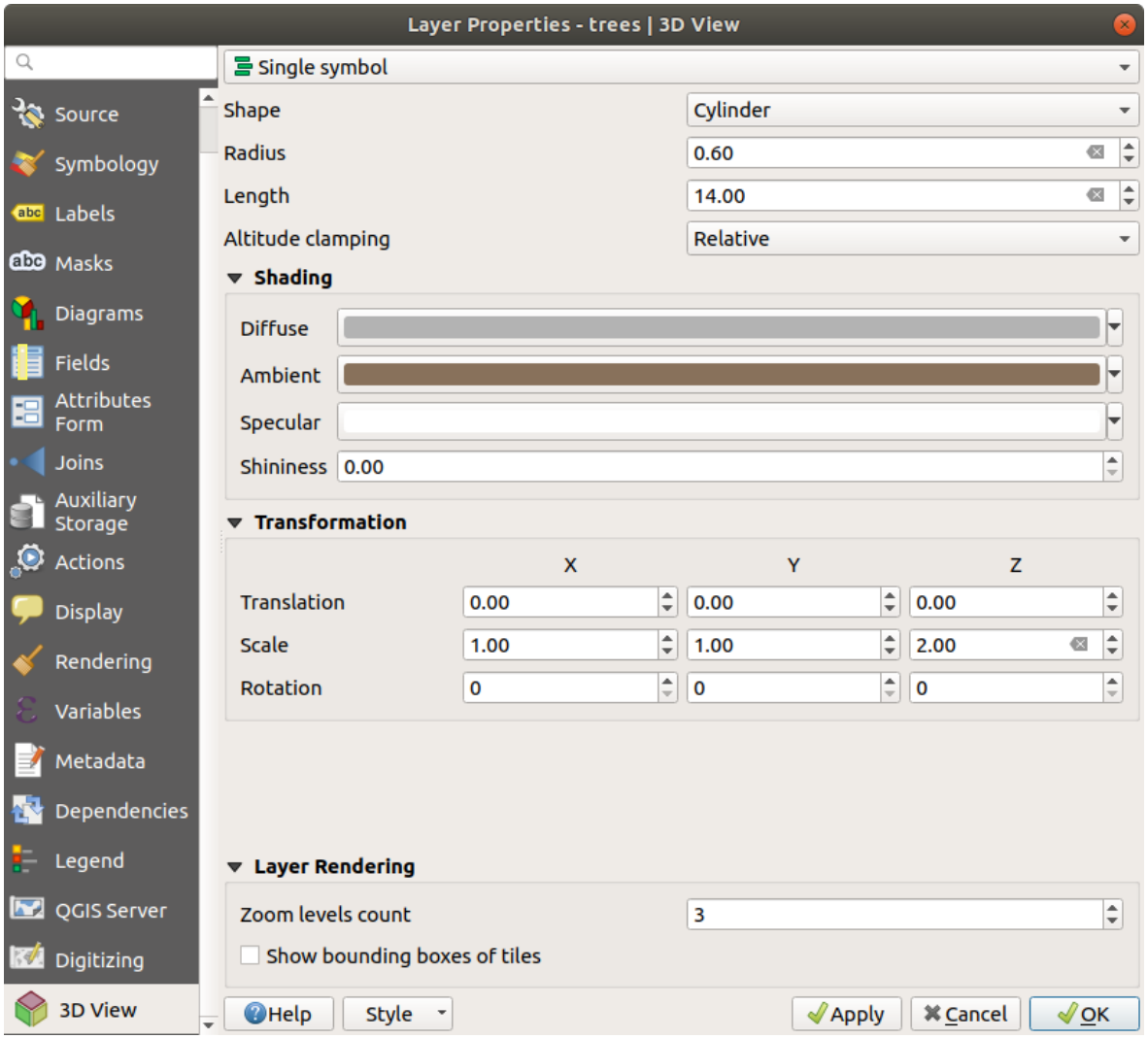


Abb. 15.39: 3D properties of a point layer

15.1.8 Fields Properties

The *Fields* tab provides information on fields related to the layer and helps you organize them.

The layer can be made *editable* using the Toggle editing mode. At this moment, you can modify its structure using the New field and Delete field buttons.

You can also rename fields by double-clicking its name. This is only supported for data providers like PostgreSQL, Oracle, Memory layer and some OGR layer depending on the OGR data format and version.

If set in the underlying data source or in the *forms properties*, the field's alias is also displayed. An alias is a human readable field name you can use in the feature form or the attribute table. Aliases are saved in the project file.

Other than the fields contained in the dataset, *virtual fields* and *Auxiliary Storage* included, the *Fields* tab also lists fields from any *joined layers*. Depending on the origin of the field, a different background color is applied to it.

For each listed field, the dialog also lists read-only characteristics such as its *Type*, *Type name*, *Length* and *Precision*`.

Depending on the data provider, you can associate a comment with a field, for example at its creation. This information is retrieved and shown in the *Comment* column and is later displayed when hovering over the field label in a feature form.

Under the *Configuration* column, you can set how the field should behave in certain circumstances:

- `Not searchable`: check this option if you do not want this field to be queried by the *search locator bar*
- `Do not expose via WMS`: check this option if you do not want to display this field if the layer is served as WMS from QGIS server
- `Do not expose via WFS`: check this option if you do not want to display this field if the layer is served as WFS from QGIS server

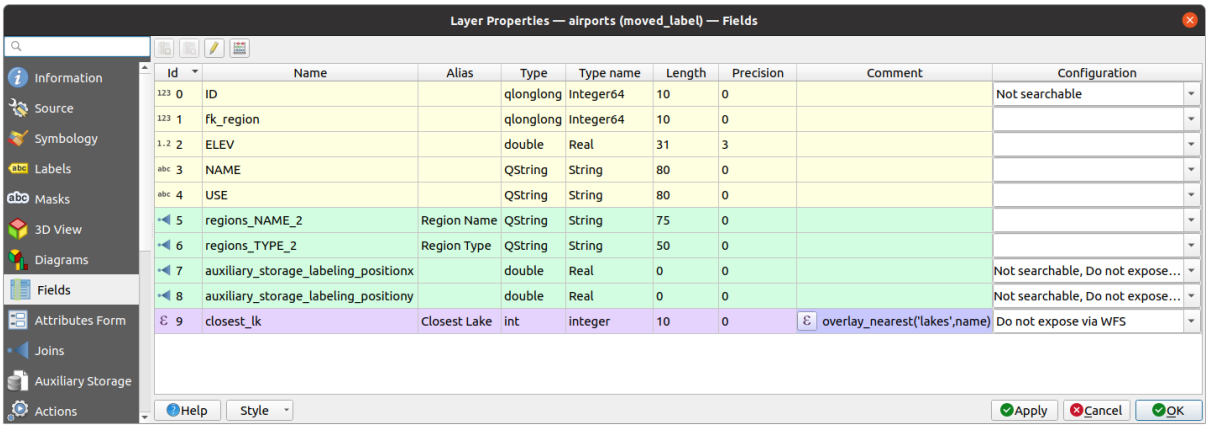


Abb. 15.40: Fields properties tab

15.1.9 Attributes Form Properties

The *Attributes Form* tab helps you set up the form to display when creating new features or querying existing one. You can define:

- the look and the behavior of each field in the feature form or the attribute table (label, widget, constraints…);
- the form's structure (custom or autogenerated):
- extra logic in Python to handle interaction with the form or field widgets.

At the top right of the dialog, you can set whether the form is opened by default when creating new features. This can be configured per layer or globally with the *Suppress attribute form pop-up after feature creation* option in the *Settings* ► *Options* ► *Digitizing* menu.

Customizing a form for your data

By default, when you click on a feature with the Identify Features tool or switch the attribute table to the *form view* mode, QGIS displays a basic form with predefined widgets (generally spinboxes and textboxes — each field is represented on a dedicated row by its label next to the widget). If *relations* are set on the layer, fields from the referencing layers are shown in an embedded frame at the bottom of the form, following the same basic structure.

This rendering is the result of the default `Autogenerate` value of the *Attribute editor layout* setting in the *Layer properties* ► *Attributes Form* tab. This property holds three different values:

- `Autogenerate`: keeps the basic structure of „one row - one field" for the form but allows to customize each corresponding widget.
- `Drag-and-drop designer`: other than widget customization, the form structure can be made more complex eg, with widgets embedded in groups and tabs.
- `Provide ui file`: allows to use a Qt designer file, hence a potentially more complex and fully featured template, as feature form.

The autogenerated form

When the `Autogenerate` option is on, the *Available widgets* panel shows lists of fields (from the layer and its relations) that would be shown in the form. Select a field and you can configure its appearance and behavior in the right panel:

- adding *custom label and automated checks* to the field;
- setting a *particular widget* to use.

The drag and drop designer

The drag and drop designer allows you to create a form with several containers (tabs or groups) to present the attribute fields or other widgets that are not directly linked to a particular field (like the HTML/QML widgets or the *actions* defined for the layer), as shown for example in Abb. 15.41.

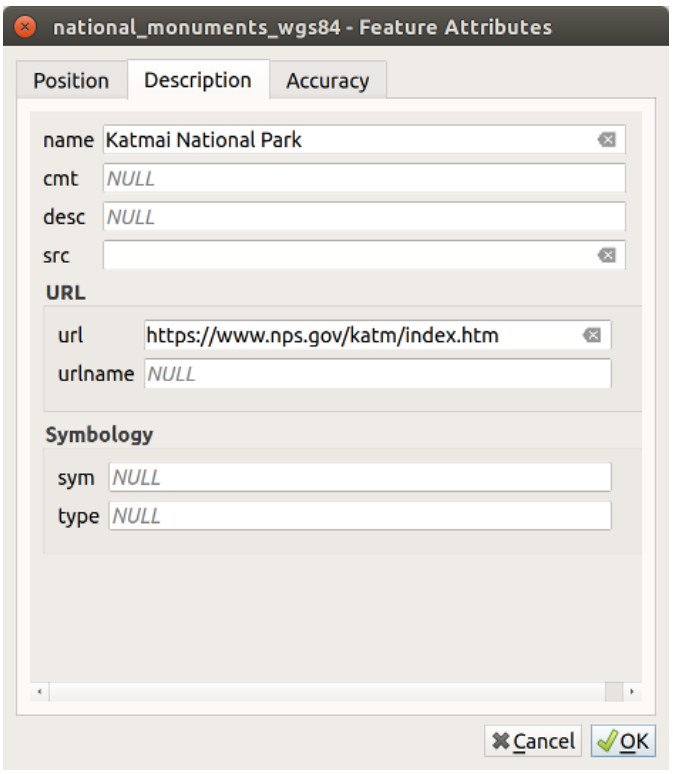


Abb. 15.41: Das Ergebnis eines integrierten Formulars mit Reitern und benannten Gruppen

1. Choose `Drag and drop designer` from the *Select attribute layout editor* combobox. This enables the *Form Layout* panel next to the *Available widgets* panel, filled with existing fields. The selected field displays its *properties* in a third panel.

2. Select fields you do not want to use in your *Form Layout* panel and hit the button to remove them. You can also toggle the selection with the Invert selection button

3. Drag and drop fields from the first panel to the :guilabel`Form Layout` one to re-add them. The same field can be added multiple times.

4. Drag and drop fields within the *Form Layout* panel to reorder their position.

5. Add containers (tab or group frames) to associate fields that belong to the same category and better structure the form.

    1. The first step is to use the icon to create a tab in which fields and groups will be displayed

2. Then set the properties of the container, ie:
   - the name
   - the type, ie a *tab* or a *group in container* (a group inside a tab or another group)
   - and the *number of columns* the embedded fields should be distributed over

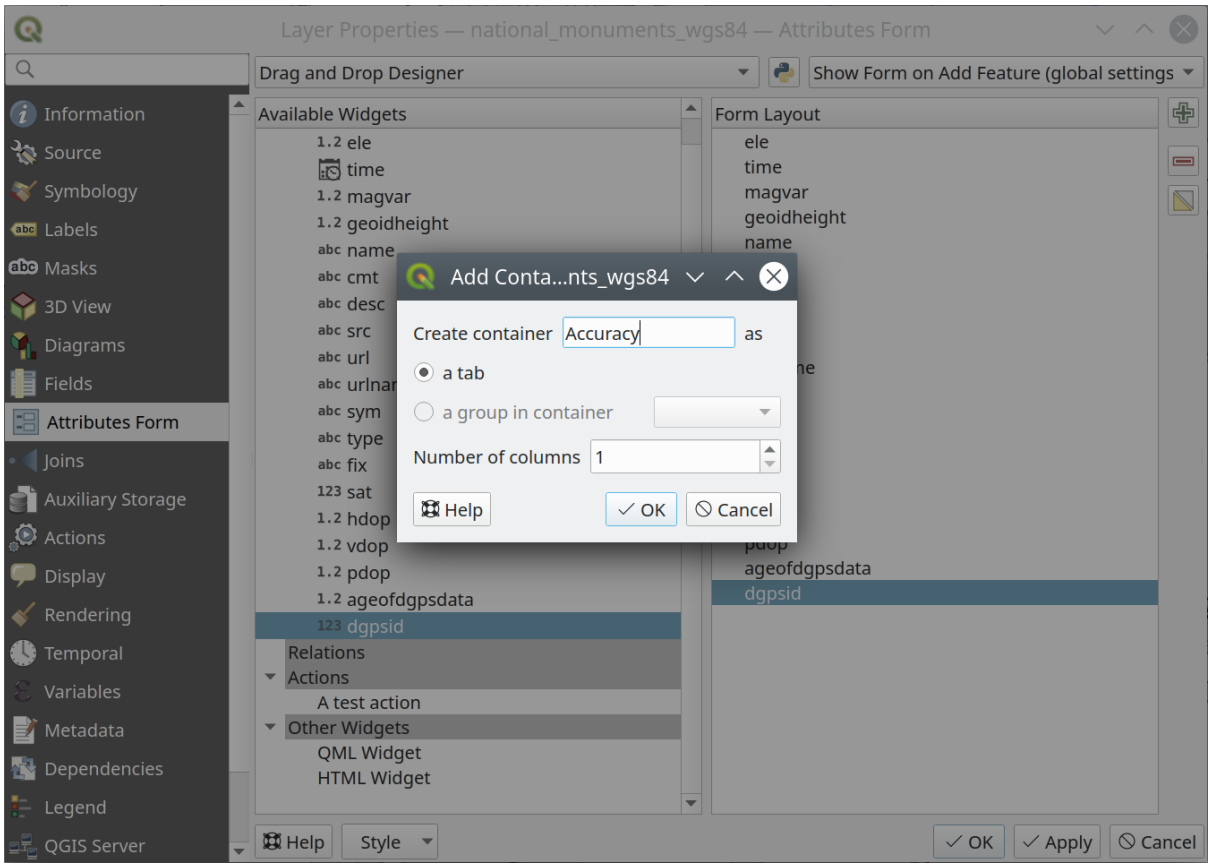


Abb. 15.42: Dialog to create containers with the **Attribute editor layout**

These, and other properties can later be updated by selecting the item and, from the third panel:

- hide or show the container's label
- display the container as a group box (only available for tabs).
- rename the container
- set the number of columns
- enter an expression to control the container's visibility. The expression will be re-evaluated every time values in the form change, and the tab or group box shown/hidden accordingly
- add a background color

3. You can create as many containers as you want; press the icon again to create another tab or a group frame under an existing tab.

6. The next step is to assign the relevant fields to each container, by simple drag and drop. Groups and tabs can also be moved in the same way.
7. *Customize the widget* of the fields in use
8. In case the layer is involved in a *one or many to many relation*, drag-and-drop the relation name from the *Available Widgets* panel to the *Form Layout* panel. The associated layer attribute form will be embedded at

the chosen place in the current layer's form. As for the other items, select the relation label to configure some properties:

- hide or show the relation label
- show the link button
- show the unlink button

9. In case the layer has one or more *actions* enabled for `Layer` or `Feature` scope, the actions will be listed under *Actions* and you can drag and drop them as with the other fields. The associated action will be embedded at the chosen place in the current layer's form.
10. Apply the layer's properties dialog
11. Open a feature attribute form (eg, using the  Identify features tool) and it should display the new form.

Using custom ui-file

The `Provide ui-file` option allows you to use complex dialogs made with Qt-Designer. Using a UI-file allows a great deal of freedom in creating a dialog. Note that, in order to link the graphical objects (textbox, combobox…) to the layer's fields, you need to give them the same name.

Use the *Edit UI* to define the path to the file to use.

UI-files can also be hosted on a remote server. In this case, you provide the URL of the form instead of the file path in *Edit UI*.

You'll find some example in the Creating a new form lesson of the QGIS-training-manual-index-reference. For more advanced information, see https://woostuff.wordpress.com/2011/09/05/qgis-tips-custom-feature-forms-with-python-logic/.

Enhance your form with custom functions

QGIS forms can have a Python function that is called when the dialog is opened. Use this function to add extra logic to your dialogs. The form code can be specified in three different ways:

- `load from the environment`: use a function, for example in `startup.py` or from an installed plugin
- `load from an external file`: a file chooser will let you select a Python file from your filesystem or enter a URL for a remote file.
- `provide code in this dialog`: a Python editor will appear where you can directly type the function to use.

In all cases you must enter the name of the function that will be called (`open` in the example below).

Ein Beispiel ist (im Modul MyForms.py):

```
def open(dialog,layer,feature):
    geom = feature.geometry()
    control = dialog.findChild(QWidget,"My line edit")
```

Reference in Python Init Function like so: `open`

Configure the field behavior

The main part of the *Attributes Form* tab helps you set the type of widget used to fill or display values of the field, in the attribute table or the feature form: you can define how user interacts with each field and the values or range of values that are allowed to be added to each.

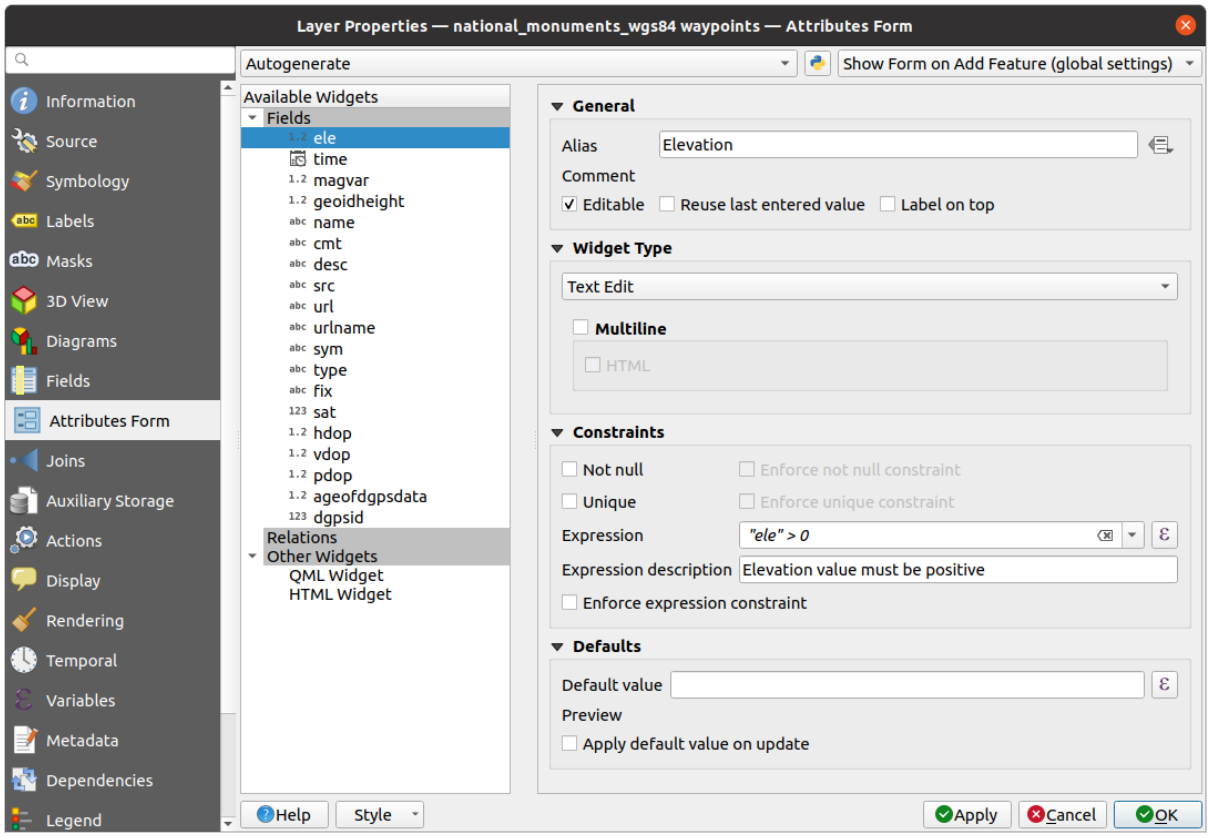


Abb. 15.43: Dialog um ein Bearbeitungselement für eine Attributspalte auszuwählen

Common settings

Regardless the type of widget applied to the field, there are some common properties you can set to control whether and how a field can be edited.

Widget display

Show label: indicates whether the field name should be displayed in the form (only in the *Drag and drop* designer mode).

General options

- *Alias*: a human readable name to use for fields. The alias will be displayed in the feature form, the attribute table, or in the *Identify results* panel. It can also be used as field name replacement in the *expression builder*, easing expressions understanding and reviews. Aliases are saved in project file.
- *Comment*: displays the field's comment as shown in the *Fields* tab, in a read-only state. This information is shown as tooltip when hovering over the field label in a feature form.
- *Editable*: uncheck this option to set the field read-only (not manually modifiable) even when the layer is in edit mode. Note that checking this setting doesn't override any edit limitation from the provider.
- *Reuse last entered value*: remembers the last value entered in this field and uses it as default for the next feature being edited in the layer.
- *Label on top*: places the field name above or beside the widget in the feature form.

Default values

- *Default value*: for new features, automatically populates by default the field with a predefined value or an *expression-based one*. For example, you can:
  - use `$x`, `$length`, `$area` to automatically populate a field with the feature's X coordinate, length, area or any geometric information at its creation;
  - increment a field by 1 for each new feature using `maximum("field")+1`;
  - save the feature creation datetime using `now()`;
  - use *variables* in expressions, making it easier to e.g. insert the operator name (`@user_full_name`), the project file path (`@project_path`), …

  A preview of the resulting default value is displayed at the bottom of the widget.

  Bemerkung: The `Default value` option is not aware of the values in any other field of the feature being created so it won't be possible to use an expression combining any of those values i.e using an expression like `concat(field1, field2)` may not work.

- *Apply default value on update*: whenever the feature attribute or geometry is changed, the default value is recalculated. This could be handy to save values like last user that modifies data, last time it was changed…

Constraints

You can constrain the value to insert in the field. This constraint can be:

- *Not null*: requires the user to provide a value;
- *Unique*: guarantee the inserted value to be unique throughout the field;
- based on a custom *expression*: e.g. `not regexp_match(col0,'[^A-Za-z]')` will ensure that the value of the field *col0* has only alphabet letters. A short description can be added to help you remember the constraint.

Whenever a value is added or edited in a field, it's submitted to the existing constraints and:

- if it meets all the requirements, a green check is shown beside the field in the form;
- if it does not meet all the requirements, then the field is colored in yellow or orange and a corresponding cross is displayed next to the widget. You can hover over the cross to remind which constraints are applied to the field and fix the value:
  - A yellow cross appears when the unmet constraint is an unenforced one and it does not prevent you to save the changes with the „wrong" values;
  - An orange cross can not be ignored and does not allow you to save your modifications until they meet the constraints. It appears when the  *Enforce constraint* option is checked.

Edit widgets

Based on the field type, QGIS automatically determines and assigns a default widget type to it. You can then replace the widget with any other compatible with the field type. The available widgets are:

- **Checkbox**: Displays a checkbox whose state defines the value to insert.
- **Classification**: Only available when a *categorized symbology* is applied to the layer, displays a combo box with the values of the classes.
- **Color**: Displays a *color widget* allowing to select a color; the color value is stored as a html notation in the attribute table.
- **Datum/Zeit**: Stellt ein Linienfeld dar, das ein Kalender-Widget zum Öffnen eines Datums, einer Zeit oder beidem, darstellt. Der Spaltentyp muss Text sein. Sie könnne ein benutzerdefiniertes Format auswählen, einen Pop-up-Kalender, etc.
- **Enumeration**: Opens a combo box with predefined values fetched from the database. This is currently only supported by the PostgreSQL provider, for fields of `enum` type.
- **Attachment**: Uses a „Open file" dialog to store file path in a relative or absolute mode. It can be used to display a hyperlink (to document path), a picture or a web page. User can also configure an *external storage system* to fetch/store resources.
- **Versteckt**: Ein verstecktes Attribut ist unsichtbar. Der Anwender kann den Inhalt nicht sehen.
- **Key/Value**: Displays a two-columns table to store sets of key/value pairs within a single field. This is currently supported by the PostgreSQL provider, for fields of `hstore` type.
- **JSON View**: Displays JSON data in a syntax highlighted text edit or in tree view. This widget is currently read only. Several options are available to change how the data is displayed. ‚Default view' specify if the widget should appear in Text or Tree mode. ‚Format JSON' has three options which are related to the tree view only:
  - Indented: Display data in a human readable form with newlines and four space characters for indentation.
  - Compact: Display data in a one-line size optimized string without newlines or spaces.
  - Disabled: Display data as it comes from the provider.
- **List**: Displays a single column table to add different values within a single field. This is currently supported by the PostgreSQL provider, for fields of `array` type.
- **Bereich**: Erlaubt Ihnen numerische Werte eines bestimmten Wertebereichs festzulegen. Das Bearbeitungselement kann entweder ein Schieber oder ein Drehfeld sein.
- **Relation Reference**: This is the default widget assigned to the referencing field (i.e., the foreign key in the child layer) when a *relation* is set. It provides direct access to the parent feature's form which in turn embeds the list and form of its children.
- **Text Edit** (default): This opens a text edit field that allows simple text or multiple lines to be used. If you choose multiple lines you can also choose html content.

- **Unique Values**: You can select one of the values already used in the attribute table. If ‚Editable' is activated, a line edit is shown with autocompletion support, otherwise a combo box is used.
- **Uuid Generator**: Generates a read-only UUID (Universally Unique Identifiers) field, if empty.
- **Value Map**: A combo box with predefined items. The value is stored in the attribute, the description is shown in the combo box. You can define values manually or load them from a layer or a CSV file.
- **Value Relation**: Offers values from a related table in a combobox. You can select layer, key column and value column. Several options are available to change the standard behaviors: allow null value, order by value, allow multiple selections and use of auto-completer. The forms will display either a drop-down list or a line edit field when completer checkbox is enabled.

  If a layer that is stored in PostgreSQL, GeoPackage or SpatiaLite is configured to use a value relation widget, but the required layer is not already loaded into the project, QGIS will automatically search for the layer in the same database/connection.

Tipp: Relative Path in Attachment widget

If the path which is selected with the file browser is located in the same directory as the `.qgs` project file or below, paths are converted to relative paths. This increases portability of a `.qgs` project with multimedia information attached.

15.1.10 Joins Properties



The *Joins* tab allows you to associate features of the current layer (called `Target layer`) to features from another loaded vector layer (or table). The join is based on an attribute that is shared by the layers. The layers can be geometryless (tables) or not but their join attribute should be of the same type.

To create a join:

1. Click the  Add new join button. The *Add vector join* dialog appears.
2. Select the *Join layer* you want to connect with the target vector layer
3. Specify the *Join field* and the *Target field* that are common to both the join layer and the target layer
4. Press *OK* and a summary of selected parameters is added to the *Join* panel.

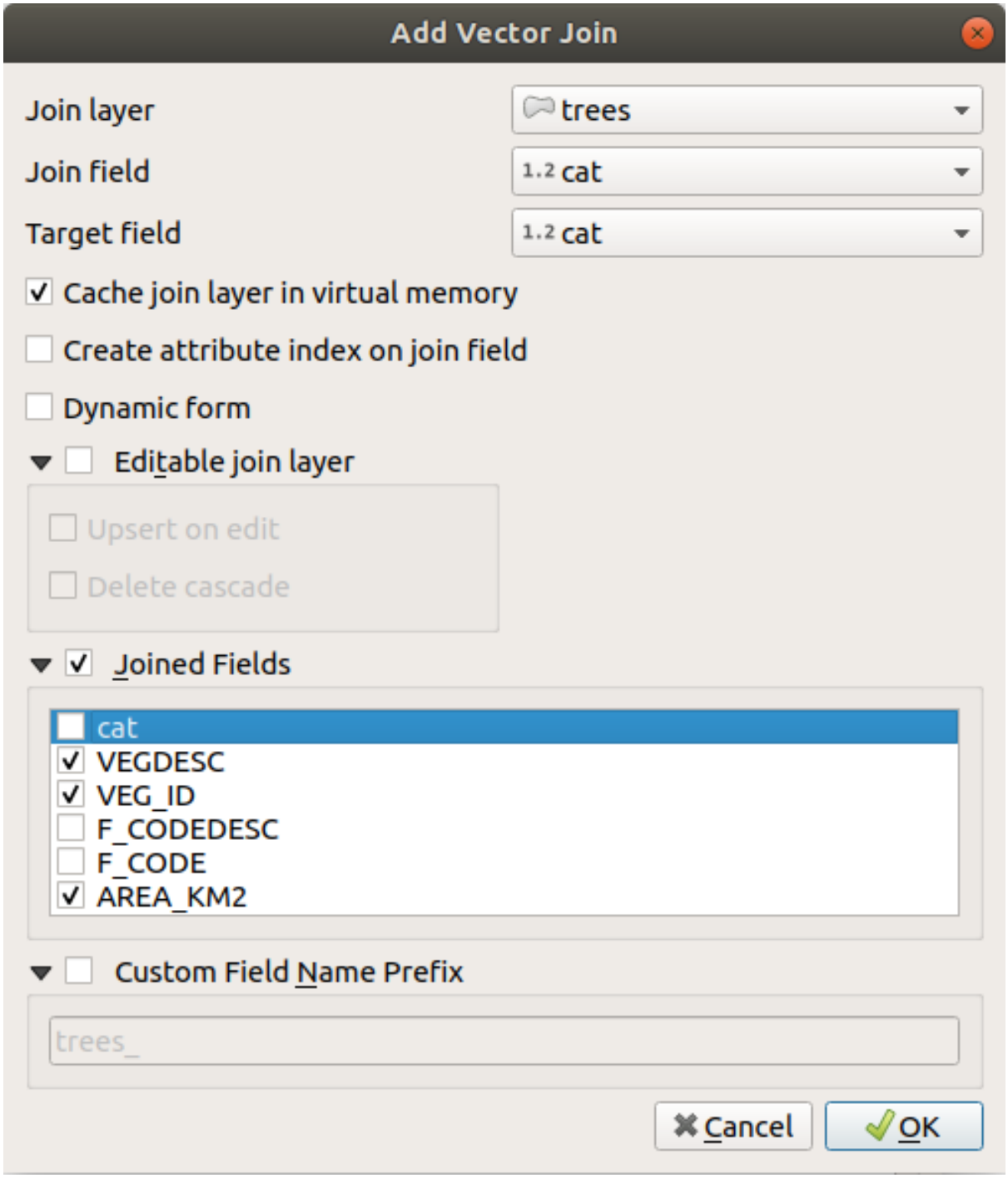


Abb. 15.44: Verknüpfe eine Attributtabelle zu einem vorhandenen Vektorlayer

The steps above will create a join, where **ALL** the attributes of the first matching feature in the join layer is added to the target layer's feature. QGIS provides more options to tweak the join:

- *Cache join layer in virtual memory*: allows you to cache values in memory (without geometries) from the joined layer in order to speed up lookups.
- *Create attribute index on the join field*
- *Dynamic form*: helps to synchronize join fields on the fly, according to the *Target field*. This way, constraints for join fields are also correctly updated. Note that it's deactivated by default because it may be very time consuming if you have a lot of features or a myriad of joins.

- If the target layer is editable, then some icons will be displayed in the attribute table next to fields, in order to inform about their status:
  - : the join layer is not configured to be editable. If you want to be able to edit join features from the target attribute table, then you have to check the option  *Editable join layer*.
  - : the join layer is well configured to be editable, but its current status is read only.
  - : the join layer is editable, but synchronization mechanisms are not activated. If you want to automatically add a feature in the join layer when a feature is created in the target layer, then you have to check the option  *Upsert on edit*. Symmetrically, the option  *Delete cascade* may be activated if you want to automatically delete join features.
-  *Joined fields*: instead of adding all the fields from the joined layer, you can specify a subset.
-  *Custom field name prefix* for joined fields, in order to avoid name collision

QGIS currently has support for joining non-spatial table formats supported by OGR (e.g., CSV, DBF and Excel), delimited text and the PostgreSQL provider.

15.1.11 Auxiliary Storage Properties

The regular way to customize styling and labeling is to use data-defined properties as described in *Datendefinierte Übersteuerung Setup*. However, it may not be possible if the underlying data is read only. Moreover, configuring these data-defined properties may be very time consuming or not desirable! For example, if you want to fully use map tools coming with *The Label Toolbar*, then you need to add and configure more than 20 fields in your original data source (X and Y positions, rotation angle, font style, color and so on).

The Auxiliary Storage mechanism provides the solution to these limitations and awkward configurations. Auxiliary fields are a roundabout way to automatically manage and store these data-defined properties (labels, diagram, symbology…) in a SQLite database thanks to editable joins. This allows you to store properties for layers that aren't editable.

A tab is available in vector layer properties dialog to manage auxiliary storage:

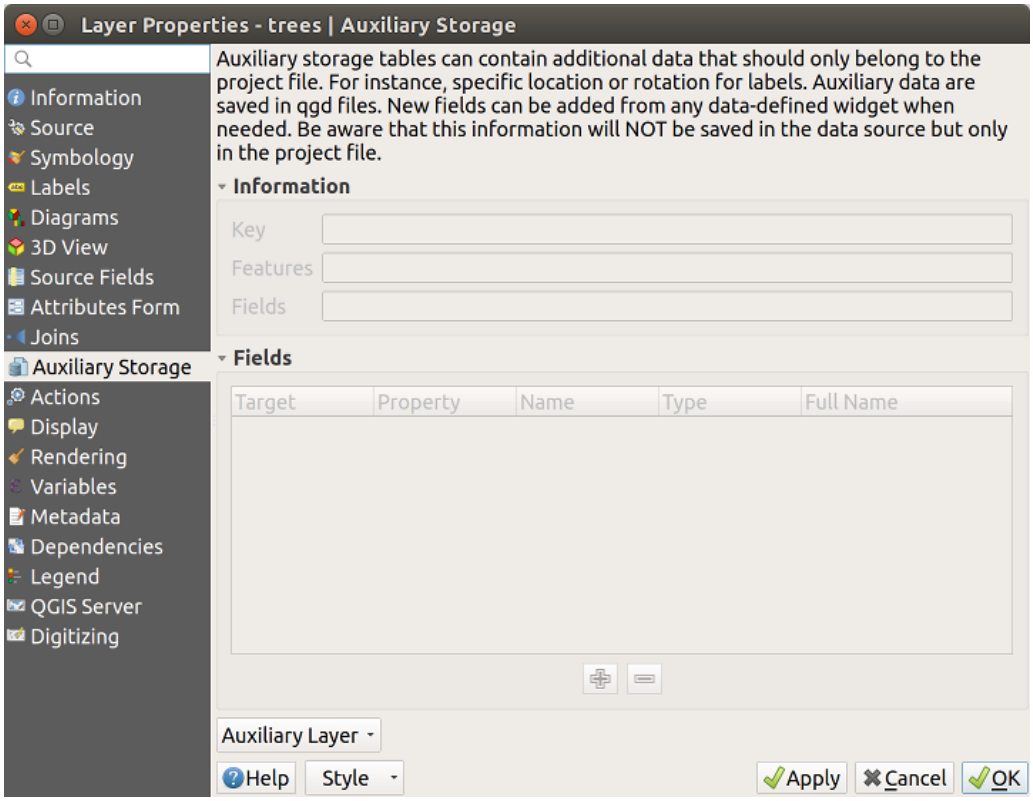


Abb. 15.45: Auxiliary Storage tab

Labeling

Considering that the data source may be customized thanks to data-defined properties without being editable, labeling map tools described in *The Label Toolbar* are always available as soon as labeling is activated.

Actually, the auxiliary storage system needs an auxiliary layer to store these properties in a SQLite database (see *Auxiliary storage database*). Its creation process is run the first time you click on the map while a labeling map tool is currently activated. Then, a window is displayed, allowing you to select the primary key to use for joining (to ensure that features are uniquely identified):

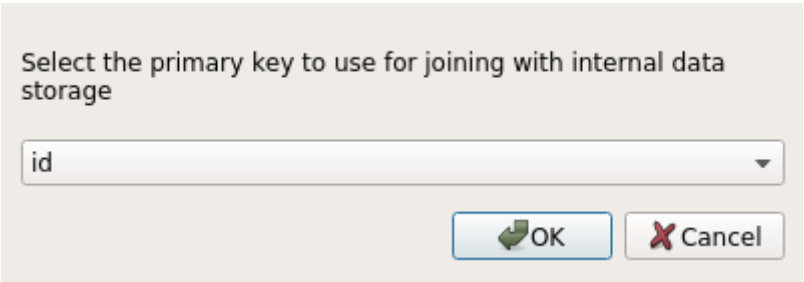


Abb. 15.46: Auxiliary Layer creation dialog

As soon as an auxiliary layer is configured for the current data source, you can retrieve its information in the tab:

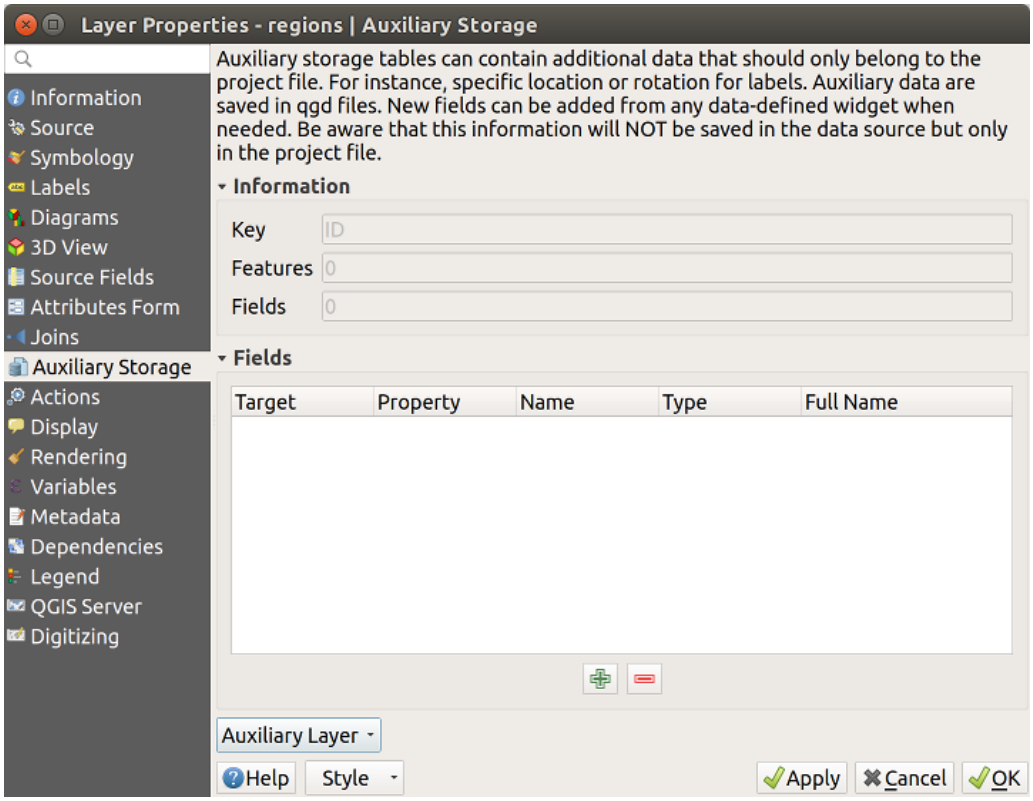


Abb. 15.47: Auxiliary Layer key

The auxiliary layer now has these characteristics:

- the primary key is `ID`,
- there are `0` features using an auxiliary field,
- there are `0` auxiliary fields.

Now that the auxiliary layer is created, you can edit the layer labels. Click on a label while the Change Label map tool is activated, then you can update styling properties like sizes, colors, and so on. The corresponding data-defined properties are created and can be retrieved:

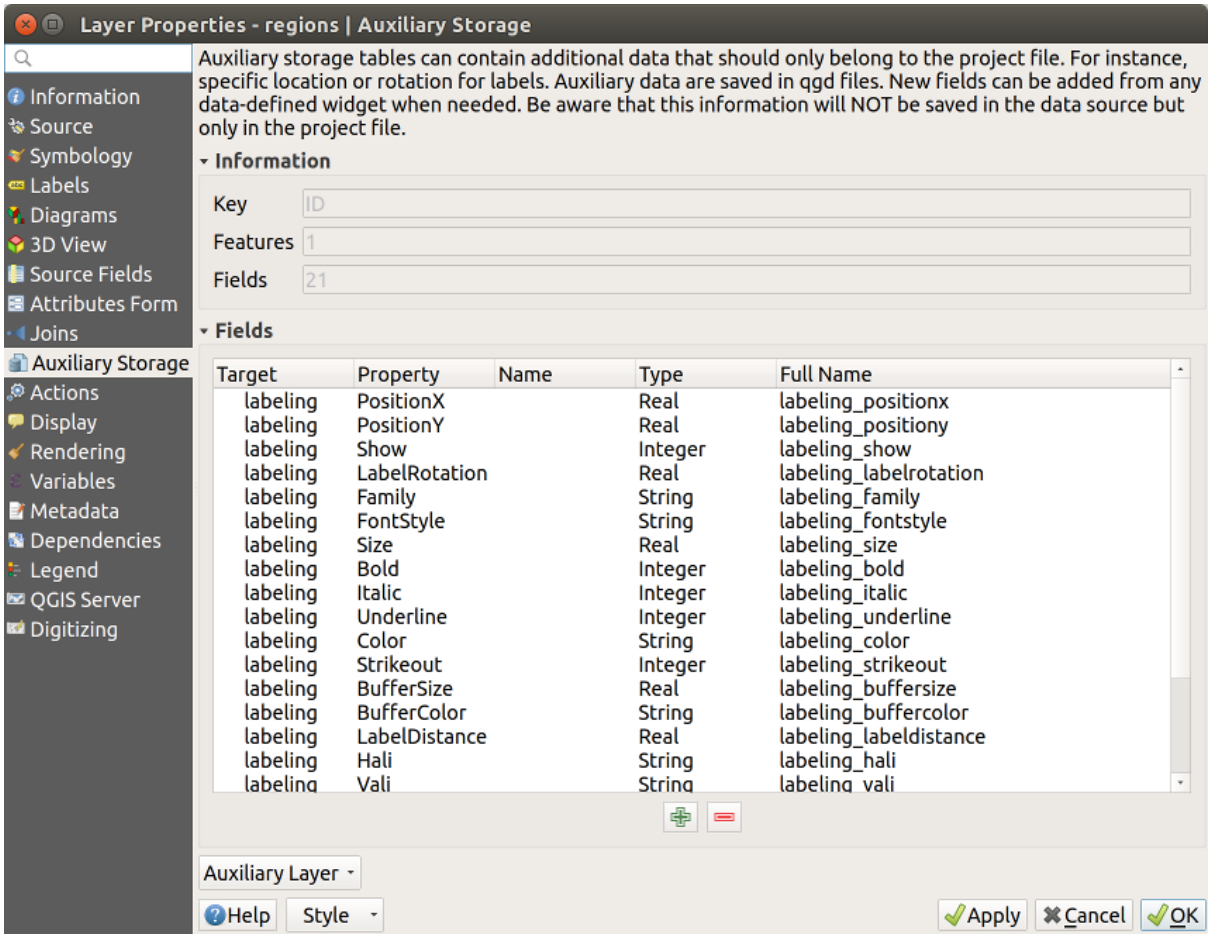


Abb. 15.48: Auxiliary Fields

As you can see in the figure above, `21` fields are automatically created and configured for labeling. For example, the `FontStyle` auxiliary field type is a `String` and is named `labeling_fontstyle` in the underlying SQLite database. There is also `1` feature which is currently using these auxiliary fields.

Notice that the icon is displayed in the *Labels* properties tab indicating that the data-defined override options are set correctly:

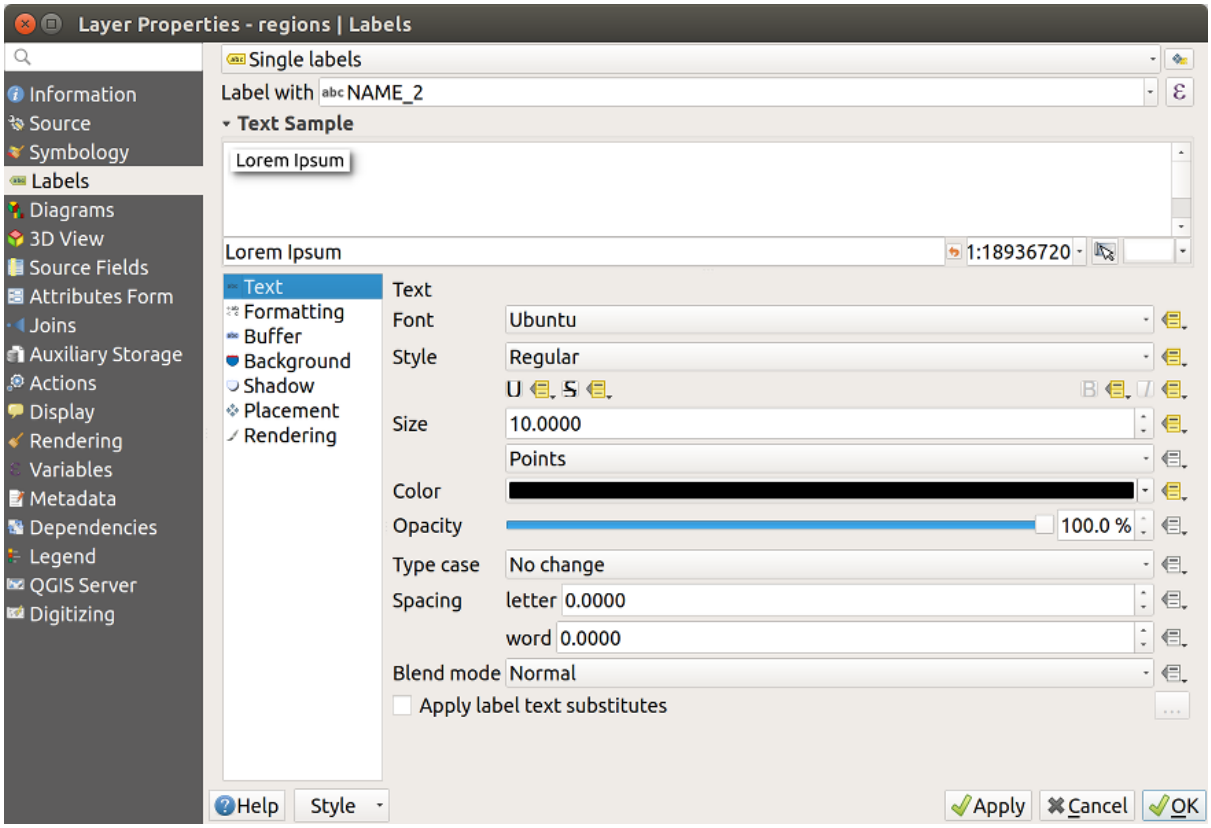


Abb. 15.49: Data-defined properties automatically created

Otherwise, there's another way to create an auxiliary field for a specific property thanks to the Data-defined override button. By clicking on *Store data in the project*, an auxiliary field is automatically created for the *Opacity* field. If you click on this button and the auxiliary layer is not created yet, a window (Abb. 15.46) is first displayed to select the primary key to use for joining.

Symbolisierung

Like the method described above for customizing labels, auxiliary fields can also be used to stylize symbols and diagrams. To do this, click on Data-defined override and select *Store data in the project* for a specific property. For example, the *Fill color* field:

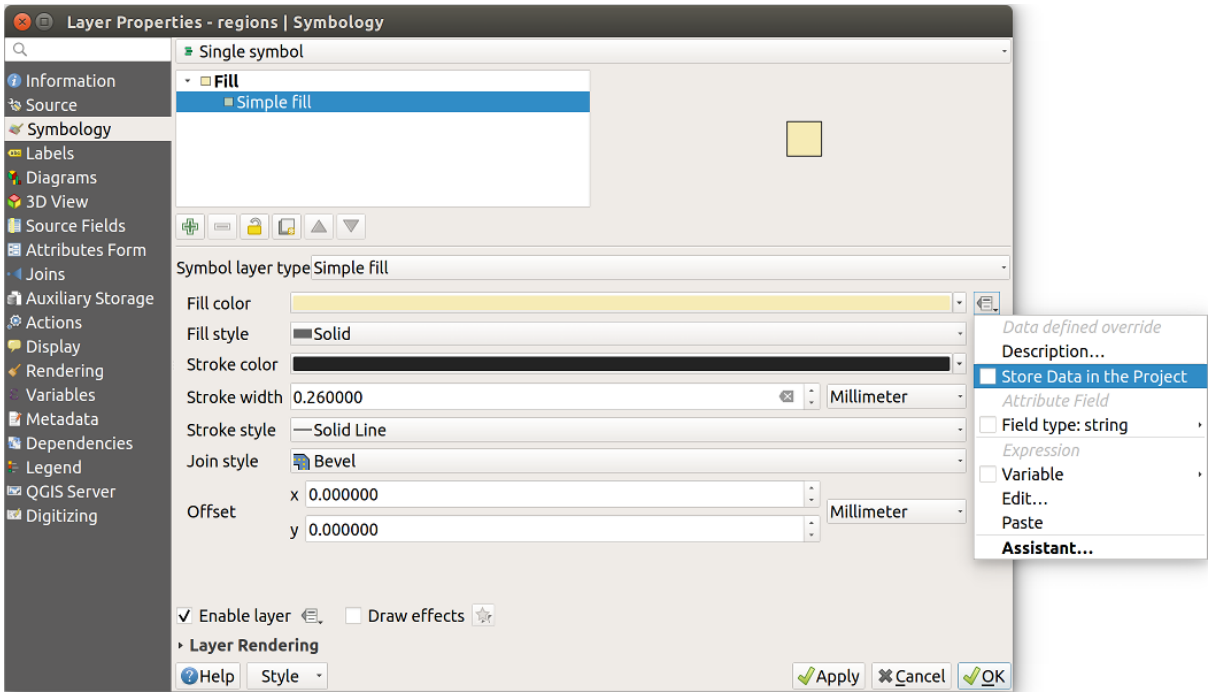


Abb. 15.50: Data-defined property menu for symbol

There are different attributes for each symbol (e.g. fill style, fill color, stroke color, etc…), so each auxiliary field representing an attribute requires a unique name to avoid conflicts. After selecting *Store data in the project*, a window opens and displays the *Type* of the field and prompts you to enter a unique name for the auxiliary field. For example, when creating a *Fill color* auxiliary field the following window opens:

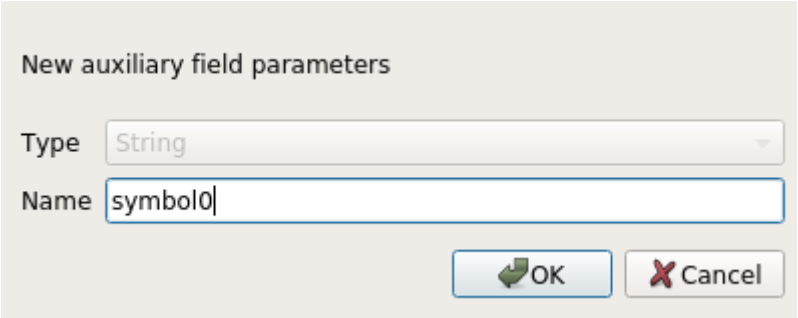


Abb. 15.51: Name of the auxiliary field for a symbol

Once created, the auxiliary field can be retrieved in the auxiliary storage tab:

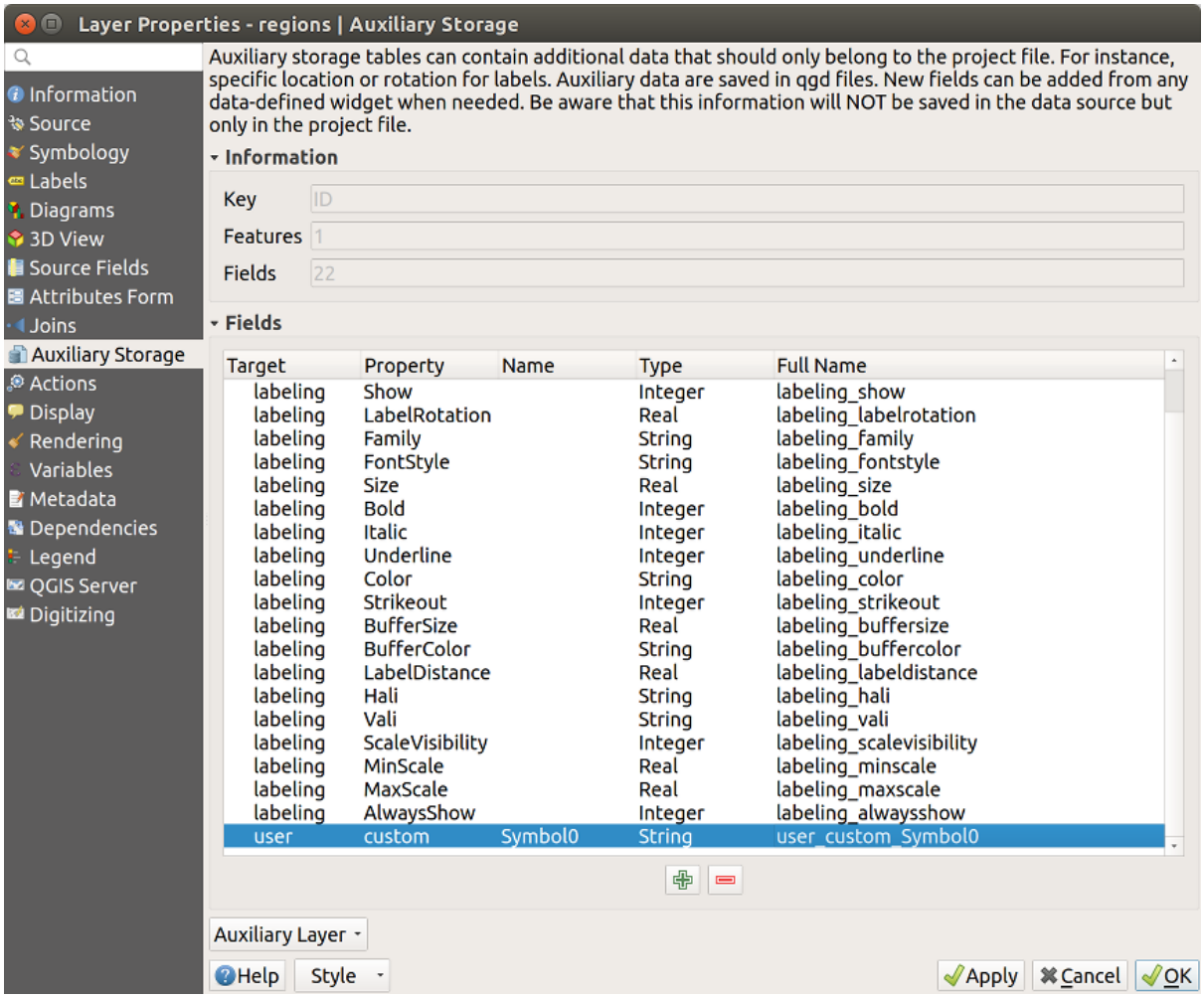


Abb. 15.52: Auxiliary field symbol

Attribute table and widgets

Auxiliary fields can be edited using the *attribute table*. However, not all auxiliary fields are initially visible in the attribute table.

Auxiliary fields representing attributes of a layer's symbology, labeling, appearance, or diagrams will appear automatically in the attribute table. The exception are attributes that can be modified using the *Label Toolbar* which are hidden by default. Auxiliary fields representing a `Color` have a widget **Color** set by default, otherwise auxiliary fields default to the **Text Edit** widget.

Auxiliary fields that represent attributes that can be modified using the *Label toolbar* are **Hidden** in the attribute table by default. To make a field visible, open the *Attribute Form properties tab* and change the value of an auxiliary field *Widget Type* from **Hidden** to another relevant value. For example, change the **auxiliary_storage_labeling_size** to **Text Edit** or change **auxiliary_storage_labeling_color** to the **Color** widget. Those fields will now be visible in the attribute table.

Auxiliary fields in the attribute table will appear like the following image:

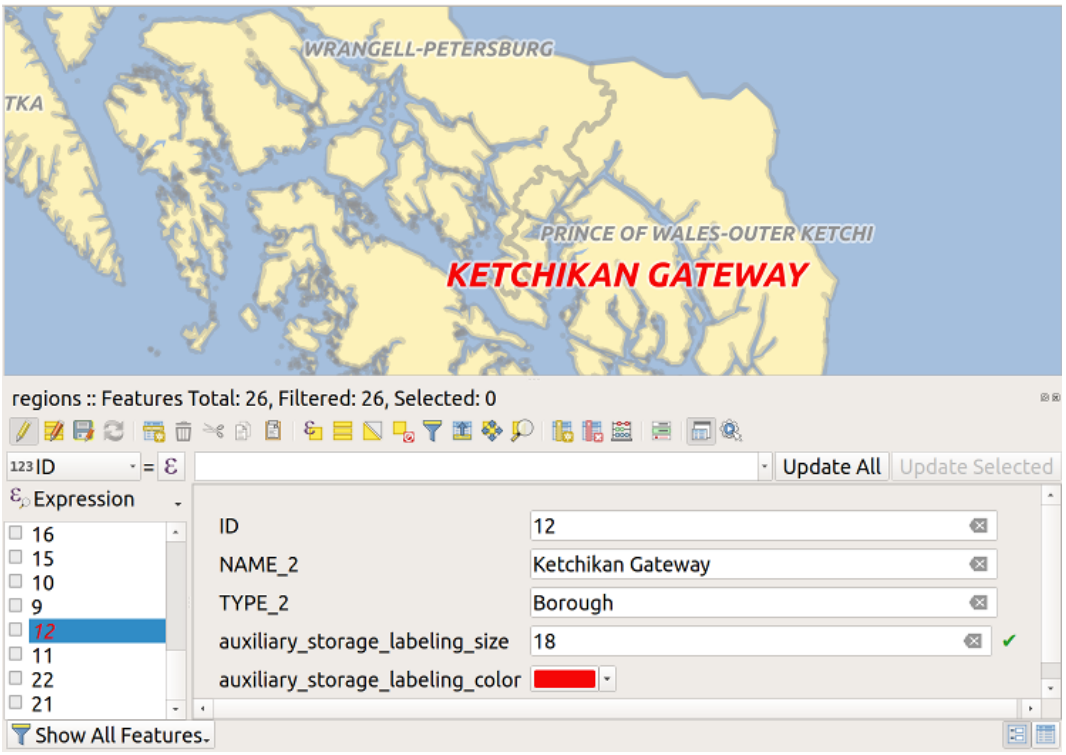


Abb. 15.53: Form with auxiliary fields

Management

The *Auxiliary Layer* menu allows you to manage the auxiliary fields:

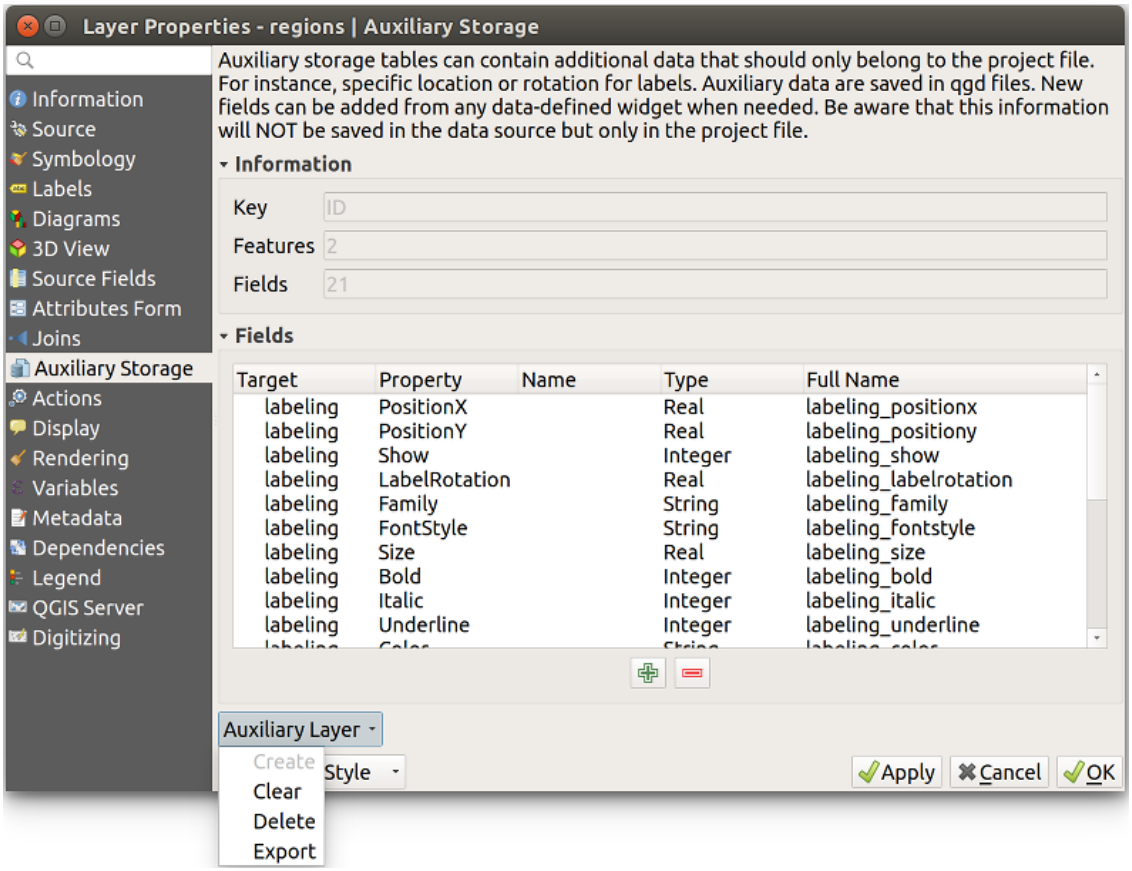


Abb. 15.54: Auxiliary layer management

The first item *Create* is disabled in this case because the auxiliary layer is already created. But in case of a fresh work, you can use this action to create an auxiliary layer. As explained in *Labeling*, a primary key will be needed then.

The *Clear* action allows to keep all auxiliary fields, but remove their contents. This way, the number of features using these fields will fall to `0`.

The *Delete* action completely removes the auxiliary layer. In other words, the corresponding table is deleted from the underlying SQLite database and properties customization are lost.

Finally, the *Export* action allows to save the auxiliary layer as a *new vector layer*. Note that geometries are not stored in auxiliary storage. However, in this case, geometries are exported from the original data source too.

Auxiliary storage database

When you save your project with the `.qgs` format, the SQLite database used for auxiliary storage is saved at the same place but with the extension `.qgd`.

For convenience, an archive may be used instead thanks to the `.qgz` format. In this case, `.qgd` and `.qgs` files are both embedded in the archive.

15.1.12 Actions Properties



QGIS bietet die Möglichkeit, Aktionen auf Basis von Attributen einer Ebene durchzuführen. Dies kann für eine Vielzahl von Aktionen genutzt werden, z.B. um ein Programm mit Abfragen aus der Attributdatenbank zu füttern oder um Parameter an ein Web-Reporting-Tool weiterzugeben.

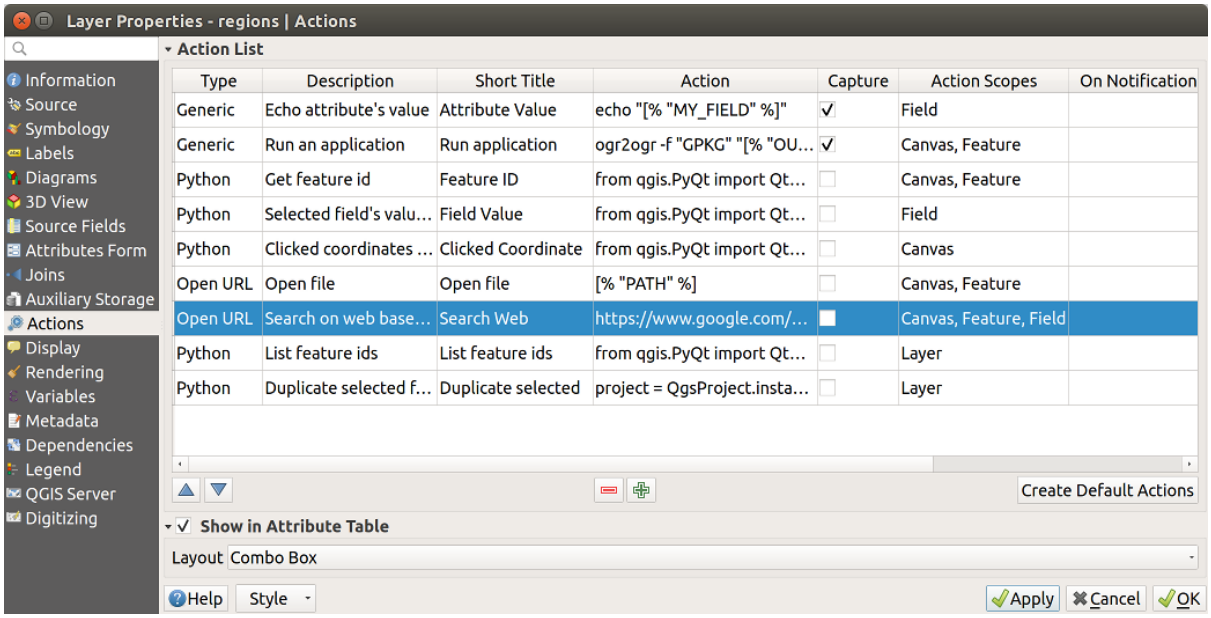


Abb. 15.55: Überblick über den Dialog Aktionen mit einigen Beispielaktionen

Aktionen auf Basis von Attributen sind sinnvoll wenn sie häufig eine externe Anwendung starten oder eine Internetseite auf Basis von einem oder mehreren Werten in Ihrem Vektorlayer visualisieren wollen. Sie sind in 6 Typen aufgeteilt und können wie folgt verwendet werden:

- Allgemein, Mac, Windows und Unix Aktionen starten einen externen Prozess.
- Python Aktionen führen einen Python-Ausdruck aus.
- Allgemeine und Pythonaktionen sind überall sichtbar.
- Mac, Windows und Unix Aktionen sind nur sichtbar auf der entsprechenden Plattform (z.B. können Sie drei ‚Bearbeiten' Aktionen definieren um einen Editor zu öffnen und die Benutzer können nur die eine ‚Bearbeiten' Aktion für Ihr Betriebssystem sehen und ausführen um den Editor zu starten).

There are several examples included in the dialog. You can load them by clicking on *Create Default Actions*. To edit any of the examples, double-click its row. One example is performing a search based on an attribute value. This concept is used in the following discussion.

The  *Show in Attribute Table* allows you to display in the attribute table dialog the checked feature-scoped actions, either as *Combo Box* or as *Separate Buttons* (see *Configuring the columns*).

Aktionen definieren

To define an attribute action, open the vector *Layer Properties* dialog and click on the *Actions* tab. In the *Actions* tab, click the  Add a new action to open the *Edit Action* dialog.

Select the action *Type* and provide a descriptive name for the action. The action itself must contain the name of the application that will be executed when the action is invoked. You can add one or more attribute field values as arguments to the application. When the action is invoked, any set of characters that start with a `%` followed by the name of a field will be replaced by the value of that field. The special characters `%%` will be replaced by the value of the field that was selected from the identify results or attribute table (see *using_actions* below). Double quote marks can be used to group text into a single argument to the program, script or command. Double quotes will be ignored if preceded by a backslash.

The *Action Scopes* allows you to define *where* the action should be available. You have 4 different choices:

1. *Feature Scope*: action is available when right click in the cell within the attribute table.
2. *Field Scope*: action is available when right click in the cell within the attribute table, in the feature form and in the default action button of the main toolbar.
3. *Layer Scope*: action is available in the action button in the attribute table toolbar. Be aware that this type of action involves the entire layer and not the single features.
4. *Canvas*: action is available in the main action button in the toolbar.

Wenn Sie Feldnamen vorfinden die Substrings anderer Feldnamen sind (z.B., `col1` und `col10`) sollten Sie das angeben indem Sie den Feldnamen (und den % Buchstaben) mit eckigen Klammern umrunden (z.B. `[%col10]`). Hiermit wird vermieden dass der `%col10` Feldname mit de, `%col1` Feldnamen mit einem `0` am Ende verwechselt wird. Die Klammern werden von QGS entfernt wenn es im Wert des Feldes ersetzt. Wenn Sie wollen dass das zu ersetzende Feld von eckigen Klammern umrandet wird verwenden Sie ein zweites Set wie hier:`[[%col10]]`.

Wenn Sie das *Objekte abfragen* Werkzeug verwenden, können Sie den *Identifikationsergebnis* Dialog öffnen. Es enthält eine *(Abgeleitet)* Item das layertyprelevante Informationen enthält. Die Werte in diesem Element können auf ähnliche Weise den anderen Feldern zugeordnet werden indem dem Abgeleitet Feldnamen ein `(Derived)` vorangeht. Zum Beispiel hat ein Punktlayer ein `X` und `Y` Feld und die Werte dieser Felder können in der Aktion mit `%(Derived).X` und `%(Derived).Y` verwendet werden. Die Abgeleitet Attribute sind nur in der *Objekte abfragen* Dialog Box erhältlich, jedoch nicht in der *Attributtabelle* Dialogbox.

Two example actions are shown below:

- `konqueror https://www.google.com/search?q=%nam`
- `konqueror https://www.google.com/search?q=%%`

In the first example, the web browser konqueror is invoked and passed a URL to open. The URL performs a Google search on the value of the `nam` field from our vector layer. Note that the application or script called by the action must be in the path, or you must provide the full path. To be certain, we could rewrite the first example as: `/opt/kde3/bin/konqueror https://www.google.com/search?q=%nam`. This will ensure that the konqueror application will be executed when the action is invoked.

Das zweite Beispiel nutzt den Ausdruck %%, welcher unabhängig ist von einem speziellen Feld. Beim Ausführen des Befehls wird der Ausdruck %% durch den Wert des jeweils selektierten Feldes aus *Objekte abfragen* oder der Attributtabelle ersetzt.

Aktionen anwenden

QGIS offers many ways to execute actions you enabled on a layer. Depending on their settings, they can be available:

- in the drop-down menu of  Run Feature Action button from the *Attributes toolbar* or *Attribute table* dialog;
- when right-clicking a feature with the  Identify Features tool (see *Identifying Features* for more information);
- from the *Identify Results* panel, under the *Actions* section;
- as items of an *Actions* column in the *Attribute Table* dialog.

Wenn Sie eine Aktion mit `%%` Notation verwenden, machen Sie einen Rechtsklick auf den Feldwert im *Objekte abfragen* Dialog oder im *Attributtabelle* Dialog den Sie der Anwendung oder dem Skript übergeben wollen.

In einem weiteren Beispiel soll gezeigt werden, wie Attributwerte eines Vektorlayers abgefragt und in eine Textdatei mit Hilfe der Bash und des `echo` Kommandos geschrieben werden (funktioniert also nur unter  und evtl. ). Der Abfragelayer enthält die Felder Art `taxon_name`, Latitude `lat` und Longitude `long`. Wir möchten jetzt eine räumliche Selektion von Örtlichkeiten machen und diese Feldwerte in eine Textdatei für den ausgewählten Datensatz (in der QGIS Kartenansicht in gelb gezeigt) exportieren. Hier ist die Aktion, um dies zu erreichen:

```
bash -c "echo \"%taxon_name %lat %long\" >> /tmp/species_localities.txt"
```

Nachdem ein paar Orte auf dem Bildschirm ausgewählt wurden (diese erscheinen gelb hinterlegt), starten wir die Aktion mit der rechten Maustaste über den Dialog *Abfrageergebnisse* und können danach in der Textdatei die Ergebnisse ansehen:

```
Acacia mearnsii -34.0800000000 150.0800000000
Acacia mearnsii -34.9000000000 150.1200000000
Acacia mearnsii -35.2200000000 149.9300000000
Acacia mearnsii -32.2700000000 150.4100000000
```

As an exercise, we can create an action that does a Google search on the `lakes` layer. First, we need to determine the URL required to perform a search on a keyword. This is easily done by just going to Google and doing a simple search, then grabbing the URL from the address bar in your browser. From this little effort, we see that the format is https://www.google.com/search?q=QGIS, where `QGIS` is the search term. Armed with this information, we can proceed:

1. Laden Sie den Layer file:*lakes.shp*.
2. Öffnen Sie den *Layereigenschaften* Dialog indem Sie einen Doppelklick auf den Layer in der Legende machen und wählen Sie *Eigenschaften* aus dem Popup-Menü.
3. Click on the *Actions* tab.
4. Click  Add a new action.
5. Choose the *Open* action type,
6. Geben Sie einen Namen für die Aktion ein, z.B. `Google Search`.
7. Additionally you can add a *Short Name* or even an *Icon*.
8. Choose the action *Scope*. See *Aktionen definieren* for further information. Leave the default settings for this example.
9. Für diese Aktion ist es notwendig den Namen des externen Programms anzugeben. In diesem Fall können wir Firefox verwenden. Wenn das Programm sich nicht im Pfad befindet müssen Sie den vollständigen Pfad angeben.
10. Following the name of the external application, add the URL used for doing a Google search, up to but not including the search term: `https://www.google.com/search?q=`
11. The text in the *Action* field should now look like this: `https://www.google.com/search?q=`

12. Click on the drop-down box containing the field names for the `lakes` layer. It's located just to the left of the *Insert* button.
13. From the drop-down box, select ‚NAMES' and click *Insert*.
14. Die Aktion sieht nun so aus:

    ```
    https://www.google.com/search?q=[%NAMES%]
    ```

15. To finalize and add the action, click the *OK* button.

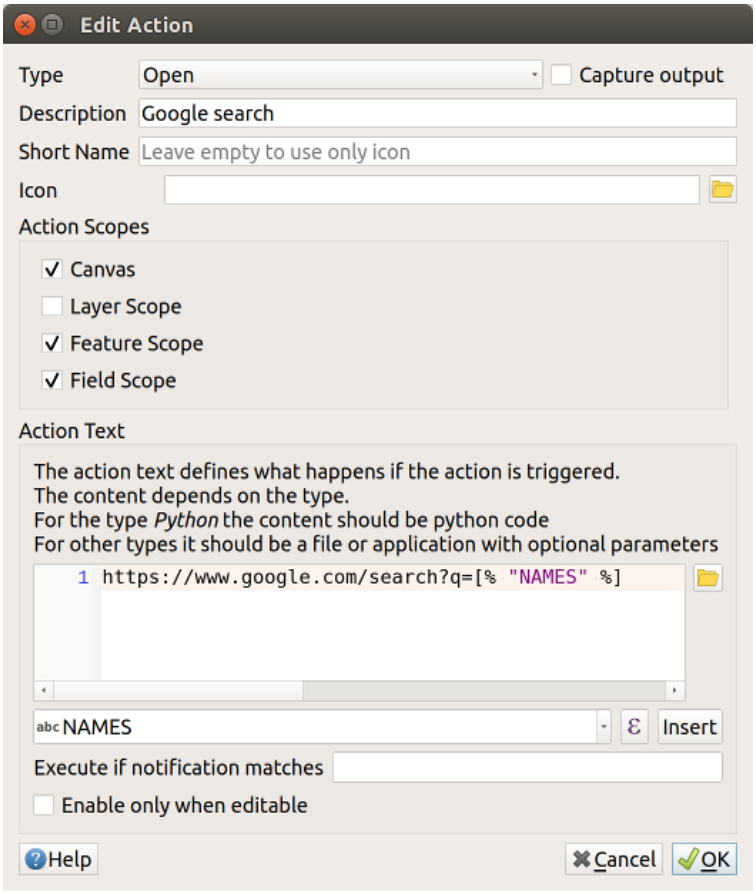


Abb. 15.56: Edit action dialog configured with the example

Damit ist die Aktion fertig für den Einsatz. Der gesamte Befehl der Aktion sollte folgendermaßen aussehen:

```
https://www.google.com/search?q=[%NAMES%]
```

Damit ist die Aktion fertig für den Einsatz. Schließen Sie den *Eigenschaften* Dialog und zoomen Sie in einen Bereich Ihrer Wahl. Stellen Sie sicher, dass der Layer `lakes` in der Legende aktiviert ist. Nun identifizieren Sie einen See. In der Ergebnisanzeige sollte nun die Aktion sichtbar sein:

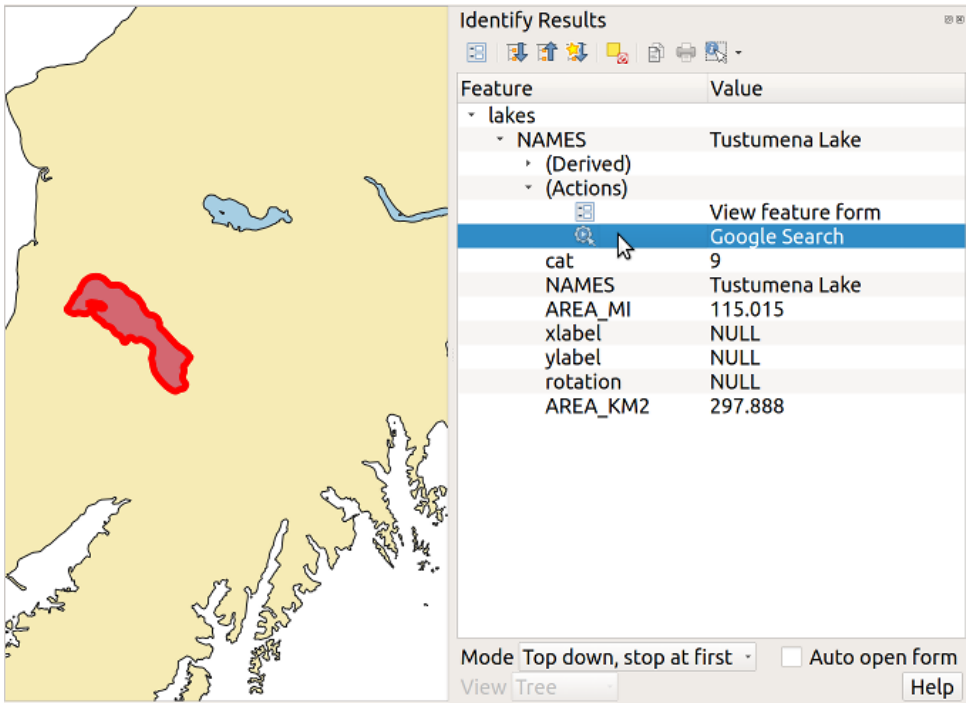


Abb. 15.57: Wählen Sie ein Objekt und eine Aktion aus

When we click on the action, it brings up Firefox and navigates to the URL https://www.google.com/search?q=Tustumena. It is also possible to add further attribute fields to the action. Therefore, you can add a + to the end of the action text, select another field and click on *Insert Field*. In this example, there is just no other field available that would make sense to search for.

Sie können auch mehrere Aktionen für einen Layer definieren. Sie alle werden dann bei der Abfrage von Objekten im *Identifikationsergebnis* Dialog angezeigt.

Sie können auch die aus der Attributtabelle aufrufen, indem Sie eine Zeile mit der rechten Maustaste auswählen und dann die Aktion aus dem Pop-up-Menü wählen.

Sie sehen, man kann sich eine Vielzahl interessanter Aktionen ausdenken. Wenn Sie z.B. einen Punktlayer mit einzelnen Punkten haben, an denen Photos geschossen wurden, dann können Sie eine Aktion erstellen, über die Sie dann das entsprechende Foto anzeigen lassen können, wenn Sie auf den Punkt in der Karte klicken. Man kann auch zu bestimmten Attributen webbasierte Information ablegen (z.B. in einer HTML-Datei) und diese dann über eine Aktion anzeigen lassen, etwa so wie in dem Google Beispiel.

Wir können auch komplexere Beispiele erstellen, indem wir z.B. **Python** Aktionen verwenden.

Usually, when we create an action to open a file with an external application, we can use absolute paths, or eventually relative paths. In the second case, the path is relative to the location of the external program executable file. But what about if we need to use relative paths, relative to the selected layer (a file-based one, like Shapefile or SpatiaLite)? The following code will do the trick:

```
command = "firefox"
imagerelpath = "images_test/test_image.jpg"
layer = qgis.utils.iface.activeLayer()
import os.path
layerpath = layer.source() if layer.providerType() == 'ogr'
  else (qgis.core.QgsDataSourceURI(layer.source()).database()
    if layer.providerType() == 'spatialite' else None)
path = os.path.dirname(str(layerpath))
image = os.path.join(path,imagerelpath)
import subprocess
subprocess.Popen( [command, image ] )
```

Wir müssen uns nur ins Gedächtnis rufen dass es sich um eine *Python* Aktion handelt und dass das Ändern der *command* und *imagerelpath* Variablen auf unsere Bedürfnisse angepasst wird.

Was aber wenn der relative Pfad relativ zur (gespeicherten) Projektdatei sein muss? Der Code der Python Aktion würde wie folgt lauten:

```
command = "firefox"
imagerelpath = "images_test/test_image.jpg"
projectpath = qgis.core.QgsProject.instance().fileName()
import os.path
path = os.path.dirname(str(projectpath)) if projectpath != '' else None
image = os.path.join(path, imagerelpath)
import subprocess
subprocess.Popen( [command, image ] )
```

Ein anderes Python Aktion Beispiel ist das mit wir dem Projekt neue Layer hinzufügen können. Z.B. wird in den folgenden Beispielen dem Projekt ein Vektorlayer beziehungsweise ein Rasterlayer hinzugefügt. Die Namen der Dateien, die dem Projekt hinzugefügt werden sollen, und die Namen, die den Layern gegeben werden, sind datengesteuert (*filename* und *layername* sind Spaltennamen der Attributtabelle des Vektorlayers in dem die Aktion erstellt wurde):

```
qgis.utils.iface.addVectorLayer('/yourpath/[% "filename" %].shp',
  '[% "layername" %]', 'ogr')
```

Um eine Rasterdatei hinzuzufügen (ein TIF-Bild in diesem Beispiel) wird daraus:

```
qgis.utils.iface.addRasterLayer('/yourpath/[% "filename" %].tif',
  '[% "layername" %]')
```

15.1.13 Display Properties

The *Display* tab helps you configure fields to use for feature identification:

- The *Display name*: based on a field or an *expression*. This is:
  - the label shown on top of the feature information in the *Identify tool* results
  - the field used in the *locator bar* when looking for features in all layers
  - the feature identifier in the attribute table *form view*
  - the feature identifier when the map or layout is exported to a layered output format such as GeoPDF
  - the map tip information, i.e. the message displayed in the map canvas when hovering over a feature of the active layer with the Show Map Tips icon pressed. Applicable when no *HTML Map Tip* is set.
- The *HTML Map Tip* is specifically created for the map tips: it's a more complex and full HTML text mixing fields, expressions and html tags (multiline, fonts, images, hyperlink…).

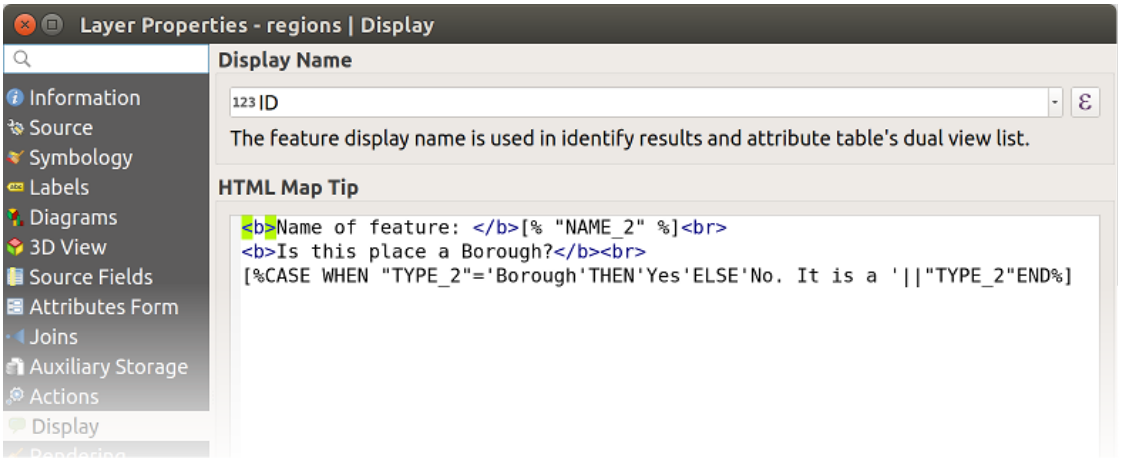


Abb. 15.58: HTML-Code für Kartenhinweis

To activate map tips, select the menu option *View* ► *Show Map Tips* or click on the Show Map Tips icon of the *Attributes Toolbar*. Map tip is a cross-session feature meaning that once activated, it stays on and apply to any layer in any project, even in future QGIS sessions until it's toggled off.

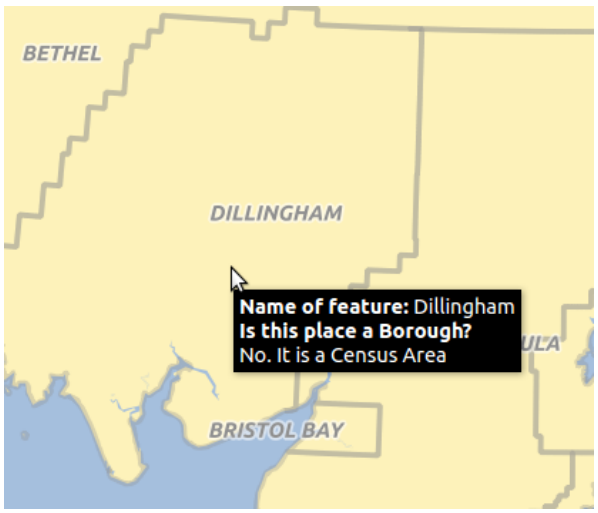


Abb. 15.59: Kartenhinweis erstellt mit HTML-Code

15.1.14 Rendering Properties

Maßstabsabhängige Sichtbarkeit

You can set the *Maximum (inclusive)* and *Minimum (exclusive)* scale, defining a range of scale in which features will be visible. Out of this range, they are hidden. The Set to current canvas scale button helps you use the current map canvas scale as boundary of the range visibility. See *Maßstabsabhängige Layeranzeige* for more information.

Simplify geometry

QGIS offers support for on-the-fly feature generalisation. This can improve rendering times when drawing many complex features at small scales. This feature can be enabled or disabled in the layer settings using the *Simplify geometry* option. There is also a global setting that enables generalisation by default for newly added layers (see *global simplification* for more information).

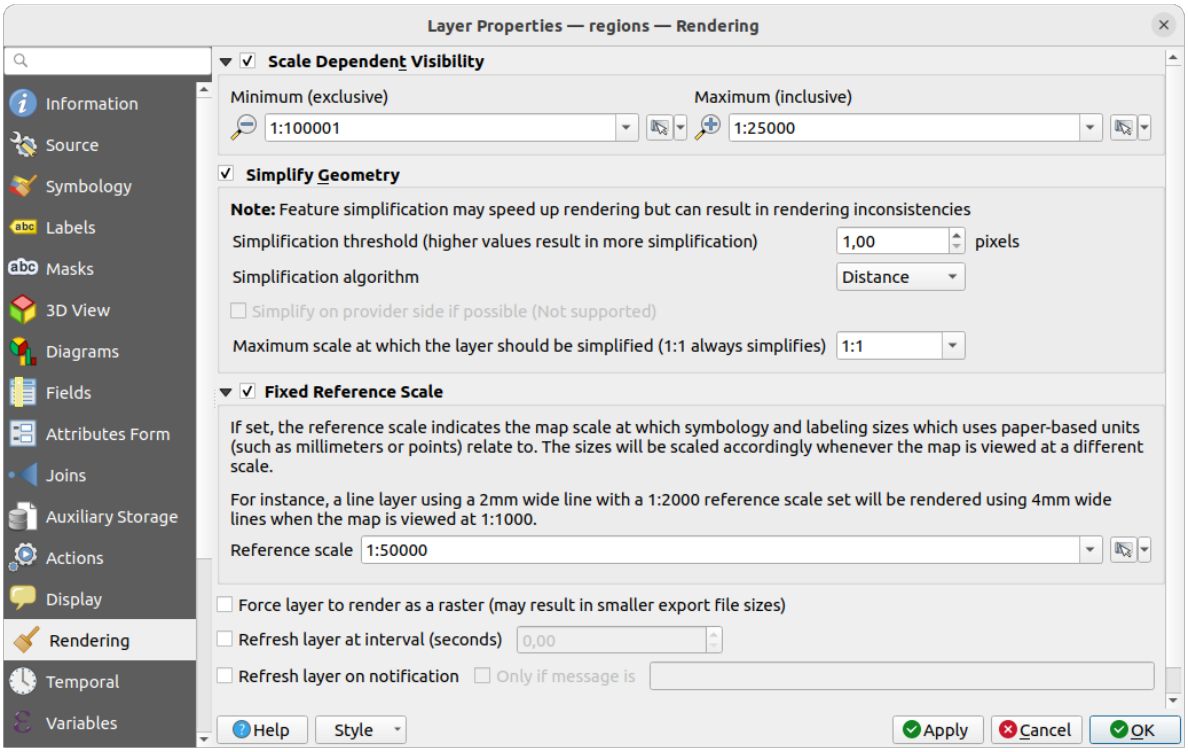


Abb. 15.60: Dialog Layergeometrien vereinfachen

Bemerkung: Objektgeneralisierung, kann in einigen Fällen, Artefakte in Ihre gerenderte Ausgabe einführen. Dies können Splitter zwischen Polygonen und ungenau Darstellung bei der Verwendung von Offset-basierten Symbolayern sein.

While rendering extremely detailed layers (e.g. polygon layers with a huge number of nodes), this can cause layout exports in PDF/SVG format to be huge as all nodes are included in the exported file. This can also make the resultant file very slow to work with/open in other programs.

Aktivieren von *Force layer to render as raster* zwingt diese Layer dazu gerastert zu werden, so dass die exportierten Dateien nicht alle enthaltenen Knoten in diesen Layern enthalten müssen und die Wiedergabe daher beschleunigt wird.

You can also do this by forcing the layout to export as a raster, but that is an all-or-nothing solution, given that the rasterisation is applied to all layers.

Refresh layer at interval (seconds): set a timer to automatically refresh individual layers at a matching interval. Canvas updates are deferred in order to avoid refreshing multiple times if more than one layer has an auto update interval set.

Depending on the data provider (e.g. PostgreSQL), notifications can be sent to QGIS when changes are applied to the data source, out of QGIS. Use the *Refresh layer on notification* option to trigger an update. You can also limit the layer refresh to a specific message set in the *Only if message is* text box.

Use Scale Reference

If set, the reference scale indicates the map scale at which symbology and labeling sizes which uses paper-based units (such as millimeters or points) relate to. The sizes will be scaled accordingly whenever the map is viewed at a different scale.

For instance, a line layer using a 2mm wide line with a 1:2000 reference scale set will be rendered using 4mm wide lines when the map is viewed at 1:1000.

15.1.15 Temporal Properties

The *Temporal* tab provides options to control the rendering of the layer over time. Such dynamic rendering requires the *temporal navigation* to be enabled over the map canvas.

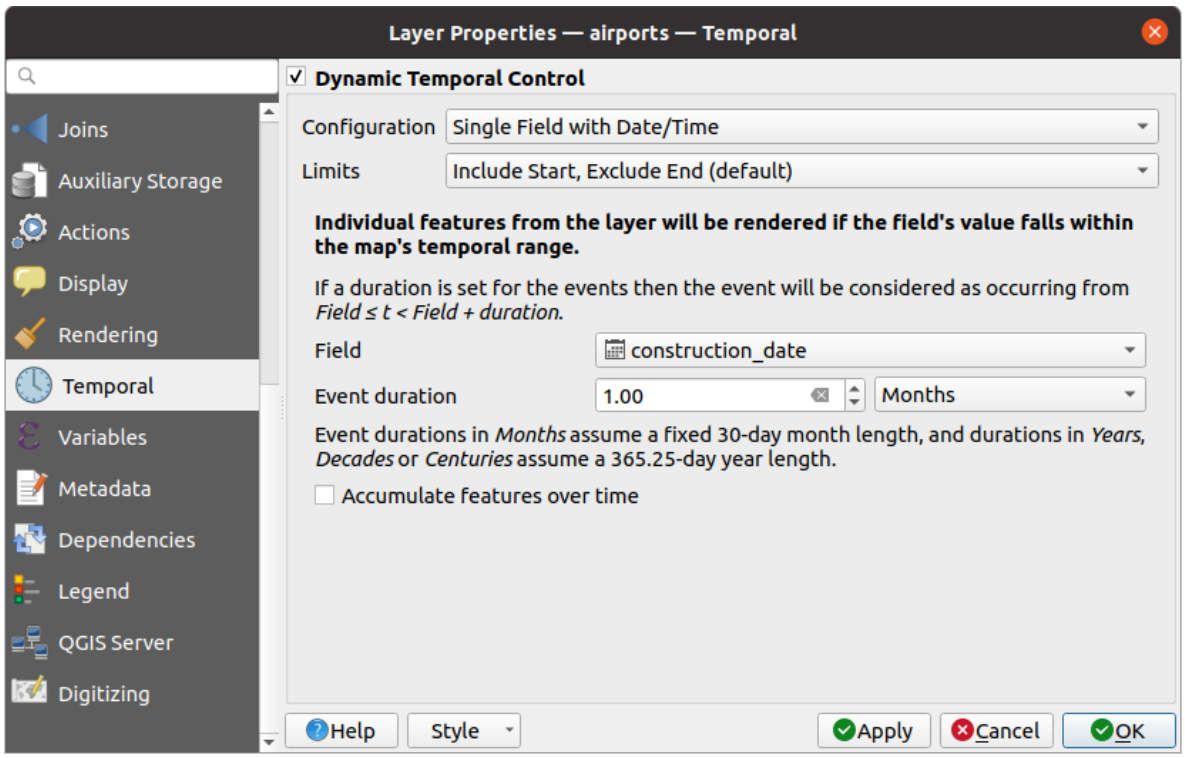


Abb. 15.61: Vector layer temporal properties dialog

Check the *Dynamic Temporal Control* option to configure the vector layer temporal rendering. Depending on the structure of your dataset, you may want to use one of the provided *Configuration* options:

- *Fixed time range*: all the features are rendered if the map canvas temporal frame overlaps the given *Start date* and *End date* range.
- *Single field with date/time*: features are rendered if their *Field*'s value falls within the map canvas temporal frame. An *Event duration* can be set. With checking the *Accumulate features over time* option, all features which occur before or within the map's temporal range will continue to be rendered. The event duration is thus ignored.
- *Separate fields for start and end date/time*: features are rendered if the range specified by their *Start field* and *End field* values overlaps the map canvas temporal.
- *Separate fields for start and event duration*: features are rendered if the range defined by their *Start field* and *Event duration field* values overlaps the map canvas temporal.

- *Start and end date/time from expressions*: features are rendered if the time range specified by the fields *Start expression* and *End expression* overlaps the map canvas temporal.
- *Redraw layer only*: the layer is redrawn at each new animation frame but no time-based filtering is applied to the features. It's useful when the layer uses time-based expression values for renderer settings (e.g. data-defined symbology).

It is also possible to set the *Limits* of the features time range as:

- *Include start, exclude end*
- *Include start, include end*

15.1.16 Variables Properties

The *Variables* tab lists all the variables available at the layer's level (which includes all global and project's variables).

It also allows the user to manage layer-level variables. Click the button to add a new custom layer-level variable. Likewise, select a custom layer-level variable from the list and click the button to remove it.

More information on variables usage in the General Tools *Storing values in Variables* section.

15.1.17 Metadata Properties

The *Metadata* tab provides you with options to create and edit a metadata report on your layer. See *Metadata* for more information.

15.1.18 Dependencies Properties

The *Dependencies* tab allows to declare data dependencies between layers. A data dependency occurs when a data modification in a layer, not by direct user manipulation, may modify data of other layers. This is the case for instance when geometry of a layer is updated by a database trigger or custom PyQGIS scripting after modification of another layer's geometry.

In the *Dependencies* tab, you can select any layers which may externally alter the data in the current layer. Correctly specifying dependent layers allows QGIS to invalidate caches for this layer when the dependent layers are altered.

15.1.19 Legend Properties

The *Legend* properties tab provides you with advanced settings for the *Layers panel* and/or the *print layout legend*. These options include:

- Depending on the symbology applied to the layer, you may end up with several entries in the legend, not necessarily readable/useful to display. The *Legend placeholder image* helps you *select an image* for replacement, displayed both in the *Layers* panel and the print layout legend.
- *Show label legend*: Displays overviews of the different label settings as entries in the legends. The *label style* is previewed along with the description.
- *Text on symbols*: In some cases it can be useful to add extra information to the symbols in the legend. With this frame, you can affect to any of the symbols used in the layer symbology a text that is displayed over the symbol, in both *Layers* panel and print layout legend. This mapping is done by typing each text next to the symbol in the table widget or filling the table using the *Set Labels from Expression* button. Text appearance is handled through the font and color selector widgets of the *Text Format* button.

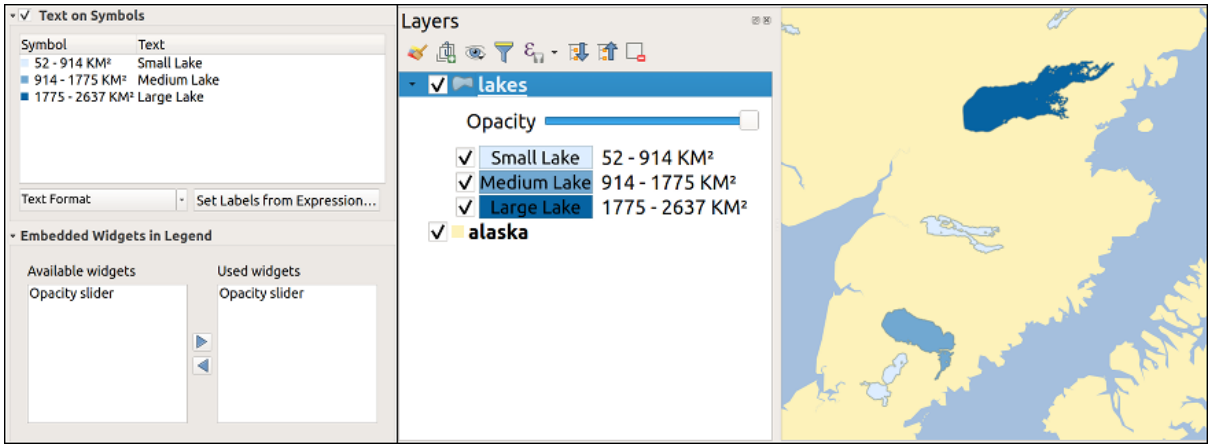


Abb. 15.62: Setting text on symbols (left) and its rendering in the *Layers* panel (right)

- a list of widgets you can embed within the layer tree in the Layers panel. The idea is to have a way to quickly access some actions that are often used with the layer (setup transparency, filtering, selection, style or other stuff…).

  By default, QGIS provides transparency widget but this can be extended by plugins registering their own widgets and assign custom actions to layers they manage.

15.1.20 QGIS Server Properties

The *QGIS Server* tab consists of *Description*, *Attribution*, *Metadata URL*, and *Legend URL* sections.

From the *Description* section, you can change the *Short name* used to reference the layer in requests (to learn more about short names, read services_basics_short_name). You can also add or edit a *Title* and *Abstract* for the layer, or define a *Keyword list* here. These keyword lists can be used in a metadata catalog. If you want to use a title from an XML metadata file, you have to fill in a link in the *Data URL* field.

Use *Attribution* to get attribute data from an XML metadata catalog.

In *Metadata URL*, you can add the general paths to the XML metadata catalog. This information will be saved in the QGIS project file for subsequent sessions and will be used for QGIS Server.

In the *Legend URL* section, you can provide the url of a legend image in the url field. You can use the Format drop-down option to apply the appropriate format of the image. Currently png, jpg and jpeg image formats are supported.

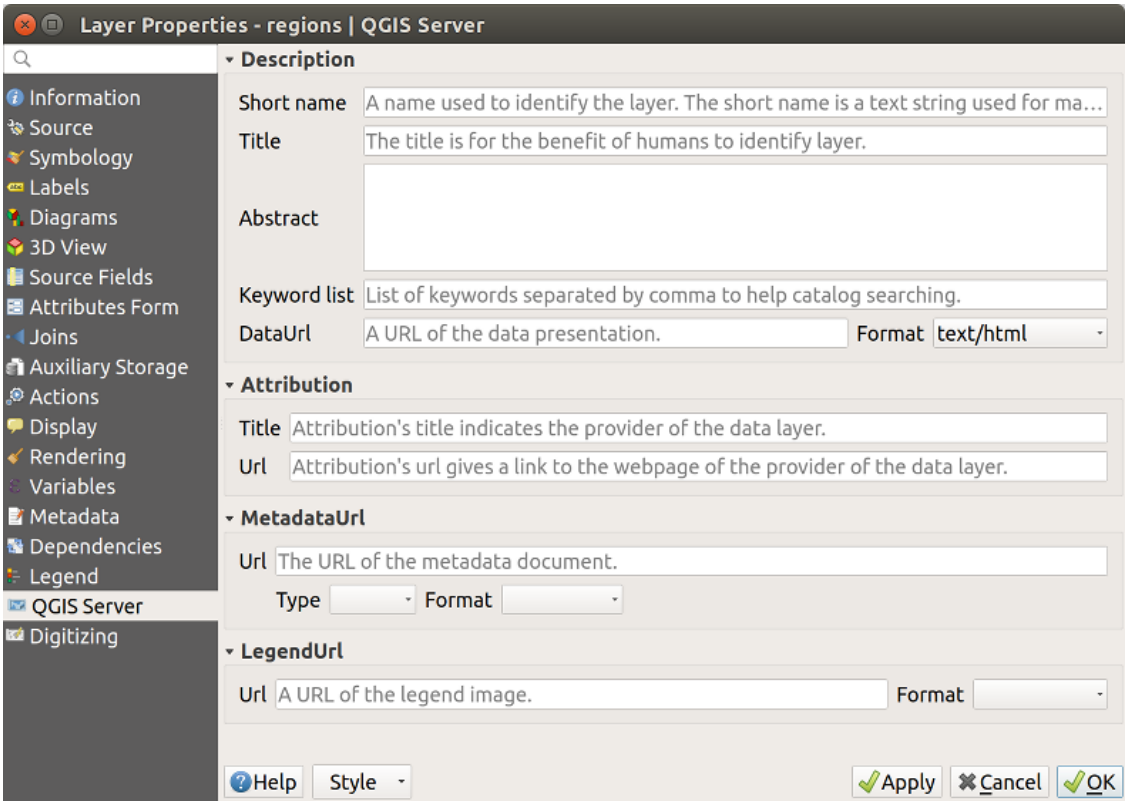


Abb. 15.63: QGIS Server tab in vector layers properties dialog

To learn more about QGIS Server, read the QGIS-Server-manual.

15.1.21 Digitizing Properties

The *Digitizing* tab gives access to options that help to ensure the quality of digitized geometries.

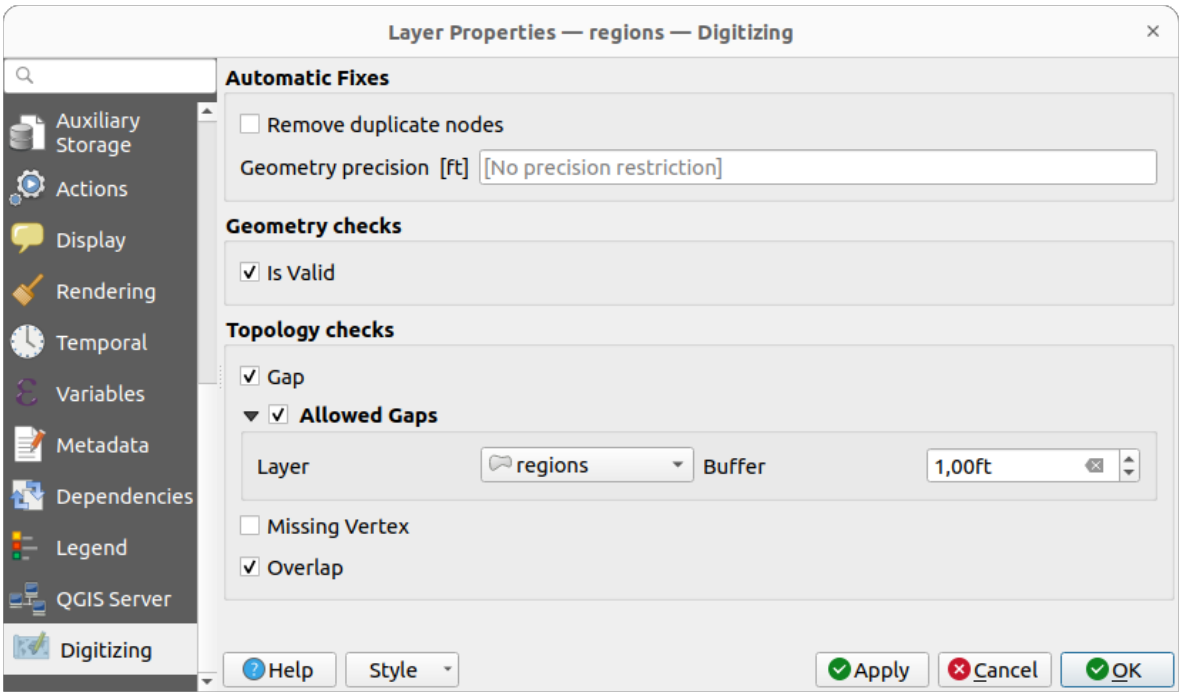


Abb. 15.64: The QGIS Digitizing tab in the vector layers properties dialog

Automatic Fixes

Options in the *Automatic Fixes* section will directly affect the vertices of any geometry which is added or modified. If the *Remove duplicate nodes* option is checked, any two subsequent vertices with exactly the same coordinates will be removed. If the *Geometry precision* is set, all vertices will be rounded to the closest multiple of the configured geometry precision. The rounding will happen in the layer coordinate reference system. Z and M values are not rounded. With many map tools, a grid is shown on the canvas while digitizing.

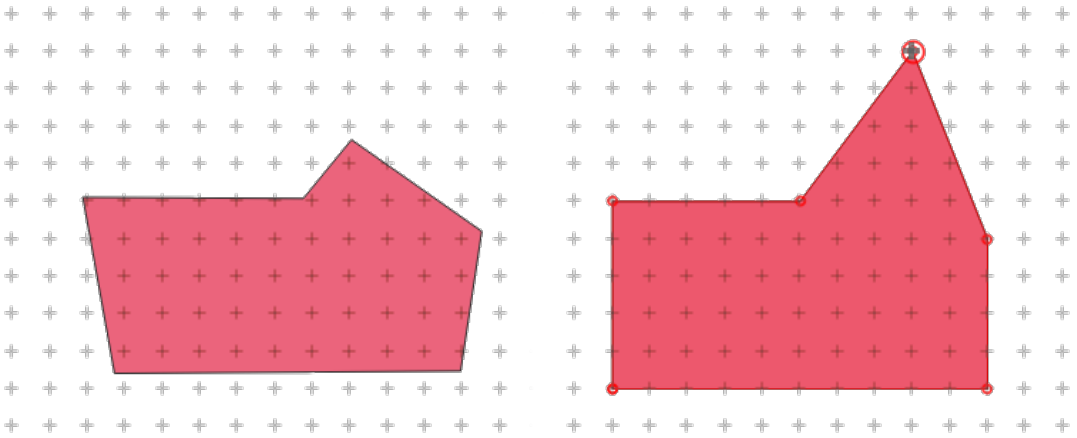


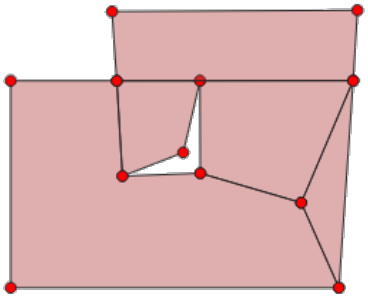
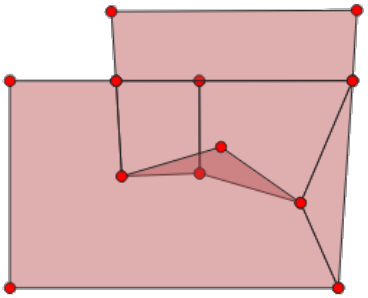
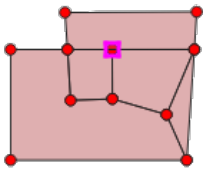
Abb. 15.65: Moving the top vertex snaps all the vertices to the grid

Geometry Checks

In the *Geometry checks* section, additional validations on a per geometry basis can be activated. Immediately after any geometry modification, failures in these checks are reported to the user in the *Geometry validation* panel. As long as a check is failing, it is not possible to save the layer. The *Is valid* check will run basic validity checks like self intersection on geometries.

Topology Checks

In the *Topology checks* section, additional topology validation checks can be activated. Topology checks will be executed when the user saves the layer. Check errors will be reported in the *Geometry validation* panel. As long as validation errors are present, the layer can not be saved. Topology checks are executed in the area of the bounding box of the modified features. Since other features may be present in the same area, topological errors concerning these features are reported as well as errors introduced in the current edit session.

Topology check option	Illustration
The *Gap* check will check for gaps between neighbouring polygons.	
The *Overlap* check will check for overlaps between neighbouring polygons.	
The *Missing vertex* check will check for shared boundaries of neighbouring polygons where one border misses a vertex which is present on the other one.	

Gap check exceptions

Sometimes it is desirable to keep gaps inside an area in a polygon layer that otherwise is fully covered by polygons. For example, a land use layer may have acceptable holes for lakes. It is possible to define areas that are ignored in the gap check. Since gaps inside these areas are allowed, we will refer to them as *Allowed Gaps* areas.

In the options for the gap checks under *Allowed Gaps*, an *Allowed Gaps layer* can be configured.

Whenever the gap check is executed, gaps which are covered by one or more polygons in the *Allowed Gaps Layer* are not reported as topology errors.

It is also possible to configure an additional *Buffer*. This buffer is applied to each polygon on the *Allowed Gaps Layer*. This makes it possible to make the tests less susceptible to small changes in the outlines at the borders of gaps.

When *Allowed Gaps* are enabled, an additional button (*Add Allowed Gap*) for detected gap errors is available in the geometry validation dock, where gaps are reported during digitizing. If the *Add Allowed Gap* button is pushed, a new polygon with the geometry of the detected gap is inserted into the *Allowed Gaps Layer*. This makes it possible to quickly flag gaps as allowed.

Geometry validation panel

The *Geometry Validation* panel is triggered when any of the abovementioned digitizing checks finds an error. The dialog provides you with the list of errors and their description, and you can to browse the list using the keyboard arrows or dedicated arrows.

You'll need to address all the issues before you can save edits to the layer. To do so:

1. Select an error, and it's possible to:
   -  *Zoom to Feature(s)*
   -  *Zoom to problem*
2. Pick the usual *digitizing tools* to fix the issue.

15.2 Mit Attributtabelle arbeiten

The attribute table displays information on features of a selected layer. Each row in the table represents a feature (with or without geometry), and each column contains a particular piece of information about the feature. Features in the table can be searched, selected, moved or even edited.

15.2.1 Foreword: Spatial and non-spatial tables

QGIS allows you to load spatial and non-spatial layers. This currently includes tables supported by OGR and delimited text, as well as the PostgreSQL, MSSQL, SpatiaLite and Oracle provider. All loaded layers are listed in the *Layers* panel. Whether a layer is spatially enabled or not determines whether you can interact with it on the map.

Non-spatial tables can be browsed and edited using the attribute table view. Furthermore, they can be used for field lookups. For example, you can use columns of a non-spatial table to define attribute values, or a range of values that are allowed, to be added to a specific vector layer during digitizing. Have a closer look at the edit widget in section *Attributes Form Properties* to find out more.

15.2.2 Introducing the attribute table interface

To open the attribute table for a vector layer, activate the layer by clicking on it in the *Layerfenster*. Then, from the main *Layer* menu, choose  *Open Attribute Table*. It is also possible to right-click on the layer and choose  *Open Attribute Table* from the drop-down menu, or to click on the  *Open Attribute Table* button in the Attributes toolbar. If you prefer shortcuts, `F6` will open the attribute table. `Shift+F6` will open the attribute table filtered to selected features and `Ctrl+F6` will open the attribute table filtered to visible features.

This will open a new window that displays the feature attributes for the layer (*figure_attributes_table*). According to the setting in *Settings* ► *Options* ► *Data sources* menu, the attribute table will open in a docked window or a regular window. The total number of features in the layer and the number of currently selected/filtered features are shown in the attribute table title, as well as if the layer is spatially limited.

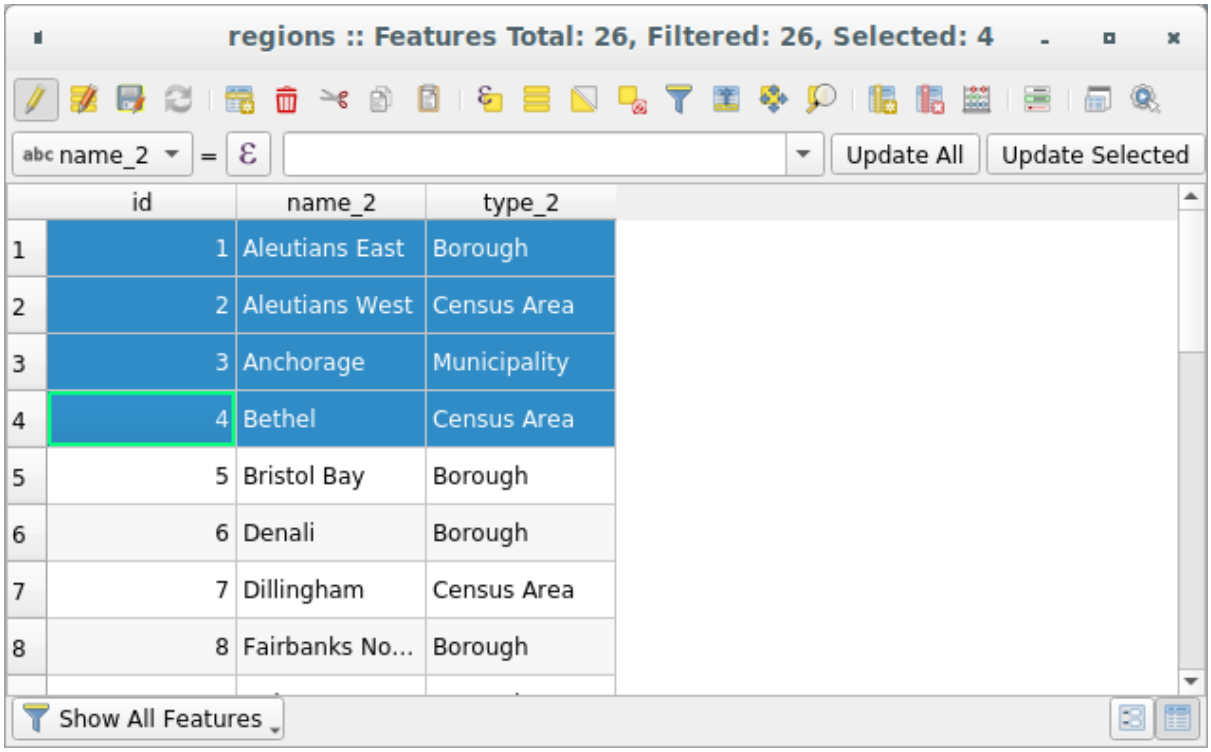


Abb. 15.66: Attributtabelle des regions Layer

Die anderen Knöpfe im Kopf der Attributtabelle stellen die folgenden Funktionalitäten zur Verfügung:

Tab. 15.1: Available Tools

Icon	Label	Funktion	Default Shortcut
	Toggle editing mode	Enable editing functionalities	`Ctrl+E`
	Toggle multi edit mode	Update multiple fields of many features	
	Save Edits	Save current modifications	
	Reload the table		
	Add feature	Add new geometryless feature	
	Delete selected features	Remove selected features from the layer	
	Cut selected features to clipboard		`Strg+X`
	Copy selected features to clipboard		`Strg+C`
	Paste features from clipboard	Insert new features from copied ones	`Strg+V`
	Select features using an Expression		
	Select All	Select all features in the layer	`Strg+A`
	Invert selection	Invert the current selection in the layer	`Ctrl+R`
	Deselect all	Deselect all features in the current layer	`Strg+Umschalt+A`
	Filter/Select features using form		`Ctrl+F`
	Move selected to top	Move selected rows to the top of the table	
	Pan map to the selected rows		`Strg+P`

Fortsetzung auf der nächsten Seite

Tab. 15.1 – Fortsetzung der vorherigen Seite

Icon	Label	Funktion	Default Shortcut
	Zoom map to the selected rows		`Strg+J`
	New field	Add a new field to the data source	`Ctrl+W`
	Delete field	Remove a field from the data source	
	Organize columns	Show/hide fields from the attribute table	
	Open field calculator	Update field for many features in a row	`Ctrl+I`
	Conditional formatting	Enable table formatting	
	Dock attribute table	Allows to dock/undock the attribute table	
	Actions	Lists the actions related to the layer	

Bemerkung: Depending on the format of the data and the OGR library built with your QGIS version, some tools may not be available.

Below these buttons is the Quick Field Calculation bar (enabled only in *edit mode*), which allows to quickly apply calculations to all or part of the features in the layer. This bar uses the same *expressions* as the  Field Calculator (see *Editiere Attributwerte*).

Table view vs Form view

QGIS provides two view modes to easily manipulate data in the attribute table:

- The  Table view, displays values of multiple features in a tabular mode, each row representing a feature and each column a field. A right-click on the column header allows you to *configure the table display* while a right-click on a cell provides *interaction with the feature*.
- The  Form view shows *feature identifiers* in a first panel and displays only the attributes of the clicked identifier in the second one. There is a pull-down menu at the top of the first panel where the „identifier“ can be specified using an attribute (*Column preview*) or an *Expression*. The pull-down also includes the last 10 expressions for re-use. Form view uses the layer fields configuration (see *Attributes Form Properties*).

  You can browse through the feature identifiers with the arrows on the bottom of the first panel. The features attributes update in the second panel as you go. It’s also possible to identify or move to the active feature in the map canvas with pushing down any of the button at the bottom:

  -  Highlight current feature if visible in the map canvas
  -  Automatically pan to current feature
  -  Zoom to current feature

You can switch from one mode to the other by clicking the corresponding icon at the bottom right of the dialog.

You can also specify the *Default view* mode at the opening of the attribute table in *Settings* ► *Options* ► *Data Sources* menu. It can be ‚Remember last view‘, ‚Table view‘ or ‚Form view‘.

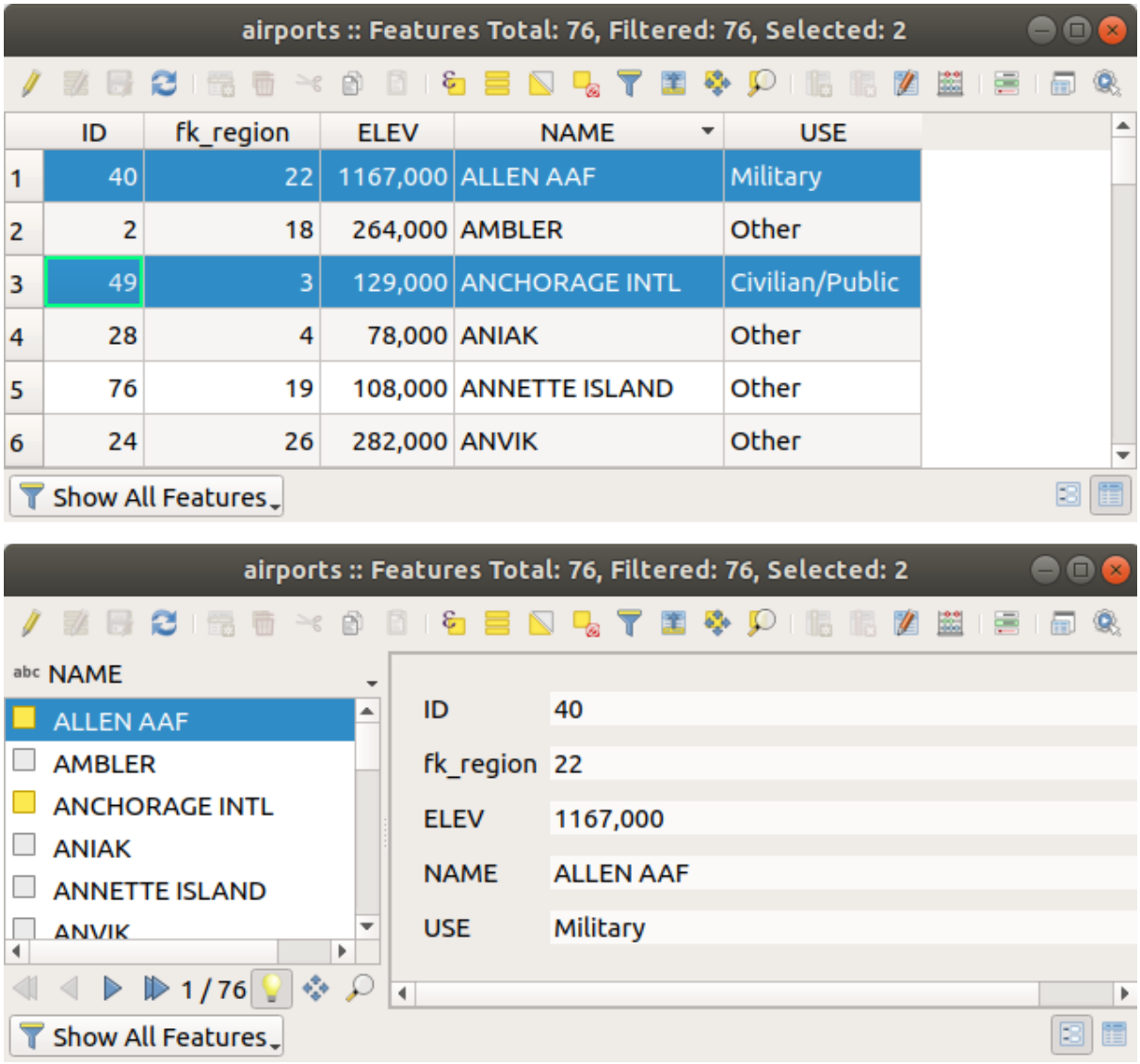


Abb. 15.67: Attribute table in table view (top) vs form view (bottom)

Configuring the columns

Right-click in a column header when in table view to have access to tools that help you control:

- the *column(s) size*
- the *column(s) visibility and order*
- the *sort order of the data*

Resizing columns widths

Columns width can be set through a right-click on the column header and select either:

- *Set width…* to enter the desired value. By default, the current value is displayed in the widget
- *Set all column widths…* to the same value
- *Autosize* to resize at the best fit the column.
- *Autosize all columns*

A column size can also be changed by dragging the boundary on the right of its heading. The new size of the column is maintained for the layer, and restored at the next opening of the attribute table.

Hiding and organizing columns and enabling actions

By right-clicking in a column header, you can choose to *Hide column* from the attribute table (in „table view“ mode). For more advanced controls, press the  Organize columns… button from the dialog toolbar or choose *Organize columns…* in a column header contextual menu. In the new dialog, you can:

- check/uncheck columns you want to show or hide: a hidden column will disappear from every instances of the attribute table dialog until it is actively restored.
- drag-and-drop items to reorder the columns in the attribute table. Note that this change is for the table rendering and does not alter the fields order in the layer datasource
- add a new virtual *Actions* column that displays in each row a drop-down box or a button list of enabled actions. See *Actions Properties* for more information about actions.

Sorting columns

The table can be sorted by any column, by clicking on the column header. A small arrow indicates the sort order (downward pointing means descending values from the top row down, upward pointing means ascending values from the top row down). You can also choose to sort the rows with the *Sort…* option of the column header context menu and write an expression. E.g. to sort the rows using multiple columns you can write `concat(col0, col1)`.

In form view, features identifier can be sorted using the  *Sort by preview expression* option.

Tipp: Sorting based on columns of different types

Trying to sort an attribute table based on columns of string and numeric types may lead to unexpected result because of the `concat("USE", "ID")` expression returning string values (ie, `'Borough105' < 'Borough6'`). You can workaround this by using eg `concat("USE", lpad("ID", 3, 0))` which returns `'Borough105' > 'Borough006'`.

Formatting of table cells using conditions

Conditional formatting settings can be used to highlight in the attribute table features you may want to put a particular focus on, using custom conditions on feature's:

- geometry (e.g., identifying multi-parts features, small area ones or in a defined map extent…);
- or field value (e.g., comparing values to a threshold, identifying empty cells…).

You can enable the conditional formatting panel clicking on  at the top right of the attributes window in table view (not available in form view).

The new panel allows user to add new rules to format rendering of *Field* or *Full row*. Adding new rule opens a form to define:

- the name of the rule;
- a condition using any of the *expression builder* functions;
- the formatting: it can be choosen from a list of predefined formats or created based on properties like:
  - background and text colors;
  - use of icon;
  - bold, italic, underline, or strikeout;
  - Schriftart.

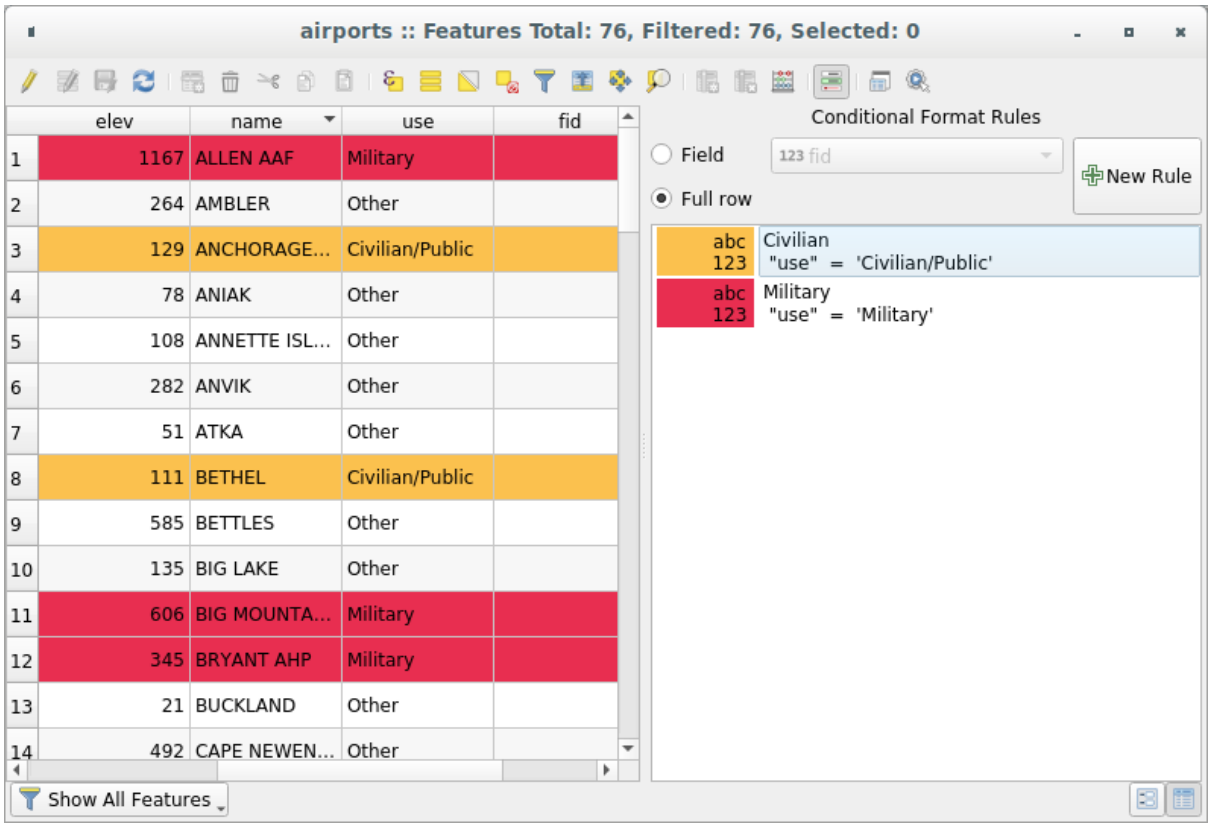


Abb. 15.68: Bedingte Formatierungsregeln für Attributtabellen

15.2.3 Interacting with features in an attribute table

Selecting features

In table view, each row in the attribute table displays the attributes of a unique feature in the layer. Selecting a row selects the feature and likewise, selecting a feature in the map canvas (in case of geometry enabled layer) selects the row in the attribute table. If the set of features selected in the map canvas (or attribute table) is changed, then the selection is also updated in the attribute table (or map canvas) accordingly.

Zeilen können ausgewählt werden, indem Sie auf die Zeilennummer links neben der Zeile klicken. **Mehrere Zeilen** können ausgewählt werden, indem die `Strg` Taste während der Auswahl gedrückt wird.Eine **kontinuierliche Auswahl** ist möglich, indem Sie bei der Selektion die `Umschalt` Taste gedrückt halten, während Sie die Zeilennummern auswählen. Alle Zeilen zwischen der aktuell ausgewählten Zeile und der Mauspfeilposition werden dadurch selektiert. Bewegt man den Mauszeiger in der Attributtabelle indem man in eine Zelle in der Tabelle klickt

ändert die Zeilenauswahl nicht. Verändert man die Auswahl im Kartenfenster bewegt sich der Mauszeiger in der Attributtabelle nicht.

In form view of the attribute table, features are by default identified in the left panel by the value of their displayed field (see *Display Properties*). This identifier can be replaced using the drop-down list at the top of the panel, either by selecting an existing field or using a custom expression. You can also choose to sort the list of features from the drop-down menu.

Click a value in the left panel to display the feature's attributes in the right one. To select a feature, you need to click inside the square symbol at the left of the identifier. By default, the symbol turns into yellow. Like in the table view, you can perform multiple feature selection using the keyboard combinations previously exposed.

Beyond selecting features with the mouse, you can perform automatic selection based on feature's attribute using tools available in the attribute table toolbar, such as (see section *Automatic selection* and following one for more information and use case):

-  *Select By Expression…*
-  *Select Features By Value…*
-  *Deselect All Features from the Layer*
-  *Select All Features*
-  *Invert Feature Selection*.

It is also possible to select features using the *Filtering and selecting features using forms*.

Filtering features

Once you have selected features in the attribute table, you may want to display only these records in the table. This can be easily done using the *Show Selected Features* item from the drop-down list at the bottom left of the attribute table dialog. This list offers the following filters:

-  *Show All Features*
-  *Show Selected Features* - same as using *Open Attribute Table (Selected Features)* from the *Layer* menu or the *Attributes Toolbar* or pressing `Shift+F6`
-  *Show Features visible on map* - same as using *Open Attribute Table (Visible Features)* from the *Layer* menu or the *Attributes Toolbar* or pressing `Ctrl+F6`
-  *Show Edited and New Features* - same as using *Open Attribute Table (Edited and New Features)* from the *Layer* menu or the *Attributes Toolbar*
- *Field Filter* - allows the user to filter based on value of a field: choose a column from a list, type or select a value and press `Enter` to filter. Then, only the features matching `num_field = value` or `string_field ilike '%value%'` expression are shown in the attribute table. You can check  *Case sensitive* to be less permissive with strings.
- *Advanced filter (Expression)* - Opens the expression builder dialog. Within it, you can create *complex expressions* to match table rows. For example, you can filter the table using more than one field. When applied, the filter expression will show up at the bottom of the form.
- *Stored filter expressions* ►: a shortcut to *saved expressions* frequently used for filtering your attribute table.

It is also possible to *filter features using forms*.

Bemerkung: Filtering records out of the attribute table does not filter features out of the layer; they are simply momentaneously hidden from the table and can be accessed from the map canvas or by removing the filter. For filters

that do hide features from the layer, use the *Query Builder*.

Tipp: Update datasource filtering with `Show Features Visible on Map`

When for performance reasons, features shown in attribute table are spatially limited to the canvas extent at its opening (see *Data Source Options* for a how-to), selecting *Show Features Visible on Map* on a new canvas extent updates the spatial restriction.

Storing filter expressions

Expressions you use for attribute table filtering can be saved for further calls. When using *Field Filter* or *Advanced Filter (expression)* entries, the expression used is displayed in a text widget in the bottom of the attribute table dialog. Press the Save expression with text as name next to the box to save the expression in the project. Pressing the drop-down menu next to the button allows to save the expression with a custom name (*Save expression as…*). Once a saved expression is displayed, the button is triggered and its drop-down menu allows you to *Edit the expression* and name if any, or *Delete stored expression*.

Saved filter expressions are saved in the project and available through the *Stored filter expressions* menu of the attribute table. They are different from the *user expressions*, shared by all projects of the active user profile.

Filtering and selecting features using forms

Clicking the Filter/Select features using form or pressing `Ctrl+F` will make the attribute table dialog switch to form view and replace each widget with its search variant.

From this point onwards, this tool functionality is similar to the one described in *Select Features By Value*, where you can find descriptions of all operators and selecting modes.

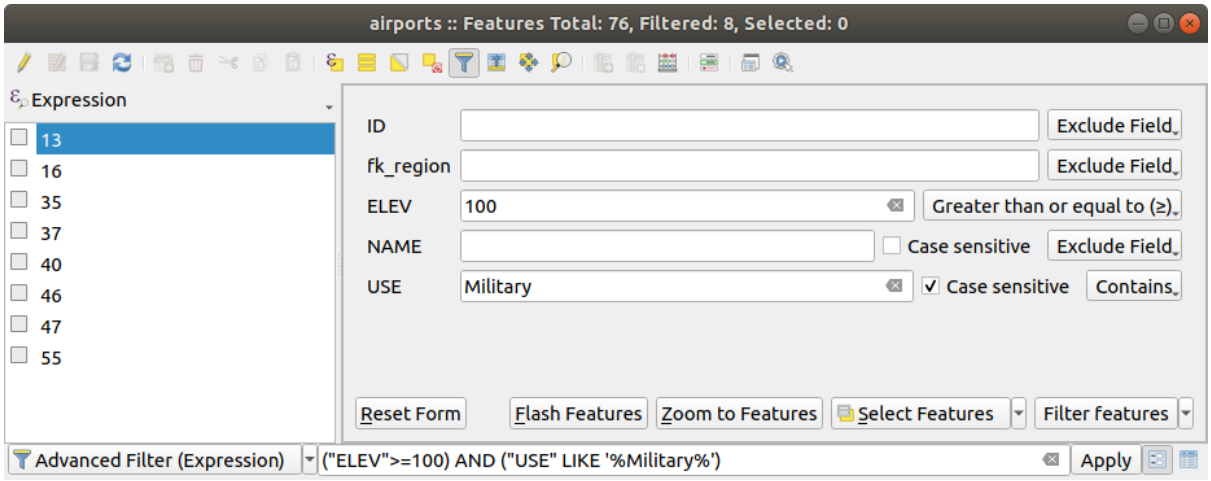


Abb. 15.69: Attribute table filtered by the filter form

When selecting / filtering features from the attribute table, there is a *Filter features* button that allows defining and refining filters. Its use triggers the *Advanced filter (Expression)* option and displays the corresponding filter expression in an editable text widget at the bottom of the form.

If there are already filtered features, you can refine the filter using the drop-down list next to the *Filter features* button. The options are:

- *Filter within („AND“)*

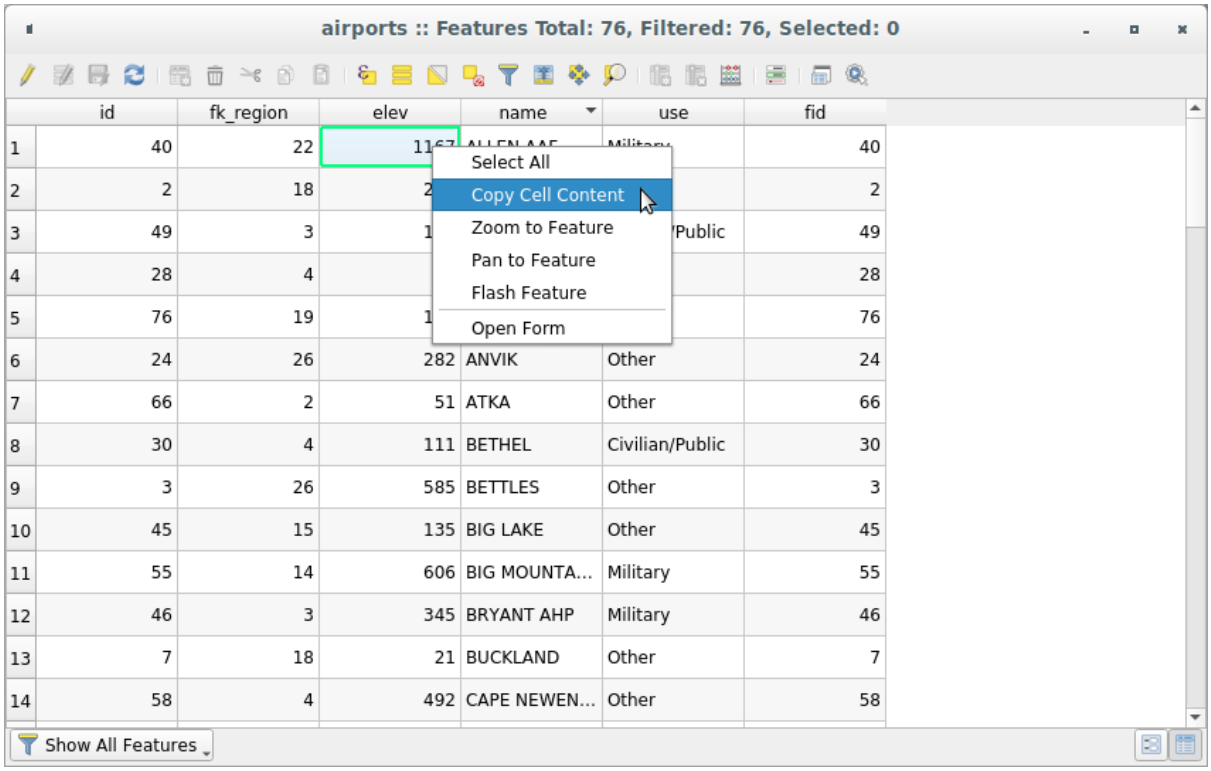
- *Extend filter („OR“)*

To clear the filter, either select the *Show all features* option from the bottom left pull-down menu, or clear the expression and click *Apply* or press `Enter`.

15.2.4 Using action on features

Users have several possibilities to manipulate feature with the contextual menu like:

- *Select all* (`Ctrl+A`) the features;
- Copy the content of a cell in the clipboard with *Copy cell content*;
- *Zoom to feature* without having to select it beforehand;
- *Pan to feature* without having to select it beforehand;
- *Flash feature*, to highlight it in the map canvas;
- *Open form*: it toggles attribute table into form view with a focus on the clicked feature.



	id	fk_region	elev	name	use	fid
1	40	22	11			40
2	2	18	2			2
3	49	3	1		Public	49
4	28	4				28
5	76	19	1			76
6	24	26	282	ANVIK	Other	24
7	66	2	51	ATKA	Other	66
8	30	4	111	BETHEL	Civilian/Public	30
9	3	26	585	BETTLES	Other	3
10	45	15	135	BIG LAKE	Other	45
11	55	14	606	BIG MOUNTA...	Military	55
12	46	3	345	BRYANT AHP	Military	46
13	7	18	21	BUCKLAND	Other	7
14	58	4	492	CAPE NEWEN...	Other	58

Abb. 15.70: Copy cell content button

If you want to use attribute data in external programs (such as Excel, LibreOffice, QGIS or a custom web application), select one or more row(s) and use the Copy selected rows to clipboard button or press `Ctrl+C`.

In *Settings* ► *Options* ► *Data Sources* menu you can define the format to paste to with *Copy features as* dropdown list:

- Plain text, no geometry,
- Plain text, WKT geometry,
- GeoJSON

You can also display a list of actions in this contextual menu. This is enabled in the *Layer properties* ► *Actions* tab. See *Actions Properties* for more information on actions.

Saving selected features as new layer

The selected features can be saved as any OGR-supported vector format and also transformed into another coordinate reference system (CRS). In the contextual menu of the layer, from the *Layers* panel, click on *Export* ► *Save selected features as…* to define the name of the output dataset, its format and CRS (see section *Creating new layers from an existing layer*). You'll notice that *Save only selected features* is checked. It is also possible to specify OGR creation options within the dialog.

15.2.5 Editiere Attributwerte

Editing attribute values can be done by:

- typing the new value directly in the cell, whether the attribute table is in table or form view. Changes are hence done cell by cell, feature by feature;
- using the *field calculator*: update in a row a field that may already exist or to be created but for multiple features. It can be used to create virtual fields;
- using the quick field *calculation bar*: same as above but for only existing field;
- or using the *multi edit* mode: update in a row multiple fields for multiple features.

Using the Field Calculator

The  Field Calculator button in the attribute table allows you to perform calculations on the basis of existing attribute values or defined functions, for instance, to calculate length or area of geometry features. The results can be used to update an existing field, or written to a new field (that can be a *virtual* one).

The field calculator is available on any layer that supports edit. When you click on the field calculator icon the dialog opens (see Abb. 15.71). If the layer is not in edit mode, a warning is displayed and using the field calculator will cause the layer to be put in edit mode before the calculation is made.

Based on the *Expression Builder* dialog, the field calculator dialog offers a complete interface to define an expression and apply it to an existing or a newly created field. To use the field calculator dialog, you must select whether you want to:

1. apply calculation on the whole layer or on selected features only
2. create a new field for the calculation or update an existing one.

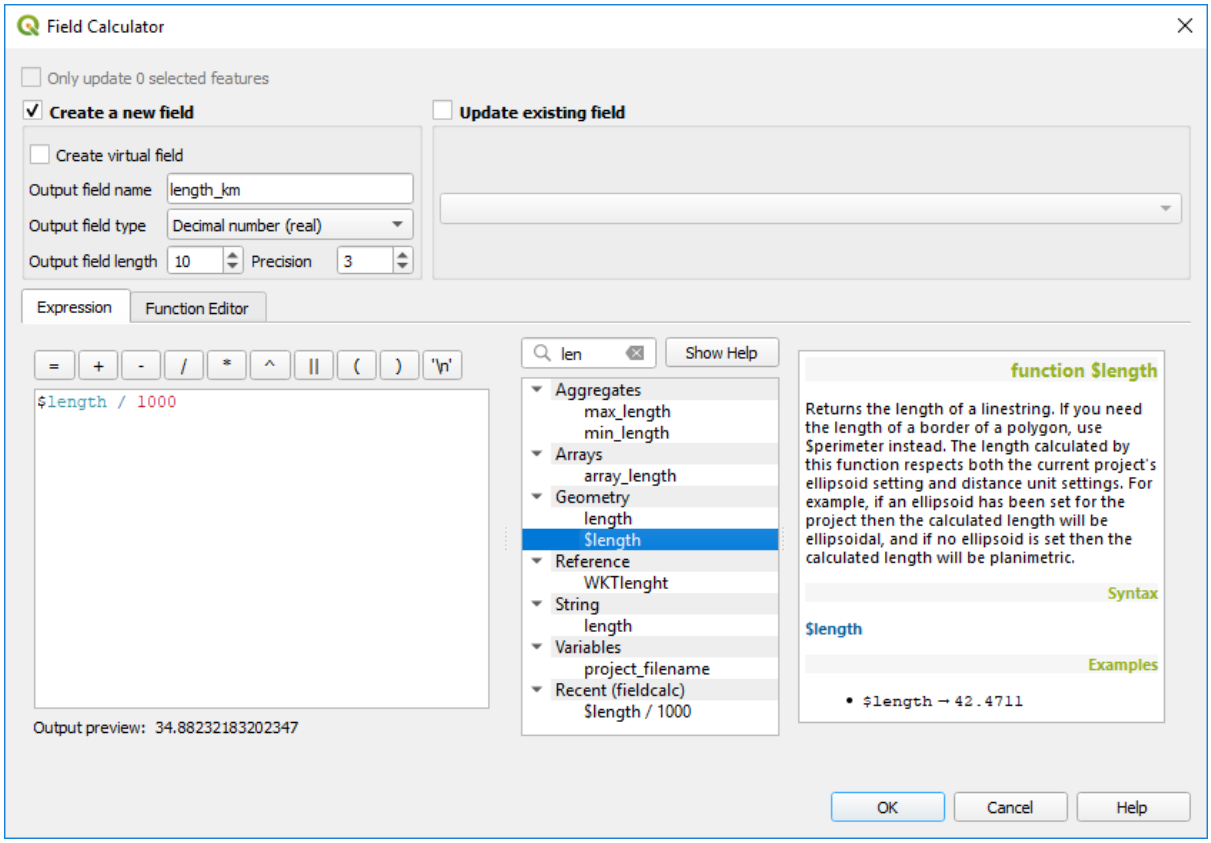


Abb. 15.71: Feldrechner

If you choose to add a new field, you need to enter a field name, a field type (integer, real, date or string) and if needed, the total field length and the field precision. For example, if you choose a field length of 10 and a field precision of 3, it means you have 7 digits before the dot, and 3 digits for the decimal part.

Ein kurzes Beispiel zeigt wie der Feldrechner arbeitet, wenn Sie den Reiter *Ausdruck* verwenden. Wir wollen die Länge des ‚railroads' Layers aus dem QGIS Beispieldatensatz in km berechnen:

1. Laden Sie das Shape `railroads.shp` in QGIS und öffnen Sie die den Dialog Attributtabelle öffnen.
2. Klicken Sie auf Bearbeitungsmodus umschalten und öffnen Sie den Feldrechner Dialog.
3. Wählen Sie das *Neues Feld anlegen* Kontrollkästchen um die Berechnungen in ein neues Feld zu speichern.
4. Set *Output field name* to `length_km`
5. Select `Decimal number (real)` as *Output field type*
6. Set the *Output field length* to `10` and the *Precision* to `3`
7. Double click on `$length` in the *Geometry* group to add the length of the geometry into the Field calculator expression box.
8. Complete the expression by typing `/ 1000` in the Field calculator expression box and click *OK*.
9. You can now find a new *length_km* field in the attribute table.

Creating a Virtual Field

A virtual field is a field based on an expression calculated on the fly, meaning that its value is automatically updated as soon as an underlying parameter changes. The expression is set once; you no longer need to recalculate the field each time underlying values change. For example, you may want to use a virtual field if you need area to be evaluated as you digitize features or to automatically calculate a duration between dates that may change (e.g., using `now()` function).

Bemerkung: Virtuelle Felder benutzen

- Virtuelle Felder sind nicht dauerhaft in den Layerattributen, was bedeutet, dass sie in der Projektdatei gespeichert und verfügabr sind, in der sie gespeichert wurden.
- A field can be set virtual only at its creation. Virtual fields are marked with a purple background in the fields tab of the layer properties dialog to distinguish them from regular physical or joined fields. Their expression can be edited later by pressing the expression button in the Comment column. An expression editor window will be opened to adjust the expression of the virtual field.

Using the Quick Field Calculation Bar

While Field calculator is always available, the quick field calculation bar on top of the attribute table is only visible if the layer is in edit mode. Thanks to the expression engine, it offers a quicker access to edit an already existing field:

1. Select the field to update in the drop-down list.
2. Fill the textbox with a value, an expression you directly write or build using the ε expression button.
3. Click on *Update All*, *Update Selected* or *Update Filtered* button according to your need.

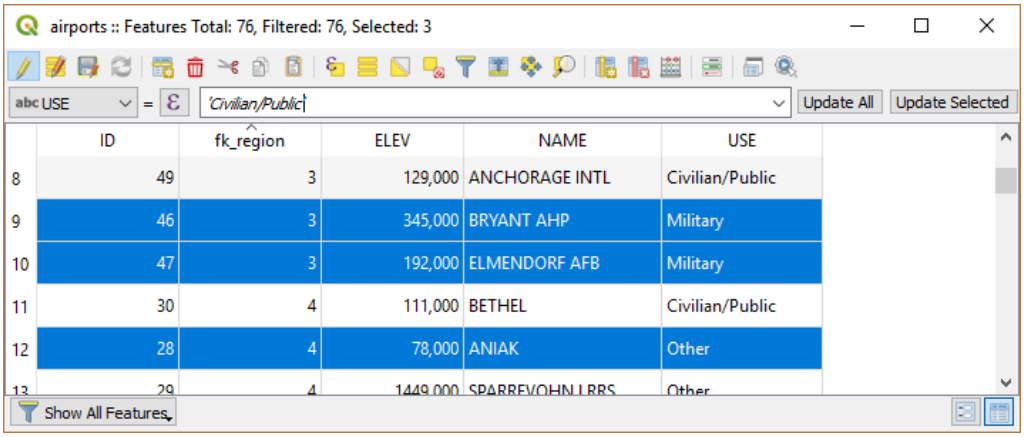


Abb. 15.72: Quick Field Calculation Bar

Editing multiple fields

Unlike the previous tools, multi edit mode allows multiple attributes of different features to be edited simultaneously. When the layer is toggled to edit, multi edit capabilities are accessible:

- using the Toggle multi edit mode button from the toolbar inside the attribute table dialog;
- or selecting *Edit* ► *Modify attributes of selected features* menu.

Bemerkung: Unlike the tool from the attribute table, hitting the *Edit* ► *Modify Attributes of Selected Features* option provides you with a modal dialog to fill attributes changes. Hence, features selection is required before execution.

In order to edit multiple fields in a row:

1. Select the features you want to edit.
2. From the attribute table toolbar, click the button. This will toggle the dialog to its form view. Feature selection could also be made at this step.
3. At the right side of the attribute table, fields (and values) of selected features are shown. New widgets appear next to each field allowing for display of the current multi edit state:

   - The field contains different values for selected features. It's shown empty and each feature will keep its original value. You can reset the value of the field from the drop-down list of the widget.
   - All selected features have the same value for this field and the value displayed in the form will be kept.
   - The field has been edited and the entered value will be applied to all the selected features. A message appears at the top of the dialog, inviting you to either apply or reset your modification.

   Clicking any of these widgets allows you to either set the current value for the field or reset to original value, meaning that you can roll back changes on a field-by-field basis.

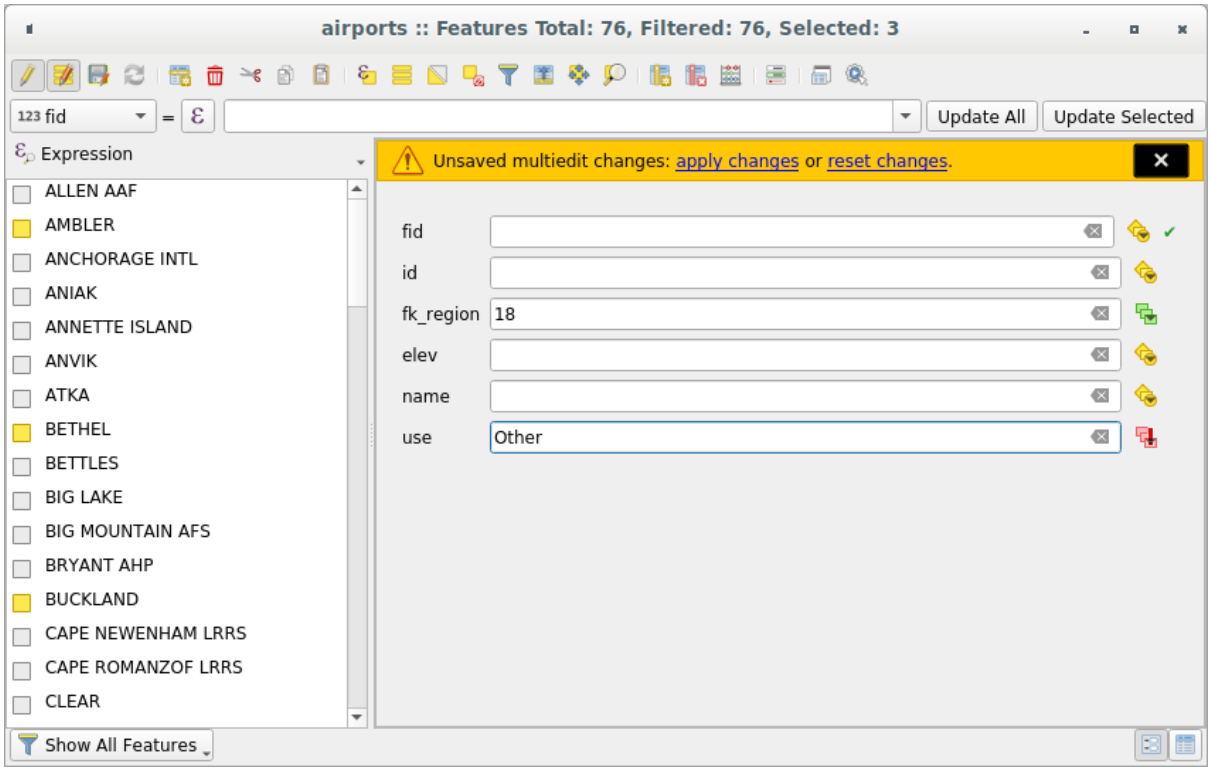


Abb. 15.73: Editing fields of multiple features

4. Make the changes to the fields you want.
5. Click on **Apply changes** in the upper message text or any other feature in the left panel.

Changes will apply to **all selected features**. If no feature is selected, the whole table is updated with your changes. Modifications are made as a single edit command. So pressing Undo will rollback the attribute changes for all

selected features at once.

Bemerkung: Multi edit mode is only available for auto generated and drag and drop forms (see *Customizing a form for your data*); it is not supported by custom ui forms.

15.2.6 Creating one or many to many relations

Relations are a technique often used in databases. The concept is that features (rows) of different layers (tables) can belong to each other.

Introducing 1-N relations

Als Beispiel nehmen wir einen Layer mit allen Regionen von Alaska (Polygon) in dem einige Attribute über den Namen und den Regionstyp sowie eine eindeutige ID (die als Primärschlüssel eingesetzt wird) vorhanden sind.

Then you get another point layer or table with information about airports that are located in the regions and you also want to keep track of these. If you want to add them to the regions layer, you need to create a one to many relation using foreign keys, because there are several airports in most regions.

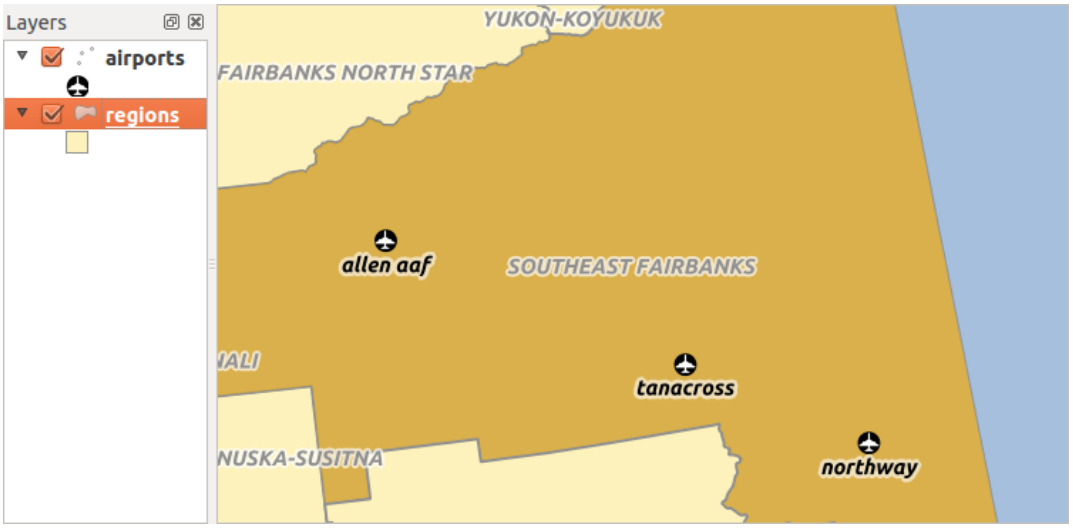


Abb. 15.74: Die Region Alaska mit Flughäfen

Layers in 1-N relations

QGIS makes no difference between a table and a vector layer. Basically, a vector layer is a table with a geometry. So you can add your table as a vector layer. To demonstrate the 1-n relation, you can load the `regions` shapefile and the `airports` shapefile which has a foreign key field (`fk_region`) to the layer regions. This means, that each airport belongs to exactly one region while each region can have any number of airports (a typical one to many relation).

Foreign keys in 1-N relations

In addition to the already existing attributes in the airports attribute table, you'll need another field `fk_region` which acts as a foreign key (if you have a database, you will probably want to define a constraint on it).

This field fk_region will always contain an id of a region. It can be seen like a pointer to the region it belongs to. And you can design a custom edit form for editing and QGIS takes care of the setup. It works with different providers (so you can also use it with shape and csv files) and all you have to do is to tell QGIS the relations between your tables.

Defining 1-N relations

The first thing we are going to do is to let QGIS know about the relations between the layers. This is done in *Project* ► *Properties…*. Open the *Relations* tab and click on *Add Relation*.

- **Name** is going to be used as a title. It should be a human readable string, describing, what the relation is used for. We will just call say **airport_relation** in this case.
- **Referenced Layer (Parent)** also considered as parent layer, is the one with the primary key, pointed to, so here it is the `regions` layer. You need to define the primary key of the referenced layer, so it is `ID`.
- **Referencing Layer (Child)** also considered as child layer, is the one with the foreign key field on it. In our case, this is the `airports` layer. For this layer you need to add a referencing field which points to the other layer, so this is `fk_region`.

Bemerkung: Sometimes, you need more than a single field to uniquely identify features in a layer. Creating a relation with such a layer requires a **composite key**, ie more than a single pair of matching fields. Use the Add new field pair as part of a composite foreign key button to add as many pairs as necessary.

- **Id** will be used for internal purposes and has to be unique. You may need it to build *custom forms*. If you leave it empty, one will be generated for you but you can assign one yourself to get one that is easier to handle
- **Relationship strength** sets the strength of the relation between the parent and the child layer. The default *Association* type means that the parent layer is *simply* linked to the child one while the *Composition* type allows you to duplicate also the child features when duplicating the parent ones and on deleting a feature the children are deleted as well, resulting in cascade over all levels (means children of children of… are deleted as well).

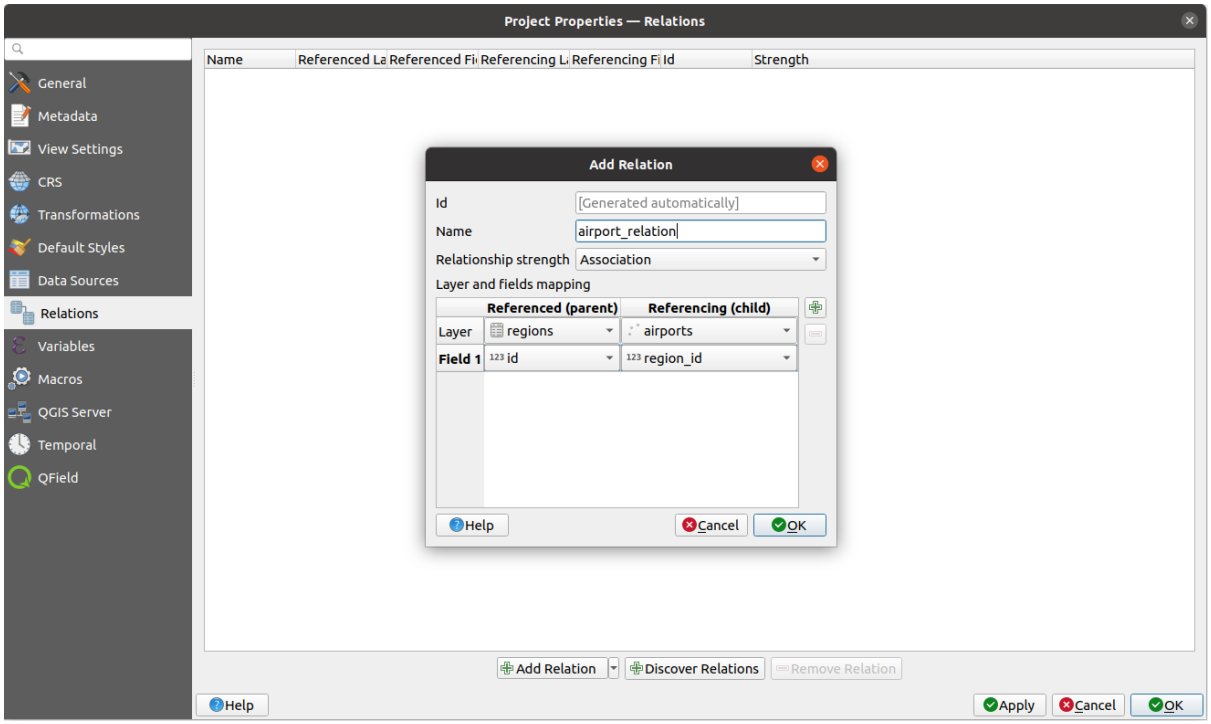


Abb. 15.75: Adding a relation between regions and airports layers

From the *Relations* tab, you can also press the *Discover Relation* button to fetch the relations available from the providers of the loaded layers. This is possible for layers stored in data providers like PostgreSQL or SpatiaLite.

Forms for 1-N relations

Jetzt wo QGIS von der Beziehung weiss wird es dazu benutzt das Formular das es erstellt zu verbessern. Da wir die Standard Formular Methode (autogenerated) nicht verändert haben, wird es Ihrem Formular einfach ein neues Bearbeitungselement hinzufügen. Also lassen Sie uns einen Layer ‚region' in der Legende auswählen und das Objekte abfragen Werkzeug benutzen. Abhängig von Ihren Einstellungen öffnet sich das Formular entweder direkt oder Sie müssen den Identifizieren Dialog unter Aktionen öffnen.

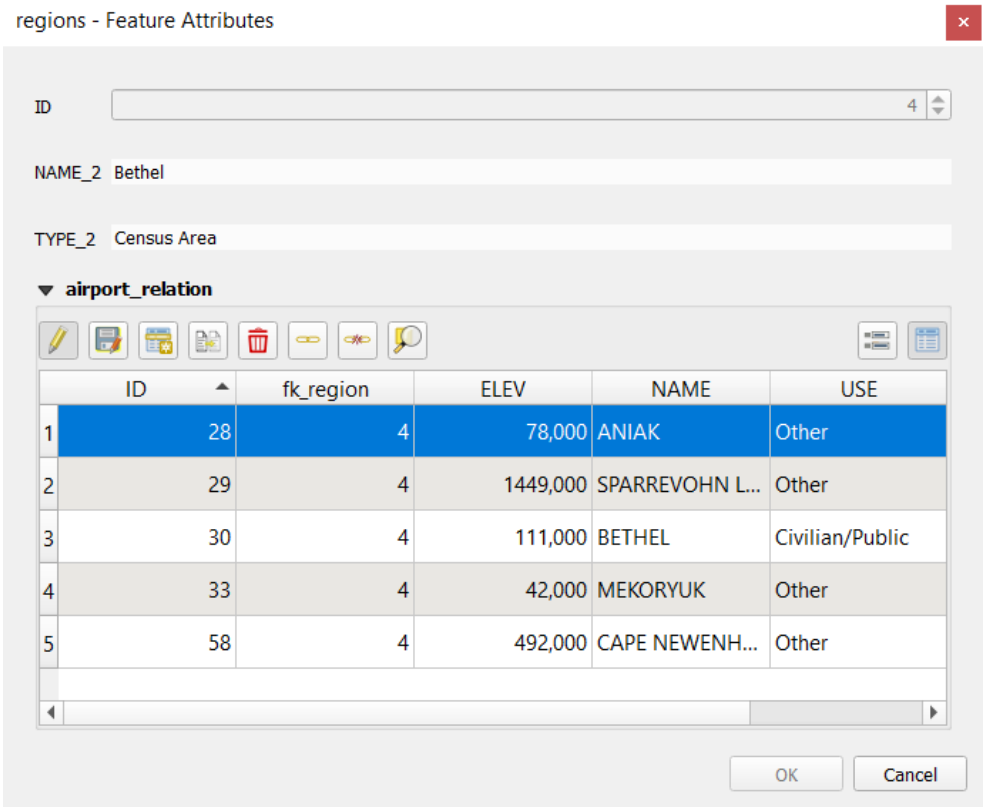


Abb. 15.76: identifikationsergebnis Dialog von regions mit Beziehung zu airports

As you can see, the airports assigned to this particular region are all shown in a table. And there are also some buttons available. Let's review them shortly:

- Der Knopf ist zum Umschalten des Bearbeitungsmodus da. Seien Sie sich dessen bewusst dass es den Bearbeitungsmodus des ‚airport' Layers umschaltet, trotzdessen wir uns im Objektformular eines Objektes aus dem ‚region' Layer befinden. Die Tabelle jedoch stellt Objekte des ‚aiport' Layer dar.
- The button is for saving all the edits in the child layer (airport).
- The button lets you digitize the airport geometry in the map canvas and assigns the new feature to the current region by default. Note that the icon will change according to the geometry type.
- The button adds a new record to the airport layer attribute table and assigns the new feature to the current region by default. The geometry can be drawn later with the *Add part* digitizing tool.
- The button allows you to copy and paste one or more child features within the child layer. They can later be assigned to a different parent feature or have their attributes modified.
- The button deletes the selected airport(s) permanently.
- The symbol opens a new dialog where you can select any existing airport which will then be assigned to the current region. This may be handy if you created the airport on the wrong region by accident.
- The symbol unlinks the selected airport(s) from the current region, leaving them unassigned (the foreign key is set to NULL) effectively.
- With the button you can zoom the map to the selected child features.

- The two buttons and to the right switch between the *table view and form view* of the related child features.

If you use the *Drag and Drop Designer* for the regions feature, you can select which tools are available. You can even decide whether to open a new form when a new feature is added using *Force hide form on add feature* option. Be aware that this option implies that not null attributes must take a valid default value to work correctly.

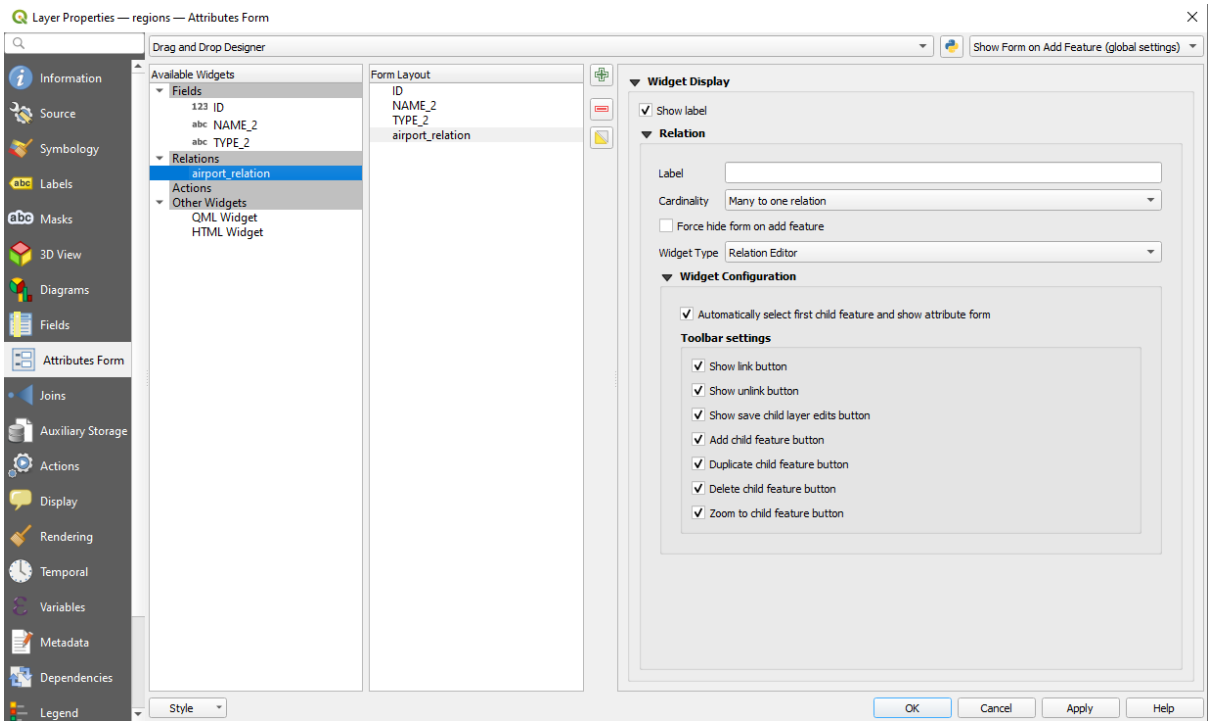


Abb. 15.77: Drag and Drop Designer for configure regions-airports relation tools

In the above example the referencing layer has geometries (so it isn't just an alphanumeric table) so the above steps will create an entry in the layer attribute table that has no corresponding geometric feature. To add the geometry:

1. Choose *Open Attribute Table* for the referencing layer.
2. Select the record that has been added previously within the feature form of the referenced layer.
3. Use the Add Part digitizing tool to attach a geometry to the selected attributes table record.

If you work on the airport table, the widget Relation Reference is automatically set up for the `fk_region` field (the one used to create the relation), see *Relation Reference widget*.

In the airport form you will see the button at the right side of the `fk_region` field: if you click on the button the form of the region layer will be opened. This widget allows you to easily and quickly open the forms of the linked parent features.

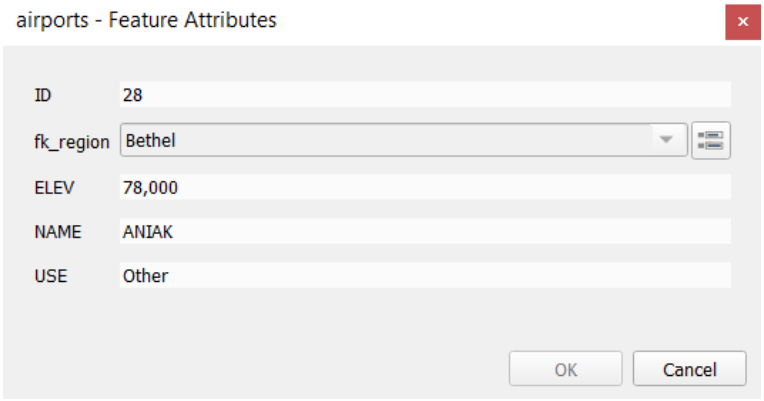
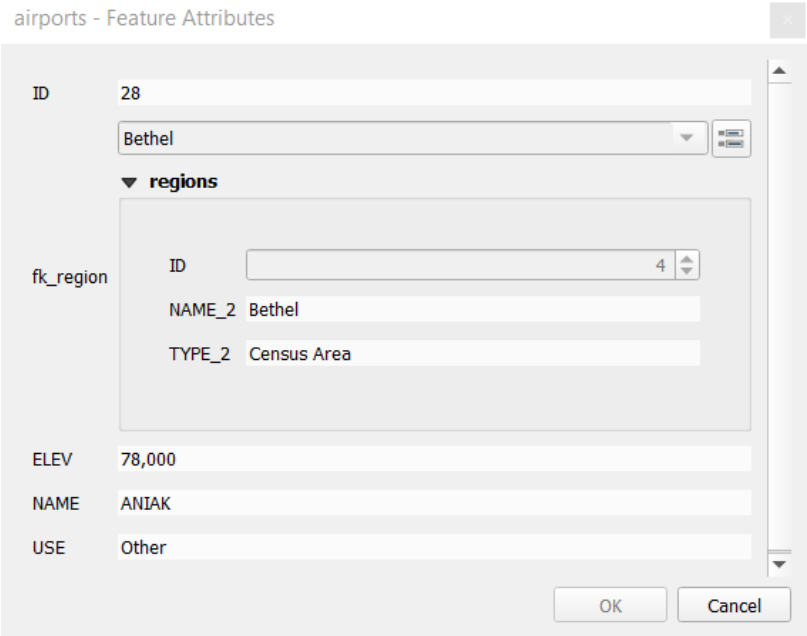


Abb. 15.78: Objekte abfragen Dialog von ‚airport' mit Beziehung zu ‚regions'

The Relation Reference widget has also an option to embed the form of the parent layer within the child one. It is available in the *Properties* ► *Attributes Form* menu of the airport layer: select the `fk_region` field and check the `Show embedded form` option.

Wenn Sie jetzt einen Blick auf den Objektdialog werfen werden Sie sehen dass das Formular der ‚region' in das ‚airports' Formular eingebettet ist und sogar eine Kombobox vorhanden ist mit dem der aktuelle ‚airport' zu einer anderen ‚region' zugeordnet werden kann.



Moreover if you toggle the editing mode of the airport layer, the `fk_region` field has also an autocompleter function: while typing you will see all the values of the `id` field of the region layer. Here it is possible to digitize a polygon for the region layer using the button if you chose the option `Allow adding new features` in the *Properties* ► *Attributes Form* menu of the airport layer.

The child layer can also be used in the *Select Features By Value* tool in order to select features of the parent layer based on attributes of their children.

In Abb. 15.79, all the regions where the mean altitude of the airports is greater than 500 meters above sea level are selected.

You will find that many different aggregation functions are available in the form.

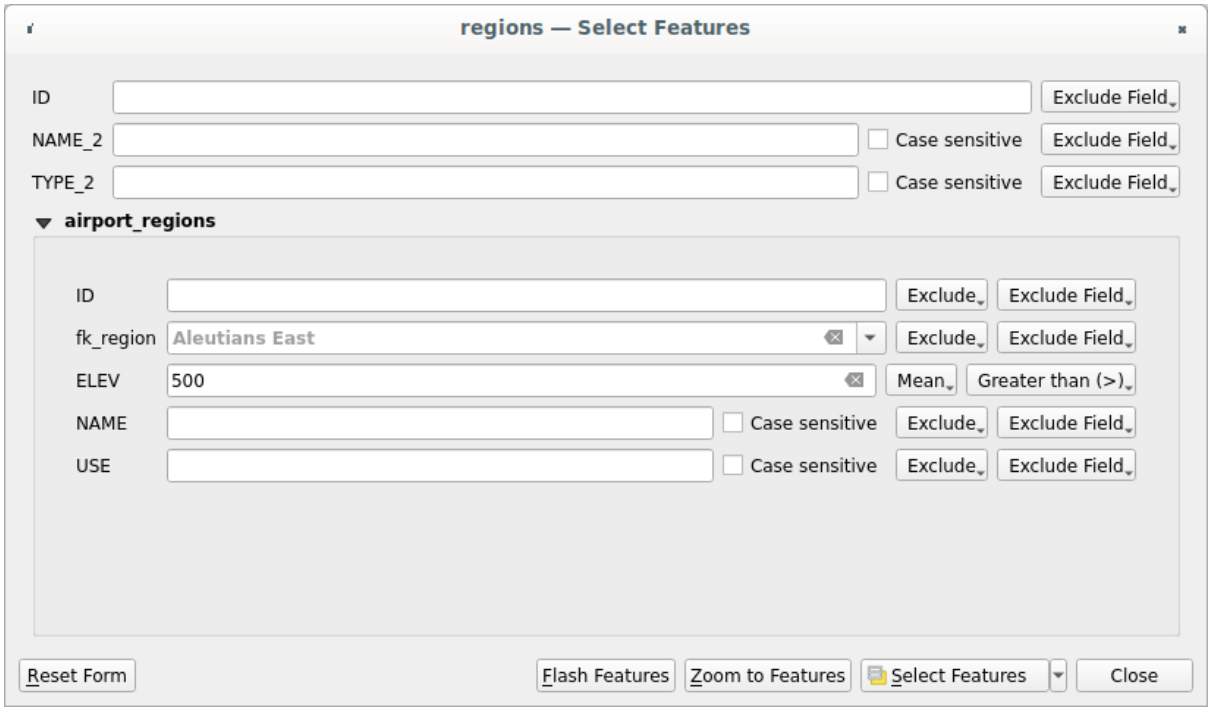


Abb. 15.79: Select parent features with child values

Introducing many-to-many (N-M) relations

N-M relations are many-to-many relations between two tables. For instance, the `airports` and `airlines` layers: an airport receives several airline companies and an airline company flies to several airports.

This SQL code creates the three tables we need for an N-M relationship in a PostgreSQL/PostGIS schema named *locations*. You can run the code using the *Database* ► *DB Manager*… for PostGIS or external tools such as pgAdmin. The airports table stores the `airports` layer and the airlines table stores the `airlines` layer. In both tables few fields are used for clarity. The *tricky* part is the `airports_airlines` table. We need it to list all airlines for all airports (or vice versa). This kind of table is known as a *pivot table*. The *constraints* in this table force that an airport can be associated with an airline only if both already exist in their layers.

```
CREATE SCHEMA locations;

CREATE TABLE locations.airports
(
   id serial NOT NULL,
   geom geometry(Point, 4326) NOT NULL,
   airport_name text NOT NULL,
   CONSTRAINT airports_pkey PRIMARY KEY (id)
);

CREATE INDEX airports_geom_idx ON locations.airports USING gist (geom);

CREATE TABLE locations.airlines
(
   id serial NOT NULL,
   geom geometry(Point, 4326) NOT NULL,
   airline_name text NOT NULL,
   CONSTRAINT airlines_pkey PRIMARY KEY (id)
);

CREATE INDEX airlines_geom_idx ON locations.airlines USING gist (geom);
```

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```
CREATE TABLE locations.airports_airlines
(
   id serial NOT NULL,
   airport_fk integer NOT NULL,
   airline_fk integer NOT NULL,
   CONSTRAINT airports_airlines_pkey PRIMARY KEY (id),
   CONSTRAINT airports_airlines_airport_fk_fkey FOREIGN KEY (airport_fk)
      REFERENCES locations.airports (id)
      ON DELETE CASCADE
      ON UPDATE CASCADE
      DEFERRABLE INITIALLY DEFERRED,
   CONSTRAINT airports_airlines_airline_fk_fkey FOREIGN KEY (airline_fk)
      REFERENCES locations.airlines (id)
      ON DELETE CASCADE
      ON UPDATE CASCADE
      DEFERRABLE INITIALLY DEFERRED
 );
```

Instead of PostgreSQL you can also use GeoPackage. In this case, the three tables can be created manually using the *Database* ► *DB Manager*…. In GeoPackage there are no schemas so the *locations* prefix is not needed.

Foreign key constraints in `airports_airlines` table can´t be created using *Table* ► *Create Table…* or *Table* ► *Edit Table…* so they should be created using *Database* ► *SQL Window*…. GeoPackage doesn't support *ADD CONSTRAINT* statements so the `airports_airlines` table should be created in two steps:

1. Set up the table only with the `id` field using *Table* ► *Create Table…*
2. Using *Database* ► *SQL Window*…, type and execute this SQL code:

```
ALTER TABLE airports_airlines
   ADD COLUMN airport_fk INTEGER
   REFERENCES airports (id)
   ON DELETE CASCADE
   ON UPDATE CASCADE
   DEFERRABLE INITIALLY DEFERRED;

ALTER TABLE airports_airlines
   ADD COLUMN airline_fk INTEGER
   REFERENCES airlines (id)
   ON DELETE CASCADE
   ON UPDATE CASCADE
   DEFERRABLE INITIALLY DEFERRED;
```

Then in QGIS, you should set up two *one-to-many relations* as explained above:

- a relation between `airlines` table and the pivot table;
- and a second one between `airports` table and the pivot table.

An easier way to do it (only for PostgreSQL) is using the *Discover Relations* in *Project* ► *Properties* ► *Relations*. QGIS will automatically read all relations in your database and you only have to select the two you need. Remember to load the three tables in the QGIS project first.

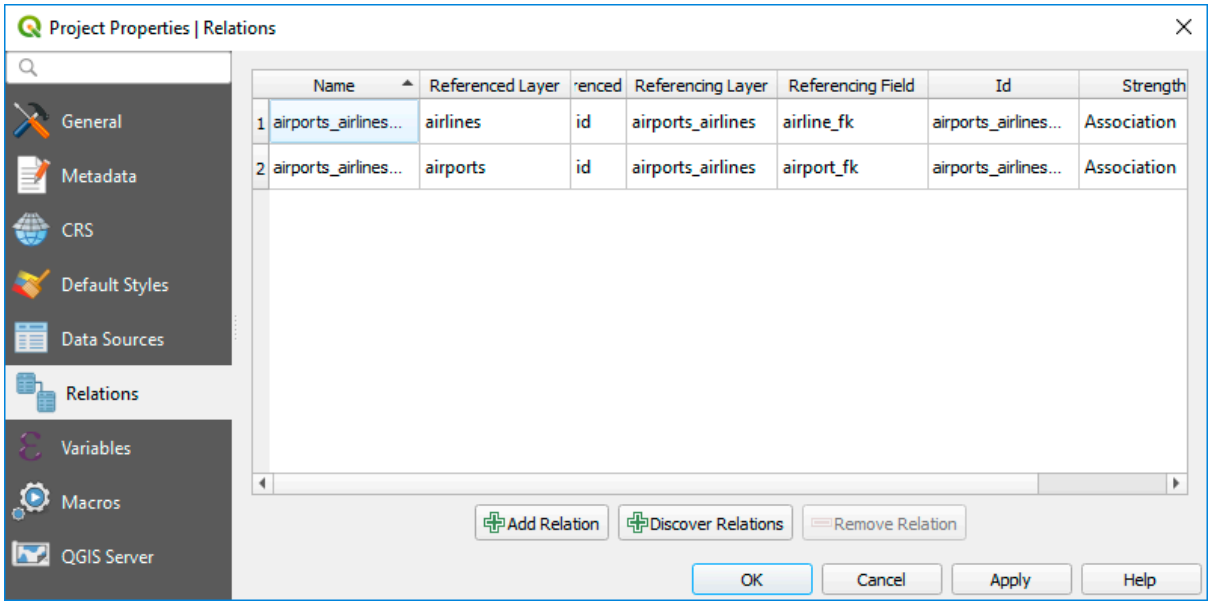


Abb. 15.80: Relations and autodiscover

In case you want to remove an `airport` or an `airline`, QGIS won't remove the associated record(s) in `airports_airlines` table. This task will be made by the database if we specify the right *constraints* in the pivot table creation as in the current example.

Bemerkung: Combining N-M relation with automatic transaction group

You should enable the transaction mode in *Project Properties* ► *Data Sources* ► when working on such context. QGIS should be able to add or update row(s) in all tables (airlines, airports and the pivot tables).

Finally we have to select the right cardinality in the *Layer Properties* ► *Attributes Form* for the `airports` and `airlines` layers. For the first one we should choose the **airlines (id)** option and for the second one the **airports (id)** option.

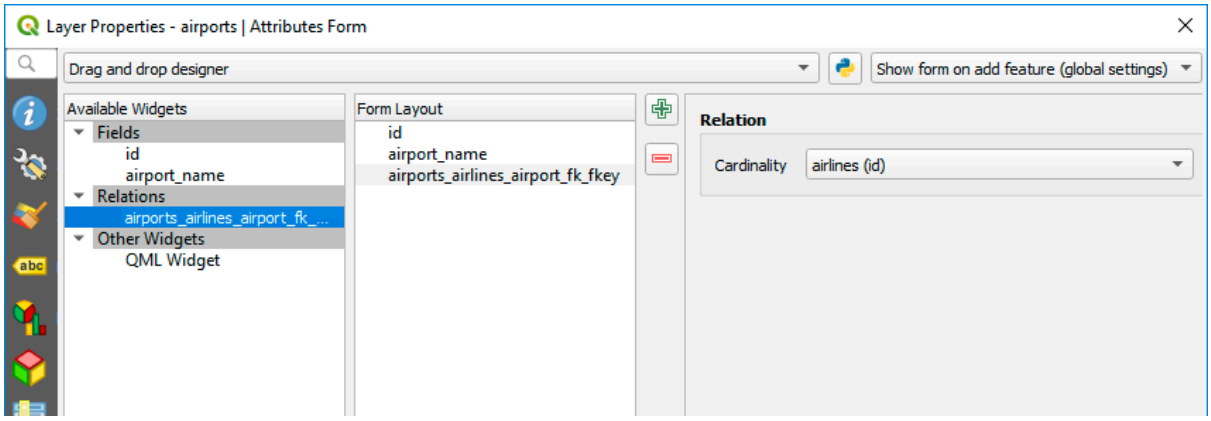


Abb. 15.81: Set relationship cardinality

Now you can associate an airport with an airline (or an airline with an airport) using *Add child feature* or *Link existing child feature* in the subforms. A record will automatically be inserted in the `airports_airlines` table.

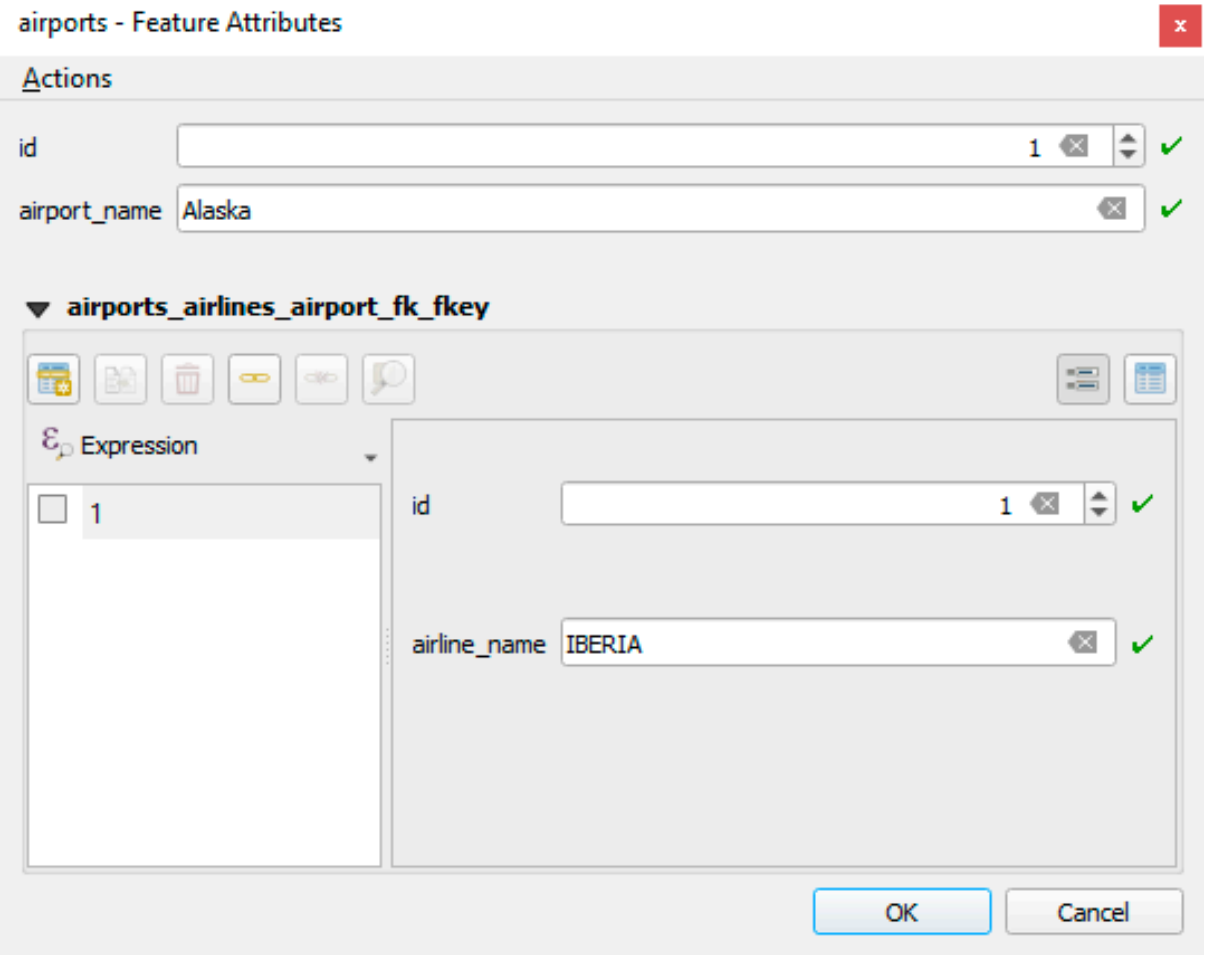


Abb. 15.82: N-M relationship between airports and airlines

Bemerkung: Using **Many to one relation** cardinality

Sometimes hiding the pivot table in an N-M relationship is not desirable. Mainly because there are attributes in the relationship that can only have values when a relationship is established. If your tables are layers (have a geometry field) it could be interesting to activate the *On map identification* option (*Layer Properties* ► *Attributes Form* ► *Available widgets* ► *Fields*) for the foreign key fields in the pivot table.

Bemerkung: **Pivot table primary key**

Avoid using multiple fields in the primary key in a pivot table. QGIS assumes a single primary key so a constraint like `constraint airports_airlines_pkey primary key (airport_fk, airline_fk)` will not work.

Introducing polymorphic relations

Polymorphic relations are special case of 1-N relations, where a single referencing (document) layer contains the features for multiple referenced layers. This differs from normal relations which require different referencing layer for each referenced layer. A single referencing (document) layer is achieved by adding an adiditonal `layer_field` column in the referencing (document) layer that stores information to identify the referenced layer. In its most simple form, the referencing (document) layer will just insert the layer name of the referenced layer into this field.

To be more precise, a polymorphic relation is a set of normal relations having the same referencing layer but having the referenced layer dynamically defined. The polymorphic setting of the layer is solved by using an expression which has to match some properties of the referenced layer like the table name, layer id, layer name.

Imagine we are going to the park and want to take pictures of different species of `plants` and `animals` we see there. Each plant or animal has multiple pictures associated with it, so if we use the normal 1:N relations to store pictures, we would need two separate tables, `animal_images` and `plant_images`. This might not be a problem for 2 tables, but imagine if we want to take separate pictures for mushrooms, birds etc.

Polymorphic relations solve this problem as all the referencing features are stored in the same table `documents`. For each feature the referenced layer is stored in the `referenced_layer` field and the referenced feature id in the `referenced_fk` field.

Defining polymorphic relations

First, let QGIS know about the polymorphic relations between the layers. This is done in *Project* ► *Properties…*. Open the *Relations* tab and click on the little down arrow next to the  *Add Relation* button, so you can select the *Add Polymorphic Relation* option from the newly appeared dropdown.

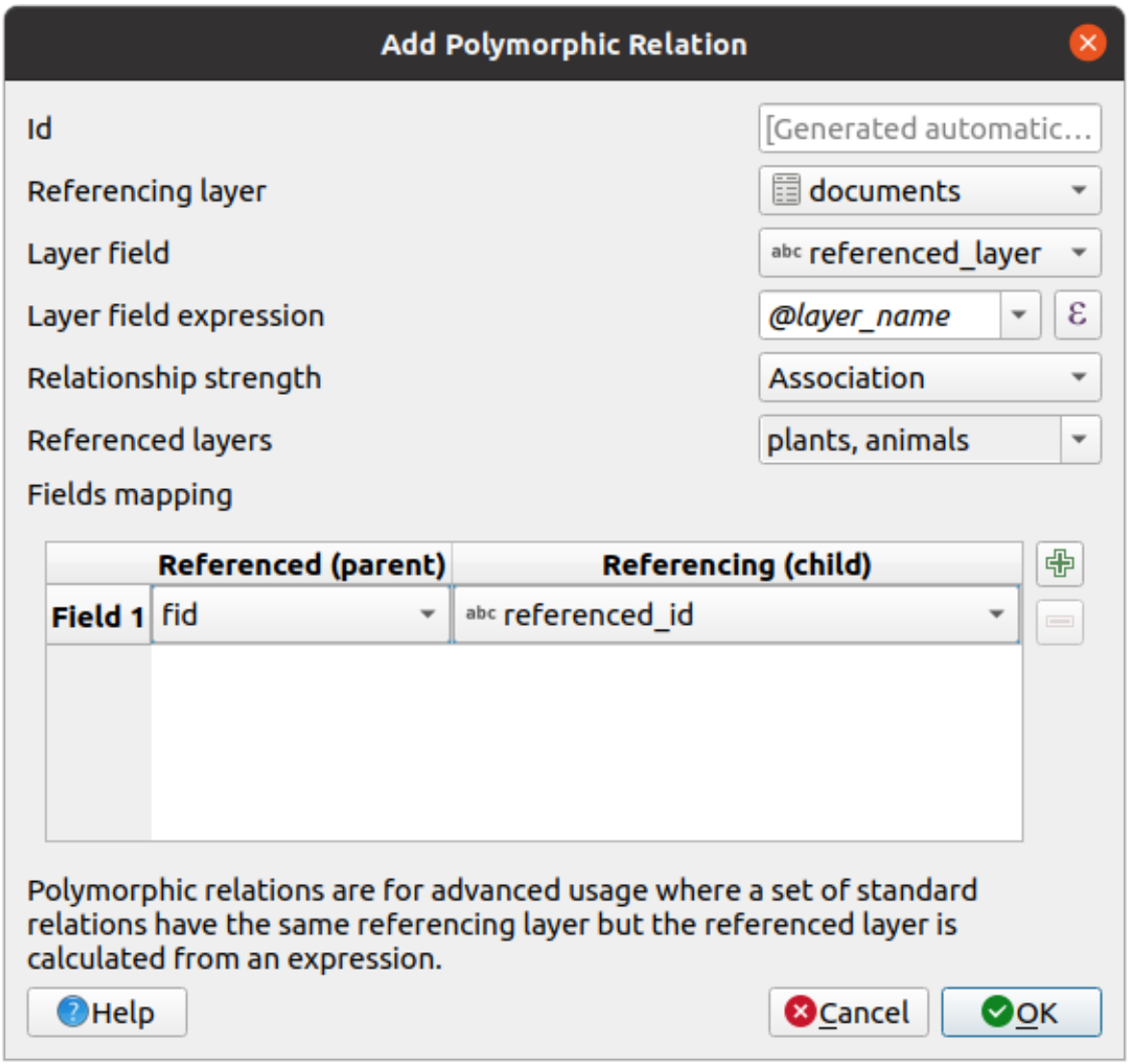


Abb. 15.83: Adding a polymorphic relation using `documents` layer as referencing and `animals` and `plants` as referenced layers.

- **Id** will be used for internal purposes and has to be unique. You may need it to build *custom forms*. If you leave it empty, one will be generated for you but you can assign one yourself to get one that is easier to handle
- **Referencing Layer (Child)** also considered as child layer, is the one with the foreign key field on it. In our case, this is the `documents` layer. For this layer you need to add a referencing field which points to the other layer, so this is `referenced_fk`.

Bemerkung: Sometimes, you need more than a single field to uniquely identify features in a layer. Creating a relation with such a layer requires a **composite key**, ie more than a single pair of matching fields. Use the Add new field pair as part of a composite foreign key button to add as many pairs as necessary.

- **Layer Field** is the field in the referencing table that stores the result of the evaluated layer expression which is the referencing table that this feature belongs to. In our example, this would be the `referenced_layer` field.
- **Layer expression** evaluates to a unique identifier of the layer. This can be the layer name `@layer_name`, the layer id `@layer_id`, the layer's table name `decode_uri(@layer, 'table')` or anything that can uniquely identifies a layer.

- **Relationship strength** sets the strength of the generated relations between the parent and the child layer. The default *Association* type means that the parent layer is *simply* linked to the child one while the *Composition* type allows you to duplicate also the child features when duplicating the parent ones and on deleting a feature the children are deleted as well, resulting in cascade over all levels (means children of children of… are deleted as well).
- **Referenced Layers** also considered as parent layers, are those with the primary key, pointed to, so here they would be `plants` and `animals` layers. You need to define the primary key of the referenced layers from the dropdown, so it is `fid`. Note that the definition of a valid primary key requires all the referenced layers to have a field with that name. If there is no such field you cannot save a polymorphic relation.

Once added, the polymorphic relation can be edited via the *Edit Polymorphic Relation* menu entry.

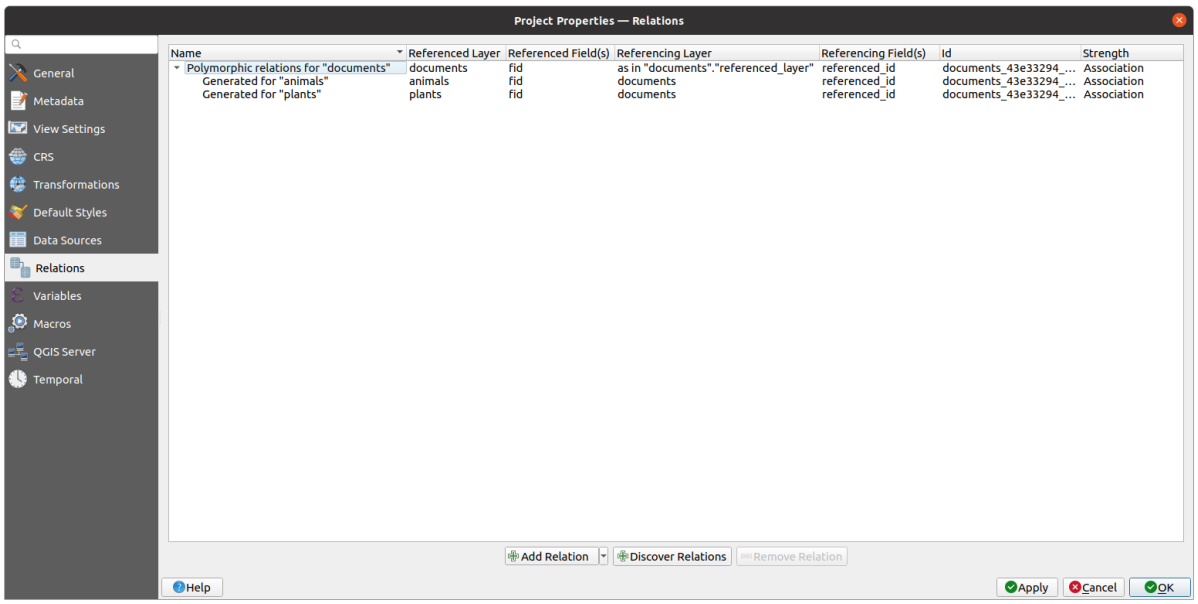


Abb. 15.84: Preview of the newly created polymorphic relation and it's child relations for animals and plants.

The example above uses the following database schema:

```
CREATE SCHEMA park;

CREATE TABLE park.animals
(
   fid serial NOT NULL,
   geom geometry(Point, 4326) NOT NULL,
   animal_species text NOT NULL,
   CONSTRAINT animals_pkey PRIMARY KEY (fid)
);

CREATE INDEX animals_geom_idx ON park.animals USING gist (geom);

CREATE TABLE park.plants
(
   fid serial NOT NULL,
   geom geometry(Point, 4326) NOT NULL,
   plant_species text NOT NULL,
   CONSTRAINT plants_pkey PRIMARY KEY (fid)
);

CREATE INDEX plants_geom_idx ON park.plants USING gist (geom);

CREATE TABLE park.documents
```

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```
(
   fid serial NOT NULL,
   referenced_layer text NOT NULL,
   referenced_fk integer NOT NULL,
   image_filename text NOT NULL,
   CONSTRAINT documents_pkey PRIMARY KEY (fid)
);
```

15.2.7 Storing and fetching an external resource

A field may target a resource stored on an external storage system. Attribute forms can be configured so they act as a client to an external storage system in order to store and fetch those resources, on users demand, directly from the forms.

Configuring an external storage

In order to setup an external storage, you have to first configure it from the vector *attribute form properties* and select the *Attachment* widget.



Abb. 15.85: Editing a WebDAV external storage for a given field

From the *Attachment* widget, you have to first select the *Storage type*:

- *Select Existing File*: The target URL already exists. When you select a resource, no store operation is achieved, the attribute is simply updated with the URL.
- *Simple Copy*: Stores a copy of the resource on a file disk destination (which could be a local or network shared file system) and the attribute is updated with the path to the copy.
- *WebDAV Storage*: The resource is pushed to a HTTP server supporting the WebDAV protocol and the attribute is updated with its URL. Nextcloud, Pydio or other file hosting software support this protocol.

Then, you have to set up the *Store URL* parameter, which provides the URL to be used when a new resource needs to be stored. It's possible to set up an expression using the *data defined override widget* in order to have specific values according to feature attributes.

The variable **@selected_file_path** could be used in that expression and represent the absolute file path of the user selected file (using the file selector or drag'n drop).

Bemerkung: Using the **WebDAV** external storage, if the URL ends with a „/“, it is considered as a folder and the selected file name will be appended to get the final URL.

If the external storage system needs to, it's possible to configure an *authentication*.

Using an external storage

Once configured, you can select a local file using the button … when editing a feature's attribute. Depending on the configured *storage type*, the file will be stored on the external storage system (except if *Select existing file* has been selected) and the field will be updated with the new resource URL.

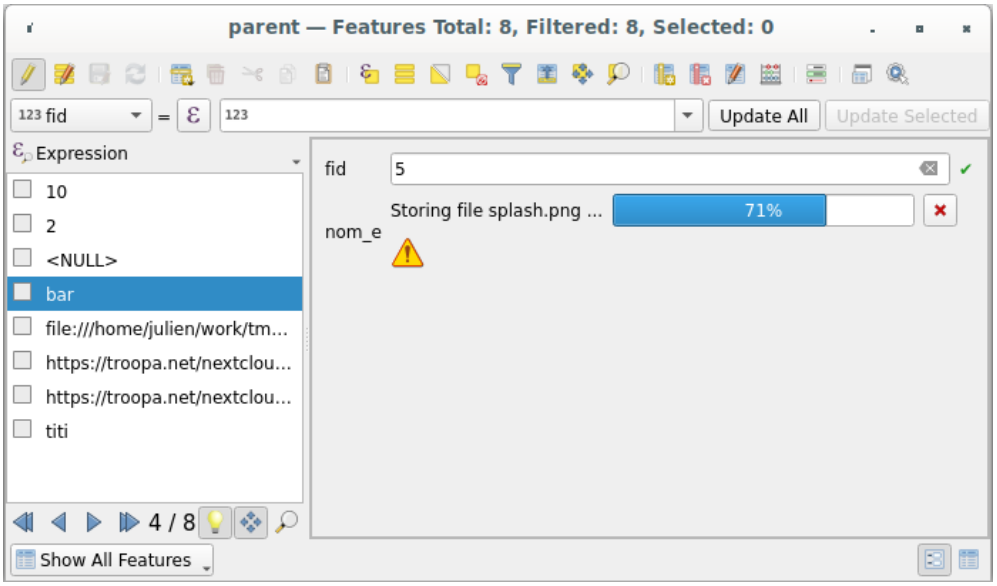


Abb. 15.86: Storing a file to a WebDAV external storage

Bemerkung: User can also achieve the same result if he drags and drops a file on the whole attachment widget.

Use the Cancel button to abort the storing process. It's possible to configure a viewer using the *Integrated document viewer* so the resource will be automatically fetched from the external storage system and displayed directly below the URL. The above icon indicates that the resource cannot be fetched from the external storage system. In that case, more details might appear in the *Log Messages Panel*.

15.3 Editierfunktionen

QGIS bietet verschiedene Möglichkeiten um OGR-, SpatiaLite-, PostGIS-, MSSQL Spatial- und Oracle Spatial Vektorlayer und -tabellen zu editieren.

Bemerkung: Die Vorgehensweise GRASS Layer zu bearbeiten ist anders - siehe Abschnitt *Digitalisieren und Editieren eines GRASS Vektorlayers* für Details.

Achtung: Zeitgleiches Editieren

Diese Version von QGIS kontrolliert nicht, ob noch jemand ein Objekt zur gleichen Zeit editiert wie Sie. Die zuletzt schreibende Person gewinnt.

Tipp: Bearbeitungen validieren

Sie können die fortwährende Validierung für einzelne Layer über den Tab *Layereigenschaften* ► *Digitalisieren* aktivieren. Mehr dazu unter *Digitizing Properties*.

15.3.1 Einrasttoleranz und Suchradius einstellen

Unter dem Menüpunkt *Einstellungen* ► *Optionen…* ► *Digitalisieren* bietet QGIS eine Anzahl von Parametern, mit der Sie das Standardverhalten der Editierwerkzeuge einstellen können. Weitere Informationen finden Sie unter *Digitizing Settings*.

Damit Sie die Geometrien von Vektorlayern optimal und akkurat bearbeiten können, ist es notwendig, dass Sie geeignete Werte für die Einrasttoleranz und den Suchradius für die Stützpunkte eines Objekts einstellen. Die Gruppe *Einrasten* bietet entsprechende Optionen, nämlich die Einstellung der Einrasttoleranz und des Suchradius für die Stützpunktbearbeitung.

- Einrasttoleranz: Wenn Sie einen neuen Stützpunkt digitalisieren oder einen vorhandenen verschieben, ist die Einrasttoleranz diejenige Distanz, innerhalb derer QGIS nach dem nächsten Stützpunkt oder Segment sucht, um Ihren Stützpunkt damit zu verbinden. Wenn Sie sich außerhalb der Einrasttoleranz befinden, wird QGIS den Stützpunkt an derjenigen Stelle platzieren, an der Sie die Maustaste loslassen, anstatt ihn an einem vorhandenen Stützpunkt oder Segment einzurasten.

  Die Einstellung für die Einrasttoleranz beeinflusst alle Werkzeuge, die mit Einrasten arbeiten und wird standardmäßig auf neue Layer und Projekte angewendet. Auf Layerebene kann sie jedoch geändert werden (siehe *Optionen für das Einrasten und Digitalisieren*).

- Suchradius: Der *Suchradius für Stützpunktbearbeitung* ist diejenige Distanz, die QGIS benutzt, um nach dem zu selektierenden Stützpunkt zu `suchen`, wenn Sie in die Karte klicken. Befindet sich der Klick nicht innerhalb des Suchradius, wird QGIS keinen Stützpunkt für die Bearbeitung auswählen.

Einrasttoleranz und Suchradius stellen Sie in `Karteneinheiten` oder `Pixeln` ein, so dass Sie vielleicht experimentieren müssen, um sie passend einzustellen. Wenn Sie eine zu große Toleranz angeben, fängt QGIS vielleicht den falschen Stützpunkt, besonders wenn Sie es mit einer großen Anzahl von Stützpunkten innerhalb kurzer Distanz zu tun haben. Stellen Sie den Suchradius zu klein ein, wird nichts zum Verschieben gefunden.

15.3.2 Optionen für das Einrasten und Digitalisieren

Sie können globale *Einstellungen für das Einrasten und Digitalisieren* (Typ, Toleranz und Einheiten des Einrastens…) für das Projekt im Menü *Projekt* ► *Einrastoptionen…* ändern. In den *Projekteinrasteinstellungen* können Sie weitere Eigenschaften (Einrastlayer, Maßstabsabhängigkeit, topologisches Editieren,…) einstellen. Die guilabel:*Einrastwerkzeugleiste* stellt die meisten dieser Einstellungen zur Verfügung.

Standardmäßig ist Einrasten in einem Projekt deaktiviert, bis Sie auf den Knopf  Einrasten einschalten oder auf die Taste `S` drücken. Sie können Einrastmodus, Toleranz und Einheiten auch in dieser Werkzeugleiste konfigurieren.

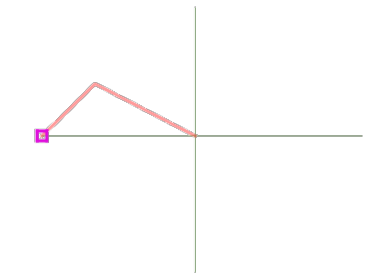
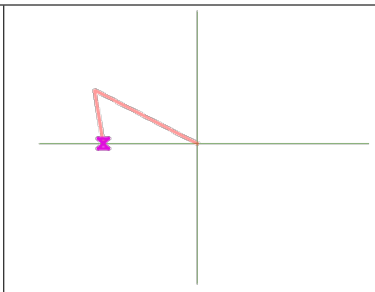
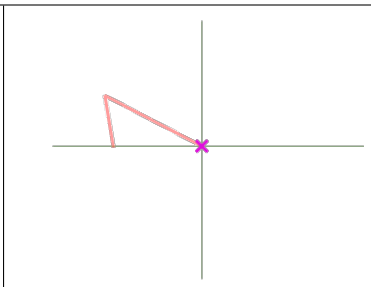
Einrastoptionen

Sie haben drei Möglichkeiten, um die Layer, auf die eingrastet werden soll, auszuwählen:

- *Alle Layer*: eine schnelle und einfache Einstellung für alle sichtbaren Layer im Projekt, so dass der Zeiger alle Stützpunkte und/oder Segmente fängt. In den meisten Fällen reicht es aus, diesen Fangmodus zu verwenden; passen Sie aber auf, wenn Sie diesen Modus in Projekten mit vielen Vektorlayern benutzen, weil es die Anwendung deutlich verlangsamen kann.
- *Aktueller Layer*: nur der aktuelle Layer wird genutzt, eine praktische Möglichkeit die Topologie des Layers abzusichern, der bearbeitet wird.
- Mit *Erweiterte Konfiguration*: können Sie für jeden Layer den Typ, die Toleranz und die Einheiten des Einrastens, die Überlappung sowie den Einrastmaßstab einschalten und anpassen (siehe Abb. 15.87). Wenn Sie einen Layer editieren und möchten seine Stützpunkte an einem anderen Layer einrasten, stellen Sie bitte sicher, dass der andere Layer angehakt ist und erhöhen Sie die Einrasttoleranz. Ist ein Layer in den Projekteinrasteinstellungen nicht angehakt, können Sie auf ihn nicht einrasten.

Beim Typ des Einrastens können Sie zwischen `Vertex`, `Segment`, `Fläche`, `Zentroid`, `Segmentmitte` and `Lineienendpunkt` wählen

QGIS wird die fangbaren Punkte unterschiedlich darstellen, je nachdem welcher Einrastmodus aktiv ist:

		
Einrasten auf einen Stützpunkt: Quadrat	Einrasten auf Segment: Sanduhr	Einrasten auf Schnittpunkte: Kreuz

Sie können die Farbe dieser Symbole in den Einstellungen im Bereich *Digitalisieren* ändern.

Die Toleranz können Sie entweder in `Karteneinheiten` des Projekts oder in `Pixel` einstellen. Der Vorteil von `Pixel` ist, dass damit der Fangradius bei unterschiedlichen Kartenmassstäben konstant bleibt. 10 bis 12 px ist normalerweise ein guter Wert, der aber von der DPI-Zahl Ihres Bildschirms abhängig ist. Mit Karteneinheiten benutzen Sie für die Toleranz Realwelteinheiten. Wenn Sie z.B. eine Mindestdistanz zwischen Ihren Elementen sicherstellen wollen, hilft Ihnen diese Einstellung dabei, die Stützpunkte nicht zu dicht beieinander zu setzen.

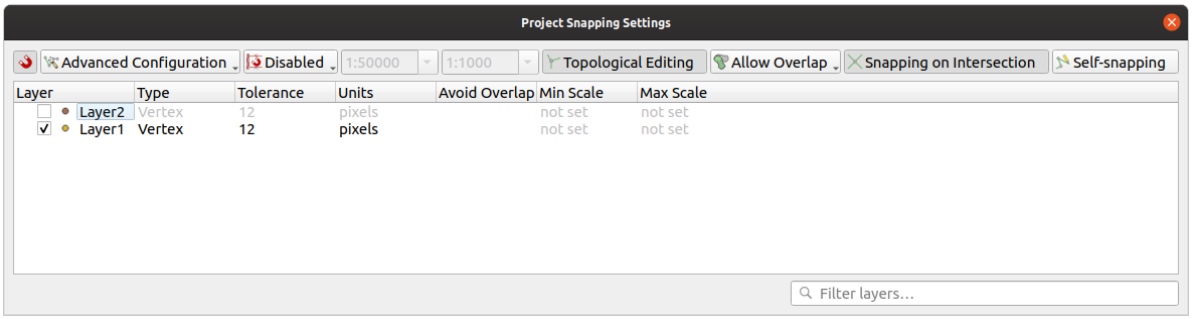


Abb. 15.87: Einrasteinstellungen (Erweiterte Konfiguration)

Bemerkung: In der Voreinstellung können nur sichtbare Objekte gefangen werden (d.h. Objekte, deren Stil dargestellt wird, mit Ausnahme von Layern, deren Symbolisierung „Keine Symbole“ ist). Sie können das Fangen

unsichtbarer Objekte durch Anhaken von *Einrasten auf verborgene Objekte aktivieren* unter *Einstellungen*► *Optionen*► *Digitalisieren* anschalten.

Tipp: Einrasten voreinstellen

Sie können das Einrasten als Voreinstellung für alle neuen Projekte im Reiter *Einstellungen* ► *Optionen* ► *Digitalisierung* anschalten. Sie können auch den Einrastmodus, die Einrasttoleranz und die Einrasteinheiten voreinstellen, die dann im Dialog *Einrasteinstellungen* vorausgewählt sind.

Fang auf Schnittpunkte aktivieren

Eine andere Möglichkeit stellt das *Einrasten auf Schnittpunkte aktivieren* dar. Sie können damit auf Schnittpunkte der Geometrien von Layern einrasten, für die Einrasten aktiviert ist, selbst wenn es keinen Stützpunkt auf dem Schnittpunkt gibt.

Maßstabsabhängiges Einrasten setzen

In einigen Fällen kann das Einrasten sehr langsam werden. Dies wird häufig durch die Menge an Features in einigen Layern verursacht, für deren Berechnung und Verwaltung ein umfangreicher Index erforderlich ist. Einige Parameter sind vorhanden, um das Fangen nur zu ermöglichen, wenn sich die Kartenansicht innerhalb eines relevanten Maßstabsbereichs befindet. Dies erlaubt, die kostspielige Indexberechnung im Zusammenhang mit dem Fangen nur in einem Maßstab durchzuführen, der für das Zeichnen relevant ist.

Sie können die Maßstabsabhängigkeit beim Einrasten in *Projekt* ► *Einrastoptionen…* setzen. Die Maßstabsabhängigkeit st nur in der *Erweiterten Konfiguration* möglich.

Es stehen drei Modi für die Maßstabsabhängigkeit beim Einrasten zur Verfügung:

- *deaktiviert*: Das Einrasten ist aktiv, unabhängig davon, wie der aktuelle Kartenmaßstab ist. Dies ist die Voreinstellung.
- *Global*: Das Einrasten ist beschränkt und nur aktiv wenn der aktuelle Kartenmaßstab zwischen einem globalen Minimal- und Maximalwert liegt. Wenn Sie diesen Modus auswählen, werden zwei Eingabefelder aktiv, mit denen Sie die Maßstabsbereiche, in denen das Einrasten aktiv ist, konfigurieren können.
- *Je Layer*: Legen Sie den Maßstabsbereich für das Einrasten für jeden Layer einzeln fest. Wenn Sie diesen Modus auswählen, werden zwei Spalten aktiv, mit denen Sie die Maßstabsbereiche für jeden Layer einzeln konfigurieren können.

Bitte beachten Sie, dass der Minimal- und der Maximalmaßstab den QGIS-Konventionen folgt: Der Minimalmaßstab ist am weitesten „rausgezoomt“, während der Maximalmaßstab am weitesten „reingezoomt“ ist. Sollten Sie den Minmal- oder Maximalmaßstab auf „0“ oder „nicht gesetzt“ einstellen, wird die Einstellung nicht beachtet.

Selbsteinrasten

Mit der Einstellung Selbsteinrasten können Sie auf diejenige Geometrie einrasten, die Sie gerade bearbeiten. Zusammen mit dem *Bedienfeld erweiterte Digitalisierung*, haben Sie damit eine praktische Möglichkeit, neue Kanten relativ zu vorhandenen Kanten oder Stützpunkten zu digitalisieren. Bitte benutzen Sie Selbsteinrasten mit Vorsicht, da es ungültige Geometrien erzeugen kann.

Auf ein eigenes Gitter einrasten

Sie können die Einrastentfernung für jeden Layer individuell in den Layereigenschaften im Tab *Digitalisieren* einstellen. Indem Sie die Entfernung für die *Geometriegenauigkeit* einstellen aktivieren Sie ein Punktraster, dass sichtbar wird, sobald der Kartenmaßstab sich in einem für die Darstellung sinnvollen Bereich bewegt. Sie können nun auf die Gitterpunkte einrasten: alle Stützpunkte einer neuen oder geänderten Geometrie werden automatisch auf den nächstgelegenen Gitterpunkt eingerastet. Weitere Informationen bietet *Digitizing Properties*.

15.3.3 Topologisches Editieren

Im Dialog *Einrasteinstellungen…*` (*Projekt* ► *Einrastoptionen*) und in der *Einrastwerkzeugleiste* können Sie einige topolgische Funktionalitäten ein- und ausschalten.

Topologisches Editieren aktivieren

Die Schaltfläche  Topologisches Editieren aktivieren unterstützt Sie beim Editieren und Pflegen von Objekten mit gemeinsamen Grenzen. Wenn diese Option eingeschaltet ist, ‚erkennt' QGIS gemeinsame Objektgrenzen; wenn Sie gemeinsame Stützpunkte oder Segmente verschieben, wird QGIS sie auch in den benachbarten Objektgeometrien verschieben.

Das topologische Editieren funktioniert mit Objekten aus verschiedenen Layern, solange die Layer sichtbar sind und sich im Bearbeitungsmodus befinden.

In Layern mit Z-Werten wird das topologische Editieren den Z-Wert des Stützpunktes auf der Basis des Wertes der für die Verbindung benutzten Kante interpolieren.

Kontrolle über die Überlappungen

Durch die Steuerung der Überlappung können Sie neue Objekte zeichnen, die bestehende im ausgewählten Layer nicht überlappen, dies beschleunigt die Digitalisierung von aneinander angrenzenden Polygonen. Das Verhalten können Sie mit der Überlappungseinstellung steuern. Drei Modi stehen zu Auswahl:

1.  *Überlappung zulassen* (Standardeinstellung)
2.  *Überlapppung auf aktiven Layer vermeiden*: verhindert jegliche Überlappung mit anderen Objekten des Bearbeitungslayers. Wenn Sie die neuen Geometrien so digitalisieren, dass sie ihre Nachbarflächen überlappen, wird QGIS überlappende Teile der neuen Geometrien abschneiden und sie auf die Grenzen der vorhandenen Objekte einrasten. Dadurch müssen Sie die gemeinsamen Stützpunkte auf der Grenzlinie nicht eigens digitalisieren.
3.  *Erweiterter Konfiguration folgen*: damit können Sie die Überlappungseinstellungen für jeden Layer individuell im Modus *Erweiterte Konfiguration* setzen.

Bemerkung: Wenn die neue Geometrie vollständig durch vorhandene abgedeckt ist, wird sie gelöscht und und QGIS wird eine Fehlermeldung anzeigen.

Warnung: Benutzen Sie die Option *Schnittpunkte vermeiden* **mit Vorsicht**

Da diese Option neue überlappende Geometrien in jedem Polygonlayer zuschneidet, können Sie unerwartete Ergebnisse erhalten, wenn Sie es vergessen, sie auszuschalten, wenn Sie sie nicht mehr benötigen.

Automatische Spurverfolgung

Wenn Sie Erfassungs-Kartenwerkzeuge (Objekt hinzufügen, Teil hinzufügen, Ring hinzufügen, Objekte überarbeiten oder Objekte zerteilen) benutzen, müssen Sie normalerweise jeden einzelnen Stützpunkt des Objekts anklicken. Mit der automatischen Spurverfolgung können Sie den Digitalisierprozess beschleunigen, weil sie nicht mehr jeden Stützpunkt manuell setzen müssen:

1. Schalten Sie das Werkzeug  Spurverfolgung über die Schaltfläche ein oder drücken Sie die Taste `T`.
2. *Fangen* Sie einen Stützpunkt oder ein Segment des Objekts, an dessen Grenze entlang Sie digitalisieren wollen.
3. Bewegen Sie die Maus über einen andern Stützpunkt oder ein anderes Segment, das sie fangen möchten. Anstelle der geraden Linie, die Sie überlicherweise erhalten, folgt das Gummiband dem Weg vom letztgefangenen Punkt bis zur aktuellen Mausposition.

   QGIS benutzt die Topologie des zugrundeliegenden Objekts, um den kürzesten Weg zwischen den beiden Punkten zu bestimmen. Die Spurverfolgung erfordert, dass das Einrasten in dem Layer, in dem sich das zu verfolgende Objekte befindet, eingeschaltet ist. Während Sie digitalisieren sollten Sie einen vorhanden Stützpunkt oder ein vorhandenes Segment fangen und sicherstellen, dass Anfangs- und Endpunkt durch vorhandene Objektgrenzen topologisch verbunden sind. Ansonsten ist QGIS nicht in der Lage sie zu verbinden und erzeugt eine gerade Verbindungslinie zwischen ihnen.
4. Wenn Sie klicken, plaziert QGIS alle Zwischenstützpunkte entlang des dargestellten Weges.

Klappen Sie die  Spurverfolgung einschalten Schaltfläche auf und setzen Sie die *Offset*-Option, um einen Weg parallel zu den Objekten zu digitalisieren anstatt auf ihrer Grenze; ein positiver Wert verschiebt die neue Linie in Spurverfolgungsrichtung nach links und ein negativer Wert nach rechts.

Bemerkung: Justieren Sie den Kartenmaßstab oder die Fangeinstellungen für eine optimale Verfolgung

Wenn zu viele Objekte in der Karte gezeigt werden, ist Verfolgung möglicherweise deaktiviert, um potentielle langsame Verfolgung und große Speicherzuschläge zu vermeiden. Nach dem hereinzoomen oder dem ausblenden einiger Layer, ist die Funktion wieder aktiviert.

Bemerkung: Kein topologisches Editieren

Dieses Werkzeug fügt bestehenden Polygonen keine neuen Punkte hinzu, auch wenn *Topologisches Editieren* eingeschaltet ist. Falls die Geometriegenauigkeit des Bearbeitungslayers gesetzt ist, kann die sich ergebende Geometrie von der bestehenden abweichen.

Tipp: Schalten Sie die automatische Spurverfolgung schnell an oder aus, indem Sie `T` drücken

Durch Drücken der `T` Taste, können Sie die Spurverfolgung jederzeit an- und ausschalten, sogar während Sie ein Objekt digitalisieren. Damit ist es möglich, einige Teile eines Objekts mit aktivierter Spurverfolgung zu digitalisieren und andere nicht. Alle Werkzeuge verhalten sich normal, wenn die Spurverfolgung ausgeschaltet ist.

Tipp: Die Spurverfolgung in Kurvengeometrien umwandeln

Über *Einstellungen* ► *Optionen* ► *Digitalisieren* ► *Spurverfolgung* können Sie während des Digitalisierens Kurvengeometrien erzeugen. Siehe *Optionen Digitalisieren*.

15.3.4 Einen vorhandenen Layer editieren

In der Voreinstellung lädt QGIS Vektorlayer im reinen Lesemodus, um ungewolltes Editieren zu verhindern wenn Sie versehentlich die Maus verrutschen. Ansonsten können Sie aber alle Ebenen editieren, vorausgesetzt der Datenanbieter unterstützt das (siehe *Exploring Data Formats and Fields*) und die Datenquelle ist überhaupt schreibbar (d.h. ihre Dateien sind schreibbar).

Tipp: Beschränkung der Editierbarkeit von Layern innerhalb eines Projekts

Sie können jeden Layer in der Tabelle *Projekt* ► *Eigenschaften…* ► *Datenquellen* ► *Layereigenschaften* unabhängig vom Datenanbieter auf schreibgeschützt setzen. In einer Mehrbennutzerumgebung kann das praktisch sein, um zu verhindern, dass Nutzer fälschlicherweise einen Layer (z.B. eine Shapedatei) editieren, und damit die Daten möglicherweise beschädigen. Beachten Sie aber, dass die Einstellung nur im aktuellen Projekt gültig ist.

Die Werkzeuge zum Bearbeiten von Vektorlayern sind in die beiden Werkzeugleisten Digitalisierung und Erweiterte Digitalisierung, die im Abschnitt *Erweiterte Digitalisierung* beschrieben wird, aufgeteilt. Sie können beides unter *Ansicht* ► *Werkzeugkästen* ► an- oder abwählen. Wenn Sie die Digitalisierungswerkzeugleiste verwenden, können Sie folgende Funktionen ausführen:

In den grundlegenden Digitalisierfunktionen sind folgende Funktionen verfügbar:

Icon	Funktion	Icon	Funktion
	Änderungen in allen ausgewählten Layern gleichzeitig speichern, rückgängig machen oder abbrechen		Den Bearbeitungsstatus des ausgewählten Layers oder der ausgewählten Layer auf der Grundlage ihres aktuellen Status an- oder ausschalten.
	Die Änderungen im aktiven Layer speichern		
	Datensatz hinzufügen		Objekt hinzufügen: Punkt hinzufügen
	Objekt hinzufügen: Linie hinzufügen		Objekt hinzufügen: Polygon hinzufügen
	Knotenwerkzeug (alle Layer)		Knotenwerkzeug (aktueller Layer)
	Attribute aller gewählten Objekten gleichzeitig ändern		
	Ausgewählte Objekte des aktiven Layers löschen		Ausgewählte Objekte des aktiven Layers ausschneiden
	Ausgewählte Objekte des aktiven Layers kopieren		Objekte in den aktiven Layer einfügen
	Änderungen im aktiven Layer rückgängig machen		Änderungen im aktiven Layer wiederholen

Tabelle Bearbeiten: Funktionen der Werkzeugleiste Digitalisierung

Beachten Sie, dass Sie während der Nutzung des Digitalisierungswerkzeugs, weiterhin in dem Kartenfenster *zoom or pan* können, ohne den Fokus auf das Werkzeug zu verlieren.

Beginnen Sie jeden Editiervorgang mit einem Click auf den Eintrag  Bearbeitungsmodus umschalten den Sie entweder im Kontextmenü eines Layers, in der Attributtabelle, der Digitalisierungswerkzeugleiste oder dem Menü *Layer* finden.

Sobald der Layer im Bearbeitungsmodus ist, werden zusätzliche Werkzeuge verfügbar und Markierungen an den Eckpunkten alles Objekte erscheinen, bis Sie die *Markierungen nur für gewählte Objekte anzeigen* Option unter *Einstellungen* ► *Optionen…* ► *Digitalisierung* aktiviert haben.

Tipp: Regelmäßiges Sichern der Daten

Denken Sie daran  Layeränderungen regelmäßig zu speichern. Dies überprüft auch dass Ihre Datenquelle alle Änderungen akzeptiert.

Objekte digitalisieren

Abhängig von der Art des Layers benutzen Sie eine der Schaltflächen  Objekt hinzufügen,  Punktobjekt hinzufügen,  Linienobjekt hinzufügen oder  Polygonobjekt hinzufügen in der Werkzeugleiste, um neue Objekte zum aktiven Layer hinzuzufügen.

Fügen Sie ein geometrieloses Objekt hinzu, indem Sie auf den Knopf  Objekt hinzufügen klicken, danach tragen Sie im sich öffnenden Objektformular die Attributwerte ein.

Erzeugen Sie Objekte mit den Geometriewerkzeugen, indem Sie zunächst die Geometrie digitalisieren, danach geben Sie die Attributwerte ein. So digitalisieren Sie die Geometrie:

1. Klicken Sie mit der linken Maustaste in den Bereich der Karte, an dem Sie den ersten Punkt Ihres neuen Objekts erzeugen möchten. Für Punktobjekte sollte das schon genügen und, falls benötigt, das Objektformular öffnen, in das Sie die Attributwerte eintragen.
2. Machen Sie bei Linien- oder Polygonobjekten weitere Klicks mit der linken Maustaste für jeden weiteren Punkt, den Sie erfassen möchten. Sie können sich auf die Optionen für das *Einrasten*, das *Einrasten auf ein eigenes Gitter* oder das Bedienfeld *Erweiterte Digitalisierung* stützen, um jeden Stützpunkt genau zu platzieren.

   Während Sie durch weitere Klicks Stützpunkte platzieren, können Sie Linien und Polygone:

   - mit der *Automatischen Spurverfolgung* beschleunigt digitalisieren. Damit erzeugen Sie aufeinander folgende gerade Linien zwischen den platzierten Stützpunkten.
   - freihand digitalisieren. Drücken Sie dafür die Taste `R` oder aktivieren Sie den Modus  Laufende Digitalisierung in der Werkzeugleiste *Erweiterte Digitalisierung*.

   Bemerkung: Wenn Sie die `Entfernen` oder `Backspace` Taste drücken, entfernt das den letzthinzugefügten Knoten.

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3. Wenn Sie alle Punkte digitalisiert haben, klicken Sie mit der rechten Maustaste auf eine beliebige Stelle, um die Digitalisierung der Geometrie dieses Objektes abzuschließen.

   Bemerkung: Während Sie eine Linie oder ein Polygon digitalisieren, können Sie zwischen den Werkzeugen *Linienobjekt hinzufügen* und *circular string tools* hin- und herschalten, um zusammengesetzte Geometrien mit Bögen zu erzeugen.

   Tipp: Das Digitalisierungsgummiband anpassen

   Während des Erfassens von Polygonen kann das voreingestellte rote Band unterliegende Objekte oder Orte verstecken, um einen Punkt zu erfassen. Dies kann durch Einstellen einer geringeren Opazität (oder Alpha-Kanal) des Bands ausgebessert werden *Farbe füllen* im Menü *Einstellungen* ► *Optionen* ► *Digitalisierung*. Sie können auch die Verwendung des Gummibands vermeiden *Don't update rubber band during node editing*.

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4. Wenn Sie ein Linienobjekt digitalisieren, schließt `Umschalt` + Rechtsklick die Linie automatisch.
5. Das Attributformular wir sich öffnen, in das Sie die Informationen für das neue Objekt eingeben können. Abb. 15.88 zeigt die Attributeingabe für einen neuen Fluss. Im Menü *Einstellungen* ► *Optionen* können Sie im Bereich *Digitalisieren* auch folgende Einstellungen vornehmen:

- *Attributeingabeformular bei der Objekterstellung unterdrücken* um das Öffnen des Formulares zu vermeiden
- oder *Letzte Attributwerteingaben wiederverwenden* um Felder beim Öffnen automatisch gefüllt zu haben und nur ändernde Werte zu korrigieren.

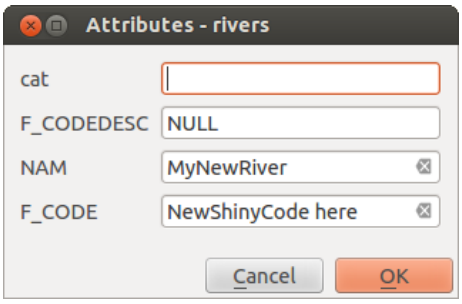


Abb. 15.88: Das Attributformular nach dem Digitalisieren eines neuen Vektorobjekts

Das Knotenwerkzeug

QGIS bietet Ihnen zwei Werkzeuge zum Bearbeiten der Stützpunkte von Objekten in Vektorlayern an:

- Knotenwerkzeug (Aktueller Layer): nur übereinanderliegende Objekte im aktiven Layer (im Bedienfeld *Layer*) werden bearbeitet
- Knotenwerkzeug (alle Layer): übereinanderliegende Objekte in allen editierbaren Layern werden bearbeitet. Damit können Sie Objekte bearbeiten ohne den aktiven Layer wechseln zu müssen oder mehrere Layer gleichzeitig (z.B. Grenzen eines Landes und seiner Regionen)

Die Knotenwerkzeuge bieten Ihnen für jeden editierbaren Vektorlayer Bearbeitungsmöglichkeiten für Stützpunkte, ähnlich wie sie in CAD-Programmen vorhanden sind. Sie können mehrere Stützpunkte auf einmal auswählen und sie verschieben, neue hinzufügen oder sie alle zusammen löschen. Die Knotenwerkzeuge unterstützen Sie auch beim topologischen Editieren. Ihre Auswahl bleibt bestehen, also wenn Sie eine Operation ausführen bleibt die Auswahl für das jeweilige Objekt und Werkzeug aktiv.

Es ist wichtig die Eigenschaften unter *Einstellungen* ► *Optionen* ► *Digitalisierung* ► *Suchradius:* 1,00 auf eine Zahl größer als Null einzustellen. Andernfalls ist QGIS nicht in der Lage mitzuteilen welcher Stützpunkt bearbeitet werden soll und wird einen Warnhinweis zeigen.

Tipp: Stützpunktmarkierungen

QGIS unterstützt verschiedene Arten von Stützpunktmarkierungen: ‚Teiltransparenter Kreis', ‚Kreuz' und ‚Keine'. Um die Markierung zu ändern wählen Sie den Menüpunkt *Optionen* im Menü *Einstellungen* und klicken Sie auf den Tab *Digitalisieren*. Dort wählen Sie den passenden Eintrag.

Eine einfache Übung

Gegeben sei ein Layer im Bearbeitungsmodus. Aktivieren Sie das Knotenwerkzeug. Rote Kreise erscheinen, wenn Sie die Maus über Stützpunkte bewegen.

- **Stützpunkte auswählen**: Wählen Sie Stützpunkte auf eine der folgenden Weisen aus:
  - Klicken Sie sie einzeln an, während Sie `Umschalt` gedrückt halten
  - Klicken Sie und ziehen Sie ein Rechteck auf, das die gewünschten Stützpunkte enthält
  - Zeichnen Sie ein Polygon, das die gewünschten Stützpunkte enthält: Halten Sie die Taste `Alt` gedrückt und klicken Sie mit dem Knotenwerkzeug, um mit dem Digitalisieren des Polygons zu beginnen. Jeder folgende Klick fügt einen neuen Stützpunkt zum Polygon hinzu; es wird mit dem Gummiband dargestellt. Die Tasten `Zurück` oder `Entfernen` löschen den letzthinzugefügten Stützpunkt. Mit `Esc` brechen Sie die Auswahl über ein Polygon ab; das geht auch, indem Sie alle Stützpunkte löschen, die sie bisher erfasst haben. Mit Rechtsklick beenden Sie die Digitalisierung des Polygons und alle innerhalb gelegenen Stützpunkte sind ausgewählt.

  Sobald ein Stützpunkt ausgewählt ist, wechselt seine Farbe auf blau. Fügen Sie weitere Stützpunkte zur aktuellen Auswahl hinzu, indem Sie `Umschalt` gedrückt halten, während Sie bei der Auswahl weiterhin so vorgehen, wie beschrieben. Halten Sie `Strg` gedrückt, um Stützpunkte aus der Auswahl zu entfernen.

Tipp: Eine Objektauswahl beschränkt das Knotenwerkzeug

Sie können Stützpunkte über mehrere verschiedene Objekte (und Layer) auswählen. Interessieren Sie sich aber für die Stützpunkte eines bestimmten Objekts an einer Stelle mit vielen Objekten, sollten Sie zuerst dieses Objekt auswählen. Benutzen Sie danach die Stützpunktauswahl über ein Polygon oder ein Rechteck um die Sie interessierenden Stützpunkte: nun sind nur die Stützpunkte des vorher ausgewählten Objekts ausgewählt.

Genauso verhält es sich, wenn Sie das Objekt im Bedienfeld *Stützpunktbearbeitung* anzeigen.

- **Stützpunkte im Stapelbetrieb auswählen**: Der Stapelbetriebsmodus wird durch drücken von `Umschalt+R` aktiviert. Wählen Sie einen ersten Stützpunkt durch einen einzelnen Klick aus und bewegen Sie den Mauszeiger **ohne zu klicken** über einen anderen Stützpunkt. Diese Aktion wählt alle Stützpunkte zwischen den beiden aus, wobei (für Polygone) der kürzeste Weg zwischen beiden benutzt wird.

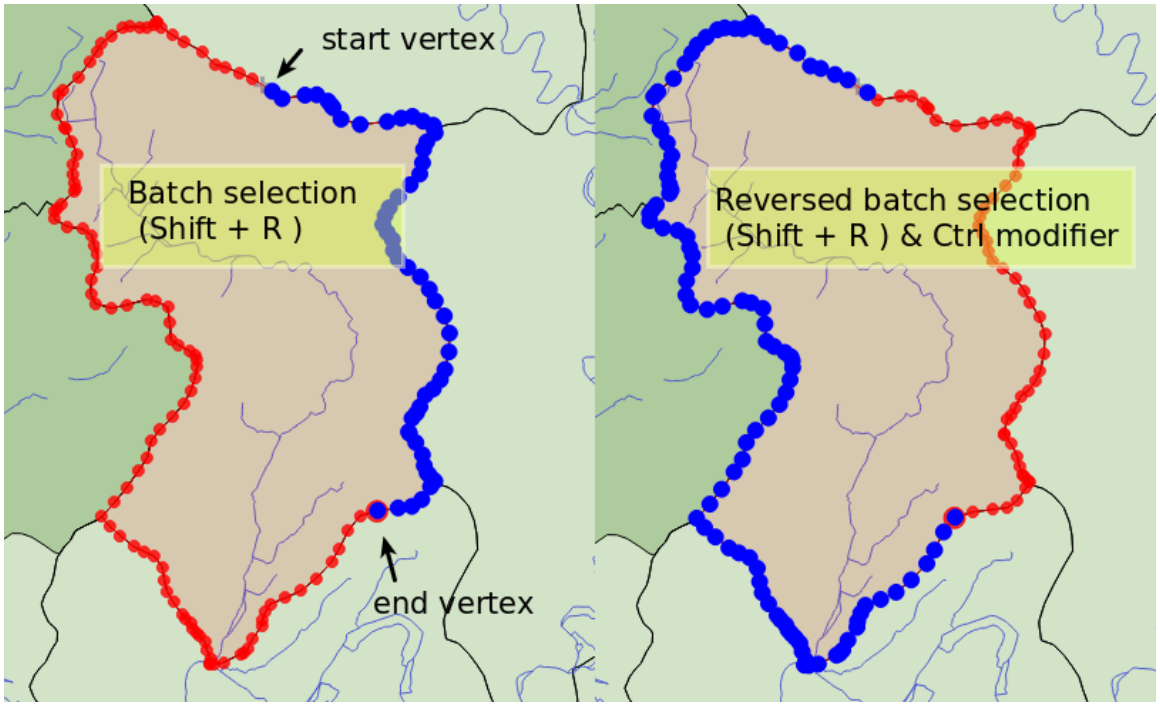


Abb. 15.89: Stützpunkte im Stapelbetrieb mit `Umschalt+R` auswählen

Wenn Sie `Strg` drücken, wird die Auswahl umgekehrt, so dass der längste Weg entlang der Objektgrenze benutzt wird. Die Stützpunktauswahl im Stapelbetrieb wird mit einem zweiten Klick abgeschlossen, oder mit `Esc` abgebrochen.

- **Stützpunkte hinzufügen**: Halten Sie `Umschalt` gedrückt und doppelklicken Sie auf die entsprechende Stelle des Segments, an dem Sie einer Linie oder einem Polygon einen neuen Stützpunkt hinzufügen wollen.

  Während Sie die Maus über ein Segment bewegen, erscheint ein virtueller Stützpunkt in der Mitte des Segments. Sie können darauf klicken, den Mauszeiger an einen anderen Ort bewegen und dort erneut klicken, um einen neuen Stützpunkt hinzuzufügen. Bei Linien erscheint der virtuelle Stützpunkt an beiden Endpunkten: klicken Sie darauf, klicken Sie weitere Male und beenden Sie die Eingabe mit einem Rechtsklick; mit dieser Methode können Sie einen vorhandenen Linienzug verlängern.

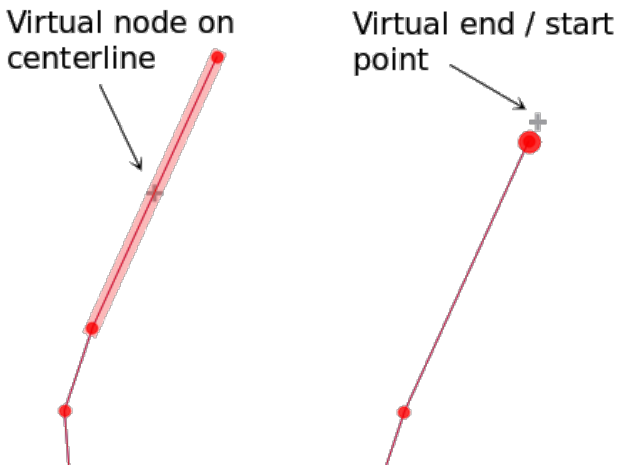


Abb. 15.90: Virtuelle Knoten um Stützpunkte hinzuzufügen

- **Stützpunkte löschen**: Wählen Sie die Stützpunkte und drücken Sie auf `Entfernen` . Das Löschen aller Stützpunkte erzeugt ein geometrieloses Objekt, sofern das mit der Datenquelle vereinbar ist. Beachten Sie,

dass das nicht das gesamte Objekt löscht, sondern nur den Geometrieteil; um ein Objekt in Gänze zu löschen, müssen Sie das Werkzeug Ausgewähltes löschen benutzen.

- **Stützpunkte verschieben**: Wählen Sie zunächst alle Stützpunkte aus, die Sie verschieben wollen, klicken Sie auf einen davon und dann auf die gewünschte Zielposition. Benutzen Sie die *Einrastoptionen* und die Einschränkungen für Entfernung, Winkel sowie exakte X- und Y-Positionen im Bedienfeld *Erweiterte Digitalisierung* bevor Sie das zweite mal klicken. Alle ausgewählten Stützpunkte werden verschoben.

  Sollten Sie aber die die Option *auf Gitter einrasten* aktiviert haben, werden die ausgewählten Stützpunkte auf denjenigen Gitterpunkt eingerastet, der der neuen Position am nächsten ist. Auch nicht ausgewählte Stützpunkte werden zum nächstgelegenen Gitterpunkt verschoben. Es gibt kein einfaches Verschieben.

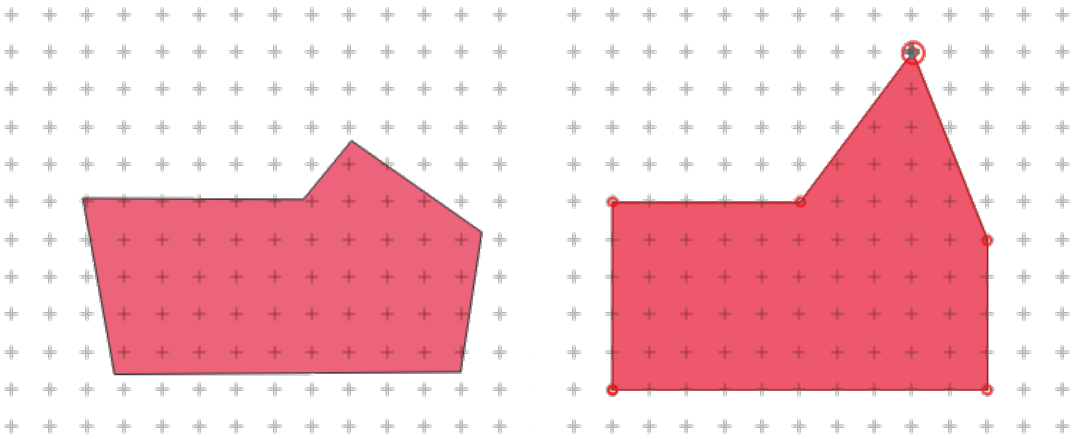


Abb. 15.91: Wird der oberste Stützpunkt verschoben, werden alle Stützpunkte auf das Gitter eingerastet

Jede Änderung, die Sie mit dem Knotenwerkzeug vornehmen wird als eigener Eintrag im Bedienfeld *Rücknahme* gespeichert. Denken Sie daran, dass alle Operationen sowohl topologisches Editieren als auch das Umprojezieren in Echtzeit unterstützen.

Das Bedienfeld Stützpunktbearbeitung

Sobald Sie ein Knotenwerkzeug aktivieren, öffnet sich auch das Bedienfeld *Stützpunktbearbeitung*. Durch einen Rechtsklick auf ein Objekt füllen Sie das Bedienfeld mit der Liste aller Stützpunkte dieses Objekts mit seinen *x*-, *y*- (*z*-, *m*- falls vorhanden) Koordinaten und *r* (für den Radius, falls es sich um eine bogenförmige Geometrie handelt). Das angeklickte Objekt steht damit exklusiv zur Bearbeitung zur Verfügung, d.h. dass die Bearbeitung aller anderen Objekte gesperrt ist: neue Stützpunkte können Sie nur für das gebundene Objekt hinzufügen; Sie können nur im gebundenen Objekt durch Klicken und Ziehen Stützpunkte und Segmente auswählen und verschieben. Wählen Sie eine Zeile in der Tabelle aus, wird der entsprechende Stützpunkt im Kartenfenster ausgewählt und umgekehrt. Ändern Sie die Position eines Punktes durch ändern einer seiner Koordinatenwerte in der Tabelle. Sie können auch mehrere Zeilen in der Tabelle auswählen und sie zusammen löschen.

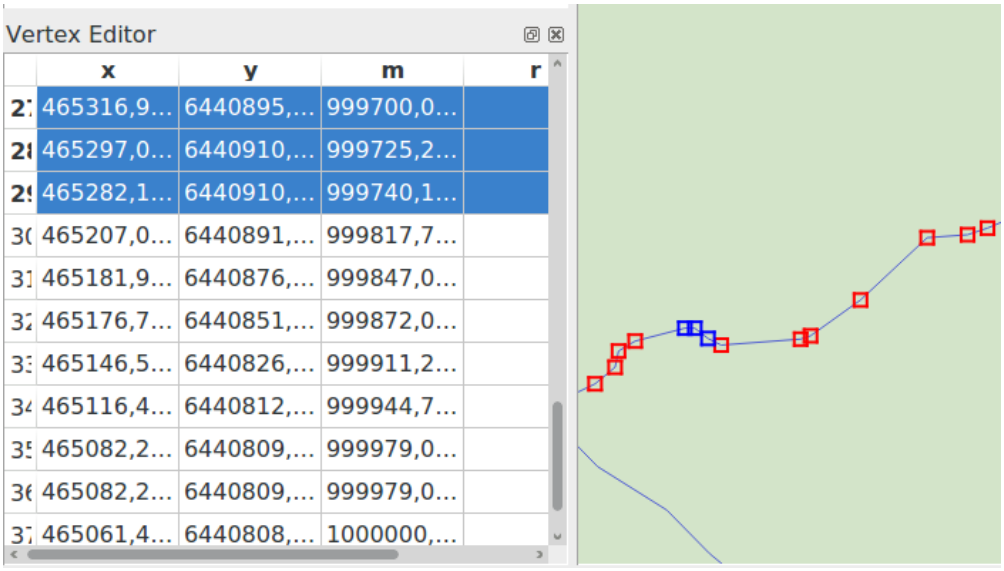


Abb. 15.92: Das Bedienfeld Stützpunktbearbeitung mit ausgewählten Knoten

Objekte ausschneiden, kopieren und einfügen

Ausgewählte Objekte können ausgeschnitten, kopiert und an andere Ebenen im aktuellen QGIS-Projekt übergeben (eingefügt) werden, wenn sich der Ziellayer auch im Editiermodus befindet, indem Sie nach Auswahl des Ziellayers auf den Knopf Bearbeitungsstatus umschalten klicken.

Tipp: Polygone in Linien und umgekehrt transformieren mit copy/paste

Kopieren Sie ein Linienobjekt und fügen Sie ihn in ein Polygonlayer ein: QGIS fügt ihn in den Ziellayer dessen Begrenzung am nächsten der Geometrie des Linienobjekts entspricht. Dies ist ein einfacher Weg, um verschiedene Geometrien der selben Daten zu erzeugen.

Objekte können an externe Anwendungen als Text übergeben werden. Dabei werden die Objekte im CSV-Format dargestellt und die Geometriedaten im OGC Well-Know Text (WKT) Format. WKT und GeoJSON–Objekte von außerhalb können ebenso in einen Layer innerhalb von QGIS eingefügt werden.

Aber wann macht es Sinn, Objekte zum kopieren, auszuschneiden und einzufügen? Ein Beispiel ist, wenn Sie parallel an mehreren Layern arbeiten und Objekte zwischen den Layern hin- und herkopieren möchten. Ein Szenario könnte sein, dass Sie einen neuen Layer erstellen möchten, in dem aber nur einige Objekte aus einem bereits existierenden Layer verwendet werden sollen, wie etwa 5 Seen aus der Karte `lakes.shp` , die insgesamt aber tausende Seen enthält.

Als Beispiel werden wir einige Seen in einen neuen Layer kopieren:

1. Laden Sie den Layer, von dem Sie einige Objekte kopieren wollen (Quelle)
2. Laden oder erstellen Sie einen Layer, in den die kopierten Objekte eingefügt werden sollen (Ziel)
3. Schalten Sie für den Ziel Layer den Bearbeitungsstatus ein
4. Stellen Sie die Quelle aktiv, indem Sie es in der Legende anklicken
5. Objekte über Fläche oder Einzelklick wählen um Objekte aus dessen Quelllayer zu wählen
6. Klicken Sie auf das Icon Objekte kopieren
7. Stellen Sie das ‚Ziel' aktiv, indem Sie es in der Legende anklicken
8. Klicken Sie auf das Icon Objekte einfügen

9. Beenden Sie den Bearbeitungsstatus für beide Layer und speichern Sie das Ergebnis ab

Was passiert, wenn der Quell- und Ziellayer ein unterschiedliches Schema enthält (Spaltennamen und -typen unterscheiden sich)? QGIS verwendet die Einträge, die gleich sind und ignoriert den Rest. Wenn es Ihnen egal ist, ob die Attribute korrekt übernommen werden, dann ist es egal, wie Sie die Spaltennamen und -typen der Attributtabelle erstellen. Wenn auch die Attributdaten korrekt übernommen werden sollen, dann stellen Sie sicher, dass auch die Spaltennamen und -typen beider Layer zueinander passen.

Bemerkung: Deckungsgleichheit eingefügter Objekte

Wenn Ihre Quell- und Ziellayer die gleiche Projektion verwenden dann haben die eingefügten Objekte die identische Geometrie wie der Quellayer. Wenn der Ziellayer jedoch eine andere Projektion hat dann kann QGIS nicht garantieren dass die Geometrie identisch ist. Dies ist einfach aus dem Grund so, dass sich kleine Rundungsfehler ergeben wenn zwischen Projektionen konvertiert wird.

Tipp: Zeichenketten Attribut in ein anderes kopieren

Wenn Sie eine neue Spalte in der Attributtabelle mit dem Typ ‚string' erstellt haben und die Werte von einer anderen Attributspalte einfügen, die eine größere Länge als die Länge der Spaltengröße hat, wird diese auf den gleichen Betrag verlängert werden. Dies ist so, weil der GDAL Shapedatei Driver beginnend ab GDAL/OGR 1.10 String und Integer Fehler automatisch erkennt und die Felder auf die benötigte Länge der eingefügten Daten anpasst.

Ausgewählte Objekte löschen

Wenn Sie ein gesamtes Objekt (Attribute und Geometrie) löschen wollen, können Sie das tun, indem Sie zunächst die Geometrie der 

auswählen. Die Auswahl kann auch über die Attributtabelle erfolgen. Sobald Sie die Auswahl festgelegt haben, drücken Sie `Entfernen` oder `Rücktaste` oder nutzen Sie 

um die Objekte zu löschen. Mehrfachauswahlen können ebenso auf einmal gelöscht werden.

Das Werkzeug 

kann auch benutzt werden, um Objekte zu löschen. Die Objekte werden gelöscht aber zusätzlich noch im ‚spatial clipboard' abgelegt. In diesem Fall könnte man dann den letzten Schritt, falls ein Fehler unterlaufen ist, wieder rückgängig machen, indem wir auf das Werkzeug 

drücken. Ausschneiden, kopieren und übergeben von Objekten funktioniert mit den gerade ausgewählten Objekten und können nach Bedarf kombiniert verwendet werden.

Rückgängig und Wiederholen

Mit dem Rückgängig und Wiederholen Werkzeug können Sie Vektorbearbeitungsoperationen rückgängig machen oder wiederholen. Es gibt auch ein andockbares Bedienfeld das alle Operationen im Rücknahme-/Wiederholungsverlauf zeigt (siehe *Figure_edit_undo*). Dieses Bedienfeld wird nicht standardmäßig angezeigt; es kann angezeigt werden, indem Sie mit rechts auf die Werkzeugleiste klicken und das Rücknahme/Wiederholungs-Kontrollkästchen aktivieren. Rücknahme/Wiederholung ist auch dann aktiv wenn das Bedienfeld nicht angezeigt wird.

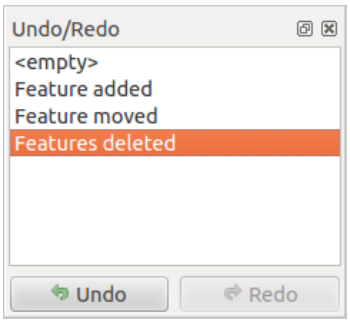


Abb. 15.93: Rückgängig und Wiederholen von Digitalisierschritten

Wenn Rückgängig oder `Strg+z` (oder `Cmd+z`) gedrückt wird, wird der Status aller Objekte und Attribute auf den Status zurückgesetzt, den sie vor der zurückgenommenen Aktion hatten. Es kann sein, dass Änderungen die keine normalen Vektorbearbeitungsoperationen sind (z.B. Änderungen, die durch ein Plugin durchgeführt wurden) nicht rückgängig gemacht werden können. Dies hängt davon ab, wie die Änderungen durchgeführt werden.

Wenn Sie Rücknahme/Wiederholung verwenden wollen klicken Sie einfach auf eine Operation in der History; alle Objekte werden dann auf den Stand vor der ausgewählten Operation zurückgesetzt.

Änderungen speichern

Wenn ein Layer im Bearbeitungsmodus ist behält QGIS alle Änderungen im Speicher. Aus diesem Grund werden diese nicht umgehend der Datenquelle oder -platte übermittelt. Wenn Sie Bearbeitungen in dem aktuellen Layer speichern wollen aber mit dem Bearbeiten fortfahren wollen ohne den Bearbeitungsmodus verlassen zu wollen können Sie den Layeränderungen speichern Knopf klicken. Wenn Sie den Editiermodus mit Bearbeitungsstatus umschalten aussschalten wollen werden Sie ebenfalls gefragrt ob Sie Ihre Änderungen speichern oder verwerfen wollen.

Wenn die Änderungen nicht gespeichert werden können (z.B. weil die Festplatte voll ist oder Attribute Werte aufweisen, die außerhalb der Wertespanne liegen), bleiben die Änderungen erstmal im QGIS Arbeitsspeicher. Dies ermöglicht es, Änderungen vorzunehmen und dann nochmals die Daten zu speichern.

Tipp: Datenintegrität

Es ist immer gut ein Backup von Ihren Daten zu machen bevor Sie mit dem Bearbeiten starten. Während die Autoren von QGIS sich bemühen die Integrität Ihrer Daten zu bewahren bieten wir keine Garantie in dieser Hinsicht.

Mehrere Layer auf einmal speichern

Mit dieser neuen Funktion können Sie mehrere Layer digitalisieren. Wählen Sie *Layeränderungen speichern* um alle Änderungen, die Sie in mehreren Layern gemacht haben, zu speichern. Sie haben auch die Möglichkeit *Verwerfen für gewählte Layer* zu benutzen so dass die Digitalisierung für alle selektierten Layer rückgängig gemacht werden kann. Wenn Sie das Bearbeiten der selektierten Layer beenden wollen kann man das einfach mit der Funktion *Abbruch für gewählte Layer* erreichen.

Die gleichen Funktionen sind für das Bearbeiten aller Layer des Projektes zugängig.

Tipp: Transaktionsgruppen benutzen, um Änderungen in mehreren Layern zu bearbeiten, zu speichern oder zurückzunehmen

Aktivieren Sie Option *Wenn möglich automatisch Transaktionsgruppen erstellen* im Menü *Projekt* ► *Einstellungen…* ► *Datenquellen* beim Arbeiten mit Layern aus der selben PostGreSQL-Datenbank, um ihr Verhalten zu synchronisieren (den Bearbeitungsstatus zusammen umschalten, Änderungen gleichzeitig speichern oder verwerfen).

15.3.5 Erweiterte Digitalisierung

Icon	Funktion	Icon	Funktion
	Erweiterte Digitalsierungswerkzeuge einschalten		
	Digitize with Curve		Laufenden Digitalisierungsmodus aktivieren
	Objekt(e) verschieben		Objekt(e) kopieren und verschieben
	Objekt(e) drehen		Objekt vereinfachen
	Objekt skalieren		
	Ring hinzufügen		Teil hinzufügen
	Ring füllen		Linie umkehren
	Ring löschen		Teil löschen
	Linie versetzen		Objekte überarbeiten
	Teile zerlegen		Objekte trennen
	Attribute gewählter Objekte vereinen		Gewählte Objekte verschmelzen
	Punktsymbole drehen		Punktsymbolversatz
	Objekt abschneiden/ausdehnen		

Tabelle Erweiterte Digitalisierung: Werkzeugleiste Erweiterte Digitalisierung für Vektorlayer

Digitalisieren von Geraden und Bögen sowie laufende Digitalisierung

Mit dem Werkzeug  Mit Kurven digitalisieren zeichenn Sie Bögen in Layer mit Geometrietypen, die Bögen unterstützen. Um einen Bogen zu digitalisieren benötigen Sie drei Punkte entlang des Bogens, die ihn bestimmen (den Startpunkt, einen Punkt auf dem Bogen und den Endpunkt).

Mit dem Werkzeug  Fortlaufende Digitalisierung umschalten aktivieren bzw. deaktivieren Sie die fortlaufende Digitalisierung, mit der Sie Objekte im freihändigen Modus erzeugen können.

Die laufende Toleranz beeinflusst den Abstand zwischen aufeinanderfolgenden Stützpunkten. Aktuell werden nur Pixel (`px`) unterstützt.

Objekt(e) verschieben

Mit dem  Objekt(e) verschieben Werkzeug können Sie bestehende Objekte verschieben.

1. Wählen Sie die Objekte aus, die Sie verschieben möchten.
2. Klicken Sie in das Kartenfenster, um den Quellpunkt der Verschiebung zu markieren; Sie können das Einrasten benutzen, um einen exakten Punkt auszuwählen.

   Sie können auch die Einstellungen im Bedienfeld *advanced digitizing constraints* benutzen, um die exakten Koordinaten des Quellpunktes zu setzen. In diesem Falle:

   1. Klicken Sie zunächst auf die Schaltfläche , um das Bedeinfeld zu aktivieren.
   2. Tippen Sie `x` und tragen Sie den entsprechenden Wert für den Quellpunkt ein, den Sie benutzen wollen.

      Drücken Sie dann die Schaltfläche  neben der Eingabezeile, um den Wert zu sperren.
   3. Genauso für die `y`-Koordinate.
   4. Klicken Sie ins Kartenfenster und Ihr Quellpunkt wird an den eingegebenen Koordinaten platziert.
3. Bewegen Sie den Mauszeiger über das Kartenfenster, um den Zielpunkt der Verschiebung zu markieren, wobei Sie weiterhin den Einrastmodus benutzen können oder, wie oben beschrieben, bennutzen Sie das Bedeinfeld Erweiterte Digitalisierung, das Ihnen zusätzliche `Abstand`- und ``Winkel``einschränkungen anbietet, um den Zielpunkt der Verschiebung zu platzieren.
4. Klicken Sie ins Kartenfenster: Alle Objekte werden an ihren neuen Ort verschoben.

Mit dem Werkzeug  Objekt(e) kopieren und verschieben können Sie gleichermaßen eine verschobene Kopie der Objekte erzeugen.

Bemerkung: Wenn kein Objekt ausgewählt ist, während Sie das erste mal mit einem der Werkzeuge *Objekt(e) verschieben* oder *Objekt(e) kopieren und verschieben* ins Kartenfenster klicken, wird nur das Objekt unter dem Mauszeiger von der Aktion betroffen. Sollten Sie also mehrere Objekte verschieben wollen, sollten sie vorher ausgewählt worden sein.

Objekt(e) drehen

Mit dem Werkzeug  Objekt drehen können Sie ein oder mehrere Objekte im Kartenfenster drehen.

1. Drücken Sie auf die Schaltfläche  Objekt drehen
2. Klicken Sie auf das Objekt, das sie drehen möchten. Der Flächenschwerpunkt des Objekts wird als Drehmittelpunkt markiert und ein Eingabefeld erscheint, das den aktuellen :guilabel:`Rotation`swinkel anzeigt.
3. Klicken Sie ins Kartenfenster, wenn Sie mit der neuen Position zufrieden sind oder geben Sie den Drehwinkel händisch in das Eingabefeld ein. Sie können auch die Eingabe *Einrasten auf* ° benutzen, um den Winkel einzuschränken.
4. Wollen Sie mehrere Objekte auf einmal drehen, sollten Sie sie zuerst auswählen. Der Drehmittelpunkt ist dann der Schwerpunkt ihrer verbundenen Geometrien.

Sie können auch einen anderen Drehmittelpunkt als den Flächenschwerpunkt benutzen: klicken Sie ins Kartenfenster während Sie die Taste `Strg` drücken und der angeklickte Punkt wird der neue Drehmittelpunkt.

Wenn Sie `Umschalt` vor dem Klick auf die Karte halten, wird die Drehung in 45 Grad Schritten erfolgen, was anschließend in einem Eingabefeld bearbeitet werden kann.

Zum Abbrechen der Objektdrehung, drücken Sie die Taste `Esc` oder klicken Sie auf die Schaltfläche  Objekt(e) drehen.

Objekt skalieren

Das Werkzeug  Objekt skalieren ist ähnlich wie das Werkzeug Objekt drehen. Aber anstatt das ausgewählte Objekt zu drehen skaliert es dessen Geometrie. Die Änderung wird in Abhängigkeit vom Ankerpunkt ausgeführt und den Skalierungsfaktor können Sie manuell in das Fenster eingeben, das in der oberen Ecke der Karte erscheint.

Objekt vereinfachen

Mit dem Werkzeug  Objekt vereinfachen können Sie die Form einer Linie oder eines Polygons interaktiv verändern, indem Sie die Anzahl der Stützpunkte verringern oder verdichten, so lange die Geometrie dabei gültig bleibt:

1. Wählen Sie das Werkzeug  Objekt vereinfachen.
2. Klicken Sie auf das Objekt oder ziehen Sie ein Rechteck über die Objekte auf.
3. Ein Eingabefeld öffnet sich, in dem Sie die zu verwendende *Methode* festlegen können, d.h. ob Sie:
   - die *simplify the geometry* wollen, so dass sie weniger Stützpunkte als die Ausgangsgeometrie enthält. Die zur Verfügung stehenden Methoden sind `Nach Abstand vereinfachen`, `Durch Einrasten auf Gitter vereinfachen` oder `Durch Fläche vereinfachen (Visvalingam)`. Dann müssten Sie noch die *Toleranz* in `Layereinheiten`, `Pixel` oder `Karteneinheiten` angeben, die für die Vereinfachung benutzt werden soll. Je höher die Toleranz, desto mehr Stützpunkte werden entfernt.
   - oder die *densify the geometries* wollen, indem mit der Option `Glatt` neue Stützpunkte eingefügt werden: für jeden bestehenden Stützpunkt werden zwei Stützpunkte auf jedes von ihm ausgehende Segment gesetzt, und zwar in der mit *Versatz* definierten Entfernung, wobei der Versatz dem Prozentanteil der Segmentlänge entspricht. Mit *Wiederholungen* legen Sie fest, wie oft die Platzierung wiederholt werden soll: je mehr Wiederholungen Sie einstellen, desto mehr Stützpunkte werden eingefügt und desto regelmäßiger wird das Objekt.

   Wenn Sie ein Projekt schließen oder eine Editiersitzung beenden, werden Einstellungen, die Sie benutzt haben, gespeichert. Sie können also die selben Parameter wieder benutzen, wenn Sie das nächste mal ein Objekt vereinfachen.

4. Unten im Eingabefenster wird eine Zusammenfassung der Veränderungen angezeigt, die sich ergäben; dabei wird die Anzahl der Objekte und Stützpunkte aufgelistet (vor und nach der Operation sowie das Verhältnnis daraus). Zusätzlich wird im Kartenfenster die zu erwartende Geometrie über die bestehende mithilfe der Gummibandfarbe dargestellt.
5. Sobald die zu erwartende Geometrie Ihren Vorstellungen entspricht, klicken Sie *OK*, um die Änderung anzuwenden. Sollten Sie die Operation abbrechen wollen, klicken Sie auf *Abbrechen* oder klicken Sie mit rechts in das Kartenfenster.

Bemerkung: im Gegensatz zur Objektvereinfachung im Menü *Einstellungen* ► *Optionen* ► *Darstellung*, welches die Geometrie nur zur Darstellung vereinfacht, bearbeitet das Werkzeug Objekt vereinfachen die Geometrie in der Datenquelle.

Teil hinzufügen

Sie können zu einem ausgewählten Objekt einen Teil hinzufügen, das erzeugt ein Multipunkt-, Multilinie- oder Multipolygonobjekt. Der neue Teil muss außerhalb des bereits vorhandenen digitalisiert werden, der vorher ausgewählt werden sollte.

Die Schaltfläche Teil hinzufügen kann ebenfalls benutzt werden, um eine Geometrie zu einem geometrielosen Objekt hinzuzufügen. Zuerst wählen Sie das Objekt in der Attributtabelle, dann digitalisieren Sie eine neue Geometrie mit dem Werkzeug Teil hinzufügen.

Teil löschen

Mit dem Werkzeug Teil löschen können Teile eines Multiobjekts gelöscht werden (z.B. ein Polygon eines Multipolygonobjekts). Das Werkzeug funktioniert mit allen Multigeometrien: Punkt, Linie und Polygon. Weiterhin kann es dazu verwendet werden, die Geometrie eines Objekts vollständig zu entfernen. Um einen Teil zu löschen, klicken Sie einfach in dieses Teil.

Ring hinzufügen

Sie können Löcher in Polygonen mit dem Werkzeug Ring hinzufügen herstellen. Das bedeutet, dass Sie innerhalb eines bestehenden Polygons weitere Polygone digitalisieren. Diese erscheinen dann als ‚Loch', so dass nur der Zwischenraum des inneren und des äußeren Polygons als Ringpolygon übrig bleibt.

Ring füllen

Das Werkzeug Ring füllen hilft Ihnen dabei, ein Polygonobjekt zu erzeugen, das komplett innerhalb eines anderen Polygons liegt und so gestaltet ist dass sich beide nirgendwo überlappen; das neue Objekt liegt innerhalb eines Lochs im bestehenden Objekt. So gehen Sie vor:

1. Wählen Sie das Werkzeug Ring füllen.
2. Zeichnen Sie ein Polygon über das vorhandene Objekt: QGIS fügt der Geometrie ein neus Loch hinzu (wie wenn Sie das Werkzeug Ring hinzufügen benutzt hätten) und erzeugt ein neues Objekt, dessen Geometrie dem Loch entspricht (wie wenn Sie *Spurverfolgung* über die innere Grenze mit dem Werkzeug Polygonobjekt hinzufügen angewendet hätten).

3. Falls das Loch im Objekt bereits exisitert, können Sie alternativ den Mauszeiger darüber positionieren und mit links klicken, während Sie die :kbd:`Umschalt`taste gedrückt halten: ein neues Objekt, das das Loch ausfüllt, wird an dieser Stelle gezeichnet.

   Das Formular *Objektattribute* des neuen Objekts öffnet sich und ist mit Werten des „Eltern“objekts und/oder *fields constraints* vorausgefüllt.

Ring löschen

Das Werkzeug Ring löschen ermöglicht es, Löcher innerhalb einer existierenden Fläche zu löschen. Das Werkzeug funktioniert nur mit Polygon- und Multipolygonobjekten. Es findet keine Veränderung statt, wenn es auf den äußeren Ring eines Polygons angewendet wird.

Objekte überarbeiten

Mit dem Werkzeug Objekte überarbeiten können Sie Linien- und Polygonobjekte umformen. Bei Linien ersetzt es den Teil der Linie vom ersten bis zum letzen Schnittpunkt mit der ursprünglichen Linie.

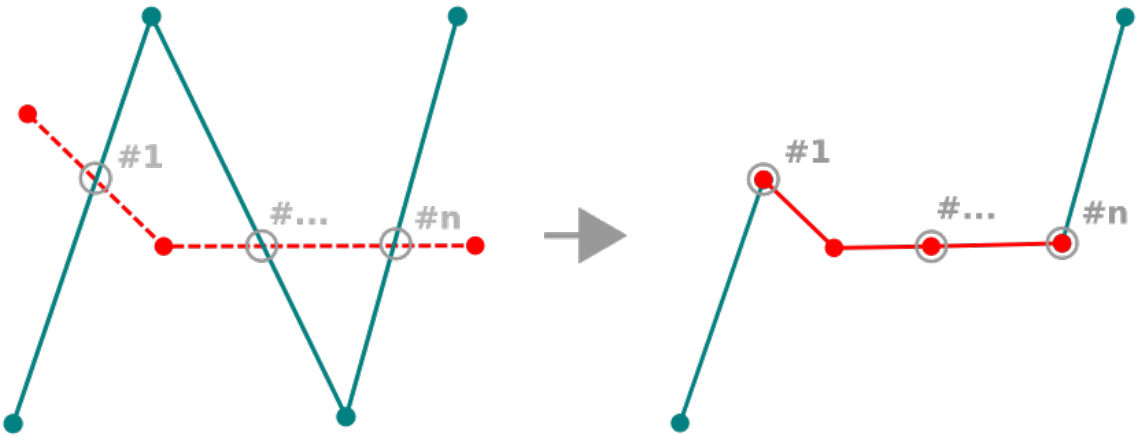


Abb. 15.94: Eine Linie umformen

Tipp: Liniengeometrien mit dem Werkzeug Objekte überarbeiten verlängern

Benutzen Sie das Werkzeug Objekte überarbeiten, um vorhandene Liniengeometrien zu verlängern: Fangen Sie den ersten oder letzten Stützpunkt der Linie und zeichnen sie eine neue. Schließen Sie die Digitalisierung ab und die neue Objektgeometrie ist die vereinigte Geometrie der beiden Linien.

Bei Polygonen wird die Polygongrenze umgeformt. Damit das funktioniert, muss die Linie des Umformwerkzeugs die Polygongrenze mindestens zwei mal kreuzen. Um diese Linie zu zeichnen, klicken Sie in das Kartenfenster, um ihre Stützpunkte zu erzeugen. Die Zeichnung schließen Sie mit einem Rechtsklick ab. Genauso wie bei Linienobjekten wird nur das Segment zwischen dem ersten und dem letzen Schnittpunkt der Linie mit der Polygongrenze betrachtet. Diejenigen Teile der Linie, die innerhalb des Polygons liegen, schneiden es dort ab, diejenigen, die außerhalb liegen erweitern es.

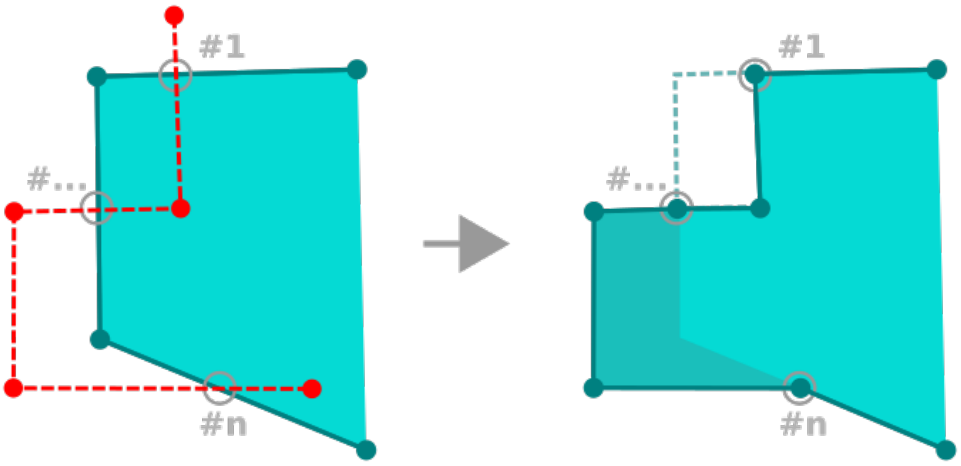


Abb. 15.95: Ein Polygon umformen

Bei Polygonen kann das Umformen manchmal zu unerwarteten Ergebnissen führen. Es ist in erster Linie dafür geeignet, kleinere Teile eines Polygons zu ersetzen und nicht für größere Überarbeitungen, außerdem ist es nicht erlaubt, dass die Umformline mehrere Ringe eines Polygons kreuzt, weil das zu einem ungültigen Polygon führen würde.

Bemerkung: Das Objekte überarbeiten Werkzeug kann die Startposition eines Polygonringes oder einer geschlossenen Linie verändern. Der Punkt, der zweimal abgebildet ist wird also nicht mehr der gleiche sein. Dies mag kein Problem für die meisten Anwendungen sein, sollte aber beachtet werden.

Linie versetzen

Das Linie versetzen Werkzeug erstellt parallele Linien von Linienlayern. Das Werkzeug kann auf den bearbeiteten Layer (die Geometrien werden verändert) und auch auf Hintergrundlayer (in diesem Fall erstellt es Kopien von Linien/ Ringen und fügt Sie dem bearbeiteten Layer hinzu) angewendet werden. Es ist auf diese Weise ideal geeignet Abstandslinienlayer zu erstellen. Der *Benutzereingabe* Dialog erscheint und zeigt den Versatz.

Um eine Linie zu versetzen müssen Sie zunächst in den Editiermodus wechseln und das Werkzeug Linie versetzen aktivieren. Klicken Sie danach auf ein Objekt, um es zu versetzen. Bewegen Sie den Mauszeiger und klicken Sie erneut am Zielpunkt oder geben Sie die gewünschte Entfernung in die Eingabemaske ein. Halten Sie `Strg` während des zweiten Klicks gedrückt, um eine versetzte Kopie zu erzeugen. Danach können Sie Ihre Änderungen mit dem Werkzeug Layeränderungen speichern speichern.

Der QGIS Optionen Dialog (Digitalisierung Reiter dann **Werkzeug zum Linien versetzen** Abschnitt) ermöglicht es Ihnen einige Parameter wie **Verbindungsstil**,**Quadrantsegmente**, **Eckengrenze** zu konfigurieren.

Linie umkehren

Für kartografische Zwecke oder wenn ein Datensatz für Netzwerkanalysen vorbereitet wird, kann es sinnvoll sein, die Digitalisierrichtung einer Linie umzukehren.

So ändern Sie die Digitalisierrichtung einer Linie:

1. Aktivieren Sie das Werkzeug LinieUmkehren, indem Sie auf  Linie umkehren klicken.
2. Klicken Sie auf die Linie. Die Digitalisierrichtung wird umgekehrt.

Objekte trennen

Mit dem Werkzeug  Objekte zerteilen teilen Sie ein Objekt in zwei oder mehr unabhängige Objekte, d.h. jede Geometrie gehört zu einer neuen Zeile in der Attributtabelle.

So teilen Sie Linien oder Polygonobjekte:

1. Wählen Sie das Werkzeug  Objekte zerteilen.
2. Zeichnen Sie eine Linie über das Objekt oder die Objekte, die Sie zerteilen wollen. Gibt es eine aktive Auswahl, werden nur die ausgewählten Objekte zerteilt. Falls, *default values or clauses* definiert wurden, werden sie auf die entsprechenden Felder angewendet, andere Attribute des Elternobjekts werden automatisch in die neuen Objekte kopiert.
3. Danach können Sie üblicherweise beliebige Attribute der neuen Objekte verändern.

Tipp: Eine Polylinie mit einem Klick in neue Objekte zerteilen

Fangen und Klicken Sie mit dem Werkzeug  Objekte zerteilen auf einen vorhandenen Stützpunkt einer Polylinie, um sie in zwei neue Objekte zu zerteilen.

Teile zerlegen

In QGIS ist es möglich die Teile eines Multi-Part Features zu zerlegen so dass die Anzahl der Teile sich erhöht. Zeichnen Sie einfach eine Linie über den Teil den Sie zerlegen wollen indem Sie dafür das  Teile zerlegen Icon verwenden.

Tipp: Eine Polylinie mit einem Klick in neue Teile zerlegen

Fangen und Klicken Sie mit dem Werkzeug  Teile zerlegen auf einen vorhandenen Stützpunkt einer Polylinie, um sie in zwei neue Polylinien zu zelegen, die weiterhin zum selben Objekt gehören.

Gewählte Objekte verschmelzen

Mit dem Werkzeug  Gewählte Objekte verschmelzen erzeugen Sie ein neues Objekt durch das verschmelzen vorhandener Objekte: Ihre Geometrien werden verschmolzen, um ein neues zu bilden. Wenn die Objekte keine gemeinsame Grenze haben, wird ein Multipolygon-/Multipolylinien-/Multipunktobjekt erzeugt.

1. Wählen Sie zunächst die Objekte aus, die Sie verschmelzen wollen.
2. Drücken Sie dann auf die Schaltfläche  Gewählte Objekte verschmelzen.

3. Die Zeile the *Verschmelzen* unten in der Tabelle des sich öffnenden Eingabefensters zeigt die Attribute des neuen Objekts. Sie können jeden dieser Werte folgendermaßen ändern:
   - ändern des Wertes in der entsprechenden Zelle;
   - eine Zeile in der Tabelle auswählen und auf die Schaltfläche *Attribute des gewählten Objekts übernehmen* klicken. Damit übernehmen Sie alle Werte dieses Objekts;
   - klicken Sie auf *Attribute des Objekts mit der größten Fläche verwenden*, um die Attribute des längsten Linienobjekts, des größten Polygonobjekts oder des Multipointobjekts mit den meisten Teilen zu übernhmen;
   - auf die Schaltfläche *Alle Felder überspringen* klicken, um leere Attribute zu benutzen;
   - klicken Sie auf das kleine Dreieck im Kopf der Tabelle und wählen Sie eine der Möglichkeiten aus, die dann ausschließlich auf das jeweilige Feld angewendet wird. Sie können auch die Werte der Ausgangsobjekte aggregieren (Minimum, Maximum, Median, Summe, Anzahl, Verknüpfung…, jeweils abhängig vom Feldtyp. Sehen Sie im Abschnitt *Statistical Summary Panel* für eine Liste aller Funktionen nach).

   Bemerkung: Falls der Layer Standardwerte oder -klauseln für Felder definiert hat, werden diese als Startwert für das verschmolzene Objekt benutzt.

4. Drücken Sie auf *OK* um die Änderungen anzuwenden. Ein einzelnes (Multi-)Objekt wird im Layer angelegt und ersetzt die vorher ausgewählten Objekte.

Attribute gewählter Objekte vereinen

Mit dem Werkzeug  Attribute gewählter Objekte vereinen können Sie die selben Attribute in Objekte speichern, ohne ihre Grenzen zu vereinen. Die Eingabemaske ist die selbe wie beim Werkzeug `Gewählte Objekte verschmelzen`, außer dass die ausgewählten Objekte mit ihrer Geometrie bestehen bleiben, während einige ihrer Attributwerte identisch werden.

Punktsymbole drehen

Das Werkzeug  Punktsymbole drehen ermöglicht es Ihnen, den Drehwinkel eines Punktsymbols im Kartenfenster zu ändern.

1. Zuerst müssen Sie das Feld angeben, in dem der Rotationswert gespeichert werden soll. Dies geschieht, indem dem Symbol data-defined rotation property: ein Feld zugewiesen wir:
   1. Im Dialog *Layereigenschaften* ► *Symbolisierung* gehen Sie zu den Einstellungen für das Symbol.
   2. Klicken Sie auf die Schaltfläche  *Datendefinierte Übersteuerung* neben der Einstellung *Drehung* (bevorzugt) in der obersten Ebene *Markierung* der Symbolebenen.
   3. Wählen Sie ein Feld Auswahl *Feldtype*. Die Werte in diesem Feld werden nun dazu benutzt, jedes Symbol eines Objekts entsprechend zu drehen.

      Sie können auch Daten im Projekt speichern anhaken, um ein Feld im *Hilfsspeicher* zu erzeugen, das die Drehungswerte aufnimmt.

   Bemerkung: Stellen Sie sicher, dass in allen Symbolebenen das selbe Feld eingestellt ist

   Wenn Sie das datendefinierte Feld für die Drehung in der obersten Ebene der Symbolebenen einstellen, ist es automatisch in allen Symbolebenen eingestellt. Das ist die Voraussetzung für die graphische Symboldrehung mit dem Werkzeug *Punktsymbole drehen*. Falls auch nur eine Symbolebene nicht das selbe Feld für die Drehung eingestellt hat, wird das Werkzeug nicht funktionieren.

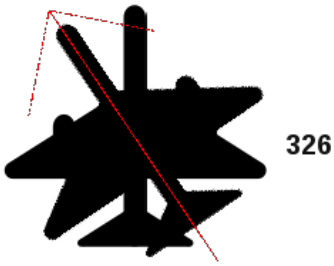


Abb. 15.96: Ein Punktsymbol drehen

2. Klicken Sie danach mit dem Werkzeug Punktsymbole drehen auf ein Punktsymbol in der Karte
3. Bewegen Sie die Maus. Ein roter Pfeil mit dem Drehwinkel wird Ihnen angezeigt (siehe Abb. 15.96). Wenn Sie die Taste `Strg` gedrückt halten, während sie die Maus bewegen, verändert sich der Drehwinkel in Schritten von 15 Grad.
4. Klicken Sie nochmals, wenn der gewünschte Drehwinkel erreicht ist. Das Symbol wird dann mit diesem neuen Drehwinkel dargestellt und das Feld entsprechend gefüllt.

   Klicken Sie mit der rechten Maustaste, um die Drehung des Punktymbols abzubrechen.

Punktsymbolversatz

Das Werkzeug Punktsymbolversatz ermöglicht es Ihnen, die Darstellungsposition von Punktsymbolen im Kartenfenster interaktiv zu verändern. Es funktioniert ähnlich wie das Werkzeug Punktsymbole drehen außer dass Sie ein Feld für den datendefinierten *Versatz (X,Y)* des Symbols einstellen müssen. Dieses Feld wird dann für diejenigen Objekte mit den Versatzkoordinaten gefüllt, deren Symbol Sie im Kartenfenster hin- und herschieben.

1. Stellen Sie ein feld für die datendefinierte Übersteuerung der Symboleigenschaft *Versatz (X,Y)* ein. Sollte das Symbol aus mehreren Layern bestehen, müssen Sie das Feld für jeden einzelnen davon einstellen
2. Aktivieren Sie das Werkzeug Punktsymbolversatz
3. Klicken Sie auf einen Punkt
4. Verschieben Sie ihn auf eine neue Position
5. Klicken Sie nochmals. Das Punktsymbol wird auf die neue Position bewegt. Die Werte für den Versatz werden im verknüpften Feld gespeichert.

   Klicken Sie mit der rechten Maustaste, um die Verschiebung des Punktymbols abzubrechen.

Bemerkung: Das Werkzeug Punktsymbolversatz verschiebt nicht das Punktobjekt selbst; dafür sollten Sie das Werkzeug Knotenwerkzeug (aktueller Layer) oder das Werkzeug Objekt verschieben benutzen.

Objekt abschneiden/ausdehnen

The  Trim/Extend tool allows you to shorten or lengthen segments of a (multi)line or (multi)polygon geometry to converge with a selected segment (the cutting line). This results in a modified geometry with a vertex snapped to the target segment or in its prolongation. Depending on how the selected geometries are placed in relation to each other, the tool will either:

- **Trim**: removes parts of the line segment or polygon boundary, beyond the cutting line
- **Extend**: extends polygon boundaries or line segments so that they can snap to the cutting line.

In order to trim or extend existing geometries:

1. Enable appropriate *snapping settings* on segment for the involved layer(s)
2. Select the  Trim/Extend tool
3. Click the target limit segment, i.e. the segment with respect to which you want to extend or trim another segment. It appears highlighted.
4. Move to the segment you want to trim or extend. It does not need to be the last segment of the geometry, but has to be on the active layer.
5. Hover over the segment, and QGIS displays a preview of what the feature's geometry would be. If OK, click the segment. In the case of a trim, you must select the part that should be shortened.
6. Falls beide Segmente in 3D sind, führt das Werkzeug eine Interpolation zum Zielsegment aus, um den Z-Wert zu ermitteln.

Achtung: Pay attention to the modified geometry while using the  Trim/Extend tool. Depending on the inputs, it can create invalid geometries, potentially resulting in failure at layer saving.

15.3.6 Formen digitalisieren

Die *Werzeugleiste für Formen* bietet Ihnen Werkzeuge, um regelmäßige Formen und Geometrien mit Bögen zu zeichnen.

Kreisbogen hinzufügen

Mit den Werkzeugen  Kreisbogen hinzufügen oder  Kreisbogen über Radius hinzufügen können Sie Linien- oder Polygonobjekte mit bogenförmiger Geometrie hinzufügen.

Das Zeichnen von Objekten mit diesen Werkzeugen folgt der selben Regel wie bei anderen Digitalisierwerkzeugen: klicken Sie mit links, um Stützpunkte hinzuzufügen und mit rechts, um die Geometrie abzuschließen. Während Sie die Geometrie zeichnen, können Sie die Werkzeuge wechseln und auch zu den *linear geometry tools* wechseln, um zusammengesetzte Geometrien zu erzeugen.

Bemerkung: Gebogene Geometrien sind als solche nur in kompatiblen Datenanbieter gespeichert

Obwohl QGIS es ermöglicht, innerhalb jedes editierbaren Datenformats gebogene Geometrien zu digitalisieren, müssen Sie, um gebogene Geometrien zu speichern, einen Datenanbieter verwenden, der gebogene Objekte unterstützt (z. B. PostGIS, GML oder WFS), ansonsten teilt QGIS die Bögen in Einzelsegmente auf.

Kreise zeichnen

Um Kreise zu zeichnen, gibt es einen Satz von Werkzeugen. Sie werden im folgenden beschrieben.

Kreise werden in Kreisbögen umgewandelt. Falls das die jeweilige Datenquelle zulässt, werden sie als gebogene Geometrien gespeichert. Falls nicht, wird QGIS die Kreisbögen in Segmente aufteilen. Dies wird im Abschnitt in *Kreisbogen hinzufügen* beschrieben.

-  Kreis aus 2 Punkten hinzufügen: Die zwei Punkte legen den Durchmesser und die Lage des Kreises fest (Linksklick, Rechtsklick).
-  Kreis aus 3 Punkten hinzufügen: Zeichnet einen Kreis über drei Punkte auf der Kreislinie (Linksklick, Linksklick, Rechtsklick).
-  Kreis mit Mittel- und einem anderen Punkt hinzufügen: Zeichnet einen Kreis mit einem gegebenen Mittel- und einem weiteren Punkt auf der Kreislinie (Linksklick, Rechtsklick). Benutzen Sie das Werkzeug zusammen mit *Das Bedienfeld Erweiterte Digitalisierung* um das Werkzeug in „Kreis mit Mittelpunkt und Radius hinzufügen“ umzuwandeln, indem Sie nach dem ersten Klick den Wert für den Abstand setzen und beibehalten.
-  Kreis aus drei Tangenten hinzufügen: Zeichnet einen Kreis, der tangential zu drei Segmenten ist **Beachten Sie bitte, dass Sie Einrasten auf Segmente aktiviert haben müssen** (Siehe *Einrasttoleranz und Suchradius einstellen*). Klicken Sie auf ein Segment, um eine Tangente hinzuzufügen. Falls zwei Tangenten parallel zueinander sind, werden die Koordinaten des Klicks auf die erste parallele Tangente dazu benutzt, die Lage des Kreises zu bestimmen. Falls alle drei Tangenten prallel zueinander sind, wird eine Fehlermeldung ausgegeben und die Eingabe gelöscht. (Linksklick, Linksklick, Rechtsklick)
-  Kreis aus 2 Tangenten und einem Punkt hinzufügen: Ähnlich wie Kreis aus drei Tangenten hinzufügen, außer dass Sie zwei Tangenten auswählen, einen Radius eingeben und den gewünschten Mittelpunkt auswählen müssen.

Ellipsen zeichnen

Um Ellipsen zu zeichnen, gibt es einen Satz von Werkzeugen. Sie werden im folgenden beschrieben.

Ellipsen können nicht in bogenförmige Geometrien umgewandelt werden, so dass sie immer segmentiert werden.

-  Ellipse mit einem Mittelpunkt und zwei Punkten hinzufügen: Zeichnen Sie eine Ellipse mit einem Mittelpunkt, der Haupt- und der Nebenachse (Linksklick, Linksklick, Rechtsklick).
-  Ellipse mit Mittel- und einem Punkt hinzufügen: Zeichnet eine Ellipse in ein durch seinen Mittel- und einen Eckpunkt definiertes Recheck. (Linksklick, Rechtsklick)
-  Ellipse nach Ausdehnung hinzufügen: Zeichnet eine Ellipse in ein durch zwei gegenüberliegende Eckpunkte definiertes Rechteck. (Linksklick, Rechtsklick)
-  Ellipse aus Brennpunkten angeben: Zeichnet eine Ellipse, die durch zwei Punkte auf der Mittelachse und einen auf der Außenkante der Ellipse definiert wird. (Linksklick, Linksklick, Rechtsklick)

Rechtecke zeichnen

Ihnen stehen eine Reihe von Werkzeugen zum Zeichnen von Rechtecken zur Verfügung, sie werden nachfolgend beschrieben.

- Rechteck aus Zentrum und einem Punkt hinzufügen: Zeichnet ein Rechteck, dass über seinen Mittelpunkt und eine Ecke definiert wird. (Linksklick, Rechtsklick)
- Rechteck nach Ausdehnung hinzufügen: Zeichnet ein Rechteck, das über zwei gegenüberliegende Ecken definiert wird. (Linksklick, Rechtsklick)
- Rechteck über drei Punkte hinzufügen (Abstand vom 2. und 3. Punkt): Zeichnet ein orientiertes Rechteck aus drei Punkten. Der erste und der zweite Punkt definieren Länge und Winkel der ersten Seiote. Der dritte Punkt legt die Länge der anderen Seite fest. Sie können das Bedienfeld *Das Bedienfeld Erweiterte Digitalisierung* benutzen, um die Länge der Seiten festzulegen. (Linksklick, Linksklick, Rechtsklick)
- Rechteck über drei Punkte hinzufügen (Abstand vom projizierten Punkt auf Segment und 1. und 2. Punkt): Die Funktion ist genau so wie im vorstehenden Werkzeug, allerdings wird die Länge der zweiten Seite über die Projektion des dritten Punktes auf die erste Seite berechnet. (Linksklick, Linksklick, Rechtsklick)

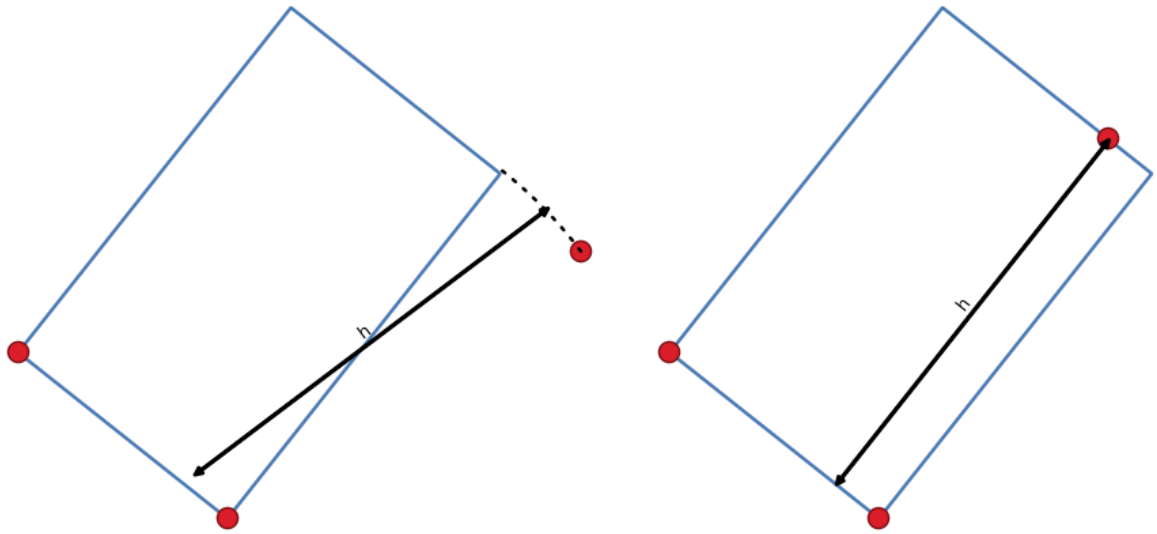


Abb. 15.97: Ein Rechteck über drei Punkte hinzufügen, mittels Abstand (rechts) und projiziertem Punkt (links)

Regelmäßige Polygone zeichnen

Ihnen stehen eine Reihe von Werkzeugen zum Zeichnen von regelmäßigen Polygonen zur Verfügung, sie werden nachfolgend beschrieben. Klicken Sie mit links, um den ersten Punkt zu setzen. In dem danach erscheinenden Eingabefeld können Sie die Anzahl der Seiten festlegen. Klicken Sie mit rechts, um das regelmäßige Polygon abzuschließen.

- Regelmäßiges Polygon aus zwei Punkten hinzufügen: Zeichnet ein regelmäßiges Polygon, bei dem Länge und Winkel der ersten Seite über zwei Punkte definiert werden.
- Regelmäßiges Polygon aus Zentrum und einem Punkt hinzufügen: Zeichnet ein regeläßiges Polygon über seinen Mittelpunkt. Der zweite Punkt bestimmt Winkel und Abstand einer Seite zu diesem Mittelpunkt.
- Regelmäßiges Polygon aus Zentrum und einer Ecke hinzufügen: Die selbe Funktion wie das vorhergehende Werkzeug, jedoch bestimmt der zweite Punkt Winkel und Abstand zu einem Eckpunkt des Polygons.

15.3.7 Das Bedienfeld Erweiterte Digitalisierung

Wenn Sie neue oder vorhandene Geometrien erfassen, umformen, oder zerteilen, haben Sie auch die Möglichkeit, das Bedienfeld Erweiterte Digitalisierung zu verwenden. Sie können Linien exakt parallel oder rechtwinklig oder in einem bestimmten Winkel digitalisieren oder Linien auf bestimmten Winkeln sperren. Darüber hinaus können Sie Koordinaten direkt eingeben, so dass Sie eine neue Geometrie genau festlegen können.

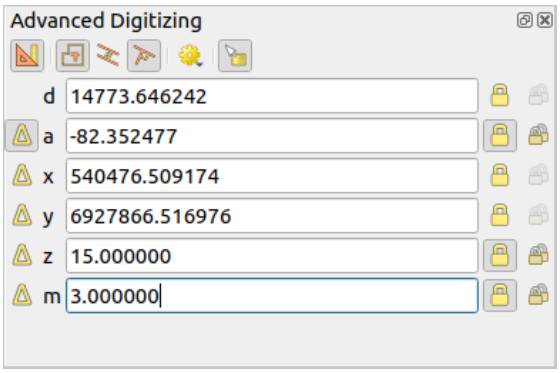


Abb. 15.98: Das Bedienfeld Erweiterte Digitalisierung

Das *Bedienfeld Erweiterete Digitalisierung* können Sie mit einem Rechtsklick in die Werkzeugleiste, über das Menü *Ansicht* ► *Bedienfelder*► oder die Tastenkombination `Strg+4` öffnen. Sobald das Bedienfeld sichtbar ist, können Sie die Werkzeuge selbst über die Schaltfläche Erweiterte Digitalisierungswerkzeuge einschalten aktivieren.

Bemerkung: Die Werkzeuge sind nicht aktiviert, wenn die Kartenansicht geographische Koordinaten zeigt.

Die Werkzeuge zielen darauf ab, Koordinaten, Längen und Winkel zu sperren, während Sie den Mauszeiger beim Digitalisieren über das Kartenfenster bewegen.

Sie können auch Festsetzungen mit relativer oder absoluter Referenz vornehmen. Relative Referenz bedeutet, dass die Festsetzungen für den folgenden Stützpunkt relativ zum vorhergehenden Stützpunkt oder Segment sind.

Die Werkzeuge

Oben im Bedienfeld *Erweiterte Digitalisierung* finden Sie folgende Schaltflächen:

- Erweiterte Digitalisierungswerkzeuge einschalten
- Konstruktionsmodus: ermöglicht es Ihnen, Ihre Klickpunkte zu erfassen, um sie als Referenzpunkte für das Sperren der Entfernung, des Winkels oder der Relativwerte für X, Y, Z oder M zu benutzen. Mehr dazu unter *Konstruktionsmodus*.
- Parallel ermöglicht es Ihnen, eine Linie parallel zu einer vorhandenen zu zeichnen (mehr dazu unter *Parallele und senkrechte Linien*)
- Senkrecht ermöglicht es Ihnen, eine Linie senkrecht zu einer vorhandenen zu zeichnen (mehr unter *Parallele und senkrechte Linien*)
- Auf üblichen Winkel einrasten: Während Sie den Mauszeiger bewegen, wird eine virtuelle Linie angezeigt, auf die Sie einrasten können, um den nächsten Stützpunkt zu setzen. Diese Einrastlinie wird durch den zuletzt gesetzten Stützpunkt und einen (absoluten oder zum letzten Segment relativen) Winkel definiert. Der Winkel stammt aus einer vorgegebenen Liste (Schritte 5°, 10°, 15°, 18°, 22.5°, 30°, 45° oder 90°). Um diese Funktion zu deaktivieren wählen Sie *Nicht auf übliche Winkel einrasten*.

-  Anzeige über Karten umschalten: zeigt Ihnen eine Vorschau der Koordinaten direkt neben dem Mauszeiger. Auf diese Werte können Sie über *panel's shortcuts* zugreifen und sie verändern.

Tastenkürzel

Um die Arbeit mit dem Bedienfeld Erweiterte Digitalisierung zu beschleunigen, gibt es eine Reihe von Tastenkürzeln:

Taste	nur Taste	`Strg+` or `Alt+`	`Umschalt+`
`D`	Abstand einstellen	Abstand beibehalten	
`A`	Winkel einstellen	Winkel beibehalten	Winkel relativ zum letzten Segment an-/ausschalten
`X`	X-Koordinate einstellen	X-Koordinate beibehalten	X relativ zum letzten Stützpunkt an-/ausschalten
`Y`	Y-Koordinate einstellen	Y-Koordinate beibehalten	Y relativ zum letzten Stützpunkt an-/ausschalten
`Z`	Z-Koordinate einstellen	Z-Koordinate beibehalten	Z relativ zum letzten Stützpunkt an-/ausschalten
`M`	M-Wert einstellen	M-Wert beibehalten	M relativ zum letzten Stützpunkt an-/ausschalten
`C`	Konstruktionsmodus an-/ausschalten		
`P`	Zwischen senkrechtem und parallelem Modus umschalten		

Bemerkung: Z-Koordinate und M-Wert sind nur verfügbar, wenn die Geometriedimension des Layers dies hergibt.

Mit absoluter Referenz digitalsieren

Sobald Sie eine neue Geometrie von Grund auf neu zeichnen, kann es hilfreich sein, den ersten Stützpunkt an festgelegten Koordinaten zu setzen.

Wenn Sie z.B. ein neues Objekt zu einem Polygonlayer hinzufügen, klicken Sie aud die Schaltfläche . Sie können die genauen Koordinaten angeben, an denen Sie die Digitalisierung beginnen möchten, d.h.:

1. klicken Sie auf das Eingabefeld *x* (oder benutzen das Tastenkürzel `X`),
2. geben Sie die X-Koordinate ein und drücken Sie `Eingabe` oder klicken Sie auf die Schaltfläche  rechts davon, um die Mausposition auf der X-Achse im Kartenfenster zu beizubehalten,
3. klicken Sie auf das Eingabefeld *y* (oder benutzen das Tastenkürzel `Y`),
4. geben Sie die Y-Koordinate ein und drücken Sie `Eingabe` oder klicken Sie auf die Schaltfläche  rechts davon, um die Mausposition auf der Y-Achse im Kartenfenster zu beizubehalten.
5. Falls verfügbar und gewünscht, gehen Sie genau so vor wie oben angegeben, um die Z-Koordinate und den M-Wert einzugeben (bzw. in die Eingabefelder *z* oder *m*).

   Zwei blau gepunktete Linien und ein grünes Kreuz zeigen die genauen Koordinaten an, die Sie eingegeben haben.
6. Beginnen Sie die Digitalisierung, indem Sie in das Kartenfenster klicken; am grünen Kreuz wird ein Stützpunkt eingefügt.

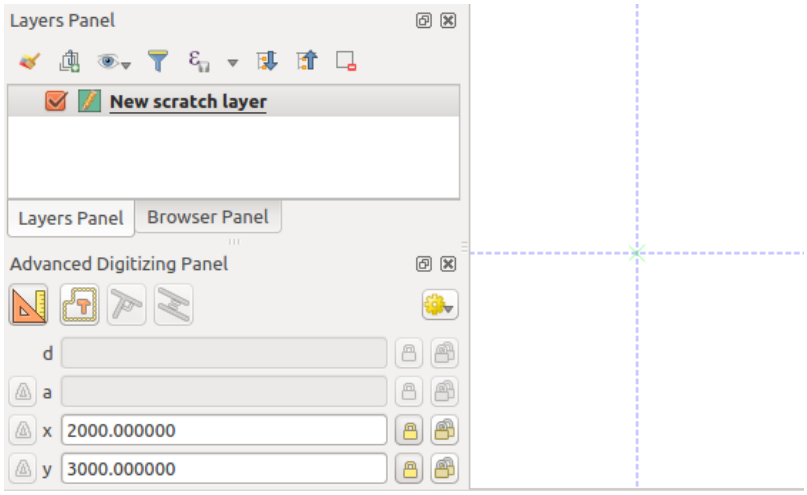


Abb. 15.99: Eine Zeichnung mit vorgegebenen Koordinaten beginnen

7. Sie können freihand weiter digitalsieren, einen neuen Koordinatensatz eingeben oder Sie können die **Länge** (Entfernung) und den **Winkel** des Segments eingeben.
8. Falls Sie ein Segment bestimmter Länge zeichnen möchten:
    1. Klicken Sie auf das Eingabefeld *d (Entfernung)* (Tastenkürzel `D` , Entfernung = engl. distance)
    2. Tragen Sie die Entfernung ein (in Karteneinheiten)
    3. Drücken Sie `Eingabe` oder klicken Sie auf die Schaltfläche  rechts, um den Mauszeiger im Kartenfenster auf die Länge des Segments zu sperren (also die Länge beizubehalten). Um den letztgesetzten Stützpunkt wird ein Kreis gezeichnet, dessen Radius der eingegebenen Entfernung entspricht. Ein Kreuz auf der Kreislinie zeigt Ihnen die Position des nächsten Stützpunktes an, falls Sie nun klicken.

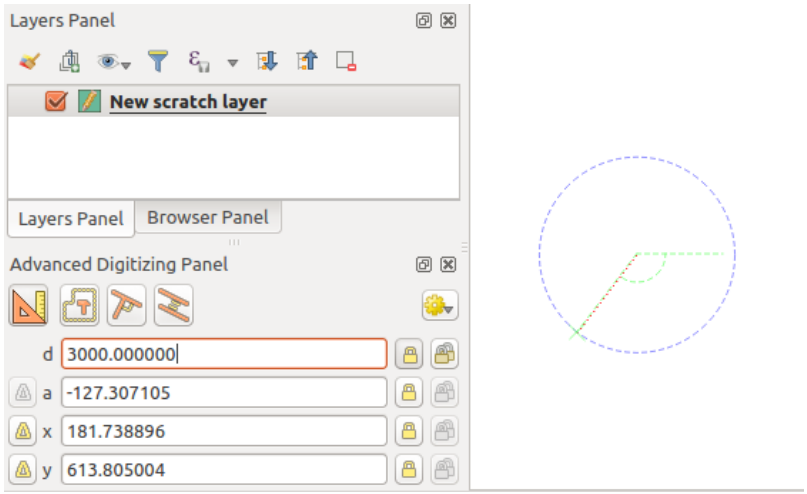


Abb. 15.100: Segment mit einer vorgegebenen Länge

9. Sie können auch die Position des Stützpunktes beschränken, indem Sie den Winkel des Segments setzen wie oben beschrieben:
    1. Klicken Sie auf das Eingabefeld *a (Winkel)* (Tastenkürzel `A` , Winkel = engl. angle)
    2. Geben Sie den Winkel (in Grad) ein

3. Drücken Sie `Eingabe` oder klicken Sie auf die Schaltfläche  rechts, um den Winkel zu sperren. Durch den letztgesetzten Stützpunkt wird eine Linie gezeichnet, die um den eingegebenen Winkel gedreht ist. Ein Kreuz auf dieser Linie zeigt Ihnen die Position des nächsten Stützpunktes an, falls Sie nun klicken.

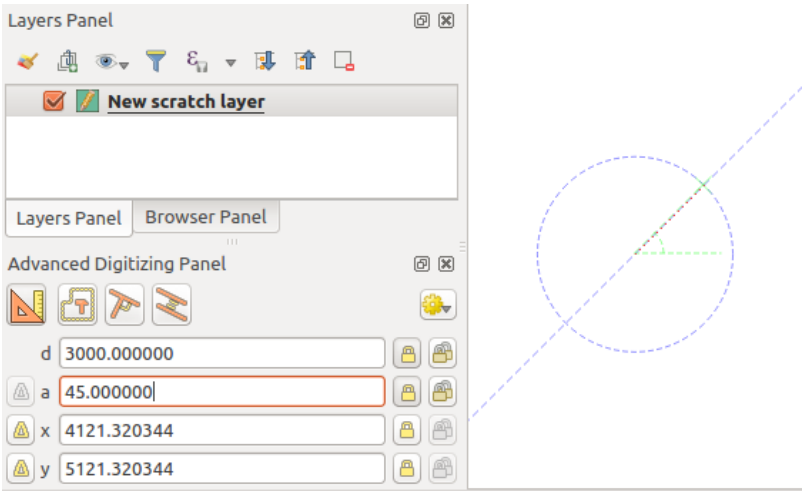


Abb. 15.101: Segment mit vorgegebenem Winkel

Hinweis: Drücken Sie `Strg+<key>` oder `Alt+<key>`, um die die Eingabe zu sperren den Wert automatisch bearbeitbar zu machen. Nun müssen Sie nur noch `Eingabe` drücken. Zusammen mit der  Anzeige über Karten umschalten kann das Digitalisieren über die Tastatur sehr zeitsparend sein.

Mit relativer Referenz digitalsieren

Anstatt absolute Werte für Winkel oder Koordinaten können Sie Werte relativ zum zuletzt eingegebenen Stützpunkt oder Segment benutzen.

Bei Winkeln klicken Sie auf die Schaltflläche  links der Eingabezeile *a* (oder drücken Sie `Umschalt+A`) um Winkeleingabe relativ zum zuletzt eingegebenen Segment ein- bzw. auszuschalten. Ist diese Option eingeschaltet, werden Winkel zwischen dem zuletzt eingegebenen Segment und der Position des Mauszeigers gemessen.

Klicken Sie auf die Schaltflächen  links der Eingabefelder *x*, *y*, *z* oder *m* (oder drücken Sie `Umschalt+<key>`), um die Koordinateneingabe relativ zum zuletzt gesetzten Stützpunkt ein- oder auszuschalten. Sind diese Optionen eingeschaltet, werden die Koordinaten so berechnet, als sei der letztgesetzte Stützpunkt der Koordinatenursprung.

Laufendes Beibehalten

Sowohl beim Digitalisieren mit absoluter als auch mit relativer Referenz können Sie den Winkel, die Entfernung, X, Y, Z und M Einschränkungen laufend beibehalten, indem auf die Schaltflächen  *laufend beibehalten* klicken. Damit können Sie mehrere Punkte oder Stützpunkte digitalisieren und dabei die selben Einschränkungen benutzen.

Parallele und senkrechte Linien

Alle bisher beschriebenen Werkzeuge können Sie mit den Werkzeugen Senkrecht und Parallel zusammen benutzen. Mit diese beiden Werkzeuge zeichnen Sie Segmente exakt rechtwinklig oder parallel zu anderen Segmenten. Das entsprechende Segment kann zu einem anderen Layer, zu einem anderen Objekt im selben Layer oder auch zu dem Objekt, an dem Sie gerade arbeiten, gehören (letzteres benötigt *Selbsteinrasten*).

So zeichnen Sie ein *senkrechtes* Segment:

1. Fügen Sie zunächst einen der beiden Stützpunkte des Segments hinzu.
2. Zum Aktivieren klicken Sie auf die Schaltfläche Senkrecht (Tastenkürzel `P` , senkrecht engl. perpendicular).
3. Klicken Sie dann auf das Segment, auf dem Ihr neues senkrecht stehen soll.
4. Eine gepunktete Hilfslinie senkrecht zu diesem Segment durch den zuletzt gesetzten Stützpunkt erscheint. Die Winkeleinstellung ist gesperrt, wodurch der nächste Stützpunkt auf dieser Linie liegen muss und ein Kreutz zeigt Ihnen die zukünftige Position an. Klicken Sie, um einen neuen Stützpunkt zu setzen.

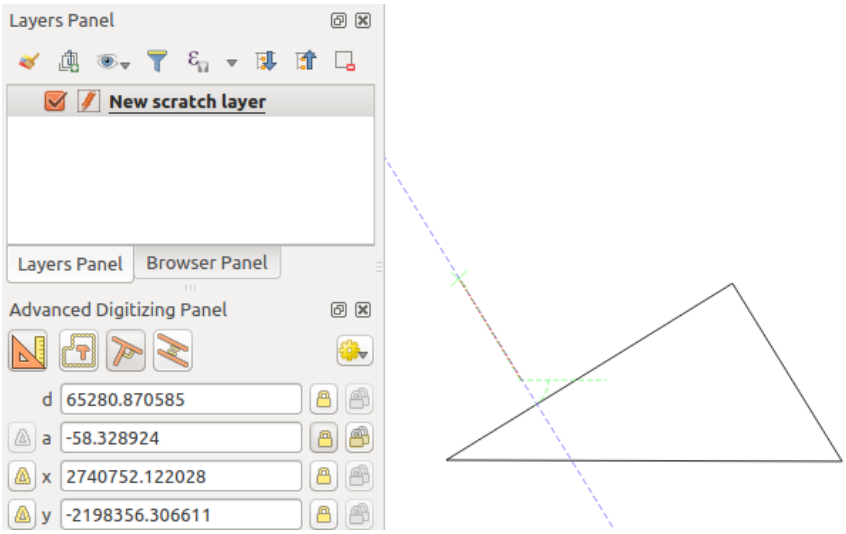


Abb. 15.102: Senkrechtes Digitalisieren

Ein *paralleles* Segment zeichnen Sie genau so mit der Ausnahme, dass Sie auf die Schaltfläche Parallel (Tastenkürzel zweimal `P`).

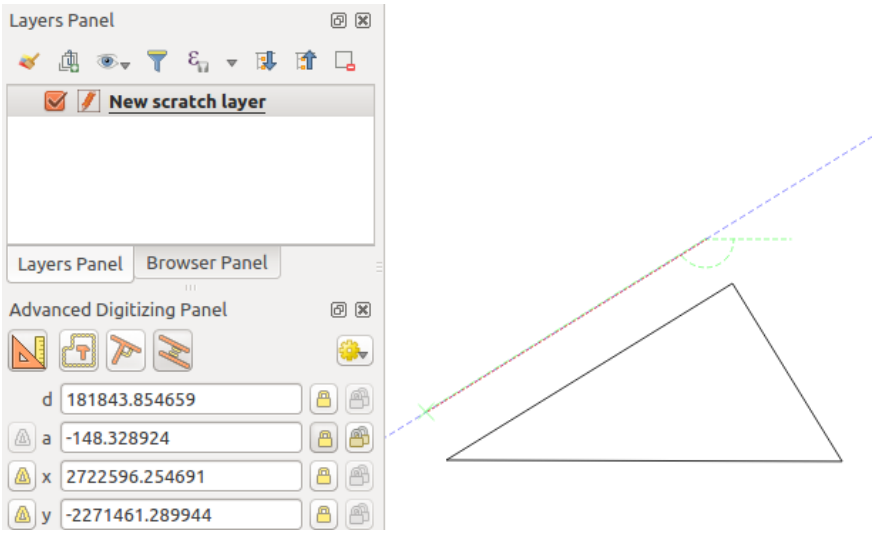


Abb. 15.103: Paralleles Digitalisieren

Beide Werkzeuge stellen den richtigen Winkel für paralleles und senkrechtes Arbeiten fest und sperren ihn, während Sie digitalisieren. Entsperren Sie den Winkel, um die Benutzung zwischendurch abzubrechen.

Konstruktionsmodus

Sie können den *Konstruktionsmodus* an- und abschalten, indem Sie auf die Schaltfläche Konstruktionsmodus klicken oder mit Tastenkürzel `C` . Während Sie sich im Konstruktionsmodus befinden, werden durch Klicks in die Kartenansicht keine neuen Stützpunkte hinzugefügt; stattdessen werden die Klickpositionen erfasst, so dass Sie sei als Referenzpunkte benutzen können, um die relativen Werte der Entfernung, des Winkels oder von X, Y, Z, M zu sperren.

Der Konstruktionsmodus kann z.B. benutzt werden, um einen Punkt in einer genau festgelegten Entfernung von einem bestehenden Punkt zu zeichnen.

Haben Sie einen Punkt in der Kartenansicht und der Einrastmodus ist richtig eingeschaltet, können Sie sehr einfach andere Punkte in einer vorgegebenen Entfernung und im vorgegebenen Winkel dazu zeichnen. Zusätzlich zur Schaltfläche müssen Sie den *Konstruktionsmodus* durch Klick auf die Schaltfläche Konstruktionsmodus oder Tastenkürzel `C` aktivieren.

Klicken Sie in die Nähe des Punktes, von dem aus Sie den Abstand berechnen wollen und klicken Sie auf die Eingabe *d* (Tastenkürzel `D`). Geben Sie den gewünschten Abstand ein und drücken Sie `Eingabe`, um die Mausposition im Kartenfenster beizubehalten:

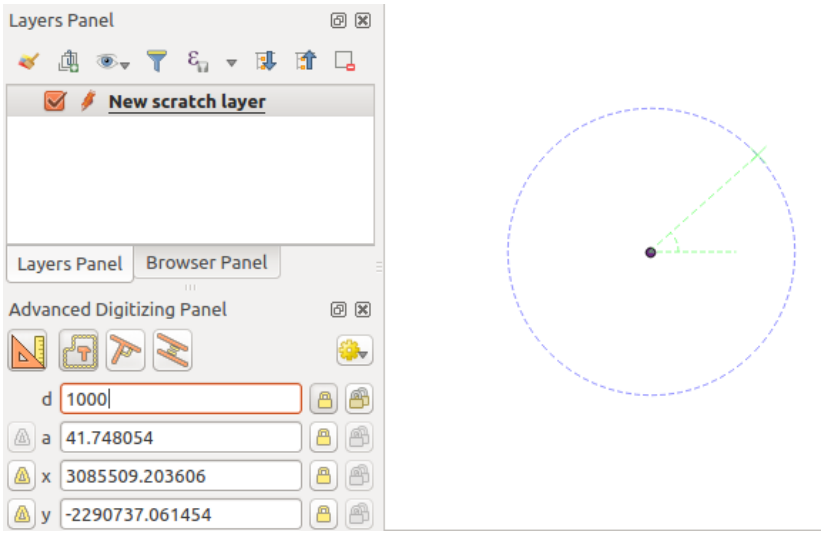


Abb. 15.104: Abstand von einem Punkt

Bevor Sie den neuen Punkt eingeben, drücken Sie `C`, um den Konstruktionsmodus zu verlassen. Jetzt können Sie ins Kartenfenster klicken und der Punkt wird mit dem eingegebenen Abstand platziert.

Sie können zusätzlich die Winkeleinstellung benutzen, um beispielsweise einen zweiten Punkt in der selben Entfernung von Ihrem Originalpunkt aber in einem bestimmten Winkel zu Ihrem eben neu gesetzten Punkt zu erzeugen. Klicken Sie auf die Schaltfläche Konstruktionsmodus oder Tastenkürzel `C` , um in den Konstruktionsmodus zu gelangen. Klicken Sie auf den eben neu gesetzten Punkt und dann auf den anderen, um ein Richtungssegment zu erhalten. Klicken Sie dann in die Texteingabe *d* (Tastenkürzel `D`), geben Sie die gewünschte Entfernung ein und drücken Sie `Eingabe`. Klicken Sie auf die Texteingabe *a* (Tastenkürzel `A`), geben Sie den gewünschten Winkel ein und drücken Sie `Eingabe`. Die Mausposition wird in Entfernung und Winkel gesperrt.

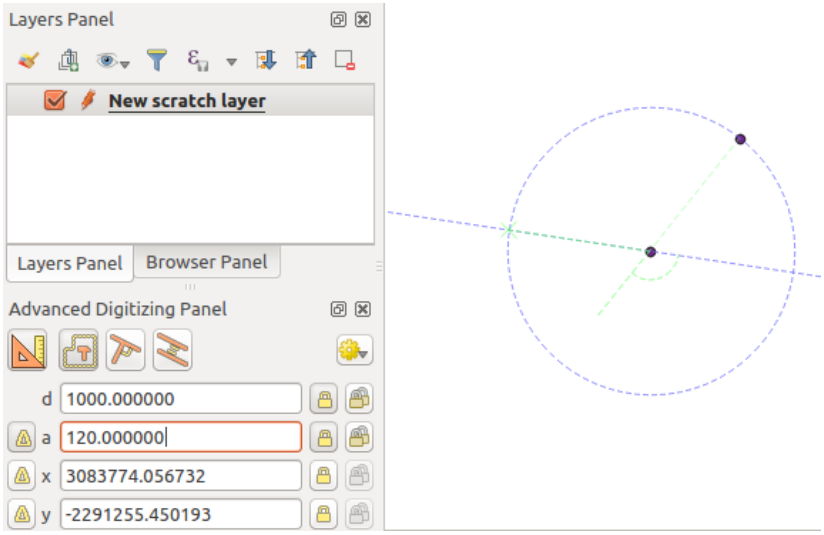


Abb. 15.105: Abstand von und Winkel zu einem Punkt

Bevor Sie den neuen Punkt hinzufügen, drücken Sie `C`, um den Konstruktionsmodus zu verlassen. Jetzt können Sie in das Kartenfenster klicken und der Punkt wird in dem eingegebenen Abstand und Winkel erzeugt. Sie können den Vorgang wiederholen, um mehrere Punkte zu erzeugen.

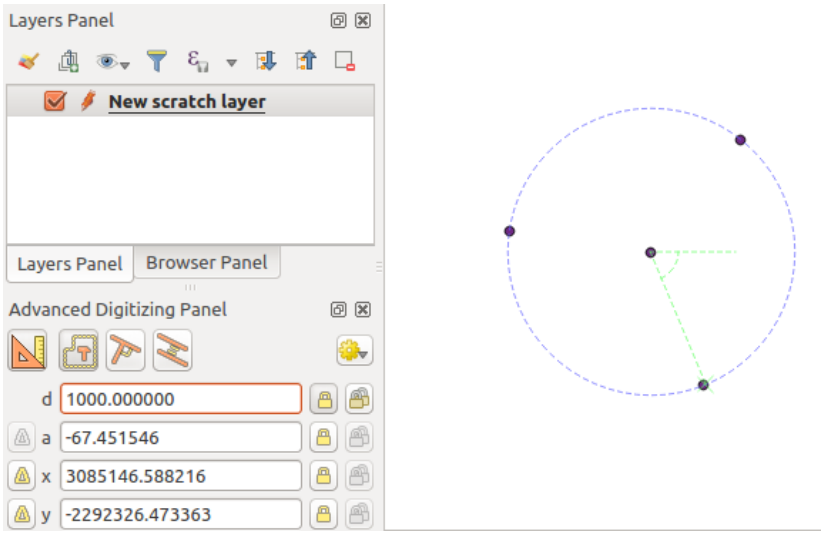


Abb. 15.106: Punkte in festgelegtem Abstand und Winkel

15.3.8 Mit Verarbeitung Objekte innerhalb eines Layers verändern

Das Menü *Verarbeitung* biete eine große Zahl von Werkzeugen zur Analyse und Erzeugung neuer Objekte auf der Basis der Eigenschaften vorhandener Objekte oder ihrer Beziehung zu anderen Objekten (innerhalb oder außerhalb des selben Layers). Während üblicherweise als Ergebnis neue Layer erzeugt werden, erlauben es manche Algorithmen, den Eingabelayer selbst zu verändern. Das ist praktisch, um mehrfache Objektänderungen mittels fortschrittlicher und komplexer Methoden zu automatisieren.

So ändern Sie Objekte insitu:

1. Wählen Sie den Layer, den Sie bearbeiten möchten, im Bedienfeld *Layer* aus.
2. Wählen Sie die entsprechenden Objekte aus. Diesen Schritt können Sie überspringen, dann werden die Änderungen auf den ganzen Layer angewendet.
3. Drücken Sie die Schaltfläche Objekt insitu ändern oben in *Processing toolbox*. Die Liste der Algorithmen ist gefiltert, es werden nur diejenigen angezeigt, die mit der insitu-Verarbeitung funktionieren, d.h.:
   - Sie arbeiten an der Objektquelle und nicht auf Ebene des Layers.
   - Sie ändern die Struktur des Layers nicht, z.B. Felder anlegen oder entfernen.
   - Sie ändern den Geometrietyp nicht, z.B. von Linie zu Punkt.

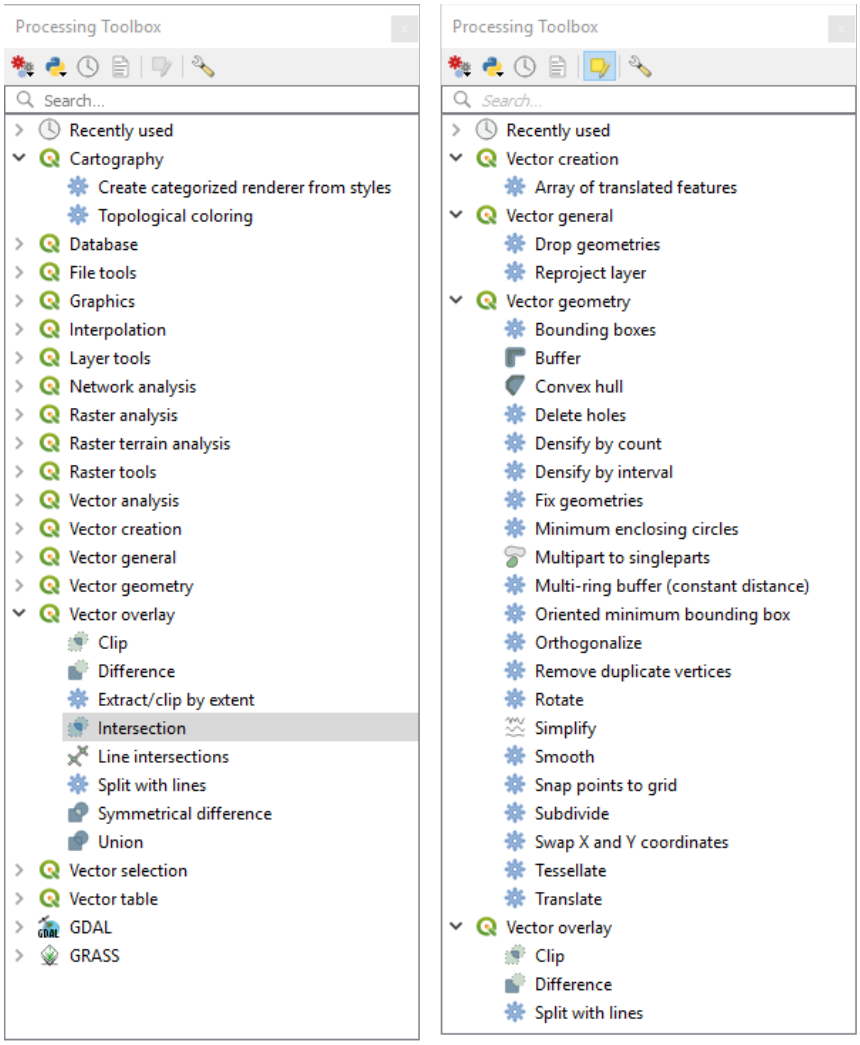


Abb. 15.107: Verarbeitungswerkzeuge: alle (links) und insitu-Änderung (rechts)

4. Wählen Sie den Algorithmus, den Sie ausführen wollen und doppelklicken Sie darauf.

Bemerkung: Falls der Algorithmus keine weiteren Nutzereingaben erfordert (abgesehen von Eingabelayer und Ausgabelayer), wird er sofort ausgeführt, ohne dass sich das Eingabefenster öffnet.

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   1. Falls der Algorithmus andere Nutzereingaben als Ein- und Ausgabelayer erfordert, öffnet sich sein Eingabefenster. Geben Sie alle Pflichtangaben ein.
   2. Klicken Sie auf *Gewählte Objekte ändern* oder *Alle Objekte ändern* je nachdem, ob des eine aktive Auswahl gibt.

   Die Änderungen werden auf den Layer angewendet und im Editierspeicher festgehalten: tatsächlich wird der Bearbeitungsstatus des Layers angeschaltet, wie Sie am Symbol neben dem Layernamen erkennen können.

5. Drücken Sie wie üblich Layeränderungen speichern, um die Änderungen im Layer zu speichern. Sie können stattdessen auch auf Rückgängig klicken, um alle Änderungen rückgängig zu machen.

KAPITEL 16

Arbeiten mit Rasterdaten

16.1 Dialogfenster Rasterlayereigenschaften

To view and set the properties for a raster layer, double click on the layer name in the map legend, or right click on the layer name and choose *Properties* from the context menu. This will open the *Raster Layer Properties* dialog.

There are several tabs in the dialog:

Information	*Source*	*Symbology*[1]
Transparency[1]	*Histogram*[1]	*Rendering*
Temporal	*Pyramids*	*Metadata*
Legend	*QGIS Server*	*External plugins*[2] tabs

[1] Also available in the *Layer styling panel*

[2] *External plugins* you install can optionally add tabs to this dialog. Those are not presented in this document. Refer to their documentation.

Tipp: Live update rendering

The *Layer Styling Panel* provides you with some of the common features of the Layer properties dialog and is a good modeless widget that you can use to speed up the configuration of the layer styles and view your changes on the map canvas.

Bemerkung: Because properties (symbology, label, actions, default values, forms…) of embedded layers (see *Embedding layers from external projects*) are pulled from the original project file, and to avoid changes that may break this behavior, the layer properties dialog is made unavailable for these layers.

16.1.1 Information Properties

The *Information* tab is read-only and represents an interesting place to quickly grab summarized information and metadata for the current layer. Provided information are:

- general such as name in the project, source path, list of auxiliary files, last save time and size, the used provider
- based on the provider of the layer: extent, width and height, data type, GDAL driver, bands statistics
- the Coordinate Reference System: name, units, method, accuracy, reference (i.e. whether it's static or dynamic)
- read from layer properties: data type, extent, width/height, compression, pixel size, statistics on bands, number of columns, rows and no-data values of the raster…
- picked from the *filled metadata*: access, extents, links, contacts, history…

16.1.2 Source Properties

The *Source* tab displays basic information about the selected raster, including:

- the *Layer name* to display in the *Layers Panel*;
- the *Coordinate Reference System*: Displays the layer's *Coordinate Reference System (CRS)*. You can change the layer's CRS, by selecting a recently used one in the drop-down list or clicking on the Select CRS button (see *Coordinate Reference System Selector*). Use this process only if the layer CRS is a wrong or not specified. If you wish to reproject your data, use a reprojection algorithm from Processing or *Save it as new dataset*.

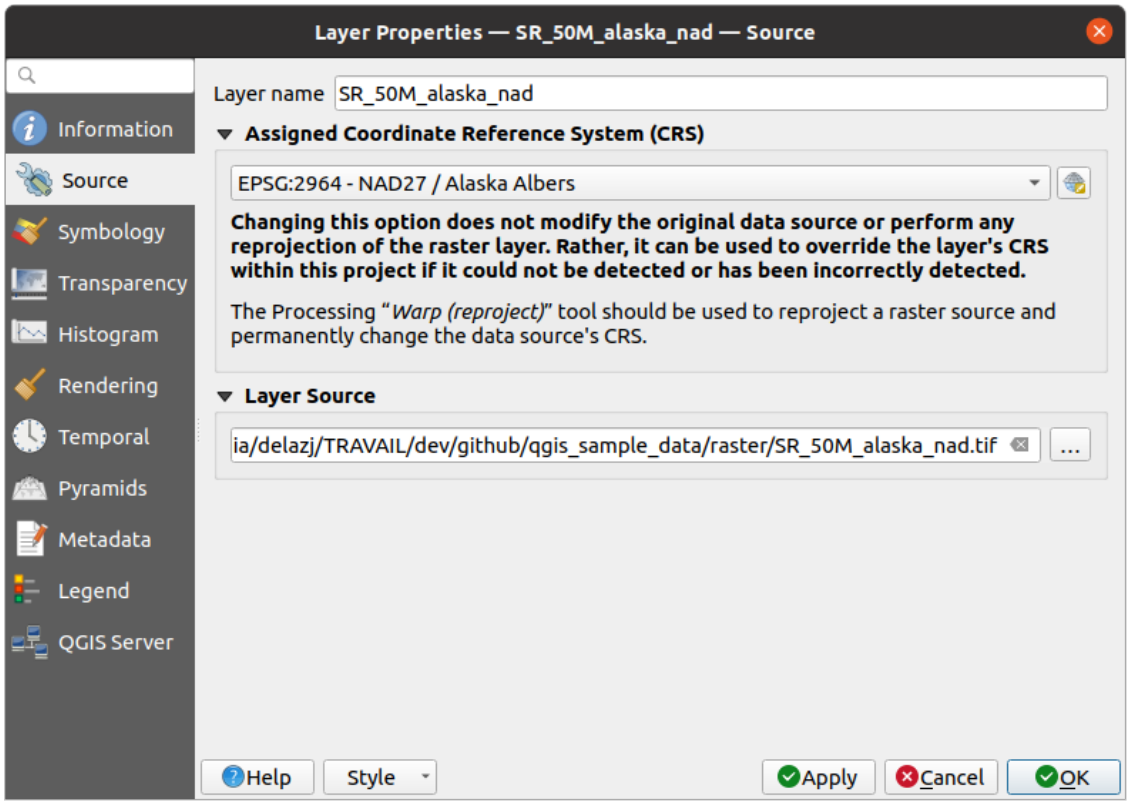


Abb. 16.1: Raster Layer Properties - Source Dialog

16.1.3 Symbology Properties

The raster layer symbology tab is made of three different sections:

- The *Band rendering* where you can control the renderer type to use
- The *Layer rendering* to apply effects on rendered data
- The *Resampling* methods to optimize rendering on map

Kanaldarstellung

QGIS offers many different *Render types*. The choice of renderer depends on the data type and the information you'd like to highlight.

1. *Multiband color* - if the file comes with several bands (e.g. a satellite image with several bands).
2. *Paletted/Unique values* - for single band files that come with an indexed palette (e.g. a digital topographic map) or for general use of palettes for rendering raster layers.
3. *Singleband gray* - (one band of) the image will be rendered as gray. QGIS will choose this renderer if the file is neither multiband nor paletted (e.g. a shaded relief map).
4. *Singleband pseudocolor* - this renderer can be used for files with a continuous palette or color map (e.g. an elevation map).
5. *Hillshade* - Creates hillshade from a band.
6. *Contours* - Generates contours on the fly for a source raster band.

Multiband color

With the multiband color renderer, three selected bands from the image will be used as the red, green or blue component of the color image. QGIS automatically fetches *Min* and *Max* values for each band of the raster and scales the coloring accordingly. You can control the value ranges in the *Min/Max Value Settings* section.

A *Contrast enhancement* method can be applied to the values: ‚No enhancement', ‚Stretch to MinMax', ‚Stretch and clip to MinMax' and ‚Clip to min max'.

Bemerkung: Kontrastverbesserung

When adding GRASS rasters, the option *Contrast enhancement* will always be set automatically to *stretch to min max*, even if this is set to another value in the QGIS general options.

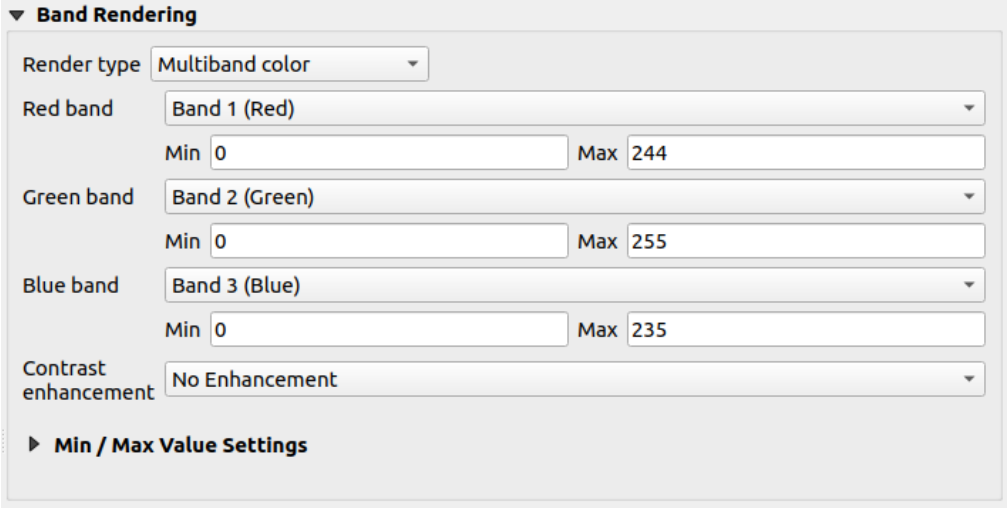


Abb. 16.2: Raster Symbology - Multiband color rendering

Tipp: Einen einzelnen Kanal eines Mehrkanal-Rasterlayers anzeigen

If you want to view a single band of a multiband image (for example, Red), you might think you would set the Green and Blue bands to *Not Set*. But the preferred way of doing this is to set the image type to *Singleband gray*, and then select Red as the *Gray band* to use.

Paletted/Unique values

This is the standard render option for singleband files that include a color table, where a certain color is assigned to each pixel value. In that case, the palette is rendered automatically.

It can be used for all kinds of raster bands, assigning a color to each unique raster value.

If you want to change a color, just double-click on the color and the *Select color* dialog appears.

It is also possible to assign labels to the colors. The label will then appear in the legend of the raster layer.

Right-clicking over selected rows in the color table shows a contextual menu to:

- *Change Color…* for the selection
- *Change Opacity…* for the selection
- *Change Label…* for the selection

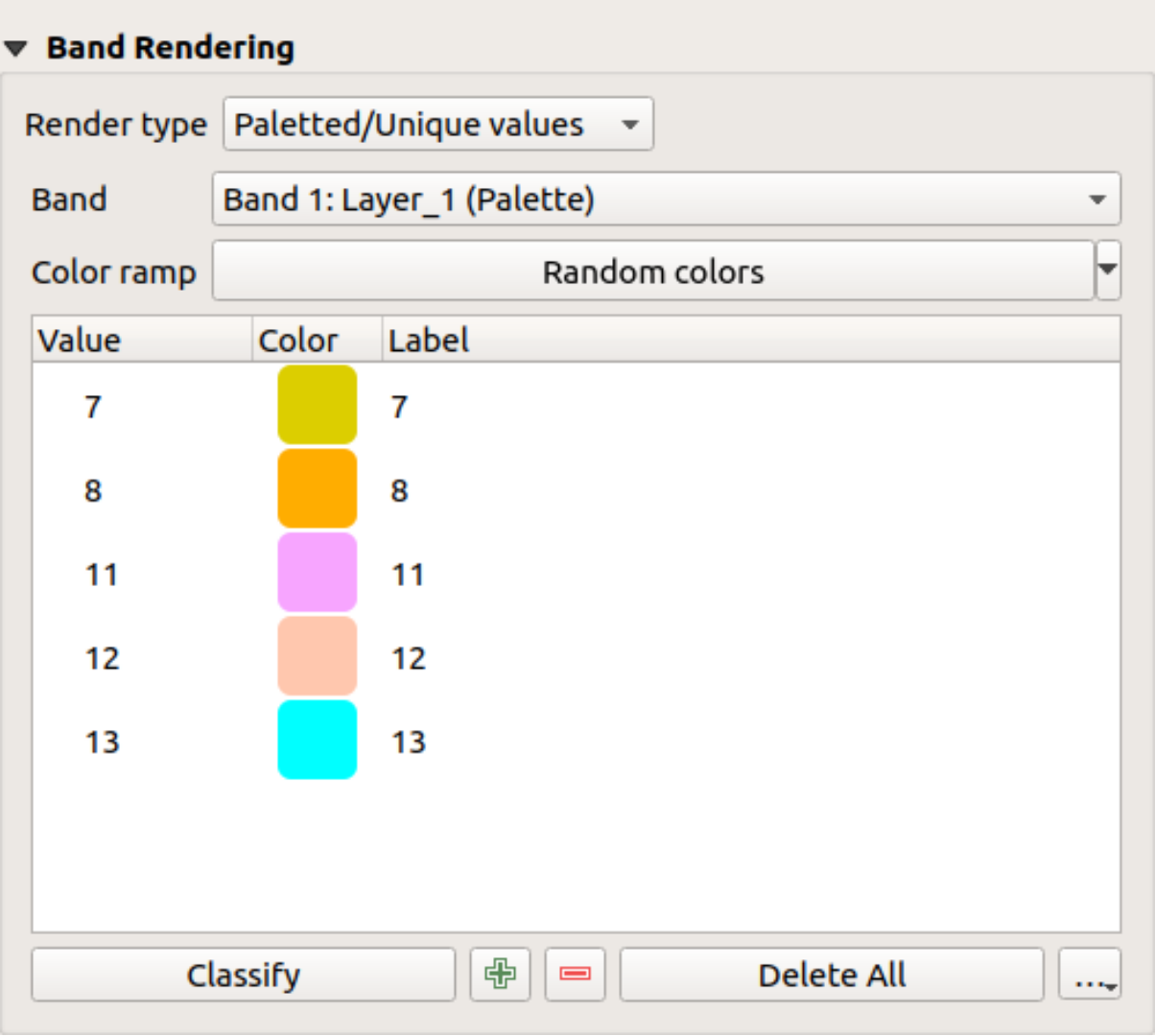


Abb. 16.3: Raster Symbology - Paletted unique value rendering

The pulldown menu, that opens when clicking the … (Advanced options) button below the color map to the right, offers color map loading (*Load Color Map from File…*) and exporting (*Export Color Map to File…*), and loading of classes (*Load Classes from Layer*).

Singleband gray

This renderer allows you to render a layer using only one band with a *Color gradient*: ‚Black to white' or ‚White to black'. You can change the range of values to color (*Min* and *Max*) in the *Min/Max Value Settings*.

A *Contrast enhancement* method can be applied to the values: ‚No enhancement', ‚Stretch to MinMax', ‚Stretch and clip to MinMax' and ‚Clip to min max'.

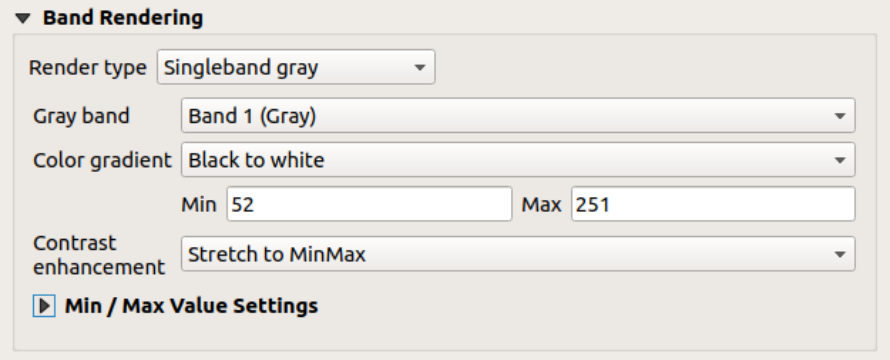


Abb. 16.4: Raster Symbology - Singleband gray rendering

Pixels are assigned a color based on the selected color gradient and the layer's legend (in the *Layers* panel and the layout *legend item*) is displayed using a continuous color ramp. Press *Legend settings...* if you wish to tweak the settings. More details at *Customize raster legend*.

Singleband pseudocolor

This is a render option for single-band files that include a continuous palette. You can also create color maps for a band of a multiband raster.

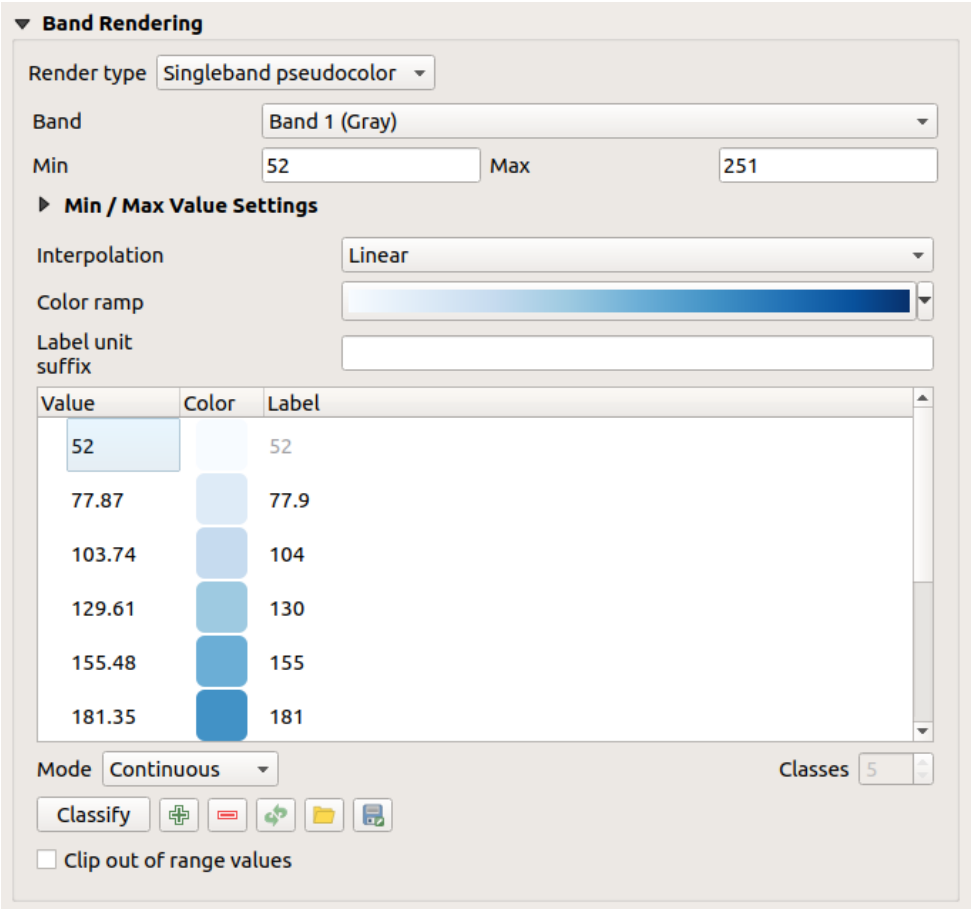


Abb. 16.5: Raster Symbology - Singleband pseudocolor rendering

Using a *Band* of the layer and a *values range*, you can now interpolate and assign representation color to pixels within classes. More at *Color ramp shader classification*.

Pixels are assigned a color based on the selected color ramp and the layer's legend (in the *Layers* panel and the layout *legend item*) is displayed using a continuous color ramp. Press *Legend settings…* if you wish to tweak the settings or instead use a legend with separated classes (and colors). More details at *Customize raster legend*.

Hillshade

Render a band of the raster layer using hillshading.

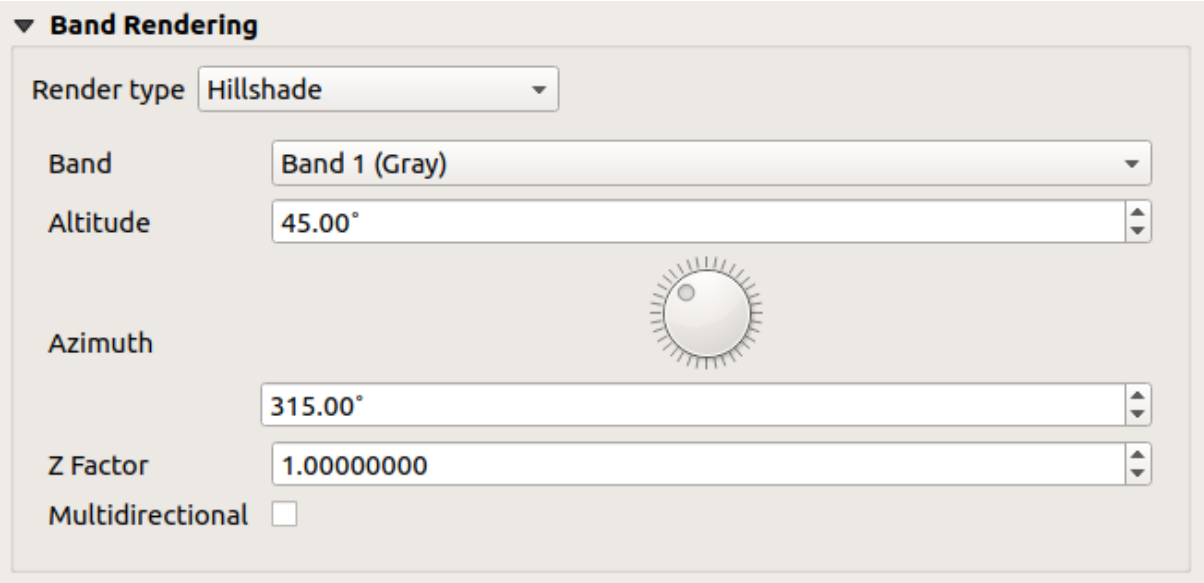


Abb. 16.6: Raster Symbology - Hillshade rendering

Optionen:

- *Band*: The raster band to use.
- *Altitude*: The elevation angle of the light source (default is `45°`).
- *Azimuth*: The azimuth of the light source (default is `315°`).
- *Z Factor*: Scaling factor for the values of the raster band (default is `1`).
- *Multidirectional*: Specify if multidirectional hillshading is to be used (default is `off`).

Contours

This renderer draws contour lines that are calculated on the fly from the source raster band.

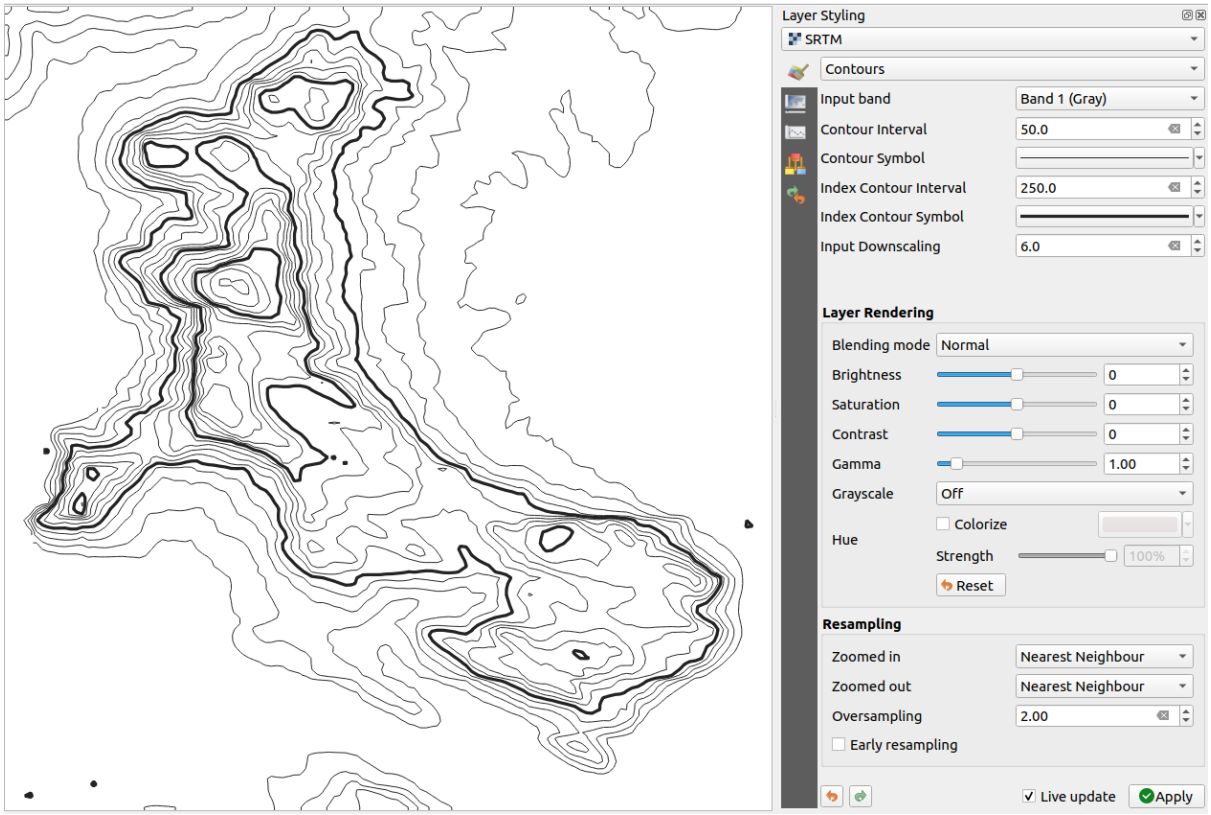


Abb. 16.7: Raster Symbology - Contours rendering

Optionen:

- *Input band*: the raster band to use.
- *Contour interval*: the distance between two consecutive contour lines
- *Contour symbol*: the *symbol* to apply to the common contour lines.
- *Index contour interval*: the distance between two consecutive **index contours**, that is the lines shown in a distinctive manner for ease of identification, being commonly printed more heavily than other contour lines and generally labeled with a value along its course.
- *Index contour symbol*: the symbol to apply to the index contour lines
- *Input downscaling*: Indicates by how much the renderer will scale down the request to the data provider (default is `4.0`).

  For example, if you generate contour lines on input raster block with the same size as the output raster block, the generated lines would contain too much detail. This detail can be reduced by the „downscale“ factor, requesting lower resolution of the source raster. For a raster block 1000x500 with downscale 10, the renderer will request raster 100x50 from provider. Higher downscale makes contour lines more simplified (at the expense of losing some detail).

Setting the min and max values

By default, QGIS reports the *Min* and *Max* values of the band(s) of the raster. A few very low and/or high values can have a negative impact on the rendering of the raster. The *Min/Max Value Settings* frame helps you control the rendering.

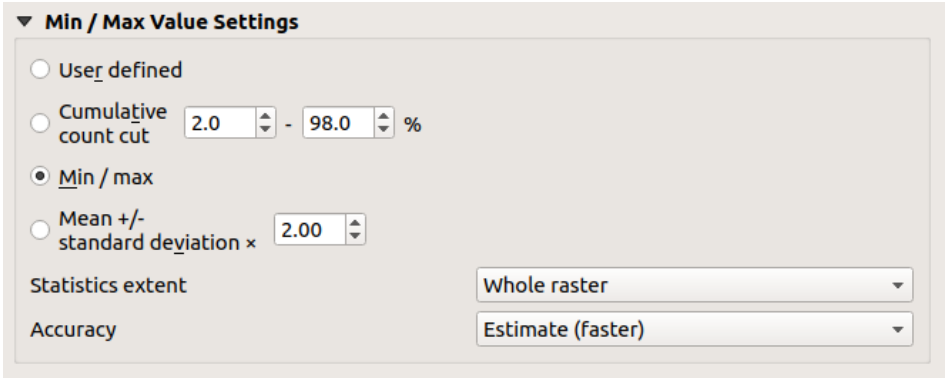


Abb. 16.8: Raster Symbology - Min and Max Value Settings

Available options are:

- *User defined*: The default *Min* and *Max* values of the band(s) can be overridden
- *Cumulative count cut*: Removes outliers. The standard range of values is `2%` to `98%`, but it can be adapted manually.
- *Min / max*: Uses the whole range of values in the image band.
- *Mean +/- standard deviation x*: Creates a color table that only considers values within the standard deviation or within multiple standard deviations. This is useful when you have one or two cells with abnormally high values in a raster layer that impact the rendering of the raster negatively.

Calculations of the min and max values of the bands are made based on the:

- *Statistics extent*: it can be *Whole raster*, *Current canvas* or *Updated canvas*. *Updated canvas* means that min/max values used for the rendering will change with the canvas extent (dynamic stretching).
- *Accuracy*, which can be either *Estimate (faster)* or *Actual (slower)*.

Bemerkung: For some settings, you may need to press the *Apply* button of the layer properties dialog in order to display the actual min and max values in the widgets.

Color ramp shader classification

This method can be used to classify and represent scalar dataset (raster or mesh contour) based on their values. Given a *color ramp* and a number of classes, it generates intermediate color map entries for class limits. Each color is mapped with a value interpolated from a range of values and according to a classification mode. The scalar dataset elements are then assigned their color based on their class.

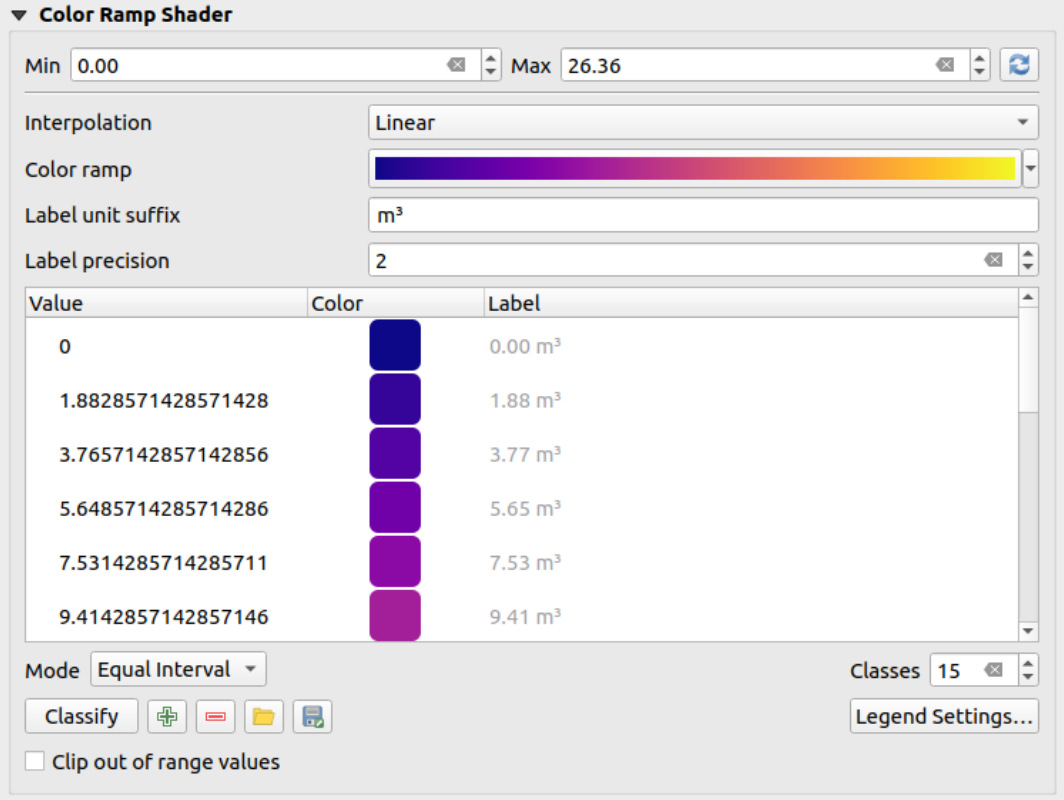


Abb. 16.9: Classifying a dataset with a color ramp shader

1. A *Min* and *Max* values must be defined and used to interpolate classes bounds. By default QGIS detects them from the dataset but they can be modified.
2. The *Interpolation* entry defines how scalar elements are assigned their color :
   - *Discrete* (a <= symbol appears in the header of the *Value* column): The color is taken from the closest color map entry with equal or higher value
   - *Linear*: The color is linearly interpolated from the color map entries above and below the pixel value, meaning that to each dataset value corresponds a unique color
   - *Exact* (a = symbol appears in the header of the *Value* column): Only pixels with value equal to a color map entry are applied a color; others are not rendered.
3. The *Color ramp* widget helps you select the color ramp to assign to the dataset. As usual with *this widget*, you can create a new one and edit or save the currently selected one. The name of the color ramp will be saved in the configuration.
4. The *Label unit suffix* adds a label after the value in the legend, and the *Label precision* controls the number of decimals to display.
5. The classification *Mode* helps you define how values are distributed across the classes:
   - *Equal interval*: Provided the *Number of classes*, limits values are defined so that the classes all have the same magnitude.
   - *Continuous*: Classes number and color are fetched from the color ramp stops; limits values are set following stops distribution in the color ramp.
   - *Quantile*: Provided the *Number of classes*, limits values are defined so that the classes have the same number of elements. Not available with *mesh layers*.
6. You can then *Classify* or tweak the classes:
   - The button Add values manually adds a value to the table.

- The button Remove selected row deletes selected values from the table.
- Double clicking in the *Value* column lets you modify the class value.
- Double clicking in the *Color* column opens the dialog *Change color*, where you can select a color to apply for that value.
- Double clicking in the *Label* column to modify the label of the class, but this value won't be displayed when you use the identify feature tool.
- Right-clicking over selected rows in the color table shows a contextual menu to *Change Color…* and *Change Opacity…* for the selection.

You can use the buttons Load color map from file or Export color map to file to load an existing color table or to save the color table for later use.

7. With linear *Interpolation*, you can also configure:
   - *Clip out of range values*: By default, the linear method assigns the first class (respectively the last class) color to values in the dataset that are lower than the set *Min* (respectively greater than the set *Max*) value. Check this setting if you do not want to render those values.
   - *Legend settings*, for display in the *Layers* panel and the layout *legend item*. More details at *Customize raster legend*.

Customize raster legend

When applying a color ramp to a raster or a mesh layer, you may want to display a legend showing the classification. By default, QGIS displays a continuous color ramp with min and max values in the *Layers* panel and the layout *legend item*. This can be customized using the *Legend settings* button in the classification widget.

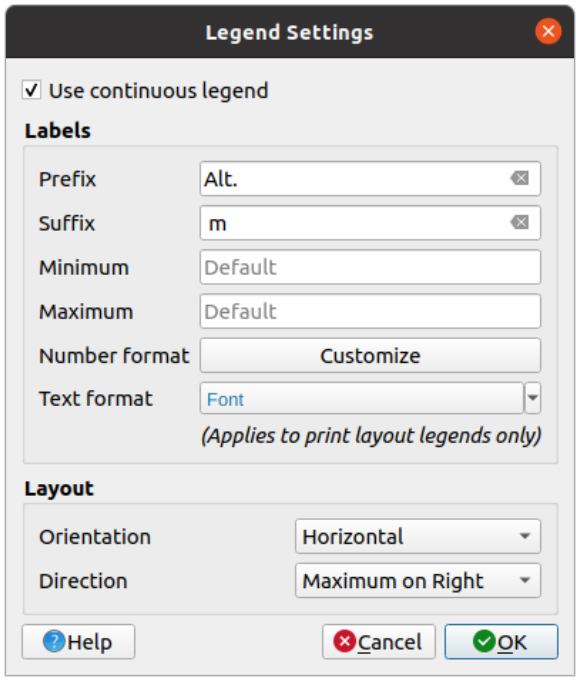


Abb. 16.10: Modifying a raster legend

In this dialog, you can set whether to *Use continuous legend*: if unchecked, the legend displays separated colors corresponding to the different classes applied. This option is not available for raster *singleband gray* symbology.

Checking the *Use continuous legend* allows you to configure both the labels and layout properties of the legend.

Labels

- Add a *Prefix* and a *Suffix* to the labels
- Modify the *Minimum* and a *Maximum* values to show in the legend
- *Customize* the *Number format*
- *Customize* the *Text format* to use in the print layout legend.

Layout

- Control the *Orientation* of the legend color ramp; it can be **Vertical** or **Horizontal**
- Control the *Direction* of the values depending on the orientation:
  - If vertical, you can display the **Maximum on top** or the **Minimum on top**
  - If horizontal, you can display the **Maximum on right** or the **Minimum on right**

Layer rendering

Over the symbology type applied to the layer band(s), you can achieve special rendering effects for the whole raster file(s):

- Use one of the blending modes (see *Mischmodi*)
- Set custom *Brightness*, *Saturation*, *Gamma* and *Contrast* to colors.
- With the *Invert colors*, the layer is rendered with opposite colors. Handy, for example, to switch out-of-the box OpenStreetMap tiles to dark mode.
- Turn the layer to *Grayscale* option either ‚By lightness', ‚By luminosity' or ‚By average'.
- *Colorize* and adjust the *Strength* of *Hue* in the color table

Press *Reset* to remove any custom changes to the layer rendering.

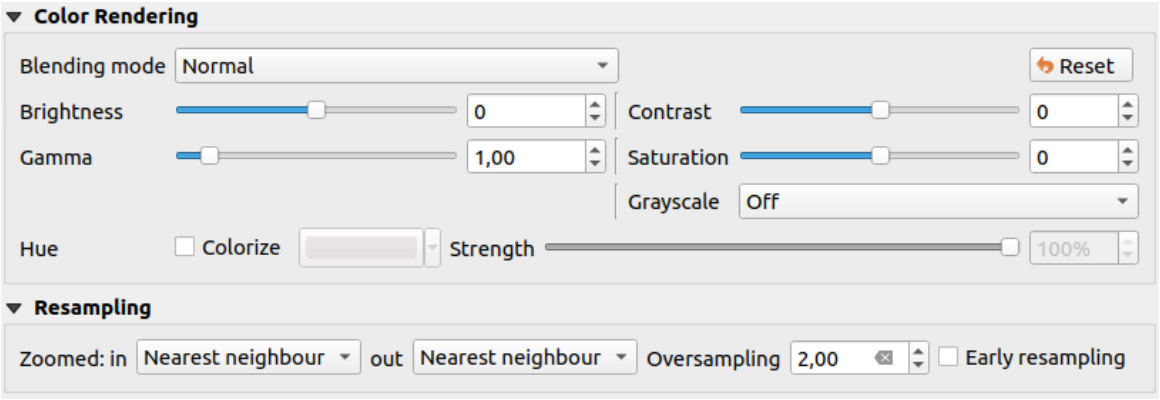


Abb. 16.11: Raster Symbology - Layer rendering and Resampling settings

Abtastung

The *Resampling* option has effect when you zoom in and out of an image. Resampling modes can optimize the appearance of the map. They calculate a new gray value matrix through a geometric transformation.

When applying the ‚Nearest neighbour' method, the map can get a pixelated structure when zooming in. This appearance can be improved by using the ‚Bilinear' or ‚Cubic' method, which cause sharp edges to be blurred. The effect is a smoother image. This method can be applied to for instance digital topographic raster maps.

16.1.4 Transparency Properties

QGIS provides capabilities to set the transparency level of a raster layer.

Use the *Global opacity* slider to set to what extent the underlying layers (if any) should be visible through the current raster layer. This is very useful if you overlay raster layers (e.g., a shaded relief map overlayed by a classified raster map). This will make the look of the map more three dimensional. The opacity of the raster can be data-defined, and vary e.g. depending on the visibility of another layer, by temporal variables, on different pages of an atlas, …

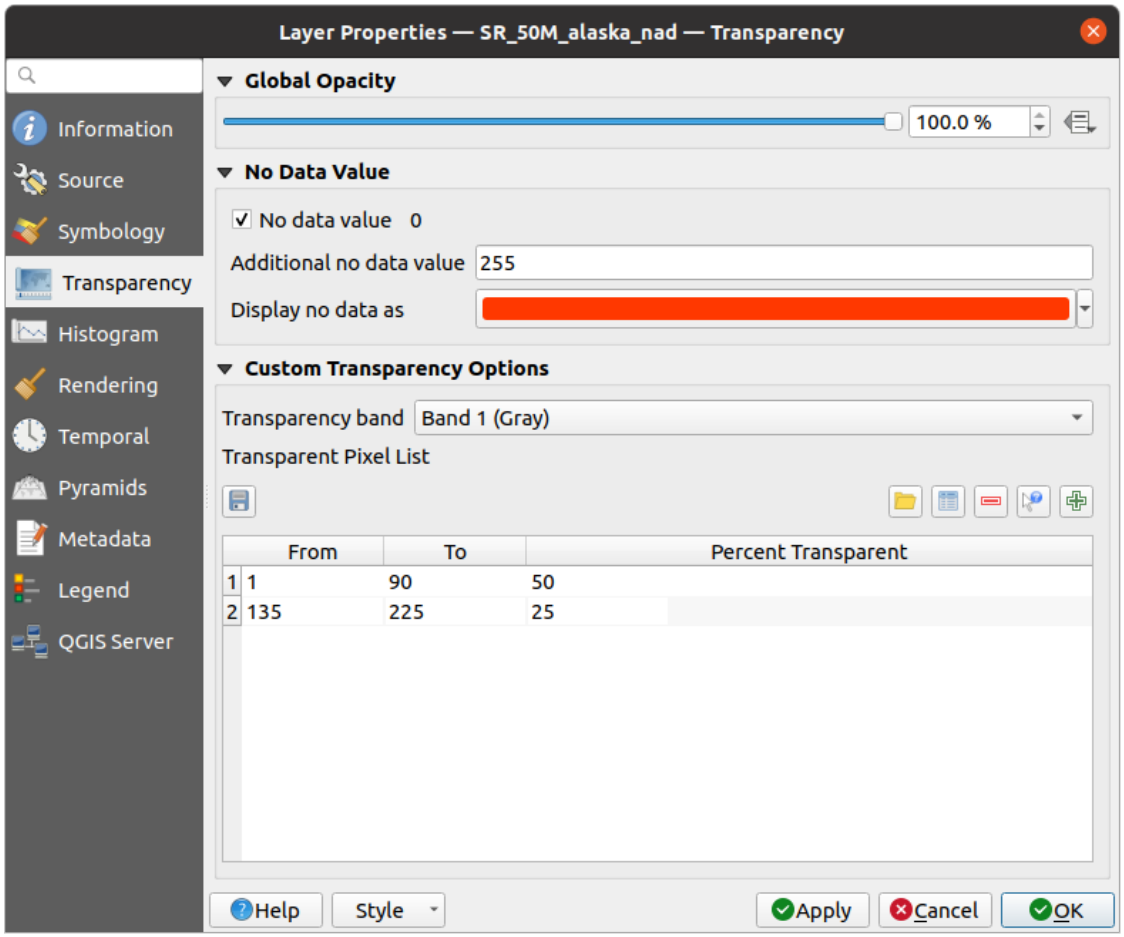


Abb. 16.12: Raster Transparency

With *No data value* QGIS reports the original source no data value (if defined) which you can consider as is in the rendering. Additionally, you can enter a raster value that should be treated as an *Additional no data value*. The *Display no data as* color selector allows you to apply a custom color to no data pixels, instead of the default transparent rendering.

An even more flexible way to customize the transparency is available in the *Custom transparency options* section:

- Use *Transparency band* to apply transparency for an entire band.

- Provide a list of pixels to make transparent with corresponding levels of transparency:

  1. Klicken Sie den  Werte manuell hinzufügen Knopf. Eine neue Zeile erscheint in der Pixelliste.
  2. Enter the **Red**, **Green** and **Blue** values of the pixel and adjust the **Percent Transparent** to apply.
  3. Alternatively, you can fetch the pixel values directly from the raster using the  Add values from display button. Then enter the transparency value.
  4. Repeat the steps to adjust more values with custom transparency.
  5. Press the *Apply* button and have a look at the map.

  Wie Sie sehen können ist es recht einfach die benutzerdefinierte Transparenz einzustellen, aber es kann ganz schön viel Arbeit sein. Deswegen können Sie den Knopf  In Datei exportieren benutzen um Ihre Transparenzliste in eine Datei zu speichern. Der Knopf  Aus Datei importieren lädt Ihre Transparenzeinstellungen und wendet sie auf den aktuellen Rasterlayer an.

16.1.5 Histogram Properties

The  *Histogram* tab allows you to view the distribution of the values in your raster. The histogram is generated when you press the *Compute Histogram* button. All existing bands will be displayed together. You can save the histogram as an image with the  button.

At the bottom of the histogram, you can select a raster band in the drop-down menu and *Set min/max style for* it. The  *Prefs/Actions* drop-down menu gives you advanced options to customize the histogram:

- With the *Visibility* option, you can display histograms for individual bands. You will need to select the option  *Show selected band*.
- The *Min/max options* allow you to ‚Always show min/max markers', to ‚Zoom to min/max' and to ‚Update style to min/max'.
- The *Actions* option allows you to ‚Reset' or ‚Recompute histogram' after you have changed the min or max values of the band(s).

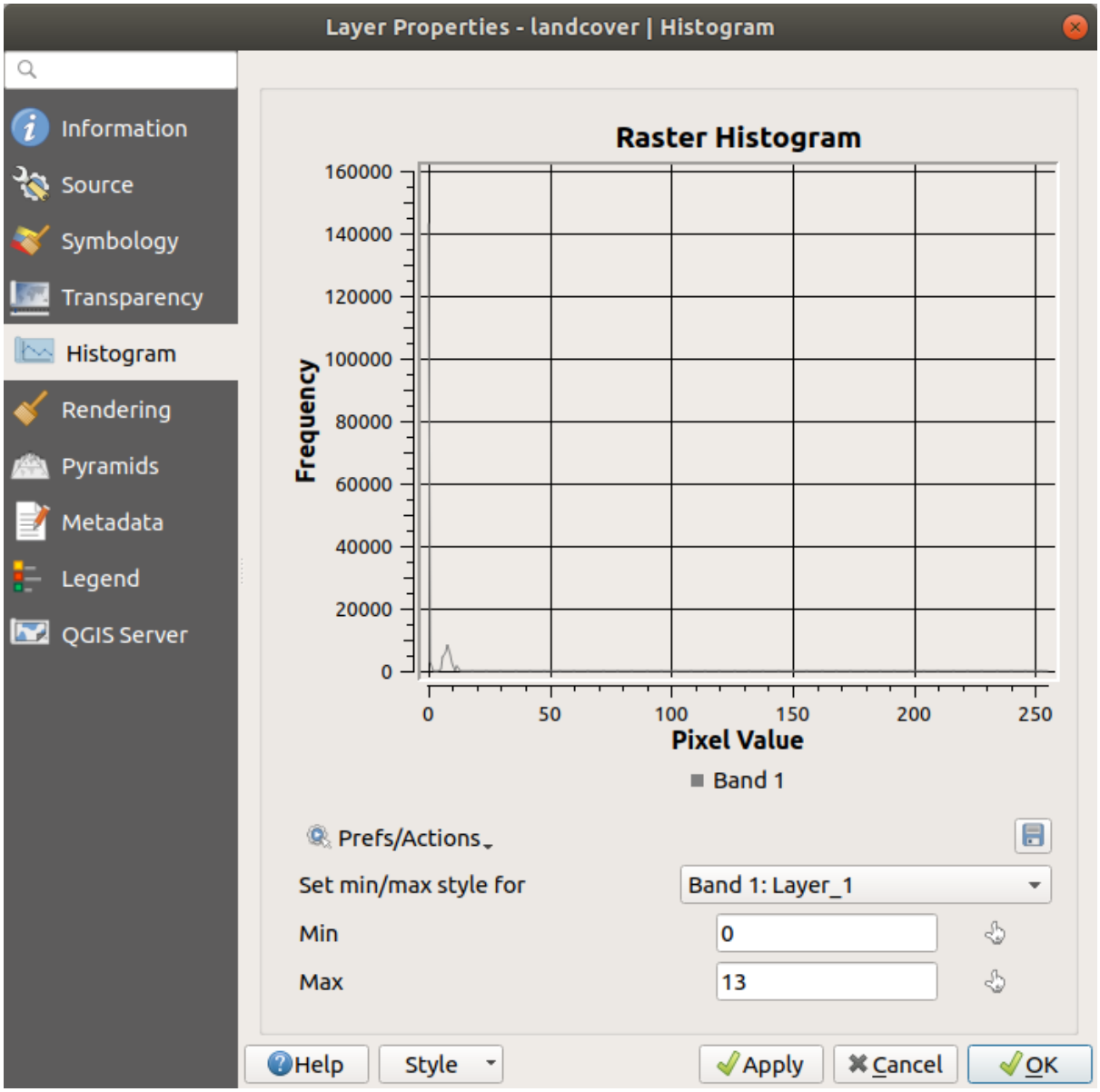


Abb. 16.13: Rasterhistogramm

16.1.6 Rendering Properties

In the *Rendering* tab, it's possible to:

- set *Scale dependent visibility* for the layer: You can set the *Maximum (inclusive)* and *Minimum (exclusive)* scale, defining a range of scales in which the layer will be visible. It will be hidden outside this range. The Set to current canvas scale button helps you use the current map canvas scale as a boundary. See *Maßstabsabhängige Layeranzeige* for more information.
- *Refresh layer at interval (seconds)*: set a timer to automatically refresh individual layers. Canvas updates are deferred in order to avoid refreshing multiple times if more than one layer has an auto update interval set.

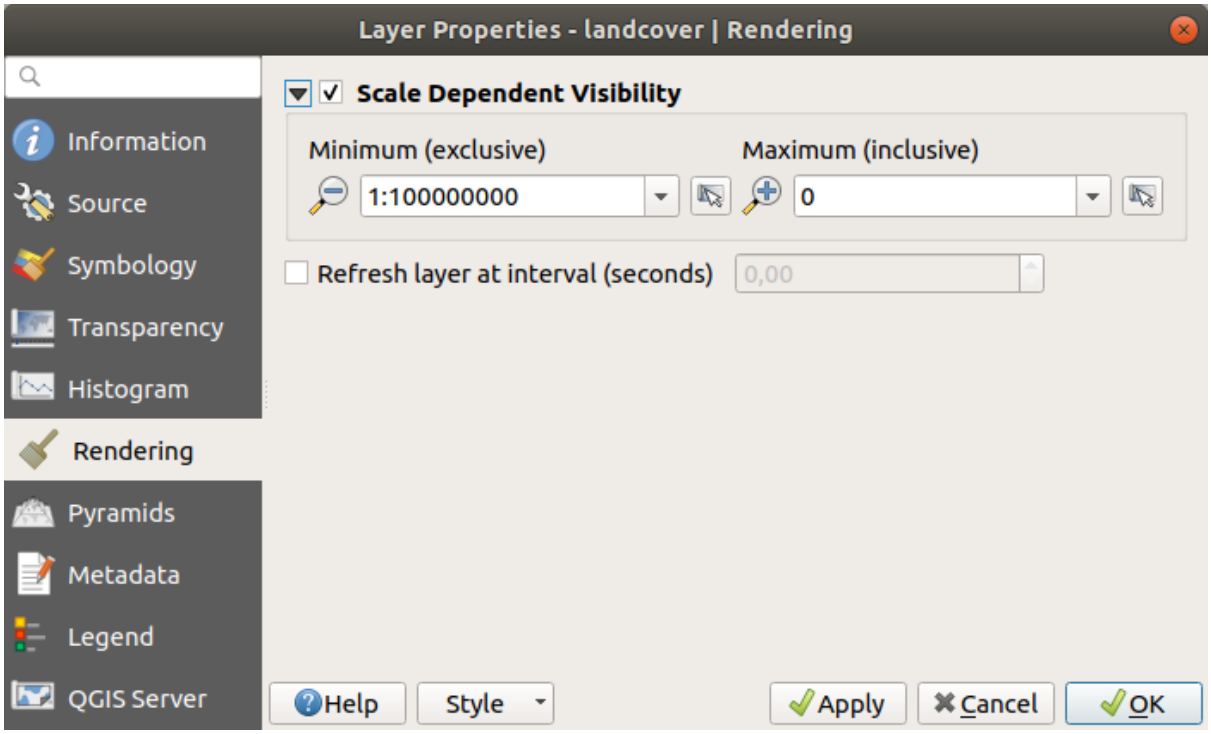


Abb. 16.14: Raster Rendering Properties

16.1.7 Temporal Properties

The *Temporal* tab provides options to control the rendering of the layer over time. Such dynamic rendering requires the *temporal navigation* to be enabled over the map canvas.

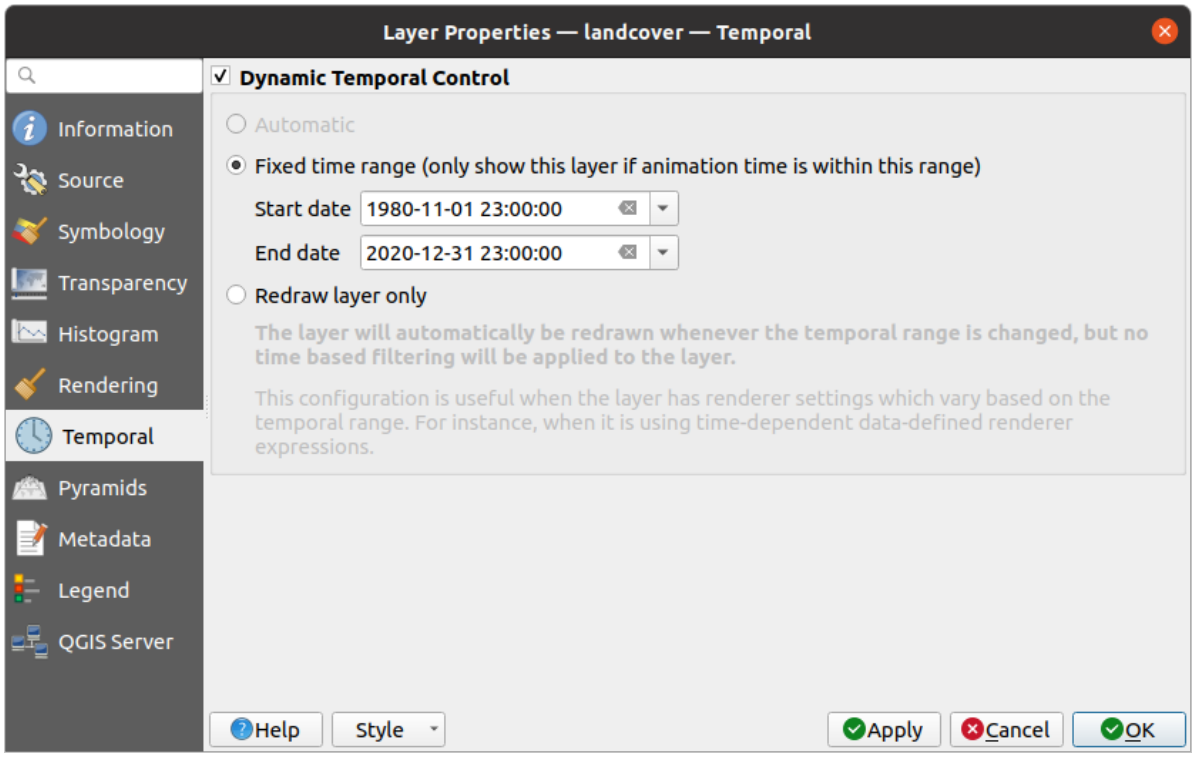


Abb. 16.15: Raster Temporal Properties

Check the *Dynamic Temporal Control* option and set whether the layer redraw should be:

- *Automatic*: the rendering is controlled by the underlying data provider if it suppports temporal data handling. E.g. this can be used with WMS-T layers or PostGIS rasters.
- *Fixed time range*: only show the raster layer if the animation time is within a *Start date* and *End date* range
- *Redraw layer only*: the layer is redrawn at each new animation frame. It's useful when the layer uses time-based expression values for renderer settings (e.g. data-defined renderer opacity, to fade in/out a raster layer).

16.1.8 Pyramids Properties

High resolution raster layers can slow navigation in QGIS. By creating lower resolution copies of the data (pyramids), performance can be considerably improved, as QGIS selects the most suitable resolution to use depending on the zoom level.

Sie brauchen dazu Schreibrecht in dem Ordner, in dem sich sie Originaldaten befinden.

From the *Resolutions* list, select resolutions at which you want to create pyramid levels by clicking on them.

If you choose **Internal (if possible)** from the *Overview format* drop-down menu, QGIS tries to build pyramids internally.

Bemerkung: Please note that building pyramids may alter the original data file, and once created they cannot be removed. If you wish to preserve a ‚non-pyramided' version of your raster, make a backup copy prior to pyramid building.

If you choose **External** and **External (Erdas Imagine)** the pyramids will be created in a file next to the original raster with the same name and a `.ovr` extension.

Several *Resampling methods* can be used for pyramid calculation:

- Nächster Nachbar

- Durchschnitt
- Gauß
- Kubisch
- Cubic Spline
- Laczos
- Modus
- Keine

Finally, click *Build Pyramids* to start the process.

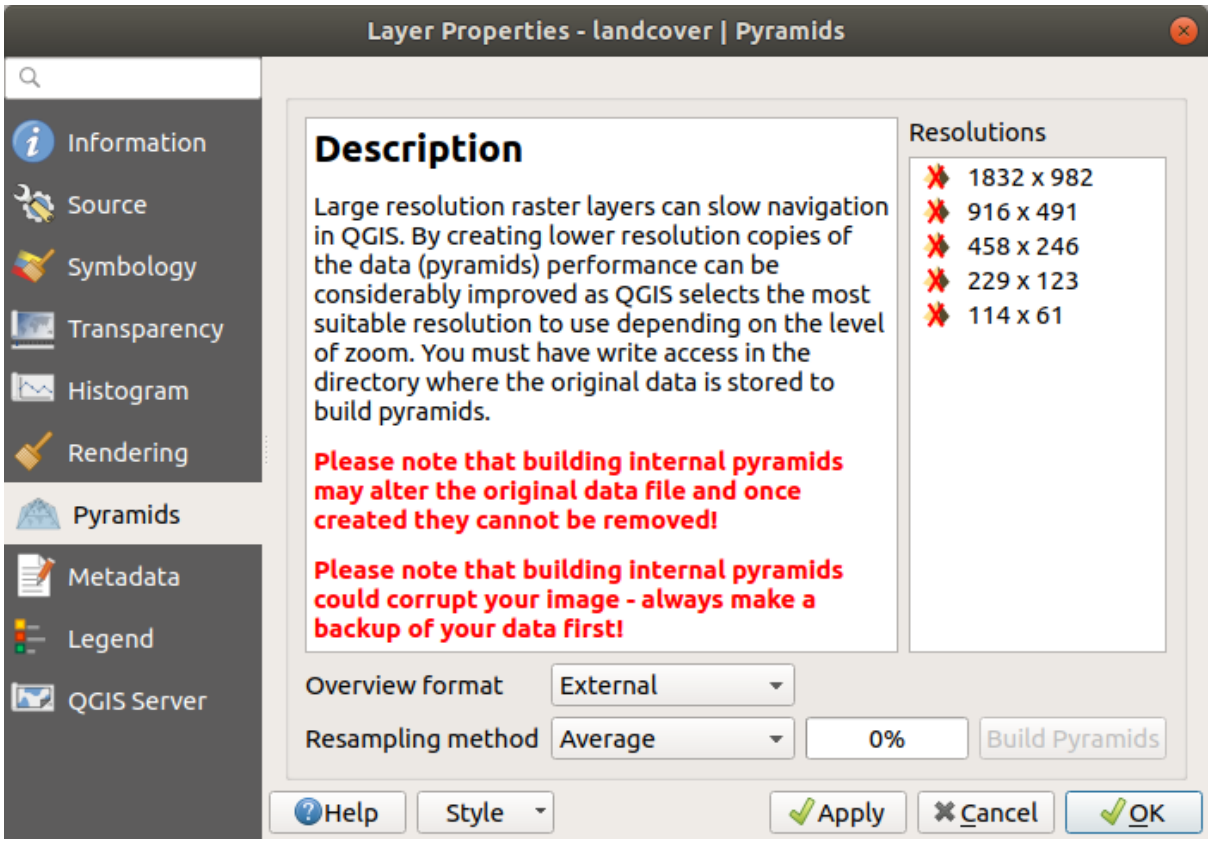


Abb. 16.16: Raster Pyramids

16.1.9 Metadata Properties

The *Metadata* tab provides you with options to create and edit a metadata report on your layer. See *Metadata* for more information.

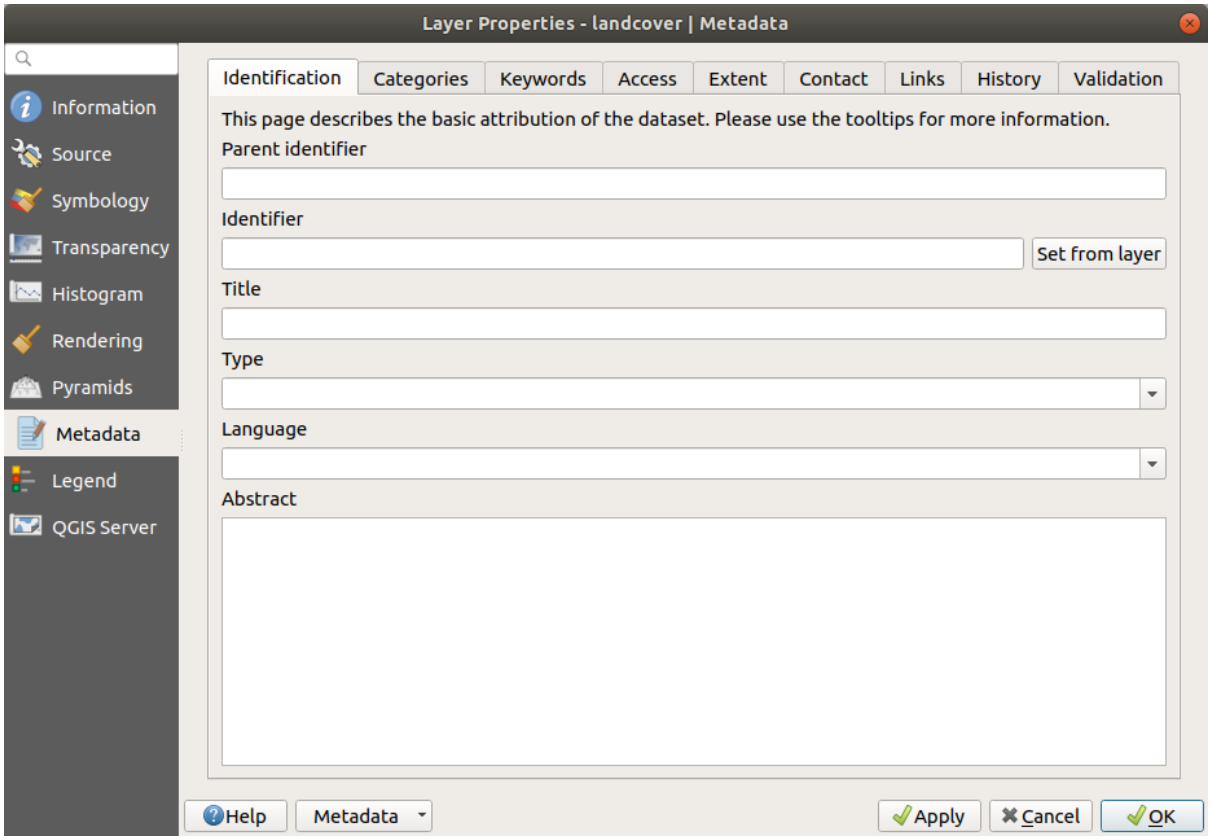


Abb. 16.17: Raster Metadata

16.1.10 Legend Properties

The *Legend* tab provides you with advanced settings for the *Layers panel* and/or the *print layout legend*. These options include:

- Depending on the symbology applied to the layer, you may end up with several entries in the legend, not necessarily readable/useful to display. The *Legend placeholder image* helps you *select an image* for replacement, displayed both in the *Layers* panel and the print layout legend.
- The *Embedded widgets in Legend* provides you with a list of widgets you can embed within the layer tree in the Layers panel. The idea is to have a way to quickly access some actions that are often used with the layer (setup transparency, filtering, selection, style or other stuff…).

  By default, QGIS provides a transparency widget but this can be extended by plugins that register their own widgets and assign custom actions to layers they manage.

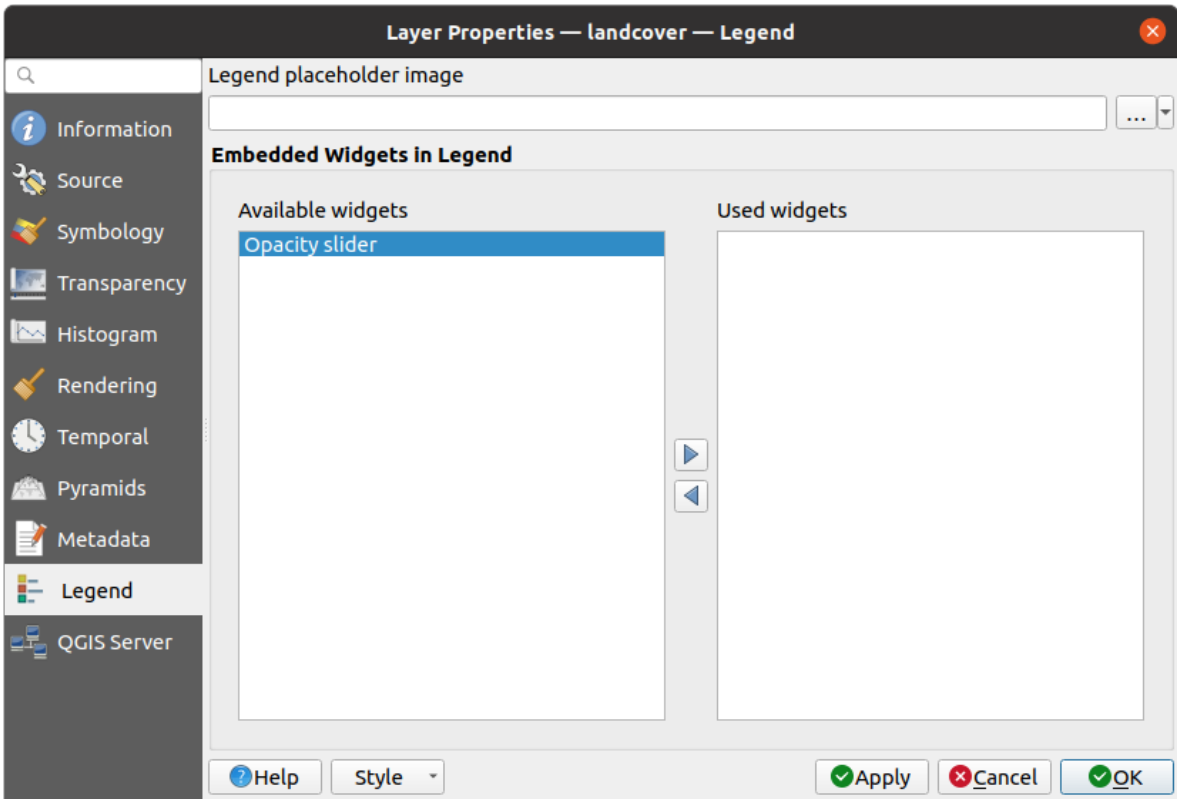


Abb. 16.18: Raster Legend

16.1.11 QGIS Server Properties

From the *QGIS Server* tab, information can be provided for *Description*, *Attribution*, *Metadata URL* and *Legend URL*.

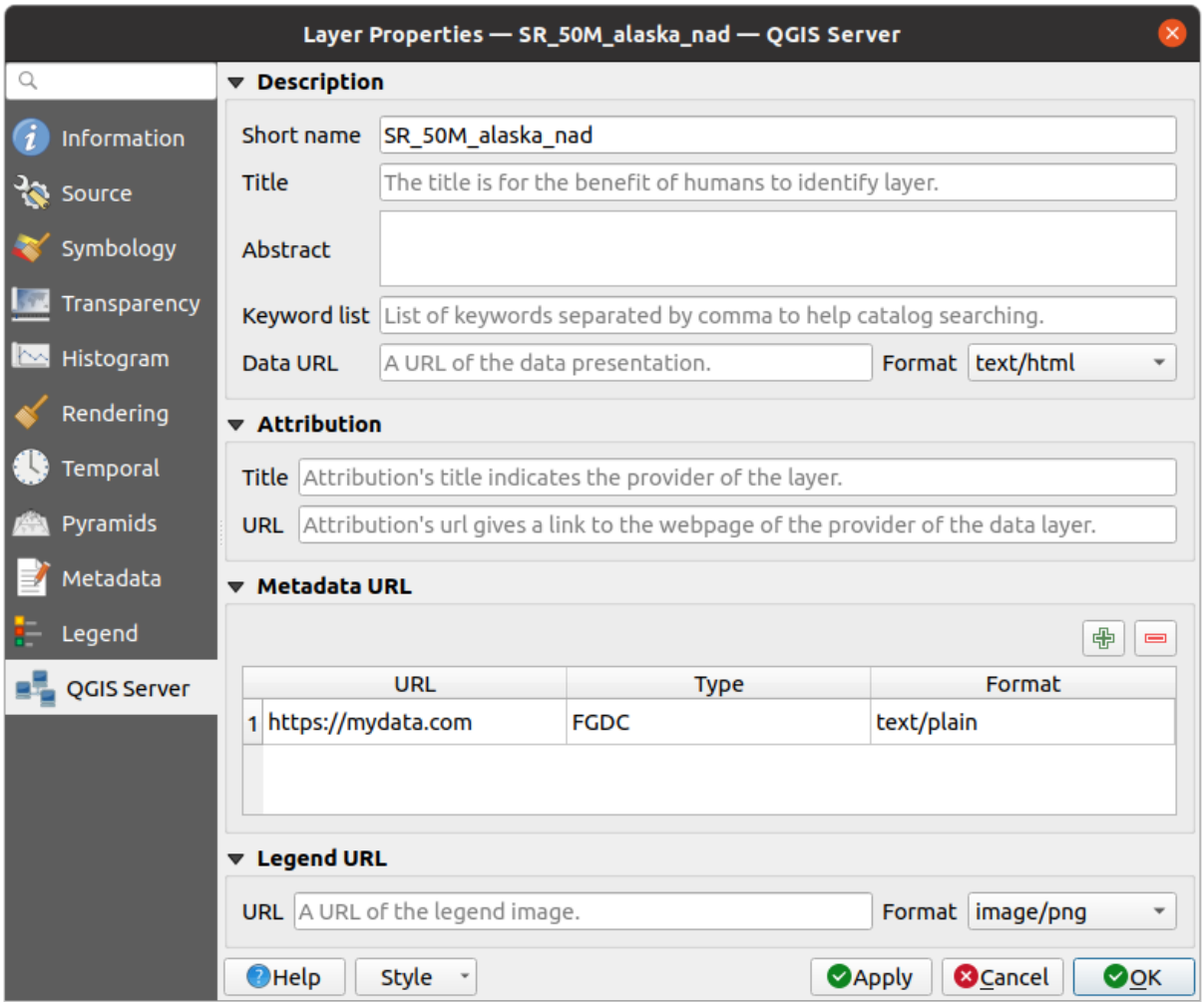


Abb. 16.19: QGIS Server in Raster Properties

16.2 Rasteranalyse

16.2.1 Rasterrechner

The *Raster Calculator* in the *Raster* menu allows you to perform calculations on the basis of existing raster pixel values (see Abb. 16.20). The results are written to a new raster layer in a GDAL-supported format.

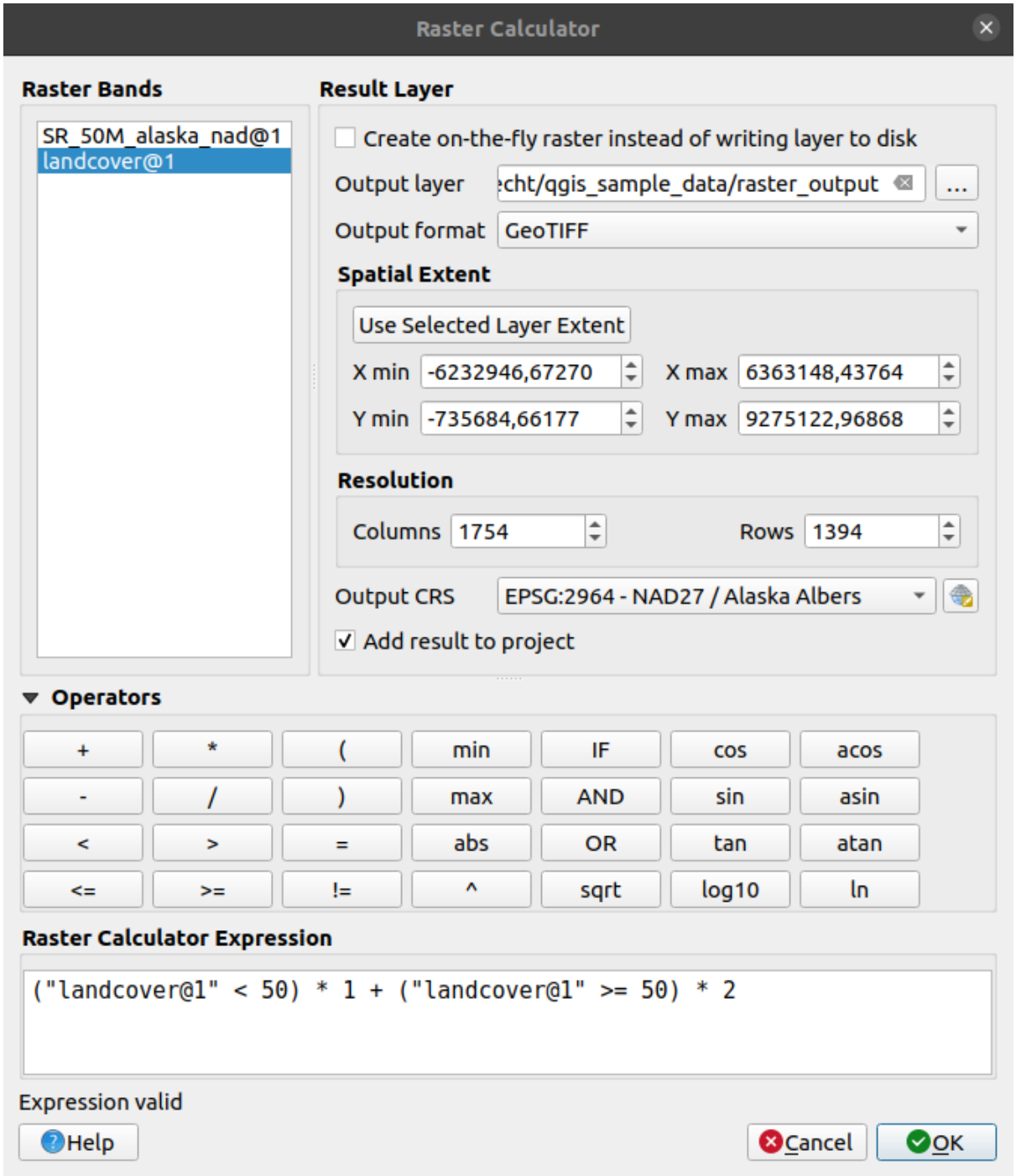


Abb. 16.20: Rasterrechner

The *Raster bands* list contains all loaded raster layers that can be used. To add a raster to the raster calculator expression field, double click its name in the Fields list. You can then use the operators to construct calculation expressions, or you can just type them into the box.

In the *Result layer* section, you will need to define an output layer. You can:

- *Create on-the-fly raster instead of writing layer to disk*:
  - If unchecked, the output is stored on the disk as a new plain file. An *Output layer* path and an *Output format* are required.
  - If checked, a virtual raster layer, i.e. a raster layer defined by its URI and whose pixels are calculated on-the-fly, is created. It's not a new file on disk; the virtual layer is still connected to the rasters used in the

calculation meaning that deleting or moving these rasters would break it. A *Layer name* can be provided, otherwise the calculation expression is used as such. Removing the virtual layer from the project deletes it, and it can be made persistent in file using the layer *Export* ► *Save as…* contextual menu.

- Define the *Spatial extent* of the calculation based on an input raster layer extent, or on custom X,Y coordinates
- Set the *Resolution* of the layer using columns and rows number. If the input layer has a different resolution, the values will be resampled with the nearest neighbor algorithm.
- With the  *Add result to project* checkbox, the result layer will automatically be added to the legend area and can be visualized. Checked by default for virtual rasters.

The *Operators* section contains all available operators. To add an operator to the raster calculator expression box, click the appropriate button. Mathematical calculations (+, −, *, …) and trigonometric functions (`sin`, `cos`, `tan`, …) are available. Conditional expressions (=, !=, <, >=, …) return either 0 for false or 1 for true, and therefore can be used with other operators and functions.

Hinweis: See also the *Raster calculator* algorithm.

Beispiele

Höhenwerte von Meter zu Fuß konvertieren

Für das Erstellen eines Rasterlayers in Fuß aus einem Rasterlayer in Metern müssen Sie den Konvertierungsfaktor von Metern zu Fuß benutzen: 3.28. Der Ausdruck lautet:

```
"elevation@1" * 3.28
```

Eine Maske verwenden

Wenn Sie Teile des Rasterlayers ausmaskieren wollen, weil Sie nur an Höhenwerten über 0 Metern interessiert sind, können Sie den folgenden Ausdruck zum Erstellen einer Maske und zum gleichzeitigen Anwenden auf den Rasterlayer verwenden.

```
("elevation@1" >= 0) * "elevation@1"
```

Mit anderen Worten, für jede Zelle größer oder gleich 0 wird der bedingte Ausdruck mit 1 ausgewertet, was den ursprünglichen Wert durch Multiplikation mit 1 beibehält, ansonsten wird der bedingte Ausdruck zu 0 ausgewertet, was den Rasterwert auf 0 setzt und die Maske im laufenden Betrieb erzeugt.

Classify a Raster

Wenn Sie ein Raster klassifizieren wollen, sagen wir beispielsweise in zwei Höhenklassen, können Sie die folgenden Ausdrücke verwenden um ein Raster mit zwei Werten 1 und 2 in einem Schritt erstellen.

```
("elevation@1" < 50) * 1 + ("elevation@1" >= 50) * 2
```

In anderen Worten stelle den Wert für jede Zelle mit einem Wert kleiner 50 auf 1 ein. Für jede Zelle mit einem Wert größer als oder gleich 50 stelle den Wert 2 ein.

Or you can use the `IF` operator.

```
if ( elevation@1 < 50 , 1 , 2 )
```

16.2.2 Raster Ausrichtung

Dieses Tool ist in der Lage mehrere Raster als Eingabe zu nehmen und sie perfekt auszurichten, das heißt:

- auf gleichem KBS reprojizieren,
- zu derselben Zellengröße resamplen und in dem Gitter versetzen,
- auf ein Interessengebiet schneiden,
- wenn erforderlich, Werte neu skalieren.

Alle Raster werden in anderen Dateien gespeichert.

First, open the tools from *Raster* ► *Align Raster…* and click on the Add new raster button to choose one existing raster in QGIS. Select an output file to save the raster after the alignment, the resampling method and if the tools need to *Rescale values according to the cell size*. The resampling method can be (see Abb. 16.21):

- **Nächster Nachbar**
- **Bilinear (2x2 Kern)**
- **Kubisch (4x4 kernel)**: Cubic Convolution Approximation
- **Kubisch B-Spline (4x4 kernel)**: Kubische B-Spline Annäherung
- **Lanczos (6x6 kernel)**: Lanczos windowed sinc interpolation
- **Average**: computes the average of all non-NODATA contributing pixels
- **Mode**: selects the value which appears most often of all the sampled points
- **Maximum**, **Minimum**, **Mediane**, **First Quartile (Q1)** or **Third Quartile (Q3)** of all non-NODATA contributing pixels

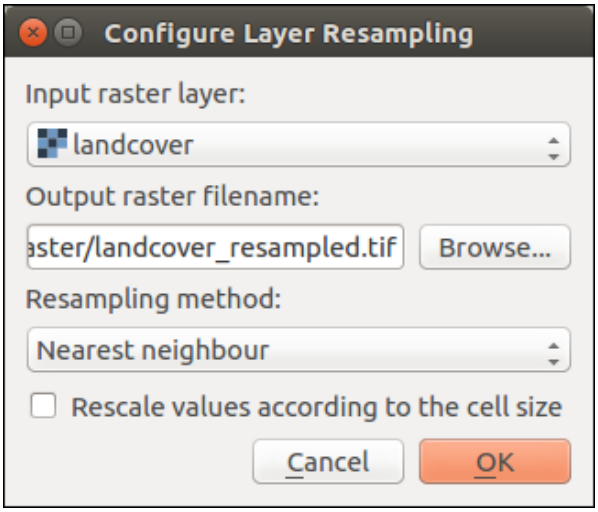


Abb. 16.21: Select Raster Resampling Options

In the main *Align raster* dialog, you can still Edit file settings or Remove an existing file from the list of raster layers. You can also choose one or more other options (see Abb. 16.22):

- Select the *Reference Layer*,
- Transform into a new *CRS*,
- Setup a different *Cell size*,
- Setup a different *Grid Offset*,
- *Clip to Extent*: it can be user-defined, bound to a layer or to the map canvas

- *Output Size*,
- *Add aligned raster to the map canvas.*

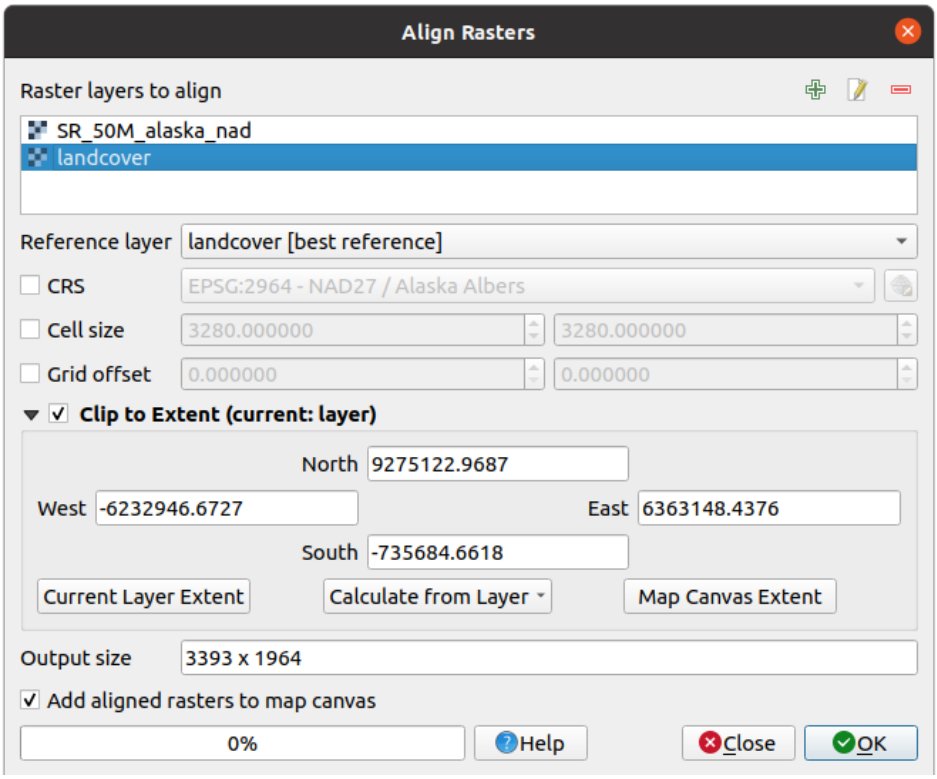


Abb. 16.22: Raster Ausrichtung

16.3 Georeferencer

The Georeferencer is a tool for generating world files for rasters. It allows you to reference rasters to geographic or projected coordinate systems by creating a new GeoTiff or by adding a world file to the existing image. The basic approach to georeferencing a raster is to locate points on the raster for which you can accurately determine coordinates.

Funktionen

Icon	Funktion	Icon	Funktion
	Raster öffnen		Georeferenzierung durchführen
	GDAL-Skript erzeugen		Passpunkte laden
	Passpunkte speichern		Transformationseinstellungen
	Passpunkt hinzufügen		Passpunkt löschen
	Passpunkt verschieben		Verschieben
	Hinein zoomen		Heraus zoomen
	Auf den Layer zoomen		Zoom zurück
	Zoom vor		Georeferenzierung mit QGIS verbinden
	QGIS mit Georeferenzierung verbinden		Volle Histogrammstreckung
	Lokale Histogrammstreckung		

Table Georeferenzierung 1: Georeferenzierfunktionen

16.3.1 Wie benutzt man den Georeferenzierer

As X and Y coordinates (DMS (dd mm ss.ss), DD (dd.dd) or projected coordinates (mmmm.mm)), which correspond with the selected point on the image, two alternative procedures can be used:

- The raster itself sometimes provides crosses with coordinates „written“ on the image. In this case, you can enter the coordinates manually.
- Using already georeferenced layers. This can be either vector or raster data that contain the same objects/features that you have on the image that you want to georeference and with the projection that you want for your image. In this case, you can enter the coordinates by clicking on the reference dataset loaded in the QGIS map canvas.

The usual procedure for georeferencing an image involves selecting multiple points on the raster, specifying their coordinates, and choosing a relevant transformation type. Based on the input parameters and data, the Georeferencer will compute the world file parameters. The more coordinates you provide, the better the result will be.

The first step is to start QGIS and click on *Raster* ►  *Georeferencer*, which appears in the QGIS menu bar. The Georeferencer dialog appears as shown in Abb. 16.23.

For this example, we are using a topo sheet of South Dakota from SDGS. It can later be visualized together with the data from the GRASS `spearfish60` location. You can download the topo sheet here: https://grass.osgeo.org/sampledata/spearfish_toposheet.tar.gz.

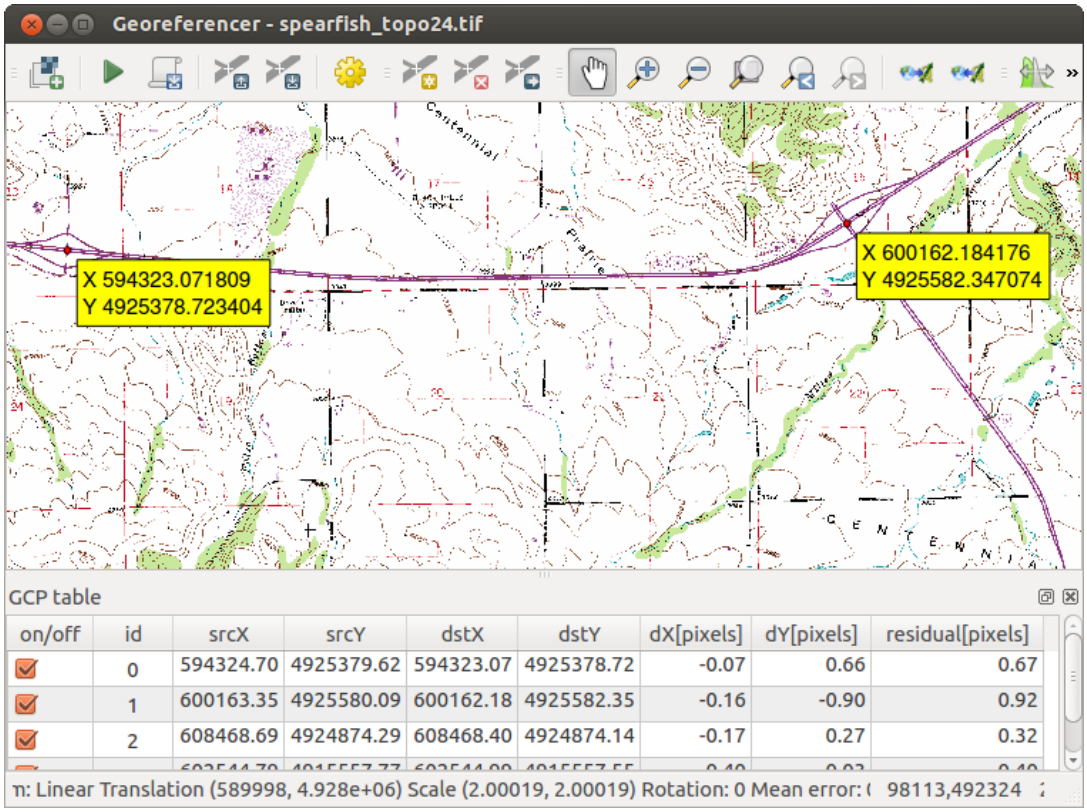


Abb. 16.23: Georeferencer Dialog

Entering ground control points (GCPs)

1. To start georeferencing an unreferenced raster, we must load it using the button. The raster will show up in the main working area of the dialog. Once the raster is loaded, we can start to enter reference points.

2. Using the Add Point button, add points to the main working area and enter their coordinates (see Figure Abb. 16.24). For this procedure you have the following options:

   - Click on a point in the raster image and enter the X and Y coordinates manually, along with the CRS of the point.

   - Click on a point in the raster image and choose the From map canvas button to add the X and Y coordinates with the help of a georeferenced map already loaded in the QGIS map canvas. The CRS will be set automatically.

3. Continue entering points. You should have at least four points, and the more coordinates you can provide, the better the result will be. There are additional tools for zooming and panning the working area in order to locate a relevant set of GCP points.

4. With the tool, you can move the GCPs in both the canvas and the georeferencing window, if you need to correct them.

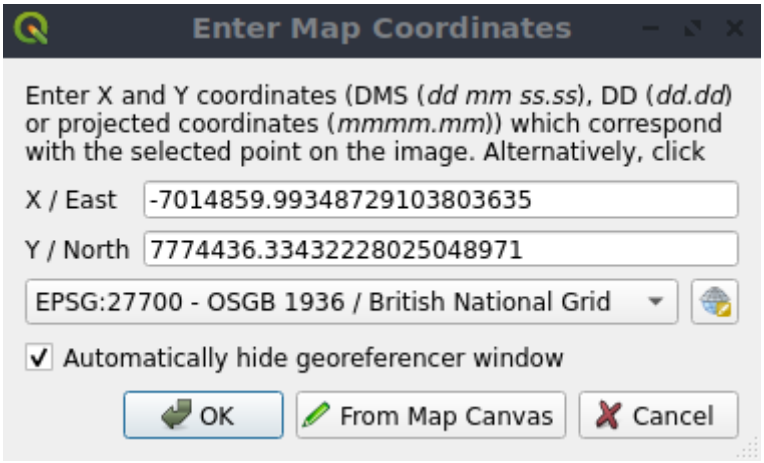


Abb. 16.24: Add points to the raster image

The points that are added to the map will be stored in a separate text file (`[filename].points`) usually together with the raster image. This allows us to reopen the Georeferencer at a later date and add new points or delete existing ones to optimize the result. The points file contains values of the form: `mapX, mapY, pixelX, pixelY`. You can use the Load GCP points and Save GCP points as buttons to manage the files.

Defining the transformation settings

After you have added your GCPs to the raster image, you need to define the transformation settings for the georeferencing process.

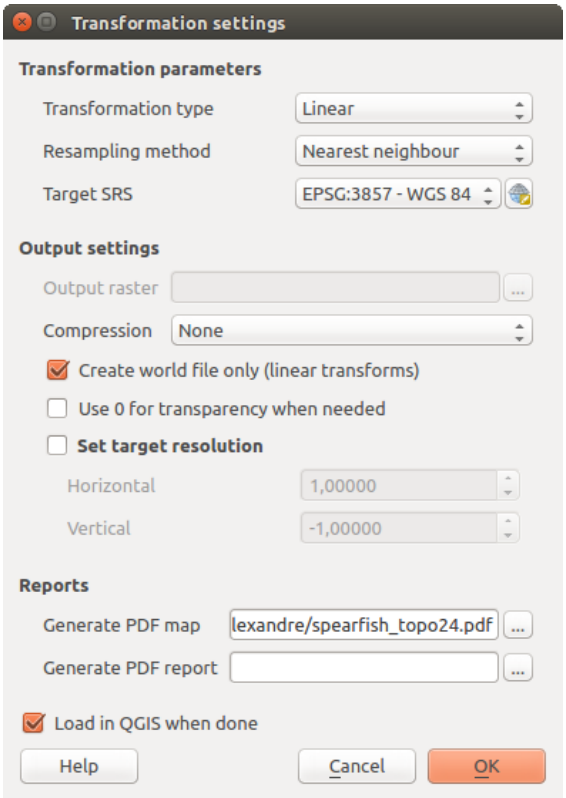


Abb. 16.25: Defining the georeferencer transformation settings

Available Transformation algorithms

A number of transformation algorithms are available, dependent on the type and quality of input data, the nature and amount of geometric distortion that you are willing to introduce to the final result, and the number of ground control points (GCPs).

Currently, the following *Transformation types* are available:

- The **Linear** algorithm is used to create a world file and is different from the other algorithms, as it does not actually transform the raster pixels. It allows positioning (translating) the image and uniform scaling, but no rotation or other transformations. It is the most suitable if your image is a good quality raster map, in a known CRS, but is just missing georeferencing information. At least 2 GCPs are needed.
- The **Helmert** transformation also allows rotation. It is particularly useful if your raster is a good quality local map or orthorectified aerial image, but not aligned with the grid bearing in your CRS. At least 2 GCPs are needed.
- The **Polynomial 1** algorithm allows a more general affine transformation, in particular also a uniform shear. Straight lines remain straight (i.e., collinear points stay collinear) and parallel lines remain parallel. This is particularly useful for georeferencing data cartograms, which may have been plotted (or data collected) with different ground pixel sizes in different directions. At least 3 GCP's are required.
- The **Polynomial** algorithms 2-3 use more general 2nd or 3rd degree polynomials instead of just affine transformation. This allows them to account for curvature or other systematic warping of the image, for instance photographed maps with curving edges. At least 6 (respectively 10) GCP's are required. Angles and local scale are not preserved or treated uniformly across the image. In particular, straight lines may become curved, and there may be significant distortion introduced at the edges or far from any GCPs arising from extrapolating the data-fitted polynomials too far.
- The **Projective** algorithm generalizes Polynomial 1 in a different way, allowing transformations representing a central projection between 2 non-parallel planes, the image and the map canvas. Straight lines stay straight, but parallelism is not preserved and scale across the image varies consistently with the change in perspective. This transformation type is most useful for georeferencing angled photographs (rather than flat scans) of good quality maps, or oblique aerial images. A minimum of 4 GCPs is required.
- Finally, the **Thin Plate Spline** (TPS) algorithm „rubber sheets" the raster using multiple local polynomials to match the GCPs specified, with overall surface curvature minimized. Areas away from GCPs will be moved around in the output to accommodate the GCP matching, but will otherwise be minimally locally deformed. TPS is most useful for georeferencing damaged, deformed, or otherwise slightly inaccurate maps, or poorly orthorectified aerials. It is also useful for approximately georeferencing and implicitly reprojecting maps with unknown projection type or parameters, but where a regular grid or dense set of ad-hoc GCPs can be matched with a reference map layer. It technically requires a minimum of 10 GCPs, but usually more to be successful.

In all of the algorithms except TPS, if more than the minimum GCPs are specified, parameters will be fitted so that the overall residual error is minimized. This is helpful to minimize the impact of registration errors, i.e. slight imprecisions in pointer clicks or typed coordinates, or other small local image deformations. Absent other GCPs to compensate, such errors or deformations could translate into significant distortions, especially near the edges of the georeferenced image. However, if more than the minimum GCPs are specified, they will match only approximately in the output. In contrast, TPS will precisely match all specified GCPs, but may introduce significant deformations between nearby GCPs with registration errors.

Define the Resampling method

The type of resampling you choose will likely depend on your input data and the ultimate objective of the exercise. If you don't want to change statistics of the raster (other than as implied by nonuniform geometric scaling if using other than the Linear, Helmert, or Polynomial 1 transformations), you might want to choose ‚Nearest neighbour'. In contrast, ‚cubic resampling', for instance, will usually generate a visually smoother result.

It is possible to choose between five different resampling methods:

1. Nearest neighbour
2. Linear
3. Kubisch
4. Cubic Spline
5. Lanczos

Define the transformation settings

There are several options that need to be defined for the georeferenced output raster.

- The *Create world file* checkbox is only available if you decide to use the linear transformation type, because this means that the raster image actually won't be transformed. In this case, the *Output raster* field is not activated, because only a new world file will be created.
- For all other transformation types, you have to define an *Output raster*. As default, a new file ([filename]_modified) will be created in the same folder together with the original raster image.
- As a next step, you have to define the *Target SRS* (Spatial Reference System) for the georeferenced raster (see *Arbeiten mit Projektionen*).
- If you like, you can **generate a pdf map** and also **a pdf report**. The report includes information about the used transformation parameters, an image of the residuals and a list with all GCPs and their RMS errors.
- Furthermore, you can activate the *Set Target Resolution* checkbox and define the pixel resolution of the output raster. Default horizontal and vertical resolution is 1.
- The *Use 0 for transparency when needed* can be activated, if pixels with the value 0 shall be visualized transparent. In our example toposheet, all white areas would be transparent.
- Finally, *Load in QGIS when done* loads the output raster automatically into the QGIS map canvas when the transformation is done.

Show and adapt raster properties

Clicking on the *Raster properties* option in the *Settings* menu opens the *Layer properties* dialog of the raster file that you want to georeference.

Configure the georeferencer

- You can define whether you want to show GCP coordinates and/or IDs.
- As residual units, pixels and map units can be chosen.
- For the PDF report, a left and right margin can be defined and you can also set the paper size for the PDF map.
- Finally, you can activate to  *Show Georeferencer window docked*.

Running the transformation

After all GCPs have been collected and all transformation settings are defined, just press the  Start georeferencing button to create the new georeferenced raster.

KAPITEL 17

Working with Mesh Data

17.1 What's a mesh?

A mesh is an unstructured grid usually with temporal and other components. The spatial component contains a collection of vertices, edges and/or faces, in 2D or 3D space:

- **vertices** - XY(Z) points (in the layer's coordinate reference system)
- **edges** - connect pairs of vertices
- **faces** - a face is a set of edges forming a closed shape - typically a triangle or a quadrilateral (quad), rarely polygons with more vertices

Relying on the above, mesh layers can thus have different types of structure:

- 1D Meshes: consist of vertices and edges. An edge connects two vertices and can have assigned data (scalars or vectors) on it. The 1D mesh network can be for example used for modelling of an urban drainage system.
- 2D meshes: consist of faces with triangles, regular or unstructured quads.
- 3D layered meshes: consist of multiple stacked 2D unstructured meshes each extruded in the vertical direction (levels) by means of a vertical coordinate. The vertices and faces have the same topology in each vertical level. The mesh definition (vertical level extrusion) could in general change in time. The data is usually defined in volume centres or by some parametric function.

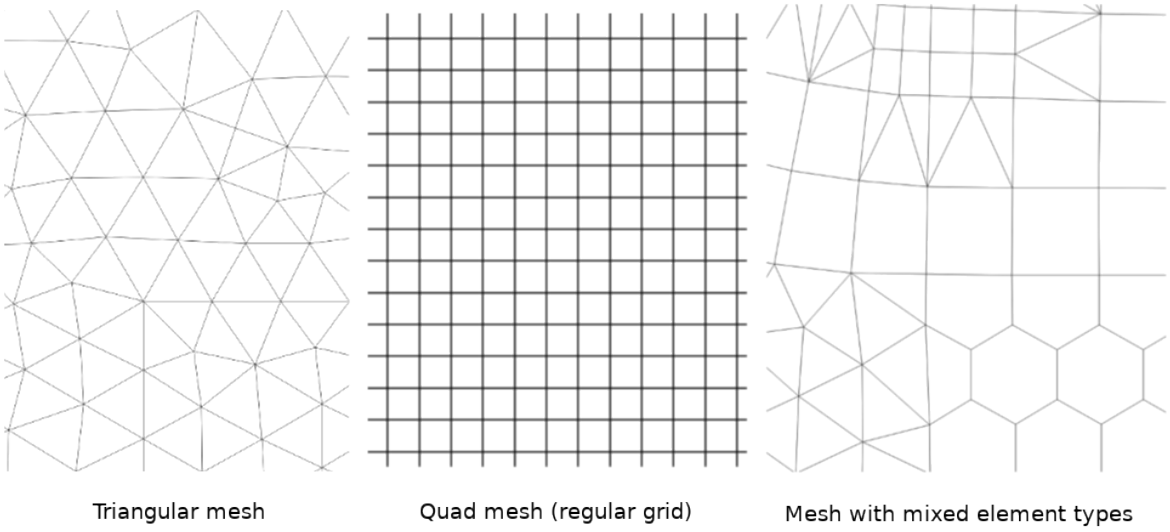


Abb. 17.1: Different mesh types

Mesh provides information about the spatial structure. In addition, the mesh can have datasets (groups) that assign a value to every vertex. For example, having a triangular mesh with numbered vertices as shown in the image below:

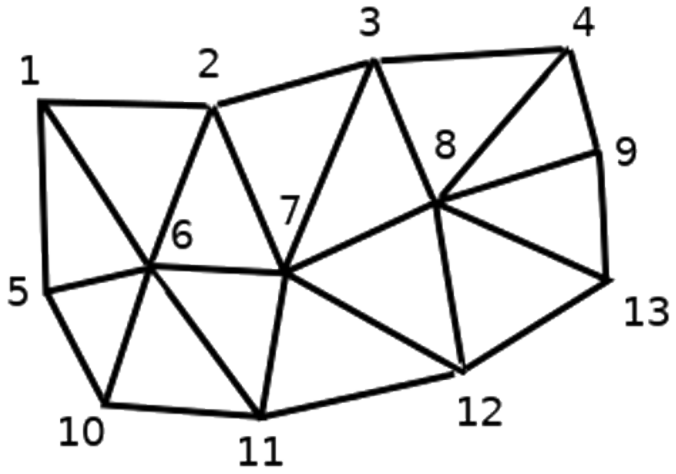


Abb. 17.2: Triangular grid with numbered vertices

Each vertex can store different datasets (typically multiple quantities), and those datasets can also have a temporal dimension. Thus, a single file may contain multiple datasets.

The following table gives an idea about the information that can be stored in mesh datasets. Table columns represent indices of mesh vertices, each row represents one dataset. Datasets can have different datatypes. In this case, it stores wind velocity at 10m at a particular moments in time (t1, t2, t3).

In a similar way, the mesh dataset can also store vector values for each vertex. For example, wind direction vector at the given time stamps:

10 metre wind	1	2	3	...
10 metre speed at time=t1	17251	24918	32858	…
10 metre speed at time=t2	19168	23001	36418	…
10 metre speed at time=t3	21085	30668	17251	…
…	…	…	…	…
10m wind direction time=t1	[20,2]	[20,3]	[20,4.5]	…
10m wind direction time=t2	[21,3]	[21,4]	[21,5.5]	…
10m wind direction time=t3	[22,4]	[22,5]	[22,6.5]	…
…	…	…	…	…

We can visualize the data by assigning colors to values (similarly to how it is done with *Singleband pseudocolor* raster rendering) and interpolating data between vertices according to the mesh topology. It is common that some quantities are 2D vectors rather than being simple scalar values (e.g. wind direction). For such quantities it is desirable to display arrows indicating the directions.

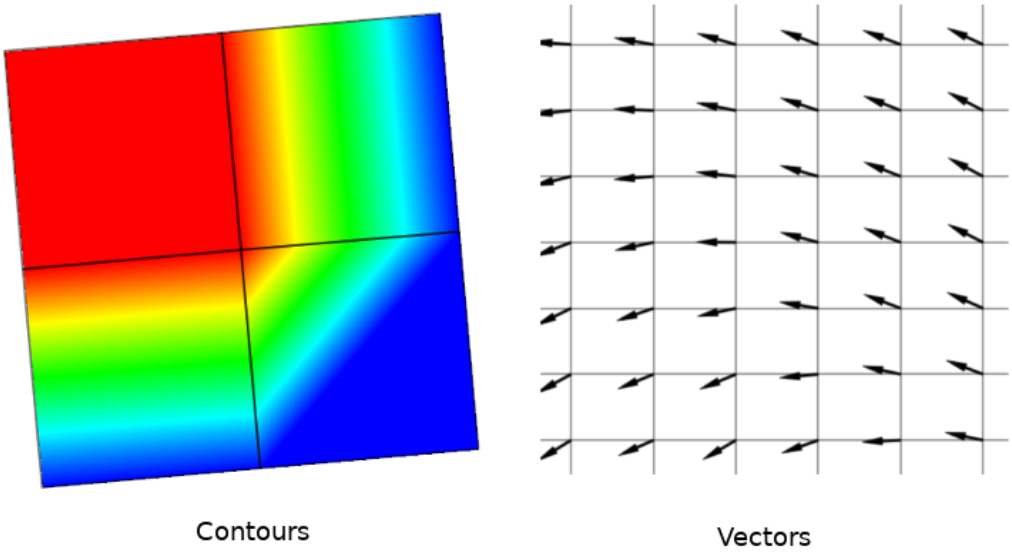


Abb. 17.3: Possible visualisation of mesh data

17.2 Supported formats

QGIS accesses mesh data using the MDAL drivers, and natively supports a variety of formats. Whether QGIS can edit a mesh layer depends on the format and the mesh structure type.

To load a mesh dataset into QGIS, use the *Mesh* tab in the *Data Source Manager* dialog. Read *Loading a mesh layer* for more details.

17.3 Mesh Dataset Properties

The *Layer Properties* dialog for a mesh layer provides general settings to manage dataset groups of the layer and their rendering (active dataset groups, symbology, 2D and 3D rendering). It also provides information about the layer.

To access the *Layer Properties* dialog:

- In the *Layers* panel, double-click the layer or right-click and select *Properties…* from the pop-up menu;
- Go to *Layer* ► *Layer Properties…* menu when the layer is selected.

The mesh *Layer Properties* dialog provides the following sections:

Information	*Source*	*Symbology*[1]
3D View[1]	*Temporal*	*Rendering*
Metadata		

[1] Also available in the *Layer styling panel*

Bemerkung: Most of the properties of a mesh layer can be saved to or loaded from a `.qml` using the *Style* menu at the bottom of the dialog. More details at *Verwalten von benutzerdefinierten Stilen*.

17.3.1 Information Properties

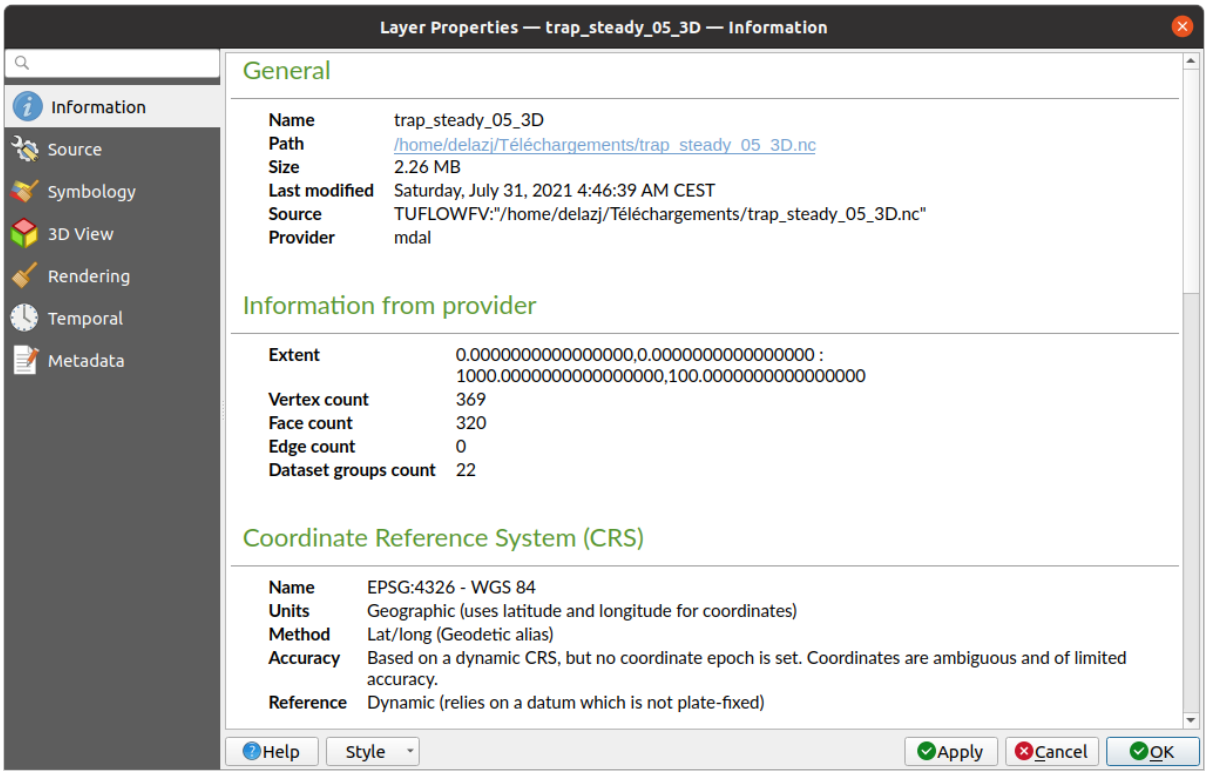


Abb. 17.4: Mesh Layer Information Properties

The *Information* tab is read-only and represents an interesting place to quickly grab summarized information and metadata on the current layer. Provided information are:

- general such as name in the project, source path, list of auxiliary files, last save time and size, the used provider
- based on the provider of the layer: extent, vertex, face, edges and/or dataset groups count
- the Coordinate Reference System: name, units, method, accuracy, reference (i.e. whether it's static or dynamic)
- extracted from filled *metadata*: access, extents, links, contacts, history…

17.3.2 Source Properties

The *Source* tab displays basic information about the selected mesh, including:

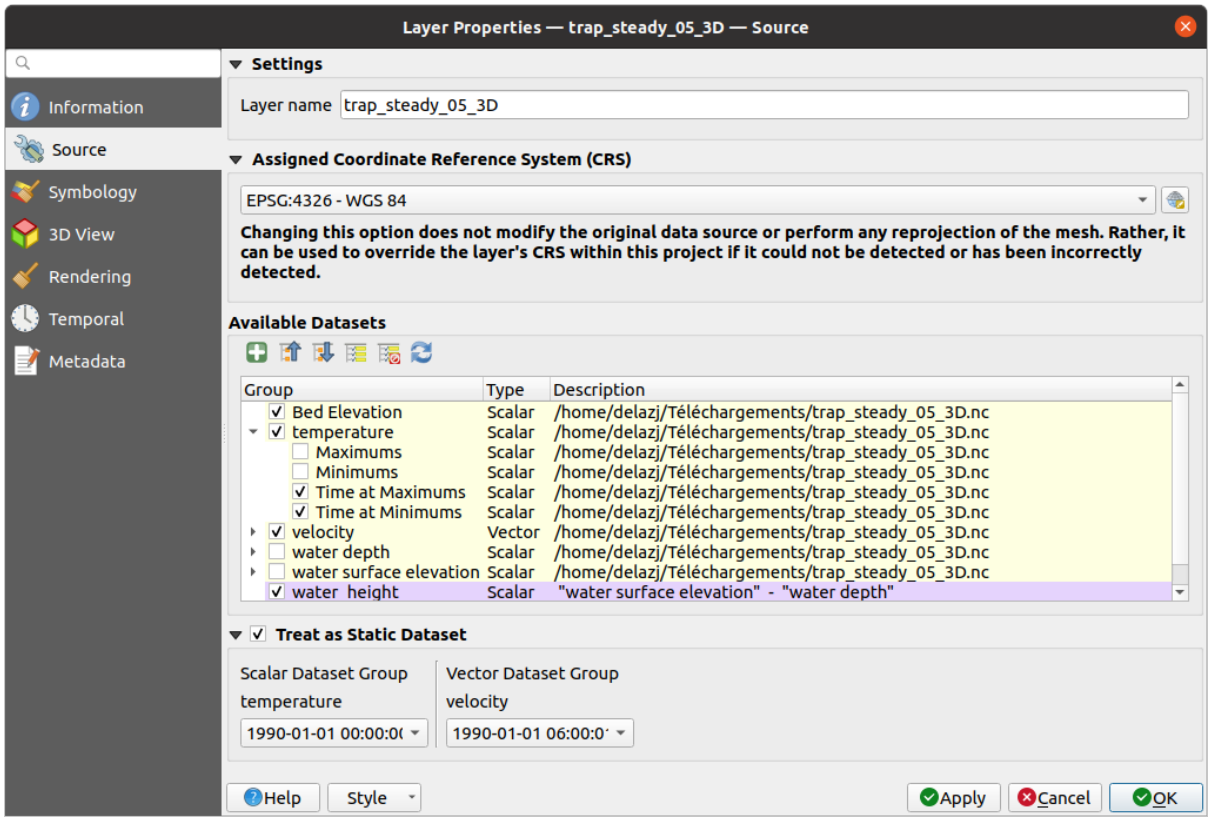


Abb. 17.5: Mesh Layer Source Properties

- the layer name to display in the *Layers* panel
- setting the Coordinate Reference System: Displays the layer's *Assigned Coordinate Reference System (CRS)*.

  You can change the layer's CRS by selecting a recently used one in the drop-down list or clicking on *Select CRS* button (see *Coordinate Reference System Selector*). Use this process only if the CRS applied to the layer is wrong or if none was applied.
- The *Available datasets* frame lists all the dataset groups (and subgroups) in the mesh layer, with their type and description in a tree view. Both regular datasets (i.e. their data is stored in the file) and virtual datasets (which are *calculated on the fly*) are listed.
  - Use the *Assign extra dataset to mesh* button to add more groups to the current mesh layer.
  - *Collapse all* and *Expand all* the dataset tree, in case of embedded groups
  - If you are interested in few datasets, you can uncheck the others and make them unavailable in the project
  - Double-click over a name and you can rename the dataset.

  -  *Reset to defaults*: checks all the groups and renames them back to their original name in the provider.
  - Right-click over a virtual dataset group and you can:
    * *Remove dataset group* from the project
    * *Save dataset group as…* a file on disk, to any supported format. The new file is kept assigned to the current mesh layer in the project.

- Checking the  *Treat as static dataset* group allows to ignore the map temporal navigation properties while rendering the mesh layer. For each active dataset group (as selected in  *Symbology* ►  *Datasets* tab), you can:
  - set to *None*: the dataset group is not displayed at all
  - *Display dataset*: eg, for the „bed elevation“ dataset which is not time aware
  - extract a particular date time: the dataset matching the provided time is rendered and stay fixed during map navigation.

17.3.3 Symbology Properties

Click the  *Symbology* button to activate the dialog. Symbology properties are divided into several tabs:

- *Datasets*
- *Contours*
- *Vectors*
- *Rendering*
- *Stacked mesh averaging method*

Datasets

The tab  Datasets is the main place to control and set which datasets will be used for the layer. It presents the following items:

- *Groups* available in the mesh dataset, with whether they provide:
  -  scalar dataset
  - or  vector dataset: by default, each vector dataset has a scalar dataset representing its magnitude automatically generated.

  Click on the icon next to the dataset name to select the group and type of data to represent.
- *Selected dataset group(s) metadata*, with details on:
  - the mesh type: edges or faces
  - the data type: vertices, edges, faces or volume
  - whether it's of vector type or not
  - the original name in the mesh layer
  - the unit, if applicable
- *blending mode* available for the selected datasets.

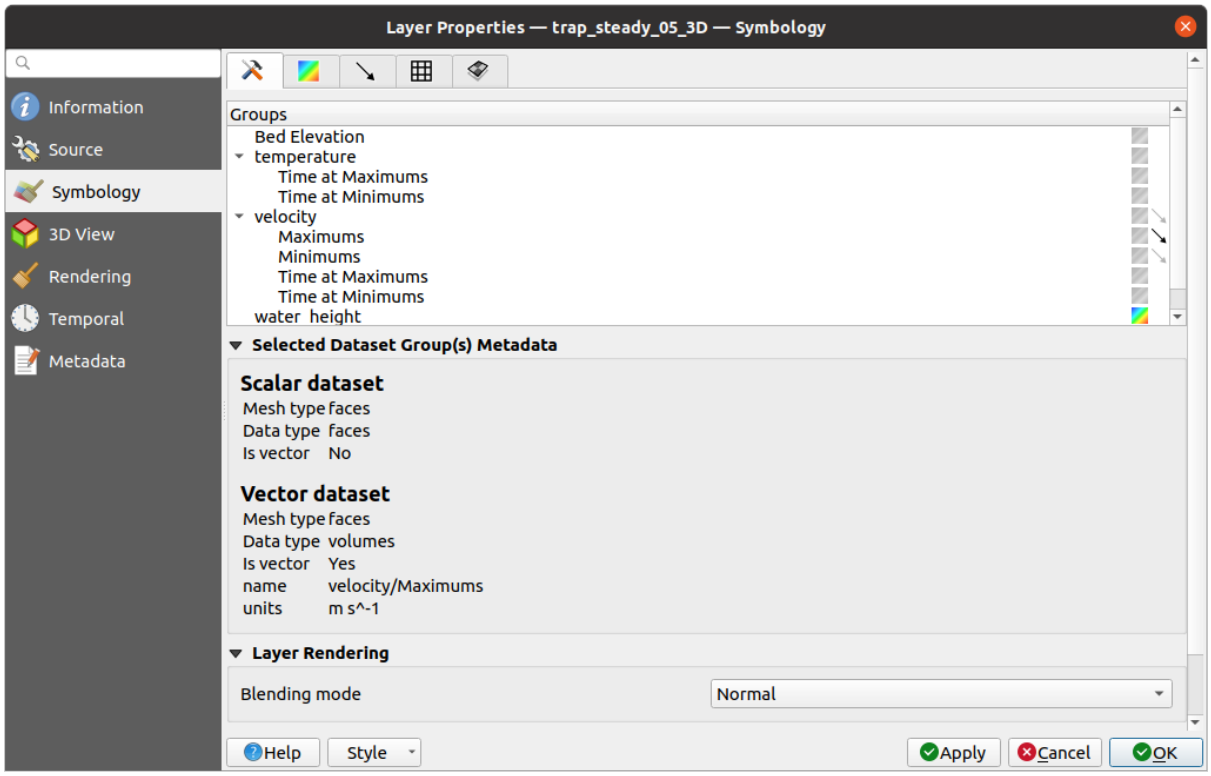


Abb. 17.6: Mesh Layer Datasets

You can apply symbology to the selected vector and/or scalar group using the next tabs.

Contours Symbology

Bemerkung: The Contours tab can be activated only if a scalar dataset has been selected in the *Datasets* tab.

In the Contours tab you can see and change the current visualization options of contours for the selected group, as shown in Abb. 17.7 below:

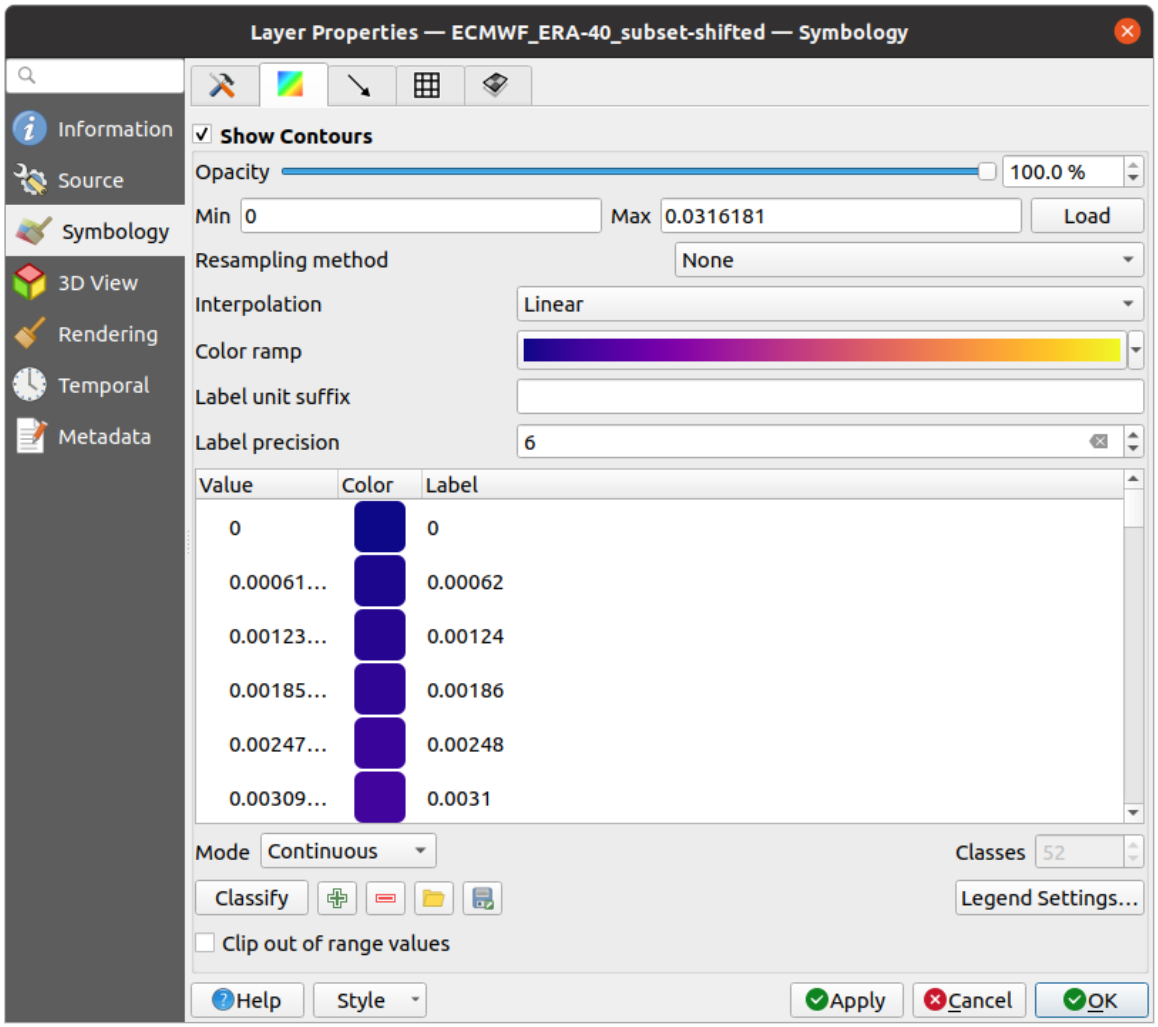


Abb. 17.7: Styling Contours in a Mesh Layer

- For 1D mesh, set the *Stroke width* of the edges. This can be a fixed size for the whole dataset, or vary along the geometry (more details with the *interpolated line renderer*)
- Use the slider or the spinbox to set the *Opacity* of the current group, if of a 2D mesh type.
- Enter the range of values you want to represent on the current group: use Load to fetch the min and max values of the current group or enter custom values if you want to exclude some.
- For 2D/3D meshes, select the *Resampling method* to interpolate the values on the surrounding vertices to the faces (or from the surrounding faces to the vertices) using the *Neighbour average* method. Depending on whether the dataset is defined on the vertices (respectively on the faces), QGIS defaults this setting to *None* (respectively *Neighbour average*) method in order to use values on vertices and keep the default rendering smooth.
- Classify the dataset using the *color ramp shader* classification.

Vectors Symbology

Bemerkung: The Vectors tab can be activated only if a vector dataset has been selected in the *Datasets* tab.

In the Vectors tab you can see and change the current visualization options of vectors for the selected group, as shown in Abb. 17.8:

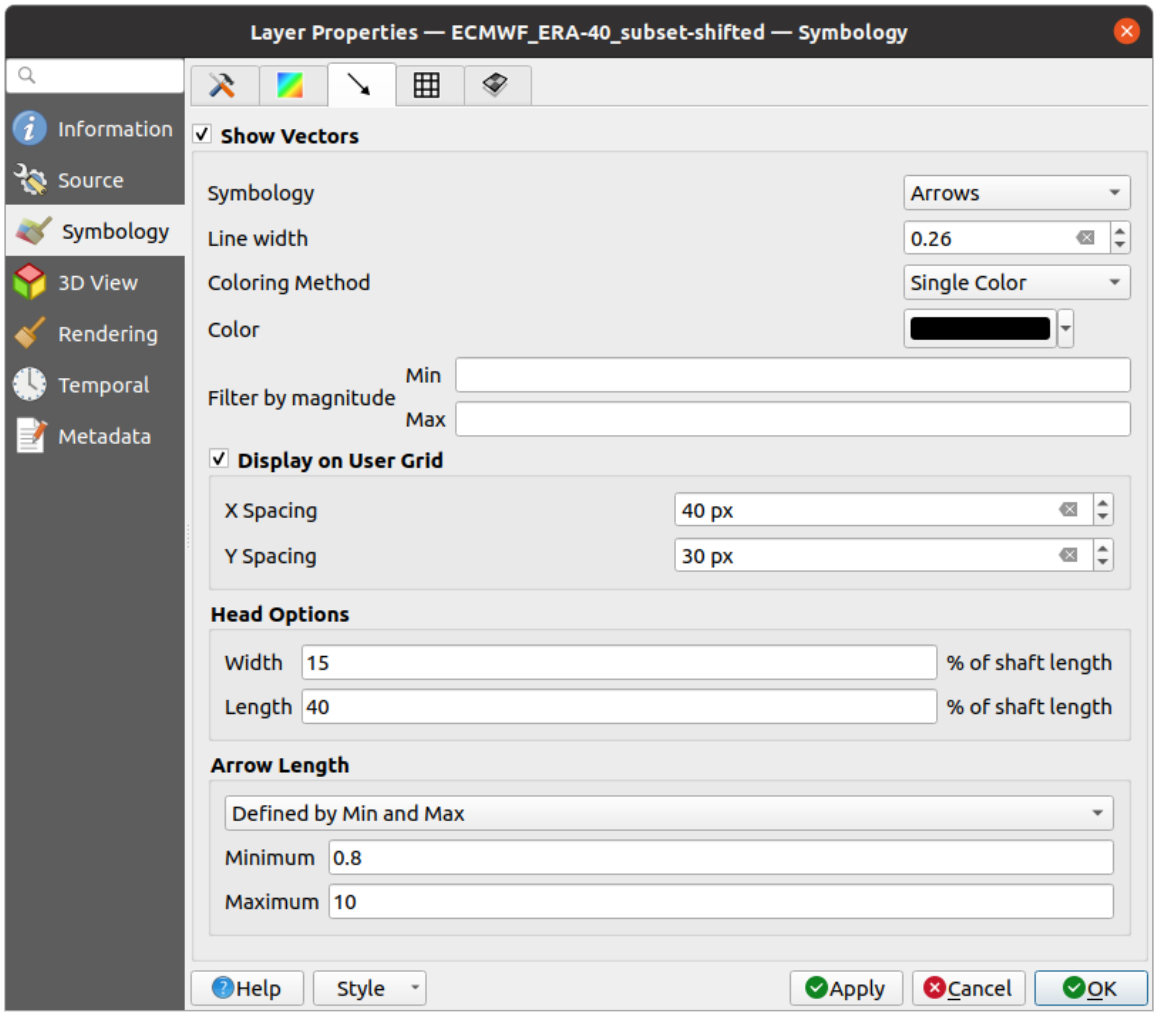


Abb. 17.8: Styling Vectors in a Mesh Layer with arrows

Mesh vector dataset can be styled using various types of *Symbology*:

- **Arrows**: vectors are represented with arrows at the same place as they are defined in the raw dataset (i.e. on the nodes or center of elements) or on a user-defined grid (hence, they are evenly distributed). The arrow length is proportional to the magnitude of the arrow as defined in the raw data but can be scaled by various methods.
- **Streamlines**: vectors are represented with streamlines seeded from start points. The seeding points can start from the vertices of the mesh, from a user grid or randomly.
- **Traces**: a nicer animation of the streamlines, the kind of effect you get when you randomly throws sand in the water and see where the sand items flows.

Available properties depend on the selected symbology as shown in the following table.

Label	Description and Properties	Arrow	Streamlines	Traces
Line width	Width of the vector representation	☑	☑	☑
Coloring method	• a *Single color* assigned to all vectors • or a variable color based on vectors magnitude, using a *Color ramp shader*	☑	☑	☑
Filter by magnitude	Only vectors whose length for the selected dataset falls between a *Min* and *Max* range are displayed	☑	☑	
Display on user grid	Places the vector on a grid with custom *X spacing* and *Y spacing* and interpolates their length based on neighbours	☑	☑	
Head options	*Length* and *Width* of the arrow head, as a percentage of its shaft length	☑		
Arrow length	• **Defined by Min and Max**: You specify the minimum and maximum length for the arrows, QGIS will interpolate their size based on the underlying vector's magnitude • **Scale to magnitude**: arrow length is proportional to their vector's magnitude • **Fixed**: all the vectors are shown with the same length	☑		

Layeranzeige kontrollieren

In the tab Rendering tab, QGIS offers possibilities to display and customize the mesh structure. *Line width* and *Line color* can be set to represent:

- the edges for 1D meshes
- For 2D meshes:
  - *Native mesh rendering*: shows original faces and edges from the layer
  - *Triangular mesh rendering*: adds more edges and displays the faces as triangles

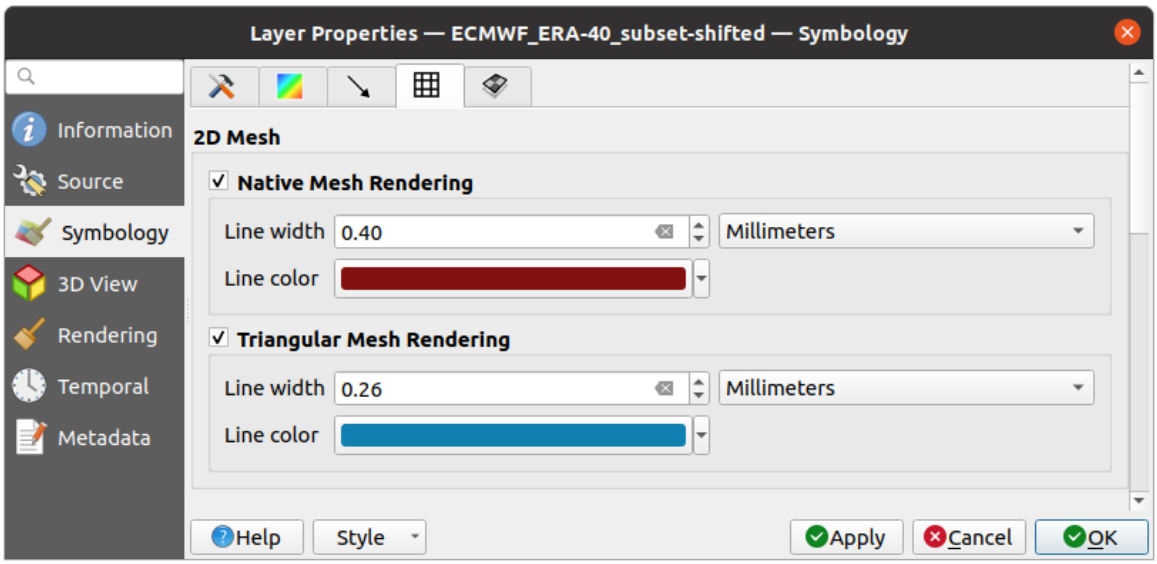


Abb. 17.9: 2D Mesh Rendering

Stacked mesh averaging method

3D layered meshes consist of multiple stacked 2D unstructured meshes each extruded in the vertical direction (`levels`) by means of a vertical coordinate. The vertices and faces have the same topology in each vertical level. Values are usually stored on the volumes that are regularly stacked over base 2d mesh. In order to visualise them on 2D canvas, you need to convert values on volumes (3d) to values on faces (2d) that can be shown in mesh layer. The Stacked mesh averaging method provides different averaging/interpolation methods to handle this.

You can select the method to derive the 2D datasets and corresponding parameters (level index, depth or height values). For each method, an example of application is shown in the dialog but you can read more on the methods at https://fvwiki.tuflow.com/index.php?title=Depth_Averaging_Results.

17.3.4 3D View Properties

Mesh layers can be used as *terrain in a 3D map view* based on their vertices Z values. From the *3D View* properties tab, it's also possible to render the mesh layer's dataset in the same 3D view. Therefore, the vertical component of the vertices can be set equal to dataset values (for example, level of water surface) and the texture of the mesh can be set to render other dataset values with color shading (for example velocity).

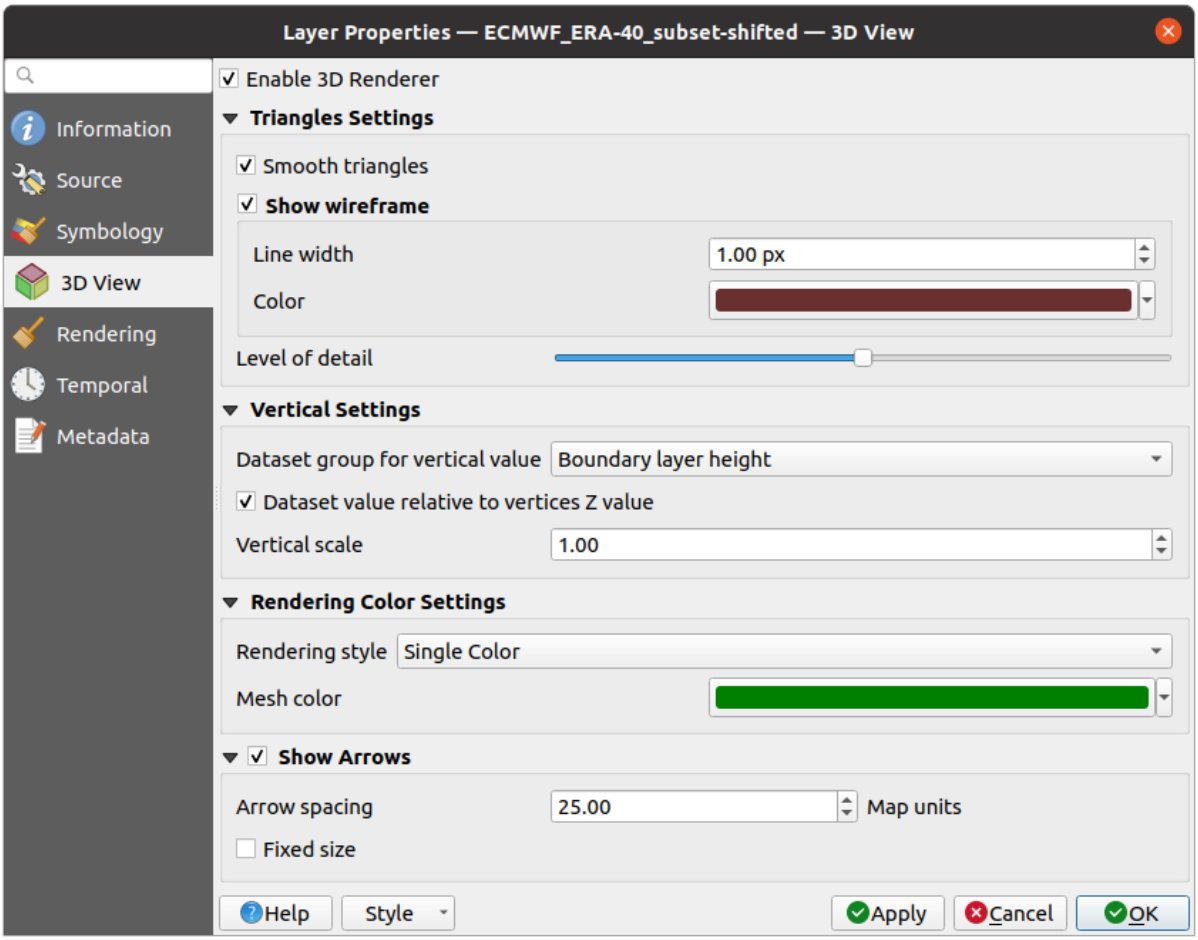


Abb. 17.10: Mesh dataset 3D properties

Check *Enable 3D Renderer* and you can edit following properties:

- Under *Triangle settings*
  - *Smooth triangles*: Angles between consecutive triangles are smoothed for a better 3D rendering
  - *Show wireframe* whose you can set the *Line width* and *Color*
  - *Level of detail*: Controls how *simplified* the mesh layer to render should be. On the far right, it is the base mesh, and the more you go left, the more the layer is simplified and is rendered with less details. This option is only available if the *Simplify mesh* option under the *Rendering* tab is activated.
- ***Vertical settings* to control behavior of the vertical component** of vertices of rendered triangles
  - *Dataset group for vertical value*: the dataset group that will be used for the vertical component of the mesh
  - *Dataset value relative to vertices Z value*: whether to consider the dataset values as absolute Z coordinate or relative to the vertices native Z value
  - *Vertical scale*: the scale factor to apply to the dataset Z values
- *Rendering color settings* with a *Rendering style* that can be based on the color ramp shader set in *Contours Symbology* (*2D contour color ramp shader*) or as a *Single color* with an associated *Mesh color*
- *Show arrows*: displays arrows on mesh layer dataset 3D entity, based on the same vector dataset group used in the *vector 2D rendering*. They are displayed using the 2D color setting. It's also possible to define the *Arrow spacing* and, if it's of a *Fixed size* or scaled on magnitude. This spacing setting defines also the max size of arrows because arrows can't overlap.

17.3.5 Rendering Properties

As mesh layers can have millions of faces, their rendering can sometimes be very slow, especially when all the faces are displayed in the view whereas they are too small to be viewed. To speed up the rendering, you can simplify the mesh layer, resulting in one or more meshes representing different *levels of detail* and select at which level of detail you would like QGIS to render the mesh layer. Note that the simplify mesh contains only triangular faces.

From the *Rendering* tab, check *Simplify mesh* and set:

- a *Reduction factor*: Controls generation of successive levels of simplified meshes. For example, if the base mesh has 5M faces, and the reduction factor is 10, the first simplified mesh will have approximately 500 000 faces, the second 50 000 faces, the third 5000,… If a higher reduction factor leads quickly to simpler meshes (i.e. with triangles of bigger size), it produces also fewer levels of detail.
- *Minimum triangle size*: the average size (in pixels) of the triangles that is permitted to display. If the average size of the mesh is lesser than this value, the rendering of a lower level of details mesh is triggered.

17.3.6 Temporal Properties

The *Temporal* tab provides options to control the rendering of the layer over time. It allows to dynamically display temporal values of the enabled dataset groups. Such a dynamic rendering requires the *temporal navigation* to be enabled over the map canvas.

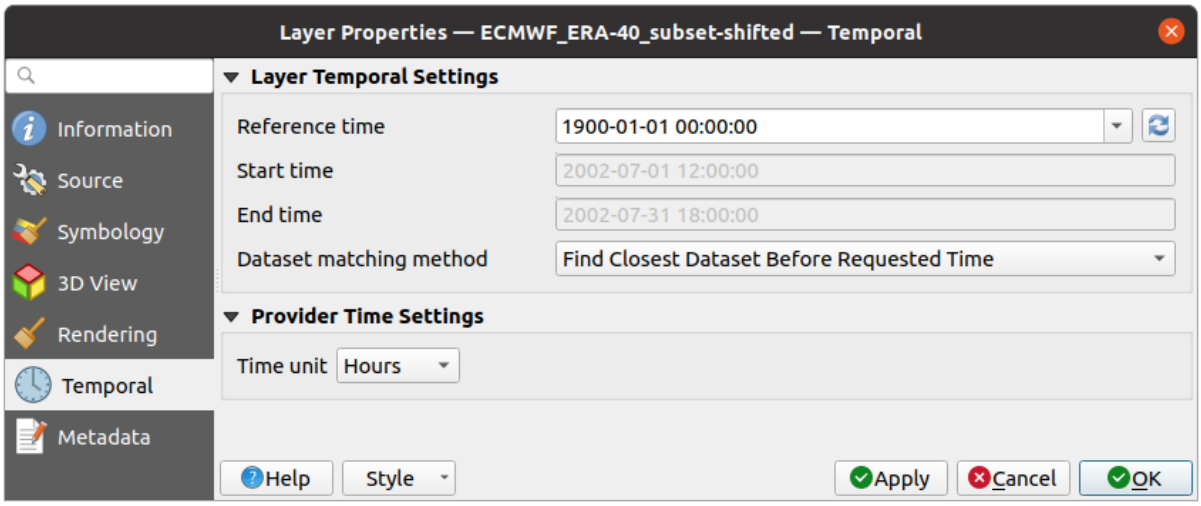


Abb. 17.11: Mesh Temporal properties

Layer temporal settings

- *Reference time* of the dataset group, as an absolute date time. By default, QGIS parses the source layer and returns the first valid reference time in the layer's dataset group. If unavailable, the value will be set by the project time range or fall back to the current date. The *Start time* and *End time* to consider are then calculated based on the internal timestamp step of the dataset.

  It is possible to set a custom *Reference time* (and then the time range), and revert the changes using the Reload from provider button.

- *Dataset matching method*: determines the dataset to display at the given time. Options are *Find closest dataset before requested time* or *Find closest dataset from requested time (after or before)*.

Provider time settings

- *Time unit* extracted from the raw data, or user defined. This can be used to align the speed of the mesh layer with other layers in the project during map time navigation. Supported units are *Seconds*, *Minutes*, *Hours* and *Days*.

17.3.7 Metadata Properties

The  *Metadata* tab provides you with options to create and edit a metadata report on your layer. See *Metadata* for more information.

17.4 Editing a mesh layer

QGIS allows to *create a mesh layer* from scratch or based on an existing one. You can create/modify the geometries of the new layer whom you can assign datasets afterwards. It's also possible to edit an existing mesh layer. Because the editing operation requires a frames-only layer, you will be asked to either remove any associated datasets first (make sure you have them available if they still are necessary) or create a copy (only geometries) of the layer.

Bemerkung: QGIS does not allow to digitize edges on mesh layers. Only vertices and faces are mesh elements that can be created. Also not all supported mesh formats can be edited in QGIS (see permissions).

17.4.1 Overview of the mesh digitizing tools

To interact with or edit a base mesh layer element, following tools are available.

Tab. 17.1: Tools for mesh digitizing

Label	Purpose	Location
 Current Edits	Access to save, rollback or cancel changes in all or selected layers simultaneously	*Digitizing* toolbar
 Toggle to Edit	Turn on/off the layer in edit mode	*Digitizing* toolbar
 Save Edits	Save changes done to the layer	*Digitizing* toolbar
 Undo	Undo the last change(s) - `Ctrl+Z`	*Digitizing* toolbar
 Redo	Redo the last undone action(s) - `Ctrl+Shift+Z`	*Digitizing* toolbar
 Enable Advanced Digitizing tools	Turn on/off the *Advanced Digitizing Panel*	*Advanced Digitizing* toolbar
 Reindex Faces and Vertices	Recreate index and renumber the mesh elements for optimization	*Mesh* menu
 Digitize Mesh Elements	Select/Create vertices and faces	*Mesh Digitizing* toolbar
 Select Mesh Elements by Polygon	Select vertices and faces overlapped by a drawn polygon	*Mesh Digitizing* toolbar
 Select Mesh Elements by Expression	Select vertices and faces using an expression	*Mesh Digitizing* toolbar
 Transform Vertices Coordinates	Modify coordinates of a selection of vertices	*Mesh Digitizing* toolbar
 Force by Selected Geometries	Split faces and constrain Z value using a linear geometry	*Mesh Digitizing* toolbar

17.4.2 Exploring the Z value assignment logic

When a mesh layer is turned into edit mode, a *Vertex Z value* widget opens at the top right of the map canvas. By default, its value corresponds to the *Default Z value* set in *Settings* ► *Options* ► *Digitizing* tab. When there are selected vertices, the widget displays the average Z value of the selected vertices.

During editing, the *Vertex Z value* is assigned to new vertices. It is also possible to set a custom value: edit the widget, press `Enter` and you will override the default value and make use of this new value in the digitizing process. Click the  icon in the widget to reset its value to the Options default value.

Rules of assignment

When **creating** a new vertex, its Z value definition may vary depending on the active selection in the mesh layer and its location. The following table displays the various combinations.

Tab. 17.2: Matrix of Z value assignment to new vertex

Vertex creation	Are there selected vertices in mesh layer?	Source of assigned value	Assigned Z Value
„Free“ vertex, not connected to any face or edge of a face	No	*Vertex Z value*	Default or user defined
		Advanced Digitizing Panel (if *z* widget is in  Locked state)	*z* widget if in  Locked state
	Yes	*Vertex Z value*	Average of the selected vertices
Vertex on an edge	—	Mesh layer	Interpolated from the edge's vertices
Vertex on a face	—	Mesh layer	Interpolated from the face's vertices
Vertex snapped to a 2D vector feature	—	*Vertex Z value*	Default or user defined
Vertex snapped to a 3D vector vertex	—	Vector layer	Vertex
Vertex snapped to a 3D vector segment	—	Vector layer	Interpolated along the vector segment

Bemerkung: The *Vertex Z value* widget is deactivated if the *Advanced Digitizing Panel* is enabled and no mesh element is selected. The latter's *z* widget then rules the Z value assignment.

Modifying Z value of existing vertices

To modify the Z value of vertices, the most straightforward way is:

1. Select one or many vertices. The *Vertex Z value* widget will display the average height of the selection.
2. Change the value in the widget.
3. Press `Enter`. The entered value is assigned to the vertices and becomes the default value of next vertices.

Another way to change the Z value of a vertex is to move and snap it on a vector layer feature with the Z value capability. If more than one vertex are selected, the Z value can't be changed in this way.

The *Transform mesh vertices* dialog also provides means to modify the Z value of a selection of vertices (along with their X or Y coordinates).

17.4.3 Selecting mesh elements

Using *Digitize Mesh Elements*

Activate the  Digitize Mesh Elements tool. Hover over an element and it gets highlighted, allowing you to select it.

- Click on a vertex, and it is selected.
- Click on the small square at the center of a face or an edge, and it gets selected. Connected vertices are also selected. Conversely, selecting all the vertices of an edge or a face also selects that element.
- Drag a rectangle to select overlapping elements (a selected face comes with all their vertices). Press `Alt` key if you want to select only completely contained elements.
- To add elements to a selection, press `Shift` while selecting them.
- To remove an element from the selection, press `Ctrl` and reselect it. A deselected face will also deselect all their vertices.

Using *Select Mesh Elements by Polygon*

Activate the  Select Mesh Elements by Polygon tool and:

- Draw a polygon (left-click to add vertex, `Backspace` to undo last vertex, `Esc` to abort the polygon and right-click to validate it) over the mesh geometries. Any partially overlapping vertices and faces will get selected. Press `Alt` key while drawing if you want to select only completely contained elements.
- Right-click over the geometry of a vector layer's feature, select it in the list that pops up and any partially overlapping vertices and faces of the mesh layer will get selected. Use `Alt` while drawing to select only completely contained elements.
- To add elements to a selection, press `Shift` while selecting them.
- To remove an element from the selection, press `Ctrl` while drawing over the selection polygon.

Using *Select Mesh Elements by Expression*

Another tool for mesh elements selection is  Select Mesh Elements by Expression. When pressed, the tool opens the mesh *expression selector dialog* from which you can:

1. Select the method of selection:
   - *Select by vertices*: applies the entered expression to vertices, and returns matching ones and their eventually associated edges/faces
   - *Select by faces*: applies the entered expression to faces, and returns matching ones and their associated edges/vertices
2. Write the expression of selection. Depending on the selected method, available functions in the *Meshes group* will be filtered accordingly.
3. Run the query by setting how the selection should behave and pressing:
   -  *Select*: replaces any existing selection in the layer
   -  *Add to current selection*
   -  *Remove from current selection*

17.4.4 Modifying mesh elements

Adding vertices

To add vertices to a mesh layer:

1. Press the  Digitize mesh elements button
2. A *Vertex Z value* widget appears on the top right corner of the map canvas. Set this value to the Z coordinate you would like to assign to the subsequent vertices
3. Then double-click:
   - outside a face: adds a „free vertex“, that is a vertex not linked to any face. This vertex is represented by a red dot when the layer is in editing mode.
   - on the edge of existing face(s): adds a vertex on the edge, splits the face(s) into triangles connected to the new vertex
   - inside a face: splits the face into triangles whose edges connect the surrounding vertices to the new vertex.

Adding faces

To add faces to a mesh layer:

1. Press the  Digitize mesh elements button
2. A *Vertex Z value* widget appears on the top right corner of the map canvas. Set this value to the Z coordinate you would like to assign to the subsequent vertices.
3. Double-click to add a first vertex or move the cursor next to a vertex.
4. Click the small triangle that appears next to the vertex and move the cursor to the next vertex position; you can snap to existing vertex or double-click to add a new one.
5. Proceed as above to add as many vertices you wish for the face. Press `Backspace` button to undo the last vertex.
6. While moving the mouse, a rubberband showing the shape of the face is displayed. If it is shown in green, then the expected face is valid and you can right-click to add it to the mesh. If in red, the face is not valid (e.g. because it self-intersects, overlaps an existing face or vertex, …) and can't be added. You'd need to fix the geometry.
7. Press `Esc` to abort the face digitizing.
8. Right-click to validate the face.

Removing mesh elements

1. *Select the target elements*
2. Enable the  Digitize mesh elements tool
3. Right-click and select:
   - *Remove Selected Vertices and Fill Hole(s)* or press `Ctrl+Del`: removes vertices and linked faces and fills the hole(s) by triangulating from the neighbor vertices
   - *Remove Selected Vertices Without Filling Hole(s)* or press `Ctrl+Shift+Del`: removes vertices and linked faces and do not fill hole(s)
   - *Remove Selected Face(s)* or press `Shift+Del`: removes faces but keeps the vertices

These options are also accessible from the contextual menu when hovering over a single item without selecting.

Moving mesh elements

To move vertices and faces of a mesh layer:

1. *Select the target elements*
2. Enable the  Digitize mesh elements tool
3. To start moving the element, click on a vertex or the centroid of a face/edge
4. Move the cursor to the target location (snapping to vector features is supported).
5. If the new location does not generate an invalid mesh, the moved elements appear in green. Click again to release them at this location. Faces whose vertices are all selected are translated, their neighbors are reshaped accordingly.

Transforming mesh vertices

The  Transform Vertices Coordinates tool gives a more advanced way to move vertices, by editing their X, Y and/or Z coordinates thanks to expressions.

1. Select the vertices you want to edit the coordinates
2. Press  Transform Vertices Coordinates. A dialog opens with a mention of the number of selected vertices. You can still add or remove vertices from the selection.
3. Depending on the properties you want to modify, you need to check the *X coordinate*, *Y coordinate* and/or *Z value*.
4. Then enter the target position in the box, either as a numeric value or an expression (using the  Expression dialog)
5. With the  Import Coordinates of the Selected Vertex pressed, the X, Y and Z boxes are automatically filled with its coordinates whenever a single vertex is selected. A convenient and quick way to adjust vertices individually.
6. Press *Preview Transform* to simulate the vertices new location and preview the mesh with transformation.
   - If the preview is green, transformed mesh is valid and you can apply the transformation.
   - If the preview is red, the transformed mesh is invalid and you can not apply the transformation until it is corrected.
7. Press *Apply Transform* to modify the selected coordinates for the set of vertices.

Reshaping mesh geometry

The contextual menu

1. Enable the  Digitize mesh elements
2. Select mesh item(s), or not
3. Hover over a mesh element, it gets highlighted.
4. Right-click and you can:
   - *remove the item(s)*
   - *Split Selected Face(s)* (*Split Current Face*): splits the face you are hovering over or each selected quad mesh faces into two triangles
   - *Delaunay Triangulation with Selected vertices*: builds triangular faces using selected free vertices.

- *Refine Selected Face(s)* (*Refine Current Face*): splits the face into four faces, based on vertices added at the middle of each edge (a triangle results into triangles, a quad into quads). Also triangulates adjacent faces connected to the new vertices.

The edge markers

When the Digitize mesh elements is active and you hover over an edge, the edge is highlighted and it is possible to interact with it. Depending on the context, following markers may be available:

- a **square**, at the center of the edge: click on it to select extremity vertices.
- a **cross** if the two faces on either side can be merged: click on it to delete the edge and merge the faces.
- a **circle** if the edge is between two triangles: Click on it to flip the edge, i.e. connect it instead to the two other „free“ vertices of the faces

The *Force by Selected Geometries* tool

The Force by Selected Geometries tool provides advanced ways to apply break lines using lines geometry. A break line will force the mesh to have edges along the line. Note that the break line will not be considered persistent once the operation is done; resulting edges will not act as constraints anymore and can be modified like any other edge. This can be used for example to locally modify a mesh layer with accurate lines, as river banks or border of road embankments.

1. Enable the Force by Selected Geometries tool
2. Indicate the geometry to use as „forcing line“; it can be:
   - picked from a line or polygon feature in the map canvas: right-click over the vector feature and select it from the list in the contextual menu.
   - a virtual line drawn over the mesh frame: left-click to add vertices, right-click for validation. Vertices Z value is set through the *Vertex Z value* widget or the *z* widget if the *Advanced Digitizing Panel* is on. If the line is snapped to a mesh vertex or a 3D vector feature's vertex or segment, the new vertex takes the snapped element Z value.

Mesh faces that overlap the line geometry or the polygon's boundary will be affected in a way that depends on options you can set from the Force by Selected Geometries tool drop-down menu:

- *Add new vertex on intersecting edges*: with this option, a new vertex is added each time the forcing line intersect an edge. This option leads to split along the line each encountered faces.

  Without this option, encountered faces are removed and replaced by faces coming from a triangulation with only the existing vertices plus the vertices of the forcing lines (new vertices are also added on the boundary edge intersecting the forcing lines).

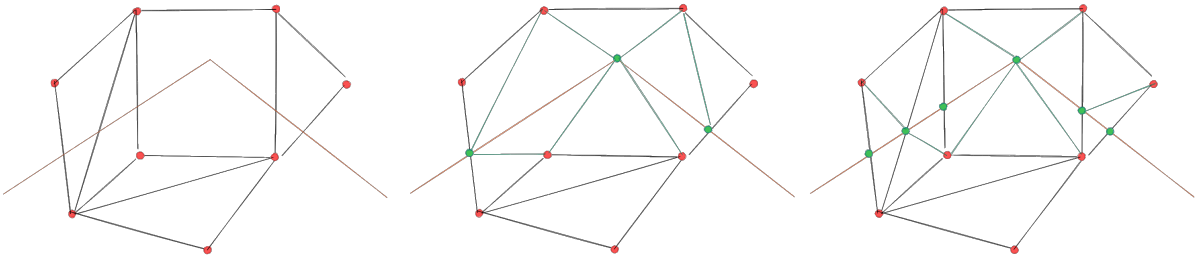


Abb. 17.12: Force Mesh using a line geometry - Results without (middle) and with (right) new vertex on edges intersection

- *Interpolate Z value from*: set how the new vertices Z value is calculated. It can be from:
  - the *Mesh* itself: the new vertices Z value is interpolated from vertices of the face they fall within
  - or the *Forcing line*: if the line is defined by a 3D vector feature or a drawn line then the new vertices Z value is derived from its geometry. In case of 2D line feature, the new vertices Z value is the *Vertex Z value*.
- *Tolerance*: when an existing mesh vertex is closer to the line than the tolerance value, do not create new vertex on the line but use the existing vertex instead. The value can be set in *Meters at Scale* or in *Map Units* (more details at *Unit Selector*).

17.4.5 Reindexing meshes

During edit, and in order to allow quick undo/redo operations, QGIS keeps empty places for deleted elements, which may lead to growing memory use and inefficient mesh structuring. The *Mesh* ► *Reindex Faces and Vertices* tool is designed to remove these holes and renumber the indices of faces and vertices so that they are continuous and somewhat reasonably ordered. This optimizes relation between faces and vertices and increases the efficiency of calculation.

Bemerkung: The *Reindex Faces and Vertices* tool saves the layer and clear the undo/redo stacks, disabling any rollback.

17.5 Mesh Calculator

The *Mesh Calculator* tool from the top *Mesh* menu allows you to perform arithmetic and logical calculations on existing dataset groups to generate a new dataset group (see Abb. 17.13).

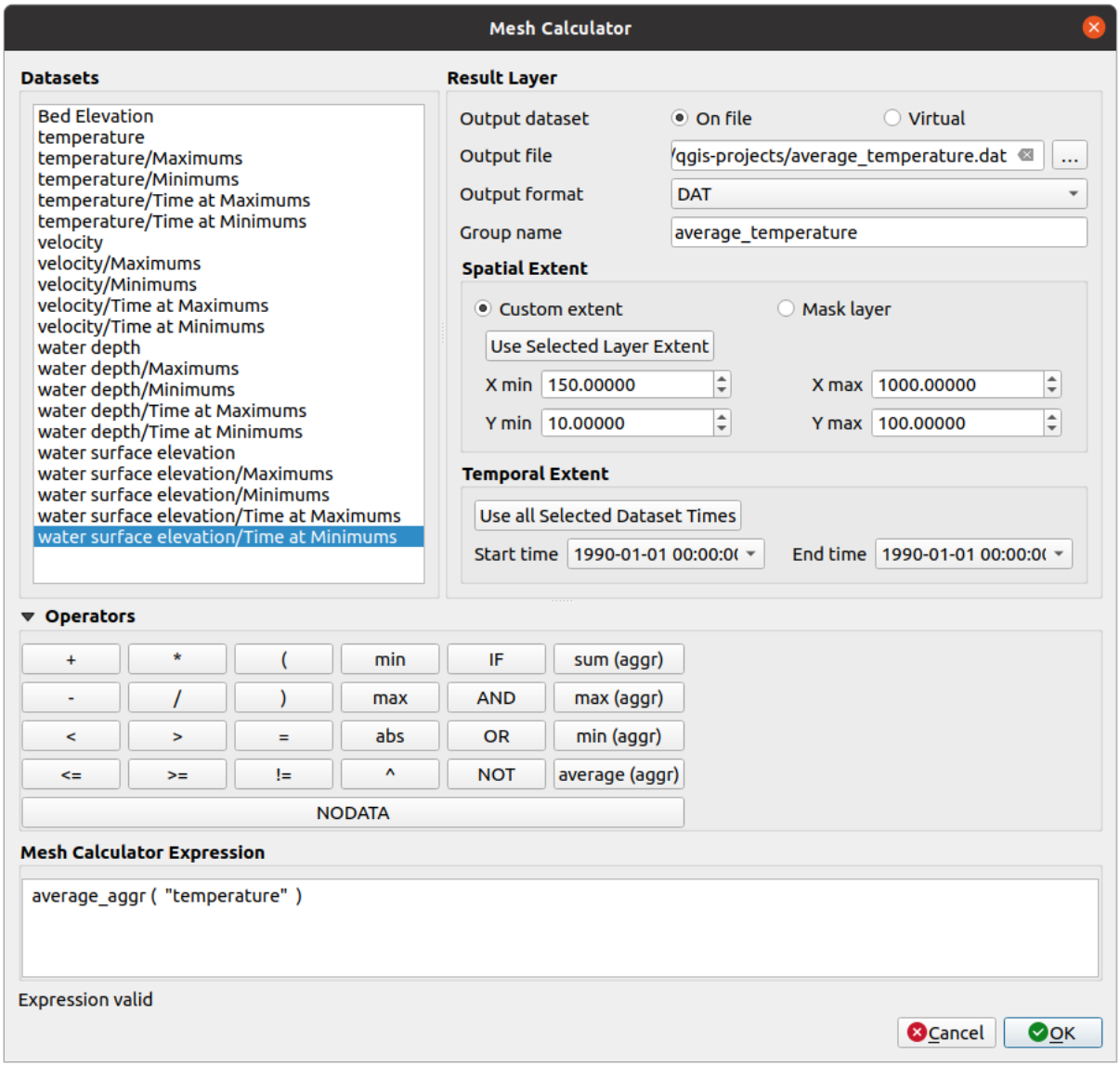


Abb. 17.13: Mesh Calculator

The *Datasets* list contains all dataset groups in the active mesh layer. To use a dataset group in an expression, double click its name in the list and it will be added to the *Mesh calculator expression* field. You can then use the operators to construct calculation expressions, or you can just type them into the box.

The *Result Layer* helps you configure properties of the output layer:

- *Create on-the-fly dataset group instead of writing layer to disk*:
  - If unchecked, the output is stored on disk as a new plain file. An *Output File* path and an *Output Format* are required.
  - If checked, a new dataset group will be added to the mesh layer. Values of the dataset group are not stored in memory but each dataset is calculated when needed with the formula entered in the mesh calculator. That virtual dataset group is saved with the project, and if needed, it can be removed or made persistent in file from the layer *Source* properties tab.

  In either case, you should provide a *Group Name* for the output dataset group.
- The *Spatial extent* to consider for calculation can be:
  - a *Custom extent*, manually filled with the *X min*, *X max*, *Y min* and *Y max* coordinate, or extracted from an existing dataset group (select it in the list and press *Use selected layer extent* to fill the abovementioned

coordinate fields)

  - defined by a polygon layer (*Mask layer*) of the project: the polygon features geometry are used to clip the mesh layer datasets

- The *Temporal extent* to take into account for datasets can be set with the *Start time* and *End time* options, selected from the existing dataset groups timesteps. They can also be filled using the *Use all selected dataset times* button to take the whole range.

The *Operators* section contains all available operators. To add an operator to the mesh calculator expression box, click the appropriate button. Mathematical calculations (`+`, `-`, `*`, ...) and statistical functions (`min`, `max`, `sum (aggr)`, `average (aggr)`, ...) are available. Conditional expressions (`=`, `!=`, `<`, `>=`, `IF`, `AND`, `NOT`, ...) return either 0 for false and 1 for true, and therefore can be used with other operators and functions. The `NODATA` value can also be used in the expressions.

The *Mesh Calculator Expression* widget shows and lets you edit the expression to execute.

KAPITEL 18

Arbeiten mit Vektorkacheln (Vector Tiles)

18.1 Was sind Vektorkacheln?

Bei Vektorkacheln handelt es sich um Pakete mit geographischen Daten, die in vordefinierte ungefähr quadratische „Kacheln“ gepackt wurden, um sie über das Internet zu übertragen. Sie kombinieren vorgerenderte Raster- und Vektorkartenkacheln. Der Vektorkachelserver schickt anstelle eines vorgerenderten Kartenbilds vektorbasierte Kartendaten, die auf die Grenzen der Kacheln zugeschnitten wurden. Die zugeschnittenen Kacheln stellen die Maßstabsebenen des Vektorkacheldienstes dar und werden über einen Pyramidenansatz abgeleitet. Mit dieser Datenstruktur wird die Menge der zu übertragenden Daten gegenüber einem ungekachelten Vektordatensatz verringert. Es müssen nämlich nur die Daten des aktuellen Kartenausschnitts im aktuellen Maßstab übermittelt werden. Gegenüber einem gekachelten Rasterdatensatz wird die Datenübertragungsrate auch erheblich reduziert, weil Vektordaten typischerweise deutlich kleiner als eine Bilddatei sind. Vektorkacheln haben keine Darstellungsinformationen, so dass QGIS einen Darstelllungsstil anwenden muss, um die Daten darzustellen.

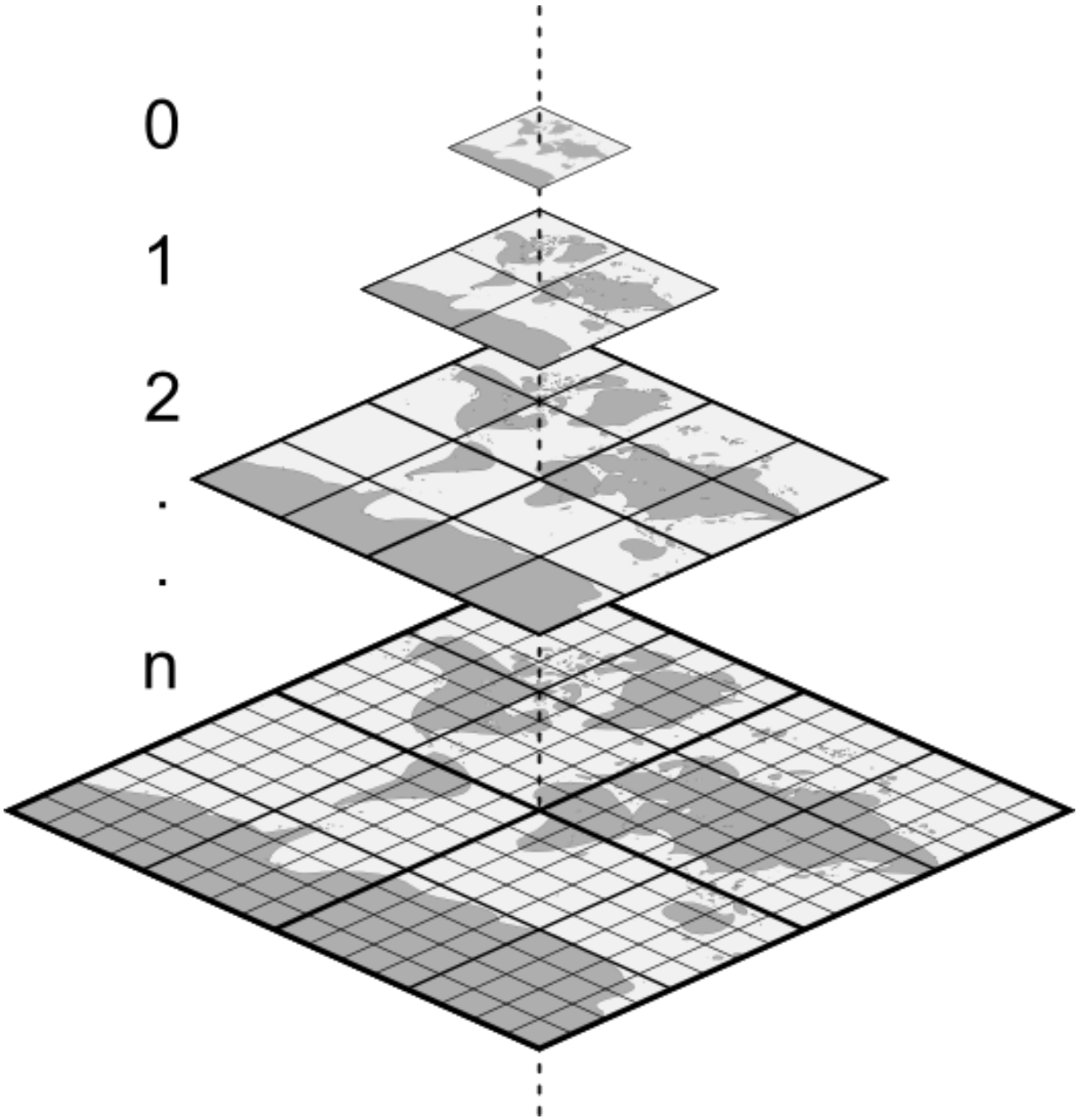


Abb. 18.1: Pyramidenstruktur eines Vektorkacheldatensatzes mit Maßstabsebenen

18.2 Unterstützte Formate

Vektorkacheln werden in folgenden Formaten unterstützt:

- entfernte Quellen (HTTP/S) - im XYZ-Muster - `type=xyz&url=http://example.com/{z}/{x}/{y}.pbf`
- lokale Dateien - im XYZ-Muster - z.B. `type=xyz&url=file:///path/to/tiles/{z}/{x}/{y}.pbf`
- eine lokale MBTile-Datenbank - z.B. `type=mbtiles&url=file:///path/to/file.mbtiles`

Sie laden einen Vektorkacheldatensatz in QGIS über den Tab *Vector Tile* im Dialog *Datenquellenverwaltung* . Lesen Sie *Using Vector Tiles services* wie Sie dabei im Detail vorgehen.

18.3 Eigenschaften von Vektorkacheldatensätzen

18.3.1 Eigenschaften im Tab Information

Der Tab *Information* kann nicht editiert werden und ist ein guter Platz, um schnell zusammengefasste Informationen und Metadaten des aktuellen Layers nachzuschlagen. Hier erhalten Sie folgende Informationen:

- auf der Grundlage des Providers des Layers: Name, URI, Typ und Pfad der Datenquelle, Anzahl der Maßstabsebenen
- das Koordinatenbezugssystem: Name, Einheiten, Methode, Genauigkeit, Referenz (d.h., ob es statisch oder dynamisch ist)
- von dem was bei den *Metadaten* ausgefüllt wurde: Zugang, Ausdehnung, Links, Kontakt, Protokoll…

18.3.2 Eigenschaften der Tabs Symbolisierung und Beschriftung

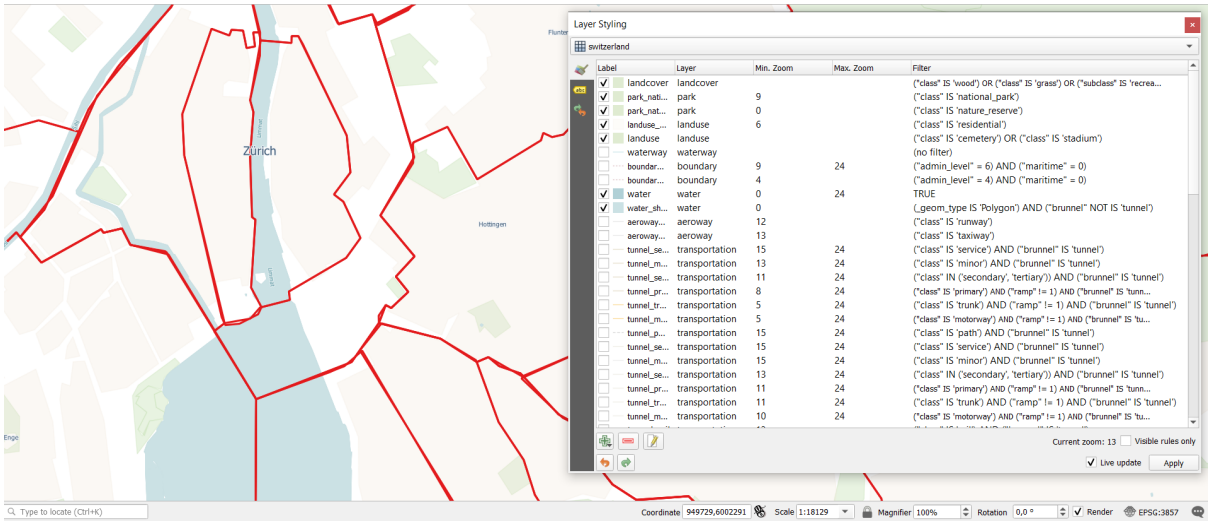


Abb. 18.2: Symbolisierung von Vektorkachellayern

Da Vektorkacheln aus Punkt-, Linien- und Polygongeometrien bestehen, sind die entsprechenden Symbole verfügbar. Um einen Darstellungsstil anzuwenden, müssen Sie eine *Stil-URL* angeben, wenn Sie die *Vektorkachelverbindung* einrichten. Die Symboldarstellung wird sofort im Tab  *Symbolisierung* angezeigt, nachdem Sie auf die Schaltfläche *OK* geklickt haben.

Um Ihren eigenen Darstellungsstil zu erzeugen, können Sie einen Satz von *Regeln* für Objekte festlegen und Symbolisierung und Beschriftung anwenden. In Abb. 18.2 bauen wir eine Symbolisierung und eine Beschriftung für den Layer `landuse` von OpenStreetMap. Die Einstellungen werden hier für die Klasse `suburb` gemacht. Die meisten Regeln sind ausgeschaltet, um die Sichtbarkeit zu verbessern.

Unten im Fenster sehen Sie den *Aktuellen Zoom*. Haken Sie die Option *Nur sichtbare Regeln* an, um die Regelliste auf diejenigen einzuschränken, die im aktuellen Zoom sichtbar sind. Das erleichtert es Ihnen, mit komplexen Vektorstilen zu arbeiten und hilft Ihnen, problematische Regeln zu identifizieren. Symbolisierung und Beschriftung können vom Zoom abhängen.

Sie können Stile auch importieren. Diese können Sie in folgenden Formaten zur Verfügung stellen:

- *QML* Dateien (*QML - Das QGIS-Stil-Dateiformat*)
- *MapBox GL Json* Stildateien

18.3.3 Eigenschaften im Tab Metadaten

Der Tab  *Metadaten* ermöglicht es Ihnen, Metadaten für Ihren Layer zu erstellen oder zu editieren. Siehe *Metadata* für weitere Informationen.

KAPITEL 19

Kartenlayout

Mit Drucklayouts und Berichten können Sie Karten und Kartenserien (Atlas) erzeugen und sie entweder ausdrucken oder als Bild, PDF- oder SVG-Datei speichern.

19.1 Überblick über das Drucklayout

The print layout provides growing layout and printing capabilities. It allows you to add elements such as the QGIS map canvas, text labels, images, legends, scale bars, basic shapes, arrows, attribute tables and HTML frames. You can size, group, align, position and rotate each element and adjust their properties to create your layout. The layout can be printed or exported to image formats, PostScript, PDF or to SVG. You can save the layout as a template and load it again in another session. Finally, generating several maps based on a template can be done through the atlas generator.

19.1.1 Sample Session for beginners

Bevor Sie mit dem Drucklayout anfangen zu arbeiten, müssen Sie einige Raster- oder Vektorlayer in das QGIS Kartenfenster laden und deren Eigenschaften Ihren Wünschen anpassen. Wenn alles nach Ihren Wünschen dargestellt und symbolisiert ist, klicken Sie das auf die Schaltfläche **|newComposer|** Neues Drucklayout in der Werkzeugleiste oder wählen Sie *Projekt* ► *Neues Drucklayout*. Sie werden aufgefordert einen Titel für das neue Layout auszuwählen.

Um zu zeigen wie man eine Karte erstellt folgen Sie den nächsten Anweisungen.

1. On the left side, select the Add map toolbar button and draw a rectangle on the canvas holding down the left mouse button. Inside the drawn rectangle the QGIS map view to the canvas.
2. Select the Add scalebar toolbar button and click with the left mouse button on the print layout canvas. A scalebar will be added to the canvas.
3. Select the Add legend toolbar button and draw a rectangle on the canvas holding down the left mouse button. Inside the drawn rectangle the legend will be drawn.
4. Wählen Sie das Den Elementinhalt verschieben Icon um die Karte auszuwählen und verschieben Sie es ein bisschen.
5. Während das Kartenelement noch ausgewählt ist, können Sie auch seine Größe verändern. Dazu klicken Sie in eins der weißen kleinen Rechtecke in einer der Ecken des Kartenelements, halten Sie die linke Maustaste gedrückt und verschieben Sie das Rechteck an einen neuen Ort.

6. Klicken Sie den Reiter *Elementeigenschaften* im linken unteren Bedienfeld und suchen Sie die Einstellung für die Kartendrehung. Ändern Sie den Wert der Einstellung *Kartendrehung* auf ‚15.00°'. Sie sollten sehen, wie der Drehwinkel des Kartenelements sich ändert.
7. Jetzt können Sie Ihr Drucklayout mit den Exportwerkzeugen im Menü *Layout* ausdrucken oder in ein Bildformat, nach PDF oder SVG exportieren.
8. Schließlich können Sie Ihr Drucklayout mit der Schaltfläche Projekt speichern innerhalb der Projektdatei speichern.

Sie können dem Drucklayout mehrere Elemente hinzufügen. Es ist auch möglich, dass es mehr als eine Karten-, Legenden- oder Maßstabselement enthält, und das auf einer oder mehreren Seiten. Jedes Element hat seine eigenen Eigenschaften und, im Fall der Karte, seine eigenen Ausmaße. Wenn Sie ein Element aus der Zusammenstellungsansicht entfernen wollen, können Sie das mit den Tasten `Entf` oder `Rücktaste` tun.

19.1.2 Layoutverwaltung

Die *Layoutverwaltung* ist das Hauptfenster, um Drucklayouts innerhalb des Prohjekts zu verwalten. Sie gibt Ihnen eine Übersicht über die vorhandenen Layouts und Berichte im Projekt und bietet folgende Werkzeuge:

- search for a layout;
- ein neues Drucklayout oder einen neuen Bericht auf der Basis der leeren oder einer bestimmten Vorlage erzeugen oder ein bereits vorhandenes duplizieren;
- eins davon umbenennen oder löschen;
- um sie im Projekt zu öffnen.

So öffnen Sie die Maske Layout-Verwaltung:

- Im QGIS-Hauptfenster wählen Sie im Menü *Project* ► *Layout-Verwaltung…* oder klicken Sie auf die Schaltfläche Layout-Verwaltung in der *Projektwerkzeugleiste*;
- im Drucklayout oder im Berichtsfenster wählen Sie im Menü *Layout* ► *Layout-Verwaltung…* oder klicken Sie auf die Schaltfläche Layouverwaltung in der *Layout-Werkzeugleiste*.

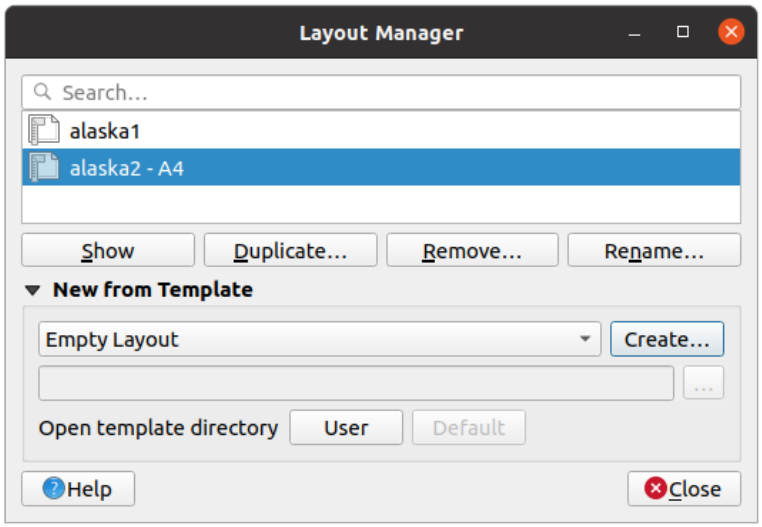


Abb. 19.1: Die Layout-Verwaltung

Die Layout-Verwaltung listet im oberen Teil alle im Projekt verfügbaren Drucklayouts oder Berichte auf und bietet folgende Werkzeuge:

- Anzeigen: Sie können mehrere Drucklayouts und/oder Berichte auswählen und sie mit einem Klick öffnen. Ein Doppelklick auf den Namen öffnet auch;
- das ausgewählte Drucklayout oder den ausgewählten Bericht duplizieren (setzt voraus, dass ein einzelner Eintrag ist ausgewählt ist): erzeugt ein neues Fenster und benutzt das ausgewählte Element als Vorlage. Sie werden dazu aufgefordert, einen neuen Titel für das Layout zu vergeben;
- das ausgewählte Drucklayout oder den ausgewählten Bericht umbenennen (setzt voraus, dass ein einzelner Eintrag ist ausgewählt ist): Sie werden dazu aufgefordert, einen neuen Titel für das Layout zu vergeben;
- das Layout entfernen: das (oder die) ausgewählte(n) Layout(s) wird (werden) aus dem Projekt gelöscht.

Im unteren Teil können Sie neue Drucklayouts oder Berichte erzeugen und dabei eine Vorlage benutzen. In der Voreinstellung wird QGIS die Vorlagen im Nutzerprofil und den Vorlagenverzeichnissen der Anwendung suchen (sie sind mit den beiden Schaltflächen unten im Fenster zugänglich) aber auch in jedem Verzeichnis, das in *Einstellungen* ► *Optionen* ► *Layouts* als *Pfad(e) um nach zusätzlichen Druckvorlagen zu suchen* eingetragen wurde. Alle gefundenen Vorlagen werden im Auswahlfeld angezeigt. Wählen Sie eine aus und drücken Sie auf die Schaltfläche *Erzeugen…*, um einen neuen Bericht oder ein neues Drucklayout zu erzeugen.

Sie können auch Vorlagen aus einem eigenen Verzeichnus benutzen; in diesem Fall wählen Sie *Bestimmtes* aus dem Auswahlfeld, gehen Sie im Dateisystem zur Vorlage und drücken Sie *Erzeugen…*.

Tipp: So erzeugen Sie Drucklayouts im Bedienfeld Browser aus Vorlagen heraus

Das Einfügen einer Vorlagendatei `.qpt` per drag and drop aus dem Dateimanager in das Kartenfenster oder ein Doppelklick darauf im *Bedienfeld Browser* erzeugt ein neues Drucklayout aus der Vorlagendatei.

19.1.3 Menüs, Werkzeuge und Bedienfelder des Drucklayouts

Das Öffnen des Drucklayouts bietet Ihnen eine leere Zeichenfläche, die den ausgedruckten Papierbogen darstellt. In der Starteinstellungen finden Sie links neben der Zeichenfläche Schaltflächen, um Elemente des Drucklayouts hinzuzufügen; die aktuelle QGIS Kartenansicht, Beschriftungen, Bilder, Legenden, Maßstäbe, einfache Formen, Pfeile, Attributtabellen und HTML-Rahmen. In dieser Werkzeugleiste finden Sie auch Schaltflächen zum Navigieren, Zoomen in einen Bereich und zum Verschieben der Ansicht im Layout sowie Schaltflächen, um ein Element auszuwählen und den Inhalt des Kartenelements zu verschieben.

Abb. 19.2 shows the initial view of the print layout before any elements are added.

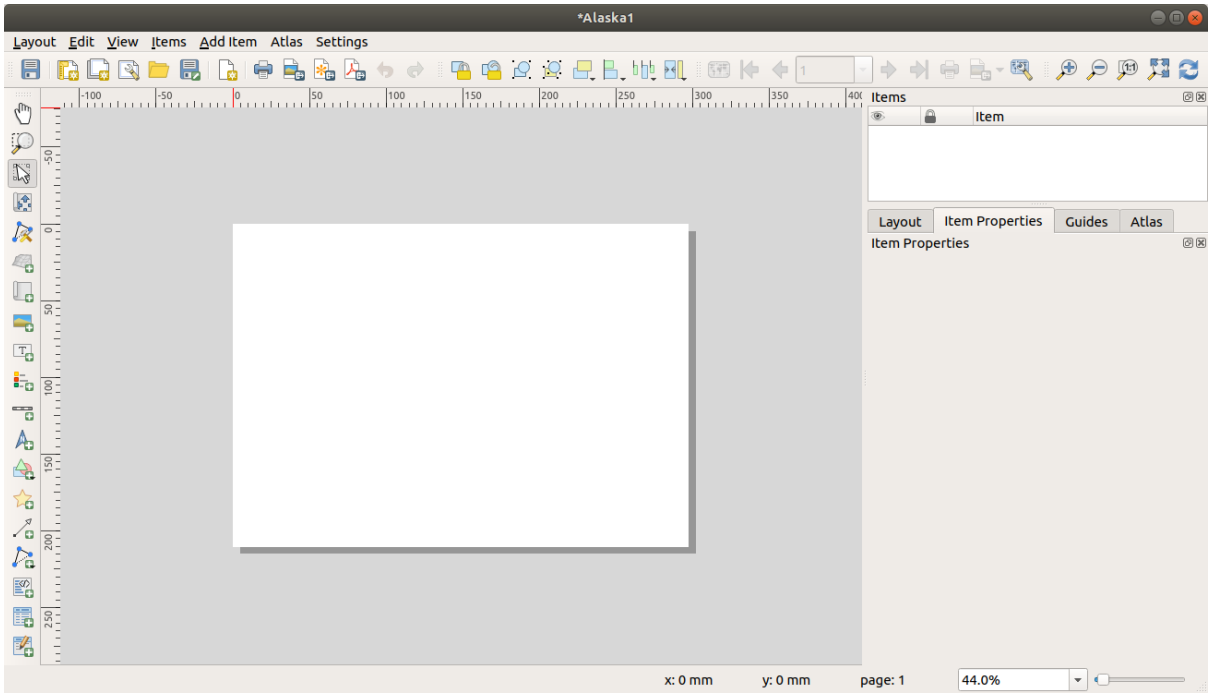


Abb. 19.2: Drucklayout

Rechts von der Zeichenfläche finden Sie zwei Bedienfelder. Das obere enthält die Reiter *Elemente* und *Rücknahmeprotokoll* und das untere Bedienfeld enthält die Reiter *Layout*, *Elementeigenschaften* und *Atlas*.

- Der Reiter *Elemente* enthält eine Liste aller Elemente, die der Zeichenfläche hinzugefügt wurden (siehe *The Items Panel* für weitere Informationen).
- Der Reiter *Rücknahmeprotokoll* Reiter stellt den Verlauf aller Änderungen, die am Drucklayout durchgeführt wurden, dar. Mit einem Mausklick ist es möglich, Layoutschritte vorwärts oder rückwärts bis zu einem bestimmten Status rückgängig zu machen oder wiederherzustellen.
- Im Reiter *Layout* können Sie allgemeine Parameter einstellen, die auf das Layout angewendet werden, wenn Sie es exportieren oder darin arbeiten (siehe *The Layout Panel* für eine genauere Beschreibung);
- Der Reiter *Elementeigenschaften* enthält die Eigenschaften für das ausgewählte Element. Klicken Sie auf die Schaltfläche Eintrag wählen/verschieben, um ein Element in der Zeichenfläche auszuwählen (z.B. eine Legende, einen Maßstab oder eine Beschriftung). Klicken Sie dann den Reiter *Elementeigenschaften* an und passen Sie die Einstellungen für das ausgewählte Element an (siehe *Layout-Elemente* für eine genauere Beschreibung über die Einstellungen jedes Elements).
- Der Reiter *Atlas* ermöglicht es Ihnen, einen Atlas für das aktuelle Drucklayout zu erzeugen und gibt Ihnen Zugang zu seinen Einstellungen (siehe *Einen Atlas erzeugen* für eine genauere Beschreibung der Erzeugung eines Atlas).

Im unteren Teil des Drucklayoutfensters können Sie eine Statusleiste mit der Mausposition, der aktuellen Seitenanzahl, ein Auswahlfeld zum Einstellen der Zoomstufe, die Anzahl der gewählten Objekte (falls eine Auswahl vorhanden ist) und im Falle einer Atlaserzeugung, die Anzahl der Atlasobjekte, finden.

Im oberen Teil des Drucklayoutfensters finden Sie Menüs und Werkzeugleisten. Alle Werkzeuge des Drucklayouts sind über Menüs und Schaltflächen in der Werkzeugleiste verfügbar.

Die Werkzeugleisten und Reiter können an- und ausgeschaltet werden, indem Sie mit der rechten Maustaste in eine Werkzeugleiste klicken oder über das Menü *Ansicht* ► *Werkzeugleiste* oder *Ansicht*► *Bedienfelder*.

Menüs und Werkzeuge

Das Menü Layout

Mit den Einträgen im Menü *Layout* können Sie das Layout verwalten:

- Speichern Sie die Projektdatei direkt aus dem Drucklayout heraus.
- Erzeugen Sie mit dem Eintrag *Neues Layout…* ein neues leeres Drucklayout.
- *Layout duplizieren…* : Erzeugen Sie ein neues Drucklayout als Duplikat des aktuellen.
- Lööschen Sie mit dem Eintrag *Layout löschen…* das aktuelle Layout.
- Öffnen Sie die Layout-Verwaltung mit *Layout-Verwaltung…*.
- Öffnen Sie ein vorhandenes Drucklayout mit *Layouts* ►.

Wenn Sie das Layout fertig gestaltet haben, speichern Sie seinen aktuellen Zustand mit *Als Vorlage speichern* in eine `.qpt` Vorlagendatei und laden Sie seine Elemente mit *Elemente zur Vorlage hinzufügen…* (Übersetzungshinweis: muss richtig heißen „aus Vorlage“) in einer anderen Sitzung/in ein anderes Drucklayout wieder hinein.

Im Menü *Layout* gibt es auch sehr mächtige Werkzeuge, um geographische Indormationen, die mit QGIS erzeugt wurden, verfügbar zu machen, so dass sie in Berichte eingebunden oder publiziert werden können. Diese Werkzeug sind *Als Bild exportieren…*, *Als PDF exportieren…*, *Als SVGexportieren…* und *Drucken…*.

Unten ist eine Liste aller verfügbaren Werkzeuge in diesem Menü mit einigen hilfreichen Informationen.

Werkzeug	Tastenkürzel	Werkzeugleiste	Referenz
Projekt speichern	`Strg+S`	*Layout*	*Vorstellung von QGIS-Projekten*
Neues Layout	`Strg+N`	*Layout*	*Layoutverwaltung*
Layout duplizieren		*Layout*	*Layoutverwaltung*
Layout löschen			
Layout-Verwaltung…		*Layout*	*Layoutverwaltung*
Layouts ►			
Layouteigenschaften…			*The Layout Panel*
Layout umbenennen…			
Seiten hinzufügen…		*Layout*	*Working with the page properties*
Elemente aus Vorlage hinzufügen		*Layout*	*Creating a layout item*
Als Vorlage speichern…		*Layout*	*Layoutverwaltung*
Als Bild exportieren…		*Layout*	*Speichern als Rasterbild*
Als SVG exportieren…		*Layout*	*Als SVG exportieren*
Als PDF exportieren…		*Layout*	*Als PDF exportieren*
Seiteneinstellungen…	`Strg+Umschalt+P`		
Drucken…	`Strg+P`	*Layout*	*Eine Ausgabe erzeugen*
Schließen	`Strg+Q`		

Menü Bearbeiten

Das Menü *Bearbeiten* bietet Ihnen Werkzeuge, um Drucklayouts zu bearbeiten. Das beinhaltet gägnige Aufgaben wie Auswahlwerkzeuge, Kopieren/Ausschneiden/Einfügen und die Funktionen Rückgängig/Wiederherstellen (siehe *The Undo History Panel: Revert and Restore actions*) für Elemente im Layout.

Wenn Sie die Aktion Einfügen benutzen, werden die Elemente an der aktuellen Position des Mauszeigers eingefügt. Wenn Sie den Menüpunkt *Bearbeiten* ► *Durch Einfügen ersetzen* (Übersetzungshinweis: muss richtig „An der Originalposition einfügen“ o.ä. heißen) oder das Tastenkürzel `Strg+Umschalt+V` drücken, werden die Elemente auf die aktuelle Seite an der Position eingefügt, an der sie auch auf ihrer Originalseite platziert waren. Damit kann sichergestellt werden, dass kopierte Elemente von Seite zu Seite an genau die selbe Stelle eingefügt werden.

Unten ist eine Liste aller verfügbaren Werkzeuge in diesem Menü mit einigen hilfreichen Informationen.

Tab. 19.1: Available Tools

Werkzeug	Tastenkürzel	Werkzeugkiste	Referenz
Rückgängig (letze Änderung)	`Strg+Z`	*Layout*	*The Undo History Panel: Revert and Restore actions*
Wiederherstellen (der letzten rückgängig gemachten Änderung)	`Strg+Y`	*Layout*	*The Undo History Panel: Revert and Restore actions*
Löschen	`Entf`		
Ausschneiden	`Strg+X`		
Kopieren	`Strg+C`		
Einfügen	`Strg+V`		
Durch Einfügen ersetzen	`Strg+Shift+V`		
Alles wählen	`Strg+A`		
Alles abwählen	`Strg+Umschalt+A`		
Auswahl umkehren			
Nächstes Elemente darunter wählen	`Strg+Alt+[`		
Nächstes Elemente darüber wählen	`Strg+Alt+]`		
Layout verschieben	`P`	*Werkzeugkiste*	
Zoom	`Z`	*Werkzeugkiste*	
Eintrag wählen/verschieben	`V`	*Werkzeugkiste*	*Interacting with layout items*
Inhalt verschieben	`C`	*Werkzeugkiste*	*Das Kartenelement*
Knotenelement bearbeiten		*Werkzeugkiste*	*Das Knotenelement*

Menü Ansicht

The *View* menu gives access to navigation tools and helps to configure general behavior of the print layout. Beside the common zoom tools, you have means to:

- Refresh view (if you find the view in an inconsistent state);
- enable a *grid* you could snap items to when moving or creating them. Grids setting is done in *Settings* ► *Layout Options…* or in the *Layout Panel*;
- enable *guides* you could snap items to when moving or creating them. Guides are red lines that you can create by clicking in the ruler (above or at the left side of the layout) and drag and drop to the desired location;
- *Smart Guides*: uses other layout items as guides to dynamically snap to as you move or reshape an item;

- *Clear Guides* to remove all current guides;
- *Show Bounding box* around the items to better identify your selection;
- *Show Rules* around the layout;
- *Show Pages* or set up pages to transparent. Often layout is used to create non-print layouts, e.g. for inclusion in presentations or other documents, and it's desirable to export the composition using a totally transparent background. It's sometimes referred to as „infinite canvas" in other editing packages.

In the print layout, you can change the zoom level using the mouse wheel or the slider and combo box in the status bar. If you need to switch to pan mode while working in the layout area, you can hold the `Spacebar` or the mouse wheel. With `Ctrl+Spacebar`, you can temporarily switch to Zoom In mode, and with `Ctrl+Alt+Spacebar`, to Zoom Out mode.

Panels and toolbars can be enabled from the *View* ► menu. To maximise the space available to interact with a composition you can check the *View* ► *Toggle Panel Visibility* option or press `Ctrl+Tab`; all panels are hidden and only previously visible panels are restored when unchecked.

It's also possible to switch to a full screen mode to have more space to interact with by pressing `F11` or using *View* ► *Toggle Full Screen*.

Werkzeug	Tastenkürzel	Werkzeugleiste	Referenz
Refresh	`F5`	*Navigation*	
Preview ►			
Hineinzoomen	`Ctrl++`	*Navigation*	
Herauszoomen	`Ctrl+-`	*Navigation*	
Zoom to 100%	`Ctrl+1`	*Navigation*	
Volle Ausdehnung	`Ctrl+0`	*Navigation*	
Zoom to Width			
Show Grid	`Ctrl+'`		*Guides and Grid*
Snap to Grid	`Ctrl+Shift+'`		*Guides and Grid*
Show Guides	`Ctrl+;`		*Guides and Grid*
Snap to Guides	`Ctrl+Shift+;`		*Guides and Grid*
Smart Guides	`Ctrl+Alt+;`		
Manage Guides…			*The Guides Panel*
Clear Guides			*The Guides Panel*
Show Rulers	`Ctrl+R`		
Show Bounding Boxes	`Strg+Shift+B`		
Show Pages			
Werkzeugkästen ►			*Bedienfelder und Werkzeugkästen*
Bedienfelder ►			*Bedienfelder und Werkzeugkästen*
Toggle Full Screen	`F11`		*Ansicht*
Toggle Panel Visibility	`Ctrl+Tab`		*Ansicht*

Items menu

The *Items* helps you configure items' position in the layout and the relations between them (see *Interacting with layout items*).

Werkzeug	Tastenkürzel	Werkzeugleiste	Referenz
Group	`Ctrl+G`	*Actions*	*Grouping items*
Ungroup	`Ctrl+Shift+G`	*Actions*	*Grouping items*
Raise	`Ctrl+]`	*Actions*	*Ausrichtung*
Lower	`Ctrl+[`	*Actions*	*Ausrichtung*
Bring to Front	`Ctrl+Shift+]`	*Actions*	*Ausrichtung*
Send to Back	`Ctrl+Shift+[`	*Actions*	*Ausrichtung*
Lock Selected Items	`Ctrl+L`	*Actions*	*Locking items*
Unlock All	`Ctrl+Shift+L`	*Actions*	*Locking items*
Align Items ►		*Actions*	*Ausrichtung*
Distribute Items ►		*Actions*	*Moving and resizing items*
Resize ►		*Actions*	*Moving and resizing items*

Druck-Werkzeugkiste

Dies sind Werkzeuge zum Erstellen von Kartenelementen. Jedes dieser Werkzeuge wird im Kapitel *Layout-Elemente* ausführlich beschrieben.

Werkzeug	Werkzeugleiste	Referenz
Karte hinzufügen	*Werkzeugkiste*	*Das Kartenelement*
3D-Karte hinzufügen	*Werkzeugkiste*	*Das 3D Kartenelement*
Bild hinzufügen	*Werkzeugkiste*	*Das Bildelement*
Beschriftung hinzufügen	*Werkzeugkiste*	*Das Beschriftungselement*
Add Dynamic Text ►		*The Label Item*
Legende hinzufügen	*Werkzeugkiste*	*Das Legendenelement*
Maßstab hinzufügen	*Werkzeugkiste*	*Das Maßstabselement*
Nordpfeil hinzufügen	*Werkzeugkiste*	Das Nordpfeilelement
Form hinzufügen	*Werkzeugkiste*	Das Shapeelement
► *Rechteck hinzufügen*	*Werkzeugkiste*	Das Shapeelement
► *Ellipse hinzufügen*	*Werkzeugkiste*	Das Shapeelement
► *Dreieick hinzufügen*	*Werkzeugkiste*	Das Shapeelement
Markierung hinzufügen	*Werkzeugkiste*	
Pfeil hinzufügen	*Werkzeugkiste*	Das Pfeilelement
Knotenelement hinzufügen ►	*Werkzeugkiste*	*Das Knotenelement*
► *Polygon hinzufügen*	*Werkzeugkiste*	*Das Knotenelement*
► *Polylinie hinzufügen*	*Werkzeugkiste*	*Das Knotenelement*
HTML hinzufügen	*Werkzeugkiste*	*Das HTML-Rahmen Element*
Attributtabelle hinzufügen	*Werkzeugkiste*	*Das Attributtabellenelement*
Feste Tabelle hinzufügen	*Werkzeugkiste*	*Das Feste Tabellenelement*

Atlas menu

Werkzeug	Tastenkürzel	Werkzeugleiste	Referenz
Preview Atlas	`Ctrl+ALt+/`	*Atlas*	*Preview and generate an atlas*
First Feature	`Ctrl+<`	*Atlas*	*Preview and generate an atlas*
Previous Feature	`Ctrl+,`	*Atlas*	*Preview and generate an atlas*
Next Feature	`Strg+.`	*Atlas*	*Preview and generate an atlas*
Last feature	`Ctrl+>`	*Atlas*	*Preview and generate an atlas*
Print Atlas…		*Atlas*	*Preview and generate an atlas*
Export Atlas as Images…		*Atlas*	*Preview and generate an atlas*
Export Atlas as SVG…		*Atlas*	*Preview and generate an atlas*
Export Atlas as PDF…		*Atlas*	*Preview and generate an atlas*
Atlas Settings		*Atlas*	*Einen Atlas erzeugen*

Menü Einstellungen

The *Settings* ► *Layout Options…* menu is a shortcut to *Settings* ► *Options* ► *Layouts* menu of QGIS main canvas. Here, you can set some options that will be used as default on any new print layout:

- *Layout defaults* let you specify the default font to use;
- With *Grid appearance*, you can set the grid style and its color. There are three types of grid: **Dots**, **Solid** lines and **Crosses**;
- *Grid and guide defaults* defines spacing, offset and tolerance of the grid (see *Guides and Grid* for more details);
- *Layout Paths*: to manage list of custom paths to search print templates.

Contextual menus

Depending on where you right-click in the print layout dialog, you open a contextual menu with various features:

- Right-click on the menu bar or any toolbar and you get the list of layout panels and toolbars you can enable or disable in one-click.
- Right-click over a ruler and you can *Show Guides*, *Snap to Guides*, *Manage Guides…* opening the *Guides panel* or *Clear Guides*. It's also possible to hide the rulers.
- Right-click in the print layout canvas and:
  - You'll be able to *Undo* and *Redo* recent changes, or *Paste* any copied item (only available if no item is selected).
  - If you click over a page, you can additionally access the current *Page Properties* panel or *Remove Page*.
  - If you click on a selected item then you can cut or copy it as well as open the *Item Properties* panel.
  - If more than one item are selected, then you can either group them and/or ungroup if at least one group is already in the selection.
- Right-click inside a text box or spinbox widget of any layout panel provides edit options to manipulate its content.

The Layout Panel

In the *Layout* panel, you can define the global settings of your print layout.

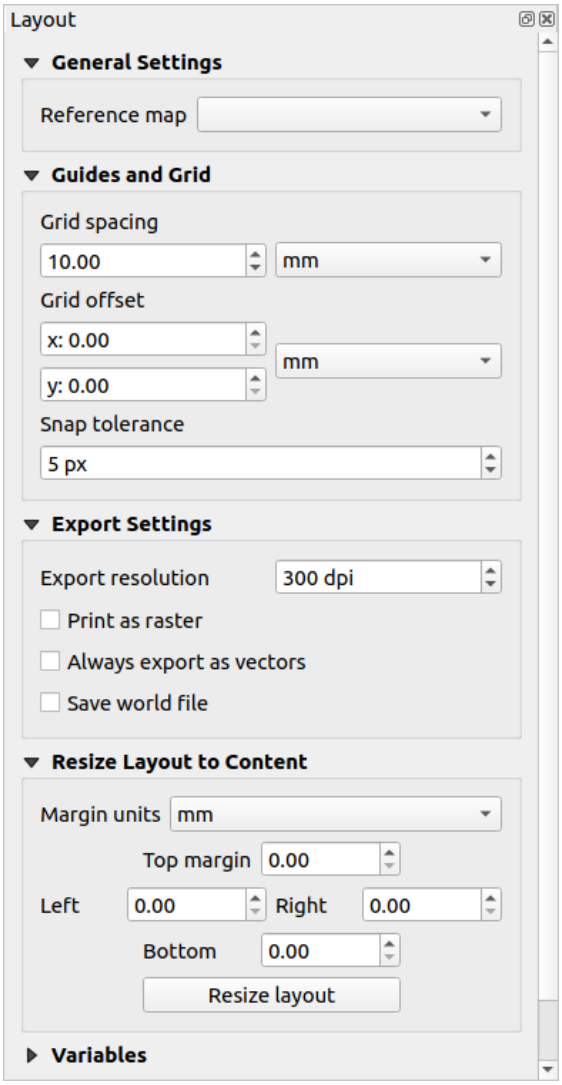


Abb. 19.3: Layout Settings in the Print Layout

General settings

In a print layout, you can use more than one map item. The *Reference map* represents the map item to use as the layout's master map. It's assigned as long as there's a map item in the layout. The layout will use this map in any of their properties and variables calculating units or scale. This includes exporting the print layout to georeferenced formats.

Moreover, new layout items such as scale bar, legend or north arrow have by default their settings (orientation, displayed layers, scale, …) bound to the map item they are drawn over, and fall back to the reference map if no overlapping map.

Guides and Grid

You can put some reference marks on your paper sheet to help you accurately place some items. These marks can be:

- simple horizontal or vertical lines (called **Guides**) put at the position you want (see *The Guides Panel* for guides creation).
- or regular **Grid**: a network of horizontal and vertical lines superimposed over the layout.

Settings like *Grid spacing* or *Grid offset* can be adjusted in this group as well as the *Snap tolerance* to use for items. The tolerance is the maximum distance below which the mouse cursor is snapped to a grid or a guide, while moving, resizing or creating an item.

Whether grid or guides should be shown is set in *View* menu. There, you can also decide if they might be used to snap layout items. When both a grid line and a guide line are within tolerance of a point, guides will always take precedence - since they have been manually set (hence, assumption that they have been explicitly placed at highly desirable snapping locations, and should be selected over the general grid).

Bemerkung: In the *Settings* ► *Layout Options* menu, you can also set the grid and guides parameters exposed above. However, these options will only apply as defaults to new print layouts.

Exporteinstellungen

You can define a resolution to use for all exported maps in *Export resolution*. This setting can then be overridden each time you export a map.

Because of some advanced rendering options (*blending mode*, *effects*…), a layout item may need rasterization in order to be exported correctly. QGIS will individually rasterize it without forcing every other item to also be rasterized. This allows printing or saving as PostScript or PDF to keep items as much as possible as vectors, e.g. a map item with layer opacity won't force labels, scale bars, etc to be rasterized too. You can however:

- force all the items to be rasterized checking the *Print as raster* box;
- or use the opposite option, i.e. *Always export as vectors*, to force the export to keep items as vectors when exported to a compatible format. Note that in some cases, this could cause the output to look different to layout.

Where the format makes it possible (e.g., `.TIF`, `.PDF`) exporting a print layout results by default in a georeferenced file (based on the *Reference map* item in the *General settings* group). For other formats, georeferenced output requires you to generate a world file by checking *Save world file*. The world file is created beside the exported map(s), has the name of the page output with the reference map item and contains information to georeference it easily.

Resize layout to content

Using the *Resize page* tool in this group, you create a unique page composition whose extent covers the current contents of the print layout (with some optional *margins* around the cropped bounds).

Note that this behavior is different from the *crop to content* option in that all the items are placed on a real and unique page in replacement of all the existing pages.

Variables

The *Variables* lists all the variables available at the layout's level (which includes all global and project's variables).

It also allows the user to manage layout-level variables. Click the button to add a new custom layout-level variable. Likewise, select a custom layout-level variable from the list and click the button to remove it.

More information on variables usage in the *General Tools* section.

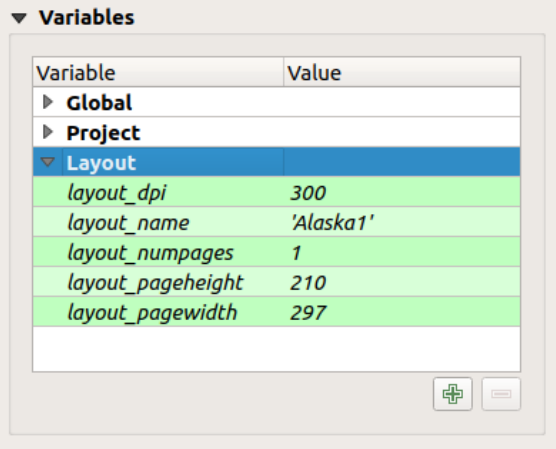


Abb. 19.4: Variables Editor in the Print Layout

Working with the page properties

A layout can be composed of several pages. For instance, a first page can show a map canvas, and a second page can show the attribute table associated with a layer, while a third one shows an HTML frame linking to your organization website. Or you can add many types of items on each page.

Adding a new page

Futhermore, a layout can be made using different size and/or orientation of pages. To add a page, select the *Add Pages…* tool from the *Layout* menu or *Layout Toolbar*. The *Insert Pages* dialog opens and you are asked to fill:

- the number of pages to insert;
- the position of the page(s): before or after a given page or at the end of the print layout;
- The *Page size*: it could be of a preset format page (`A4`, `B0`, `Legal`, `Letter`, `ANSI A`, `Arch A` and their derivatives as well as a resolution type, such as `1920x1080` or `1024x768`) with associated *Orientation* (Portrait or Landscape).

  The page size can also be of a `custom` format; In that case, you'd need to enter its *Width* and *Height* (with locked size ratio if needed) and select the unit to use among `mm`, `cm`, `px`, `pt`, `in`, `ft`… Conversion of entered values is automatically applied when switching from one unit to another.

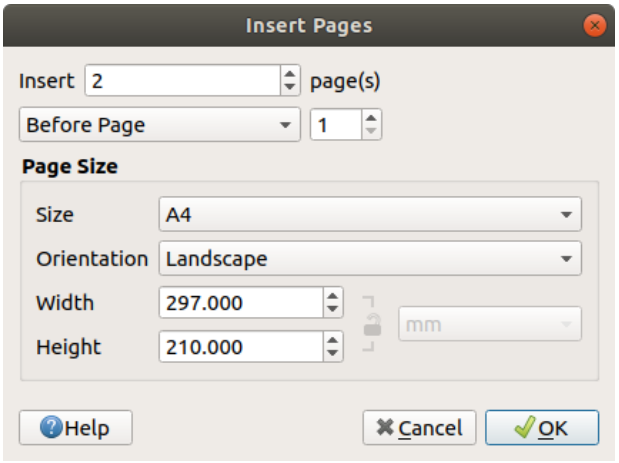


Abb. 19.5: Creating a new page in the Print Layout

Updating page properties

Any page can be later customized through the Page *Item Properties* panel. To access a page's properties, left-click on an empty section of the page or right-click on a page and select *Page Properties…*. The *Item Properties* panel opens with settings such as:

- the *Page size* frame described above. You can modify each property using the data defined override options (see *Explore Data-defined override buttons with atlas* for a use case);
- the *Exclude page from exports* to control whether the current page with its content should be included in the *layout output*;
- the *Background* of the current page using the *color* or *symbol* you want.

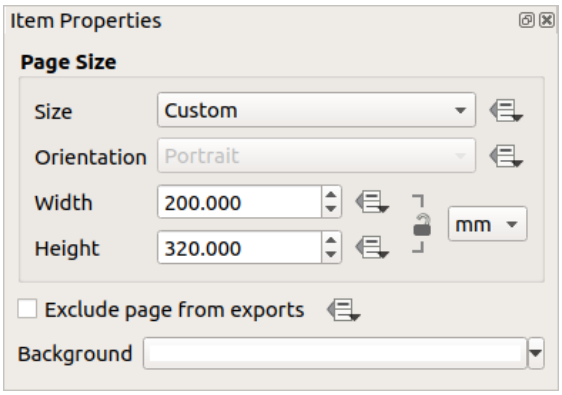


Abb. 19.6: Page properties dialog

The Guides Panel

Guides are vertical or horizontal line references you can place on a layout page to assist you on items placement, when creating, moving or resizing them. To be active, guides require the *View* ► *Show Guides* and *View* ► *Snap to Guides* options to be checked. To create a guide, there are two different methods:

- if the *View* ► *Show Rulers* option is set, drag out a ruler and release the mouse button within the page area, at the desired position.
- for more precision, use the *Guides* panel from the *View* ► *Toolbox* ► or by selecting *Manage guides for page…* from the page's contextual menu.

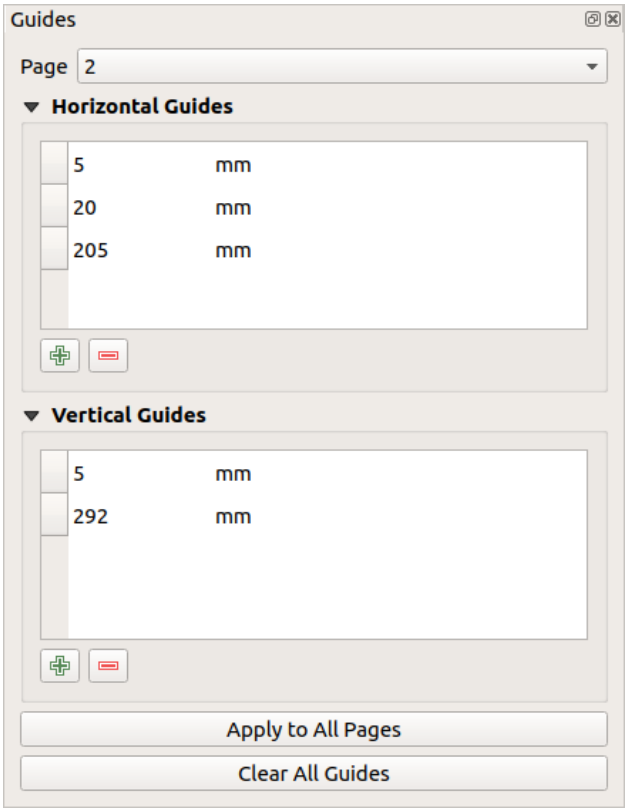


Abb. 19.7: The Guides panel

The *Guides* panel allows creation of snap lines at specific locations:

1. Select the *Page* you'd like to add the guides to
2. Click the Add new guide button and enter the coordinates of the horizontal or vertical line. The origin is at the top left corner. Different units are available for this.

   The panel also allows adjusting the position of existing guides to exact coordinates: double-click and replace the value.
3. The *Guides* panel lists only the items for the current page. It allows creation or removal of guides only in the current page. However, you can use the *Apply to All Pages* button to replicate the guide configuration of the current page to the other pages in the layout.
4. To delete a guide, select it and press the Remove selected guide button. Use *Clear All Guides* to remove all the guides in the current page.

Tipp: Snapping to existing layout items

Other than guides and grids, you can use existing items as snapping references when moving, resizing or creating new items; these are called **smart guides** and require *View* ► *Smart Guides* option to be checked. Anytime the mouse pointer is close to an item's bound, a snapping cross appears.

The Items Panel

The *Items* panel offers some options to manage selection and visibility of items. All the items added to the print layout canvas (including *items group*) are shown in a list and selecting an item makes the corresponding row selected in the list as well as selecting a row does select the corresponding item in the print layout canvas. This is thus a handy way to select an item placed behind another one. Note that a selected row is shown as bold.

Für irgendein ausgewähltes Objekt, können Sie:

- set it visible or not;
- lock or unlock its position;
- sort its Z position. You can move up and down each item in the list with a click and drag. The upper item in the list will be brought to the foreground in the print layout canvas. By default, a newly created item is placed in the foreground.
- change the item ID by double-clicking the text;
- right-click an item and copy or delete it or open its *properties panel*.

Once you have found the correct position for an item, you can lock it by ticking the box in column. Locked items are **not** selectable on the canvas. Locked items can be unlocked by selecting the item in the *Items* panel and unchecking the tickbox or you can use the icons on the toolbar.

The Undo History Panel: Revert and Restore actions

During the layout process, it is possible to revert and restore changes. This can be done with the revert and restore tools available in the *Edit* menu, the *Layout* toolbar or the contextual menu any time you right-click in the print layout area:

- Letzte Änderung zurücknehmen
- Letzte Änderung wiederherstellen

This can also be done by mouse click within the *Undo history* panel (see Abb. 19.8). The History panel lists the last actions done within the print layout. Just select the point you want to revert to and once you do new action all the actions done after the selected one will be removed.

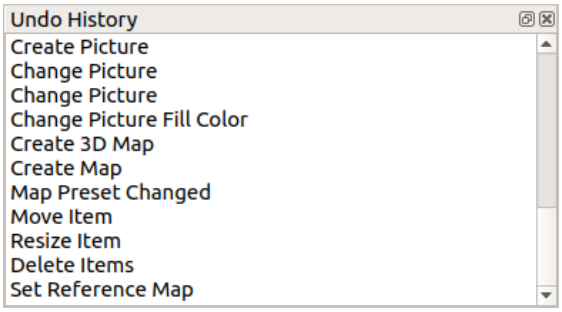


Abb. 19.8: Undo History in the Print Layout

19.2 Layout-Elemente

19.2.1 Layout Items Common Options

QGIS provides a large set of items to layout a map. They can be of map, legend, scale bar, picture, table, north arrow, image type… They however share some common options and behavior that are exposed below.

Creating a layout item

Items can be created using different tools, either from scratch or based on existing items.

To create a layout item from scratch:

1. Select the corresponding tool either from the *Add Item* menu or the *Toolbox* bar.
2. Then:
   - Click on the page and fill the size and placement information requested in the *New Item Properties* dialog that pops up (for details, see *Position and Size*);

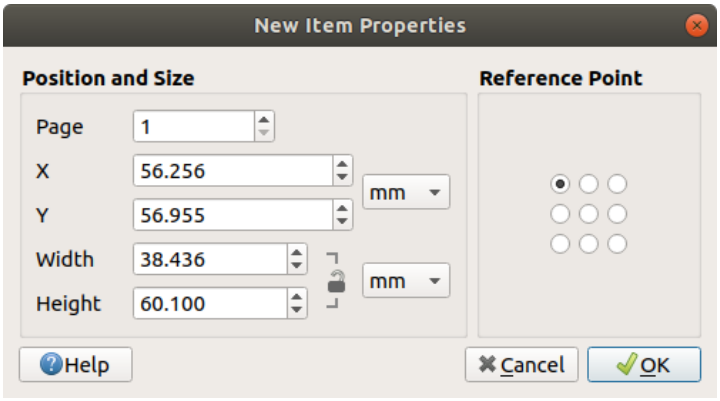


Abb. 19.9: New Item properties dialog

   - Or click-and-drag to define the initial size and placement of the item. You can rely on *grids and guides* snapping for a better position.

Bemerkung: Because they can have particular shapes, drawing node or arrow items does not work with one-click nor click-and-drag methods; you need to click and place each node of the item. See *Das Knotenelement* for more details.

You can also:

1. Select an existing item with the  Select/Move item button from the *Toolbox* toolbar
2. Use the contextual menu or the *Edit* menu tools to copy/cut the item and paste it at the mouse position as a new item.

   You can also use the *Paste in Place* (`Ctrl+Shift+V`) command to duplicate an item from one page to another and place it in the new page at the same coordinates as the original.

Moreover, you can create items using a print layout template (for details, see *Layoutverwaltung*) through the *Layout* ► *Add Items from Template…* command.

Tipp: Add layout items using the file browser

From your file browser or using the *Browser* panel, drag-and-drop a print layout template (`.qpt` file) onto a print layout dialog and QGIS automatically adds all items from that template to the layout.

Interacting with layout items

Each item inside the print layout can be moved and resized to create a perfect layout. For both operations the first step is to activate the  Select/Move item tool and click on the item.

You can select multiple items with the  Select/Move item button: click and drag over the items or hold the `Shift` button and click on each of the items you want. To deselect an item, click on it holding the `Shift` button.

Each time there's a selection, count of selected items is displayed on the status bar. Inside the *Edit* menu, you can find actions to select all the items, clear all selections, invert the current selection and more…

Moving and resizing items

Unless *View* ► *Show Bounding Boxes* option is unchecked, a selected item will show squares on its boundaries ; moving one of them with the mouse will resize the item in the corresponding direction. While resizing, holding `Shift` will maintain the aspect ratio. Holding `Alt` will resize from the item center.

To move a layout item, select it with the mouse and move while holding the left button. If you need to constrain the movements to the horizontal or vertical axis, just hold the `Shift` button on the keyboard while moving the mouse. You can also move a selected item using the `Arrow keys` on the keyboard; if the movement is too slow, you can speed it up by holding `Shift`. If you need better precision, use the *Position and size* properties, or grid/guides snapping as explained above for item's creation.

Resizing or moving several items at once is made the same way as for a single item. QGIS however provides some advanced tools to automatically resize a selection of items following different rules:

- each item height matches the  tallest or the  shortest selected item;
- each item width matches the  widest or the  narrowest selected item;
- resizes items to  squares: each item is enlarged to form a square.

Likewise, automated tools are available to organize multiple items position by distributing equidistantly:

- edges (left, right, top or bottom) of items;
- centers of items either horizontally or vertically.

Grouping items

Grouping items allows you to manipulate a set of items like a single one: you can easily resize, move, delete, copy the items as a whole.

To create a group of items, select more than one and press the . *Group* button on the *View* menu or the *Actions* toolbar or from the right-click menu. A row named `Group` is added to the *Items* panel and can be locked or hidden like any other *Items panel's object*. Grouped items are **not individually** selectable on the canvas; use the Items panel for direct selection and access the item's properties panel.

Locking items

Once you have found the correct position for an item, you can lock it by using the *Lock selected items* button in the *Items* menu or the *Actions* toolbar or ticking the box next to the item in the *Items* panel. Locked items are **not** selectable on the canvas.

Locked items can be unlocked by selecting the item in the *Items* panel and unchecking the tickbox or you can use the icons on the toolbar.

Ausrichtung

Raising or lowering the visual hierarchy for elements are inside the Raise selected items pull-down menu. Choose an element on the print layout canvas and select the matching functionality to raise or lower the selected element compared to the other elements. This order is shown in the *Items* panel. You can also raise or lower objects in the *Items* panel by clicking and dragging an object's label in this list.

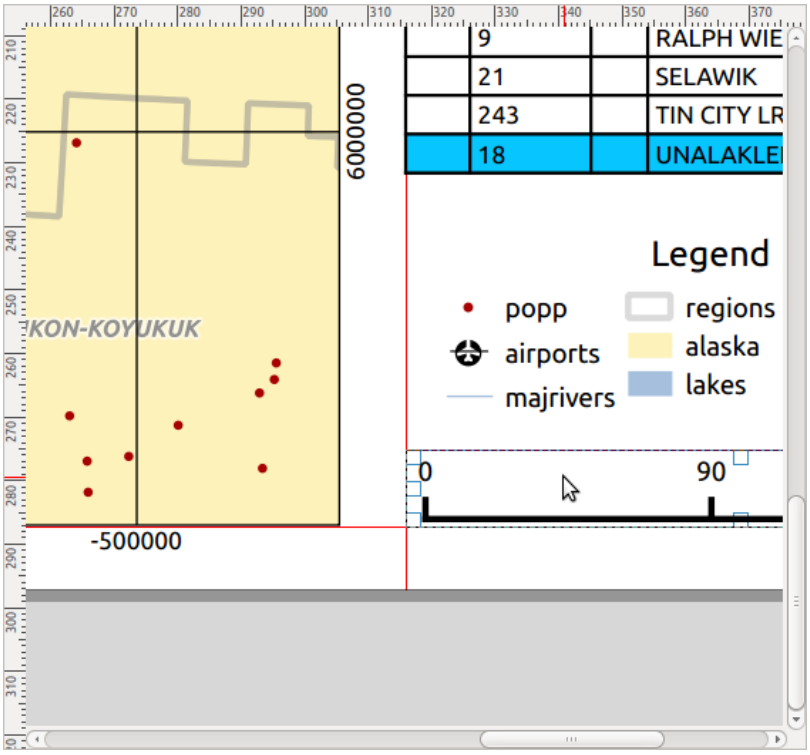


Abb. 19.10: Alignment helper lines in the print layout

There are several alignment options available within the Align selected items pull-down menu (see Abb. 19.10). To use an alignment function, you first select the elements and then click on one of the alignment icons:

- *Align Left* or *Align Right*;
- *Align Top* or *Align Bottom*;
- *Align Center* horizontally or *Align Center Vertical*.

All selected elements will then be aligned to their common bounding box. When moving items on the layout canvas, alignment helper lines appear when borders, centers or corners are aligned.

Items Common Properties

Layout items have a set of common properties you will find at the bottom of the *Item Properties* panel: Position and size, Rotation, Frame, Background, Item ID, Variables and Rendering (See Abb. 19.11).

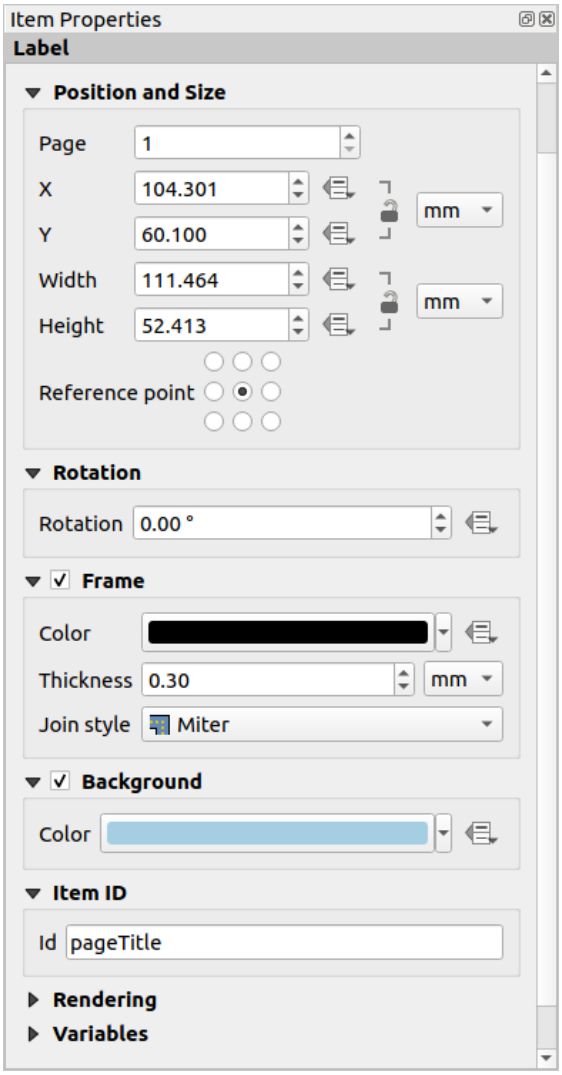


Abb. 19.11: Common Item Properties groups

Bemerkung: The Data defined override icon next to most of the options means that you can associate that property with a layer, features attributes, geometry or with any other layout item's property, using *expressions* or *variables*. For more information see *Datendefinierte Übersteuerung Setup*.

- The *Position and size* group lets you define the size and position of the frame which contains the item (see *Position and Size* for more information).
- Die *Drehung* stellt die Drehung des Elements (in Grad) ein.
- The *Frame* shows or hides the frame around the item. Use the *Color*, *Thickness* and *Join style* widgets to adjust those properties.
- Use the *Background color* menu for setting a background color. Click on the [Color…] button to display a dialog where you can pick a color or choose from a custom setting. Transparency can be adjusted through altering the alpha field settings.

- Use the *Item ID* to create a relationship to other print layout items. This is used with QGIS server and other potential web clients. You can set an ID on an item (for example, a map or a label), and then the web client can send data to set a property (e.g., label text) for that specific item. The GetProjectSettings command will list the items and IDs which are available in a layout.
- *Rendering* mode helps you set whether and how the item can be displayed: you can, for instance, apply *blending mode*, adjust the opacity of the item or *Exclude item from exports*.

Position and Size

Extending the features of the *New Item Properties* dialog with data-defined capabilities, this group allows you to place the items accurately.

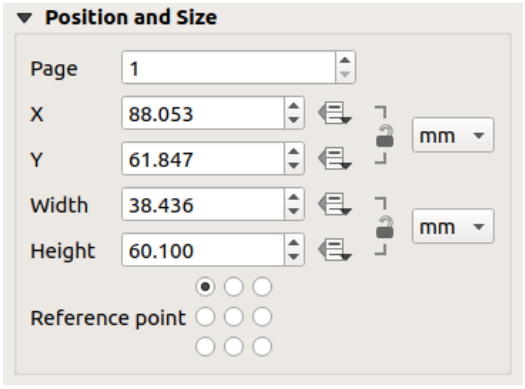


Abb. 19.12: Position and size

- the actual number of the page to place the item on;
- the reference point of the item;
- the *X* and *Y* coordinates of the *Reference point* of the item on the chosen page. The ratio between these values can be locked by clicking on the button. Changes made to a value using the widget or the Select/Move item tool will be reflected in both of them;
- the *Width* and *Height* of the item bounding box. As for coordinates, the ratio between width and height can be locked.

Darstellung

QGIS allows advanced rendering for layout items just like vector and raster layers.

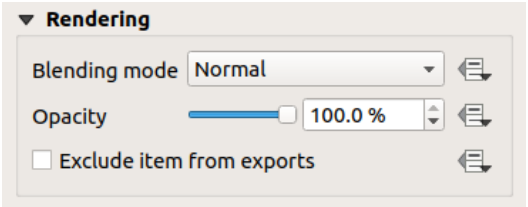


Abb. 19.13: Darstellung

- *Mischmodus*: Sie können spezielle Darstellungseffekte mit diesen Tools, die Sie vorher vielleicht nur von Grafikprogrammen kannten, erzielen. Die Pixel Ihrer oben liegenden und darunterliegenden Elemente werden durch den unten beschriebenen Modus gemischt (siehe *Mischmodi* für Beschreibungen jeden Effekts).

- *Transparency* : You can make the underlying item in the layout visible with this tool. Use the slider to adapt the visibility of your item to your needs. You can also make a precise definition of the percentage of visibility in the menu beside the slider.
- *Element aus Export ausnehmen*: Sie können sich entschließen ein Element in allen Exporten nicht sichtbar zu machen. Nach dem Aktivieren dieses Kontrollkästchens wird das Element nicht in PDF's, Drucken etc. enthalten sein

Variables

The *Variables* lists all the variables available at the layout item's level (which includes all global, project and composition's variables). Map items also include Map settings variables that provide easy access to values like the map's scale, extent, and so on.

In *Variables*, it's also possible to manage item-level variables. Click the button to add a new custom variable. Likewise, select any custom item-level variable from the list and click the button to remove it.

More information on variables usage in the *Storing values in Variables* section.

19.2.2 Das Kartenelement

The map item is the main frame that displays the map you've designed in the map canvas. Use the *Add Map* tool following *items creation instructions* to add a new map item that you can later manipulate the same way as exposed in *Interacting with layout items*.

By default, a new map item shows the current status of the *map canvas* with its extent and visible layers. You can customize it thanks to the *Item Properties* panel. Other than the *items common properties*, this feature has the following functionalities:

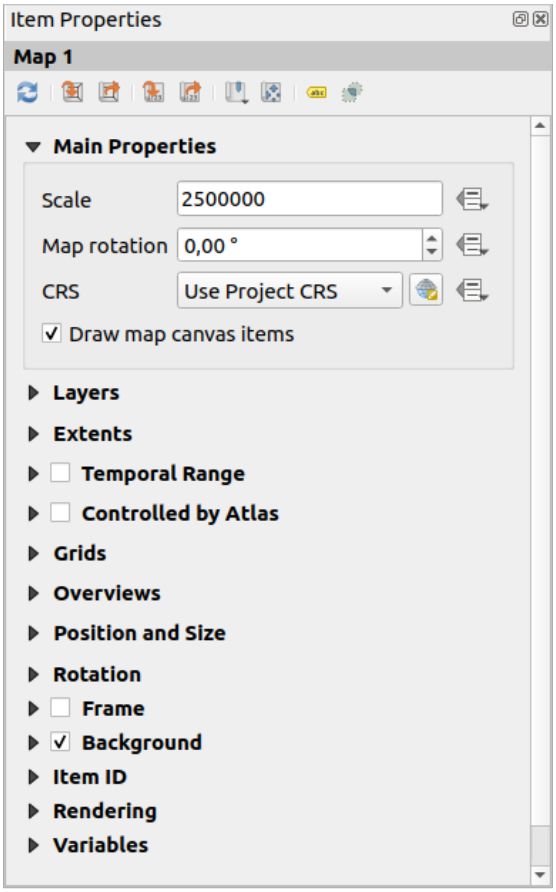


Abb. 19.14: Map Item Properties Panel

The Toolbar

The Map *Item Properties* panel embeds a toolbar with the following functionalities:

- Update map preview
- Set map canvas to match main canvas extent
- View current map extent in main canvas
- Set map scale to match main canvas scale
- Set main canvas to match current map scale
- Bookmarks: set the map item extent to match an existing spatial bookmark
- Interactively edit map extent: pan and zoom interactively within the map item
- Labeling settings: control feature label behaviour (placement, visibility…) in the layout map item extent:
  - set a *Margin from map edges*, a data definable distance from the map item's limits inside which no label should be displayed
  - *Allow truncated labels on edges of map*: controls whether labels which fall partially outside of the map item allowed extent should be rendered. If checked, these labels will be shown (when there's no way to place them fully within the visible area). If unchecked then partially visible labels will be skipped.

  - *Label blocking items*: allows other layout items (such as scalebars, north arrows, inset maps, etc) to be marked as a blockers for the map labels in the **active** map item. This prevents any map labels from being placed under those items - causing the labeling engine to either try alternative placement for these labels or discard them altogether.

    If a *Margin from map edges* is set, the map labels are not placed closer than the specified distance from the checked layout items.

  - *Show unplaced labels*: can be used to determine whether labels are missing from the layout map (e.g. due to conflicts with other map labels or due to insufficient space to place the label) by highlighting them in a *predefined color*.

- Clipping settings: allows to clip the map item to the atlas feature and to shape and polygon items:

  - *Clip to atlas feature*: you can determine that the layout map item will be clipped automatically to the current *atlas feature*.

    There are different clipping modes available:

    * *Clip During Render Only*: applies a painter based clip, so that portions of vector features which sit outside the atlas feature become invisible
    * *Clip Feature Before Render*: applies the clip before rendering features, so borders of features which fall partially outside the atlas feature will still be visible on the boundary of the atlas feature
    * *Render Intersecting Features Unchanged*: renders all features which intersect the current atlas feature, but without clipping their their geometry.

    You can *Force labels inside atlas feature*. If you don't want to *Clip all layers* to the atlas feature you can use the *Clip selected layers* option.

  - *Clip to item*: it is possible to change the shape of the map item by using a *shape* or *polygon* item from the print layout. When you enable this option the map will be automatically clipped to the selected shape in the combobox. Again, the above mentioned clipping modes are available and labels can be forced to display only inside the clipping shape.

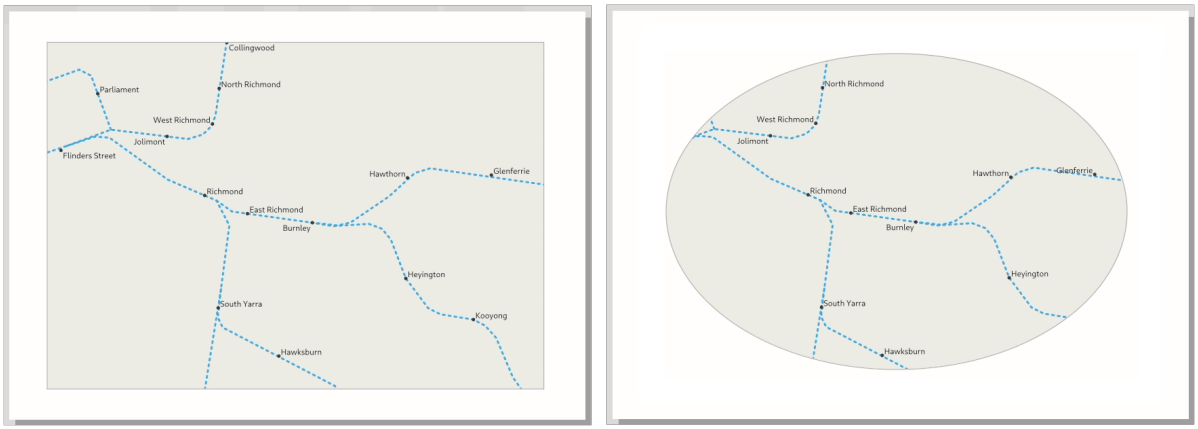


Abb. 19.15: Clipping a layout map item to shapes

Haupteigenschaften

In the *Main properties* group (see Abb. 19.14) of the map *Item Properties* panel, available options are:

- The *Update Preview* button to refresh the map item rendering if the view in map canvas has been modified. Note that most of the time, the map item refresh is automatically triggered by the changes;
- The *Scale* to manually set the map item scale;
- The *Map rotation* allows you to rotate the map item content clockwise in degrees. The rotation of the map canvas can be imitated here;
- The *CRS* allows you to display the map item content in any *CRS*. It defaults to `Use project CRS`;
- *Draw map canvas items* lets you show in the print layout *annotations* that are placed on the main map canvas.

Layers

By default, map item appearance is synced with the map canvas rendering meaning that toggling visibility of the layers or modifying their style in the *Layers Panel* is automatically applied to the map item. Because, like any other item, you may want to add multiple map items to a print layout, there's a need to break this synchronization in order to allow showing different areas, layer combinations, at different scales… The *Layers* properties group (see Abb. 19.16) helps you do that.

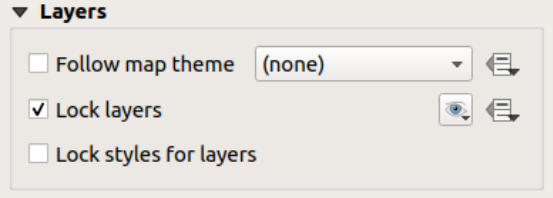


Abb. 19.16: Map Layers group

If you want to keep the map item consistent with an existing *map theme*, check *Follow map theme* and select the desired theme in the drop-down list. Any changes applied to the theme in QGIS' main window (using the replace theme function) will automatically affect the map item. If a map theme is selected, the *Lock styles for layers* option is disabled because *Follow map theme* also updates the style (symbology, labels, diagrams) of the layers.

To lock the layers shown in a map item to the current map canvas visibility, check *Lock layers*. When this option is enabled, any changes on the layers' visibility in QGIS' main window will not affect the layout's map item. Nevertheless, style and labels of locked layers are still refreshed according to QGIS' main window. You can prevent this by using *Lock styles for layers*.

Instead of using the current map canvas, you can also lock the layers of the map item to those of an existing map theme: select a map theme from the Set layer list from a map theme drop-down button, and the *Lock layers* is activated. The set of visible layers in the map theme is from now on used for the map item until you select another map theme or uncheck the *Lock layers* option. You then may need to refresh the view using the Refresh view button of the *Navigation* toolbar or the *Update Preview* button seen above.

Note that, unlike the *Follow map theme* option, if the *Lock layers* option is enabled and set to a map theme, the layers in the map item will not be refreshed even if the map theme is updated (using the replace theme function) in QGIS' main window.

Locked layers in the map item can also be *data-defined*, using the icon beside the option. When used, this overrides the selection set in the drop-down list. You need to pass a list of layers separated by `|` character. The following example locks the map item to use only layers `layer 1` and `layer 2`:

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concat ('layer 1', '|', 'layer 2')
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Ausdehnung

The *Extents* group of the map item properties panel provides the following functionalities (see Abb. 19.17):

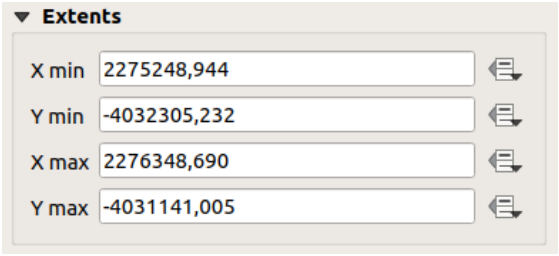


Abb. 19.17: Map Extents group

The **Extents** area displays `X` and `Y` coordinates of the area shown in the map item. Each of these values can be manually replaced, modifying the map canvas area displayed and/or map item size. The extent can also be modified using tools at the top of the map item panel such as:

- Set map canvas to match main canvas extent
- Set map scale to match main canvas scale

You can also alter a map item extent using the Move item content tool: click-and-drag within the map item to modify its current view, keeping the same scale. With the tool enabled, use the mouse wheel to zoom in or out, modifying the scale of the shown map. Combine the movement with `Ctrl` key pressed to have a smaller zoom.

Temporal range

The *Temporal range* group of the map item properties panel provides the options to control layers rendering in the map item based on a temporal range. Only layers whose temporal properties overlap with the time range set by the *Start* and *End* dates are displayed in the map item.

The associated data-defined widgets help make the time range dynamic, and allow outputting temporal *atlases*, i.e. automated maps with fixed spatial extent and whose contents vary based on time. For example, using as coverage layer a csv file with a start and end pair of fields and a number of rows representing date ranges, enable both the temporal range and control by atlas in the map item properties and hit atlas export.

Controlled by atlas

The *Controlled by atlas* group properties is available only if an *atlas* is active in the print layout. Check this option if you want the map item being ruled by the atlas; when iterating over the coverage layer, the map item extent is panned/zoomed to the atlas feature following:

- *Margin around features*: zooms to the feature at the best scale, keeping around each a margin representing a percentage of the map item width or height. The margin can be the same for all features or *set variable*, e.g., depending on map scale;
- *Predefined scale (best fit)*: zooms to the feature at the project *predefined scale* where the atlas feature best fits;

- *Fixed scale*: atlas features are panned from one to another, keeping the same scale of the map item. Ideal when working with features of same size (e.g., a grid) or willing to highlight size differences among atlas features.

Gitter

With grids, you can add, over your map, information relative to its extent or coordinates, either in the map item projection or a different one. The *Grids* group provides the possibility to add several grids to a map item.

- With the and buttons you can add or remove a selected grid;
- With the and buttons you can move up and down a grid in the list, hence move it on top or bottom of another one, over the map item.

Double-click the added grid to rename it.

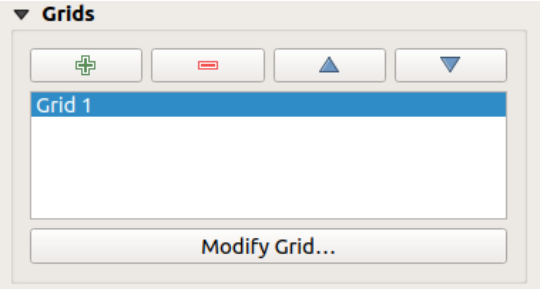


Abb. 19.18: Kartengitterdialog

To modify a grid, select it and press the *Modify Grid…* button to open the *Map Grid Properties* panel and access its configuration options.

Grid Appearance

In the *Map Grid Properties* panel, check *Grid enabled* to show the grid on the map item.

As grid type, you can specify to use a:

- *Solid*: shows a line across the grid frame. The *Line style* can be customized using *color* and *symbol* selector widget;
- *Cross*: displays segment at the grid lines intersection for which you can set the *Line style* and the *Cross width*;
- *Markers*: only displays customizable markers symbol at grid lines intersection;
- or *Frame and annotations only*.

Other than the grid type, you can define:

- the *CRS* of the grid. If not changed, it will follow the Map CRS. The *Change* button lets you set it to a different CRS. Once set, it can be changed back to default by selecting any group heading (e.g **Geographic Coordinate System**) under *Predefined Coordinate Reference Systems* in the CRS selection dialog.
- the *Interval* type to use for the grid references. Available options are `Map Unit`, `Fit Segment Width`, `Millimeter` or `Centimeter`:
  - choosing `Fit Segment Width` will dynamically select the grid interval based on the map extent to a „pretty“ interval. When selected, the `Minimum` and `Maximum` intervals can be set.
  - the other options allow you to set the distance between two consecutive grid references in the `X` and `Y` directions.

- the *Offset* from the map item edges, in the `X` and/or the `Y` direction
- and the *Blend mode* of the grid (see *Mischmodi*) when compatible.

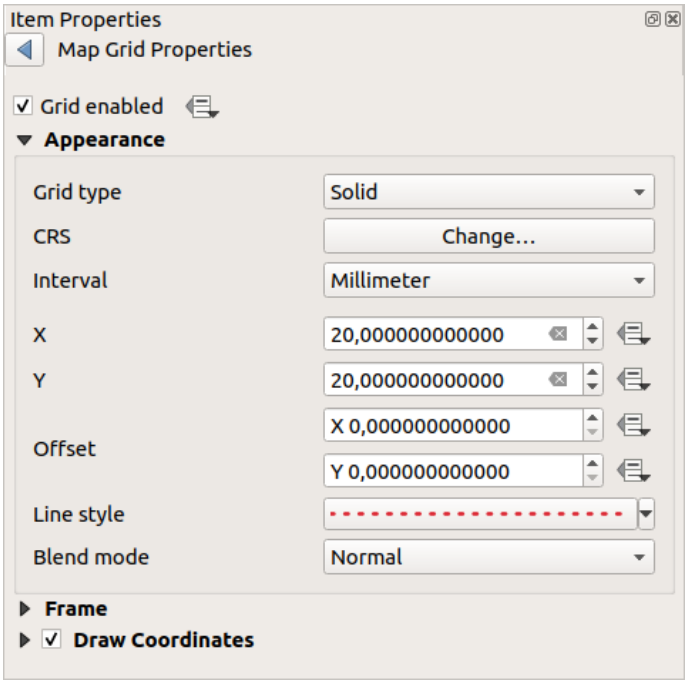


Abb. 19.19: Grid Appearance Dialog

Grid Frame

There are different options to style the frame that holds the map. The following options are available: `No Frame`, `Zebra`, `Zebra (nautical)`, `Interior ticks`, `Exterior ticks`, `Interior and Exterior ticks`, `Line border` and `Line border (nautical)`.

When compatible, it's possible to set the *Frame size*, a *Frame margin*, the *Frame line thickness* with associated color and the *Frame fill colors*.

Using `Latitude/Y only` and `Longitude/X only` values in the divisions section you can prevent a mix of latitude/Y and longitude/X coordinates showing on each side when working with rotated maps or reprojected grids. Also you can choose to set visible or not each side of the grid frame.

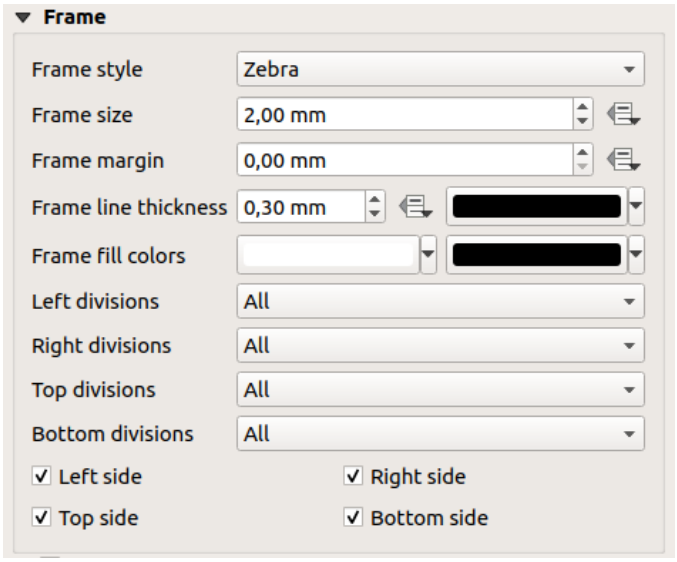


Abb. 19.20: Gitterrahmendialog

Coordinates

The *Draw coordinates* checkbox allows you to add coordinates to the map frame. You can choose the annotation numeric format, the options range from decimal to degrees, minute and seconds, with or without suffix, aligned or not and a custom format using the expression dialog.

You can choose which annotation to show. The options are: show all, latitude only, longitude only, or disable(none). This is useful when the map is rotated. The annotation can be drawn inside or outside the map frame. The annotation direction can be defined as horizontal, vertical ascending or vertical descending.

Finally, you can define the annotation font, font color, distance from the map frame and the precision of the drawn coordinates.

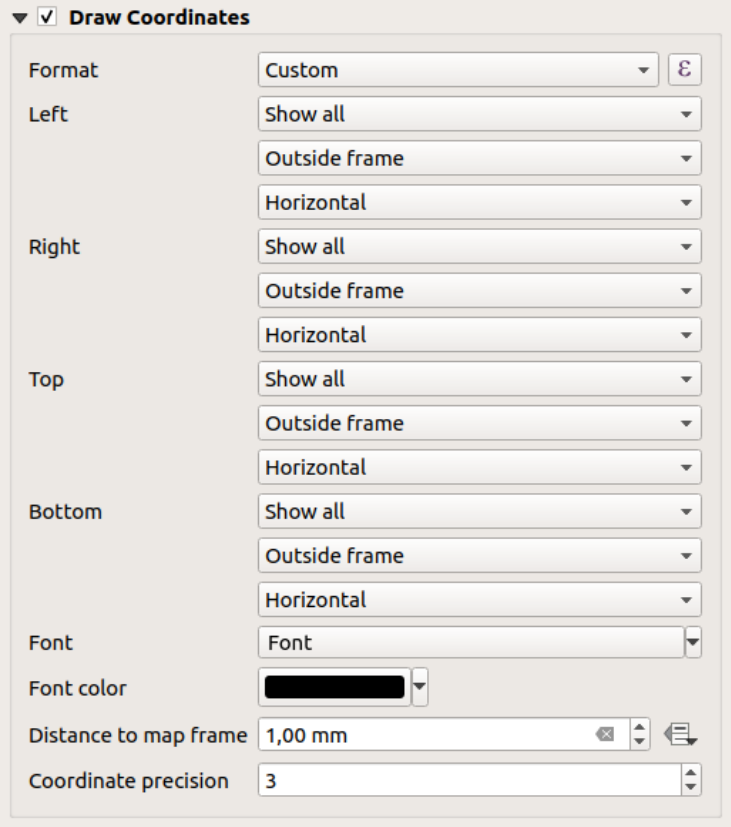


Abb. 19.21: Gitter-Koordinaten-Zeichnen-Dialog

Übersichten

Sometimes you may have more than one map in the print layout and would like to locate the study area of one map item on another one. This could be for example to help map readers identify the area in relation with its larger geographic context shown in the second map.

The *Overviews* group of the map panel helps you create the link between two different maps extent and provides the following functionalities:

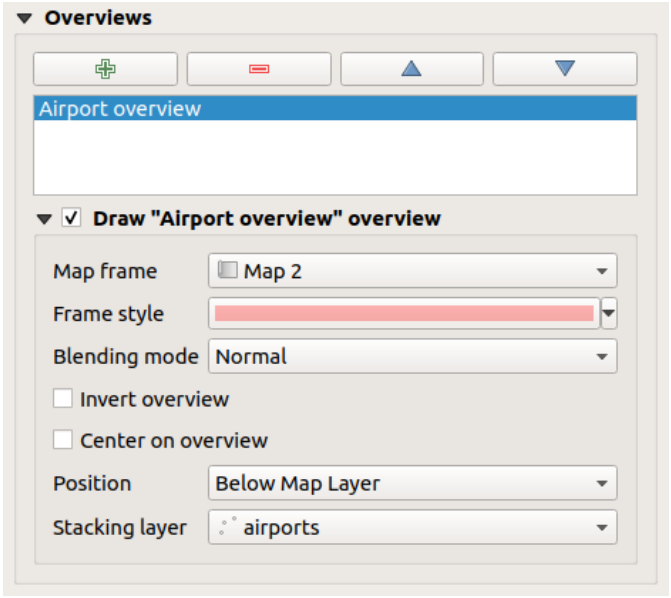


Abb. 19.22: Map Overviews group

To create an overview, select the map item on which you want to show the other map item's extent and expand the *Overviews* option in the *Item Properties* panel. Then press the button to add an overview.

Initially this overview is named ‚Overview 1' (see Abb. 19.22). You can:

- Rename it with a double-click
- With the and buttons, add or remove overviews
- With the and buttons, move an overview up and down in the list, placing it above or below other overviews in the map item (when they are at the same *stack position*).

Then select the overview item in the list and check the *Draw „<name_overview>"overview* to enable the drawing of the overview on the selected map frame. You can customize it with:

- The *Map frame* selects the map item whose extents will be shown on the present map item.
- The *Frame Style* uses the *symbol properties* to render the overview frame.
- Der *Mischmodus* ermöglicht verschiedene Transparenzmischmodi einzustellen.
- The *Invert overview* creates a mask around the extents when activated: the referenced map extents are shown clearly, whereas the rest of the map item is blended with the frame fill color (if a fill color is used).
- The *Center on overview* pans the map item content so that the overview frame is displayed at the center of the map. You can only use one overview item to center, when you have several overviews.
- The *Position* controls exactly where in the map item's layer stack the overview will be placed, e.g. allowing an overview extent to be drawn below some feature layers such as roads whilst drawing it above other background layers. Available options are:
  - *Below map*
  - *Below map layer* and *Above map layer*: place the overview frame below and above the geometries of a layer, respectively. The layer is selected in the *Stacking layer* option.
  - *Below map labels*: given that labels are always rendered above all the feature geometries in a map item, places the overview frame above all the geometries and below any label.
  - *Above map labels*: places the overview frame above all the geometries and labels in the map item.

19.2.3 Das 3D Kartenelement

The 3D Map item is used to display a *3D map view*. Use the  *Add 3D Map* button, and follow *items creation instructions* to add a new 3D Map item that you can later manipulate the same way as demonstrated in *Interacting with layout items*.

By default, a new 3D Map item is empty. You can set the properties of the 3D view and customize it in the *Item Properties* panel. In addition to the *common properties*, this feature has the following functionalities (Abb. 19.23):

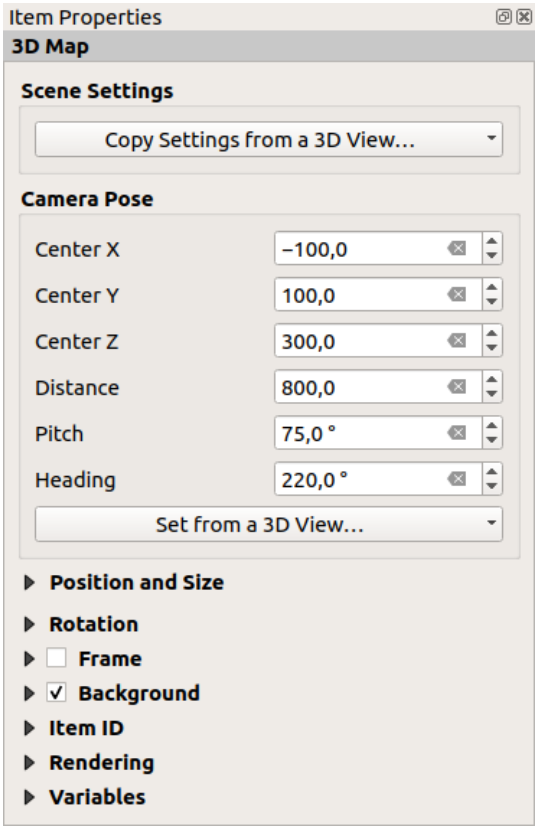


Abb. 19.23: 3D Map Item Properties

Scene settings

Press *Copy Settings from a 3D View…* to choose the 3D map view to display.

The 3D map view is rendered with its current configuration (layers, terrain, lights, camera position and angle…).

Camera pose

- *Center X* sets the X coordinate of the point the camera is pointing at
- *Center Y* sets the Y coordinate of the point the camera is pointing at
- *Center Z* sets the Z coordinate of the point the camera is pointing at
- *Distance* sets the distance from the camera center to the point the camera is pointing at
- *Pitch* sets the rotation of the camera around the X-axis (vertical rotation). Values from 0 to 360 (degrees). 0°: terrain seen straight from above; 90°: horizontal (from the side); 180°: straight from below; 270°: horizontal, upside down; 360°: straight from above.

- *Heading* sets the rotation of the camera around the Y-axis (horizontal rotation - 0 to 360 degrees). 0°/360°: north; 90°: west; 180°: south; 270°: east.

The *Set from a 3D View…* pull-down menu lets you populate the items with the parameters of a 3D View.

19.2.4 Das Beschriftungselement

The *Label* item is a tool that helps decorate your map with texts that would help to understand it; it can be the title, author, data sources or any other information… You can add a label with the *Add Label* tool following *items creation instructions* and manipulate it the same way as exposed in *Interacting with layout items*.

By default, the label item provides a default text that you can customize using its *Item Properties* panel. Other than the *items common properties*, this feature has the following functionalities (see Abb. 19.24):

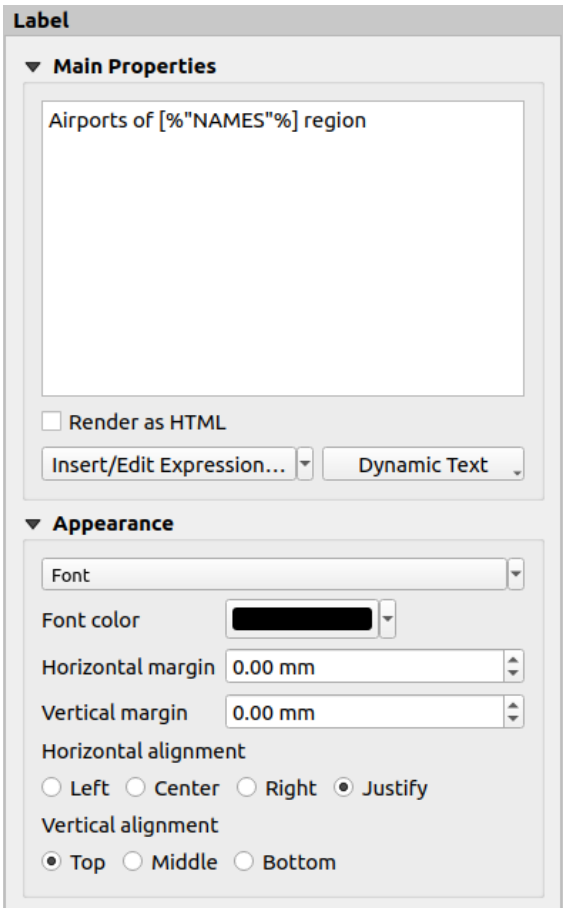


Abb. 19.24: Label Item Properties Panel

Haupteigenschaften

The *Main properties* group is the place to provide the text of the label. The text can be static, dynamic with *expression* functions and variables, and/or formatted with HTML. Dynamic parts of a label need to be surrounded by `[%` and `%]` in order to be interpreted and evaluated as such.

- To use expressions in labels, you can click on *Insert/Edit Expression…* button, write your formula as usual and when the dialog is applied, QGIS automatically adds the surrounding characters.

Hinweis: Clicking the *Insert/Edit Expression…* button when no selection is made in the textbox will append the new expression to the existing text. If you want to modify an existing expression, you need to first select

the part of interest.

Because maps are usually filled with some common textual information (date, author, title, page number, …), QGIS provides a direct access to the corresponding expressions or variables: press the *Dynamic text* button to select and insert them into your label.

Tipp: The top menu *Add Item* ► *Add Dynamic Text* ► can be used to create a new label item filled with the selected predefined expression.

It's possible to turn a dynamic label into static: press the drop-down arrow next to the *Insert/Edit Expression…* button and select *Convert to Static*. Any dynamic parts of the label's contents will be evaluated and replaced with their current values. You can then manually tweak the resulting text when needed.

- Labels can be interpreted as HTML code: check *Render as HTML*. You can now insert HTML tags or styles, URL, a clickable image that links to a web page, or something more complex…

The following code combines HTML rendering with expressions, for an advanced labeling and will output Abb. 19.25:

```
<html>
 <head>
   <style>
      /* Define some custom styles, with attribute-based size */
      name {color:red; font-size: [% ID %]px; font-family: Verdana; text-shadow:␣
↪grey 1px 0 10px;}
      use {color:blue;}
   </style>
 </head>

 <body>
   <!-- Information to display -->
   <u>Feature Information</u>
   <ul style="list-style-type:disc">
     <li>Feature Id: [% ID %]</li>
     <li>Airport: <name>[% NAME %]</name></li>
     <li>Main use: <use>[% USE %]</use></li>
   </ul>
   Last check: [% concat( format_date( "control_date", 'yyyy-MM-dd'), ' by <b><i>',
↪ @user_full_name, '</i></b>' ) %]

   <!-- Insert an image -->
   <p align=center><img src="path/to/logos/qgis-logo-made-with-color.svg" alt=
↪"QGIS icon" style="width:80px;height:50px;"</p>
 </body>
</html>
```



Abb. 19.25: Leveraging a label with HTML styling

Darstellung

- Define *Font* by clicking on the *Font...* button or a *Font color* by pushing the *color widget*.
- You can specify different horizontal and vertical margins in `mm`. This is the margin from the edge of the layout item. The label can be positioned outside the bounds of the label e.g. to align label items with other items. In this case you have to use negative values for the margin.
- Using the text alignment is another way to position your label. It can be:
  - *Left*, *Center*, *Right* or *Justify* for *Horizontal alignment*
  - and *Top*, *Middle*, *Bottom* for *Vertical alignment*.

Exploring expressions in a label item

Below some examples of expressions you can use to populate the label item with interesting information - remember that the code, or at least the calculated part, should be surrounded by `[%` and `%]` in the *Main properties* frame:

- Display a title with the current atlas feature value in „field1“:

```
'This is the map for ' || "field1"
```

  or, written in the *Main properties* section:

```
This is the map for [% "field1" %]
```

- Add a pagination for processed atlas features (eg, `Page 1/10`):

```
concat( 'Page ', @atlas_featurenumber, '/', @atlas_totalfeatures )
```

- Return the name of the airports of the current atlas region feature, based on their common attributes:

```
aggregate( layer := 'airports',
           aggregate := 'concatenate',
           expression := "NAME",
           filter := fk_regionId = attribute( @atlas_feature, 'ID' ),
           concatenator := ', '
         )
```

  Or, if an *attributes relation* is set:

```
relation_aggregate( relation := 'airports_in_region_relation',
                    aggregate := 'concatenate',
                    expression := "NAME",
                    concatenator := ', '
                  )
```

- Return the name of the airports contained in the current atlas region feature, based on their spatial relationship:

```
aggregate( layer := 'airports',
           aggregate := 'concatenate',
           expression := "NAME",
           filter := contains( geometry( @parent ), $geometry ),
           concatenator := ', '
         )
```

  OR:

```
array_to_string( array:= overlay_contains( layer := 'airports',
                                           expression := "NAME" ),
                 delimiter:= ', '
               )
```

- Return the lower X coordinate of the `Map 1` item's extent:

```
x_min( map_get( item_variables( 'Map 1' ), 'map_extent' ) )
```

- Retrieve the name of the layers in the current layout `Map 1` item, and formats in one name by line:

```
array_to_string(
 array_foreach(
  map_get( item_variables( 'Map 1' ), 'map_layers' ), -- retrieve the layers␣
↪list
  layer_property( @element, 'name' ) -- retrieve each layer name
 ),
 '\n' -- converts the list to string separated by breaklines
)
```

- Display the list of layers with their license strings (usage rights) in a layout `Map 1` item. You need to fill the layers' *Access metadata* properties first.

```
array_to_string( map_credits( 'Map 1', true ) )
```

19.2.5 Das Legendenelement

The *Legend* item is a box or a table that explains the meanings of the symbols used on the map. A legend is then bound to a map item. You can add a legend item with the *Add Legend* tool following *items creation instructions* and manipulate it the same way as exposed in *Interacting with layout items*.

By default, the legend item displays all available layers and can be refined using its *Item Properties* panel. Other than the *items common properties*, this feature has the following functionalities (see Abb. 19.26):

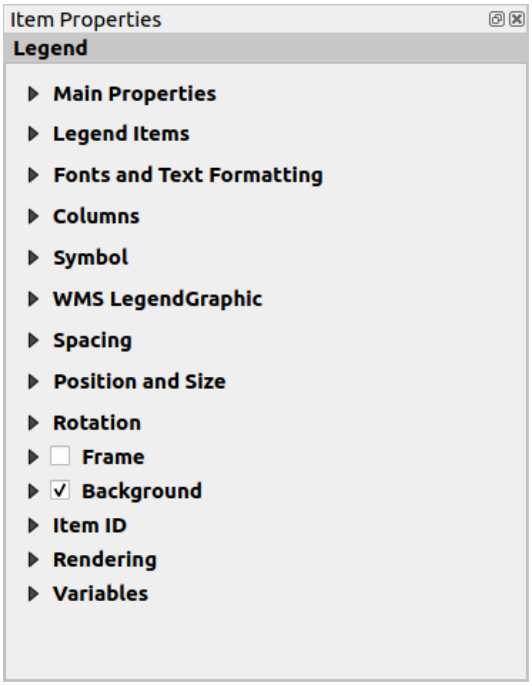


Abb. 19.26: Legend Item Properties Panel

Haupteigenschaften

The *Main properties* group of the legend *Item Properties* panel provides the following functionalities (see Abb. 19.27):

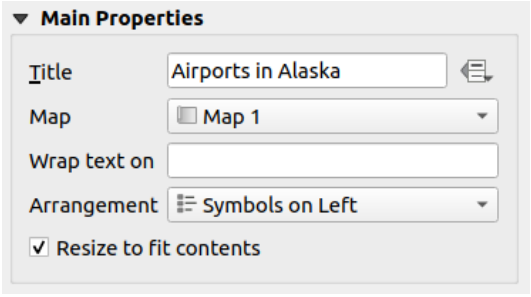


Abb. 19.27: Legend Main properties group

In den Haupteigenschaften können Sie:

- Change the *Title* of the legend. It can be made dynamic using the *data-defined override* setting, useful for example when generating an atlas;
- Choose which *Map* item the current legend will refer to. By default, the map over which the legend item is drawn is picked. If none, then it falls back to the *reference map*.

  Bemerkung: *Variables* of the linked map item (@map_id, @map_scale, @map_extent…) are also accessible from data-defined properties of the legend.

- Wrap the text of the legend on a given character: each time the character appears, it's replaced with a line break;
- Set the symbols and text placement in the legend: the *Arrangement* can be *Symbols on left* or *Symbols on right*. The default value depends on the locale in use (right-to-left based or not).
- Use *Resize to fit contents* to control whether or not a legend should be automatically resized to fit its contents. If unchecked, then the legend will never resize and instead just stick to whatever size the user has set. Any content which doesn't fit the size is cropped out.

Legendenelemente

The *Legend items* group of the legend *Item Properties* panel provides the following functionalities (see Abb. 19.28):

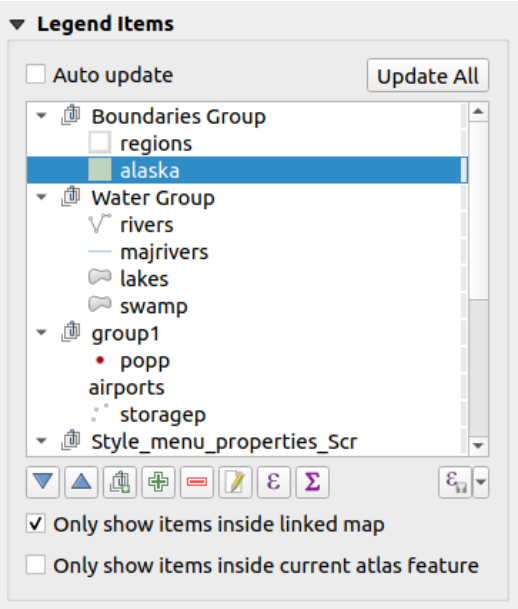


Abb. 19.28: Legend Items group

- The legend will be updated automatically if *Auto update* is checked. When *Auto update* is unchecked this will give you more control over the legend items. All the icons below the legend items list will be activated.
- The legend items window lists all legend items and allows you to change item order, group layers, remove and restore items in the list, edit layer names and symbology and add a filter.
  - The item order can be changed using the and buttons or with ‚drag-and-drop' functionality. The order can not be changed for WMS legend graphics.
  - Use the button to add a legend group.
  - Use the button to add layers and button to remove groups, layers or symbol classes.
  - The button is used to edit the layer, group name or title. First you need to select the legend item. Double-clicking the item also opens the text box to rename it.
  - The button uses expressions to customize each symbol label of the selected layer (see *Data-define the legend labels*)
  - The button adds a feature count for each class of vector layer.
  - The Filter legend by expression helps you filter which of the legend items of a layer will be displayed, i.e. using a layer that has different legend items (e.g., from a rule-based or categorized symbology), you can specify a boolean expression to remove from the legend tree, styles that have no feature satisfying a condition. Note that the features are nevertheless kept and shown in the layout map item.

  While the default behavior of the legend item is to mimic the *Layers* panel tree, displaying the same groups, layers and classes of symbology, right-click any item offers you options to hide layer's name or raise it as a group or subgroup. In case you have made some changes to a layer, you can revert them by choosing *Reset to defaults* from the contextual menu of the legend entry.

  After changing the symbology in the QGIS main window, you can click on *Update All* to adapt the changes in the legend element of the print layout.

- With the *Only show items inside linked map*, only the legend items visible in the linked map will be listed in the legend. This tool remains available when *Auto-update* is active
- While generating an atlas with polygon features, you can filter out legend items that lie outside the current atlas feature. To do that, check the *Only show items inside current atlas feature* option.

Data-define the legend labels

allows you to add *expressions* to each symbol label of a given layer. New variables (`@symbol_label`, `@symbol_id` and `@symbol_count`) help you interact with the legend entry.

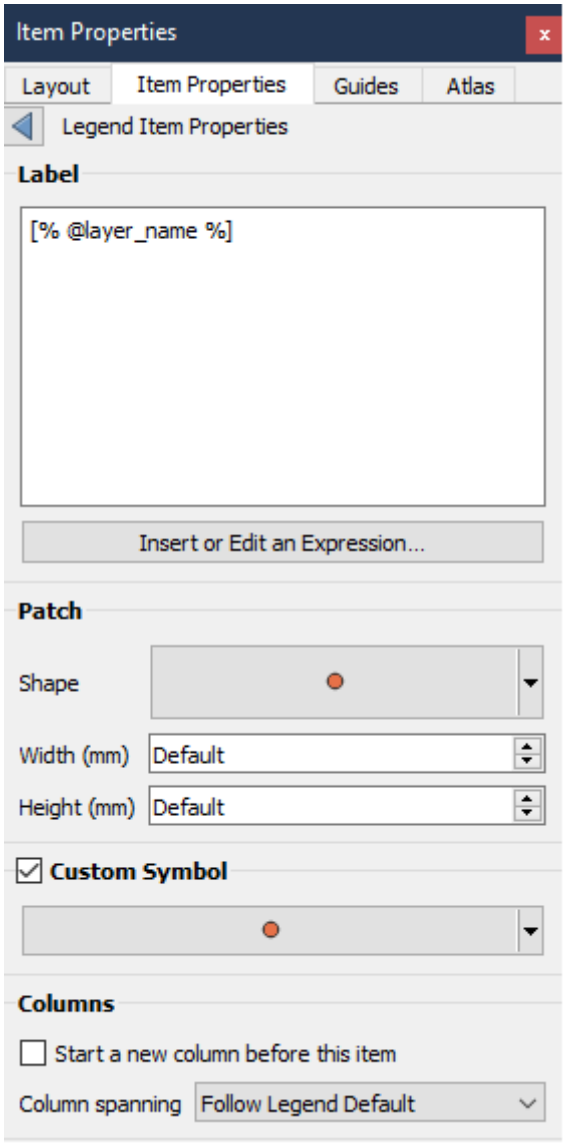
For example, given a `regions` layer categorized by its `type` field, you can append to each class in the legend their number of features and total area, e.g. `Borough (3) - 850ha`:

1. Select the layer entry in the legend tree
2. Press the button, opening the *Expression String Builder* dialog
3. Enter the following expression (*assuming symbol labels have not been edited*):

```
format( '%1 (%2) - %3ha',
        @symbol_label,
        @symbol_count,
        round( aggregate(@layer, 'sum', $area, filter:= "type"=@symbol_label)/
↪10000 )
      )
```

4. Press *OK*

Customizing legend items



Legend items can also be customized individually in the *Legend Items Properties*. But these customization can only be done with *Auto update* disabled.

Double-clicking on an item or pressing Edit selected item properties allows for futher customization.

Label

For all item types it allows to modify the label text by typing in or by inserting expressions using the *Insert or Edit an Expression*. Expressions can also be added directly anywhere in the item's label by using the [% expression %] notation.

Columns

The Legend Item Property also allows you to control the column splitting behaviour by forcing the column split to occur after a specific item or all symbols of a layer. Automatic splitting of a layer and its child can also be allowed or blocked on a layer-basis in this widget.

Patch

For items with a symbol, the Legend Item Property allows you to specify the maximum height and width that a symbol can occupy.

For vector symbols, you can specify a custom shape for the symbol. The shapes are usually defined by an expression to represent the geometry in a simple plane, but those symbols can also be saved in the style manager and imported later. The default symbol for each geometry type can also be controlled via the style manager.

Custom Symbol

A custom symbol can also be specified for vector symbols. This can be useful to tweak the render of a specific symbol, to enhance it in the legend or have a symbol independent from its true symbol preview. This custom symbol will override the legend symbol, but will take into account the symbol *Patch* specified.

Fonts

The *Fonts* group of the legend *Item Properties* panel provides the following functionalities:

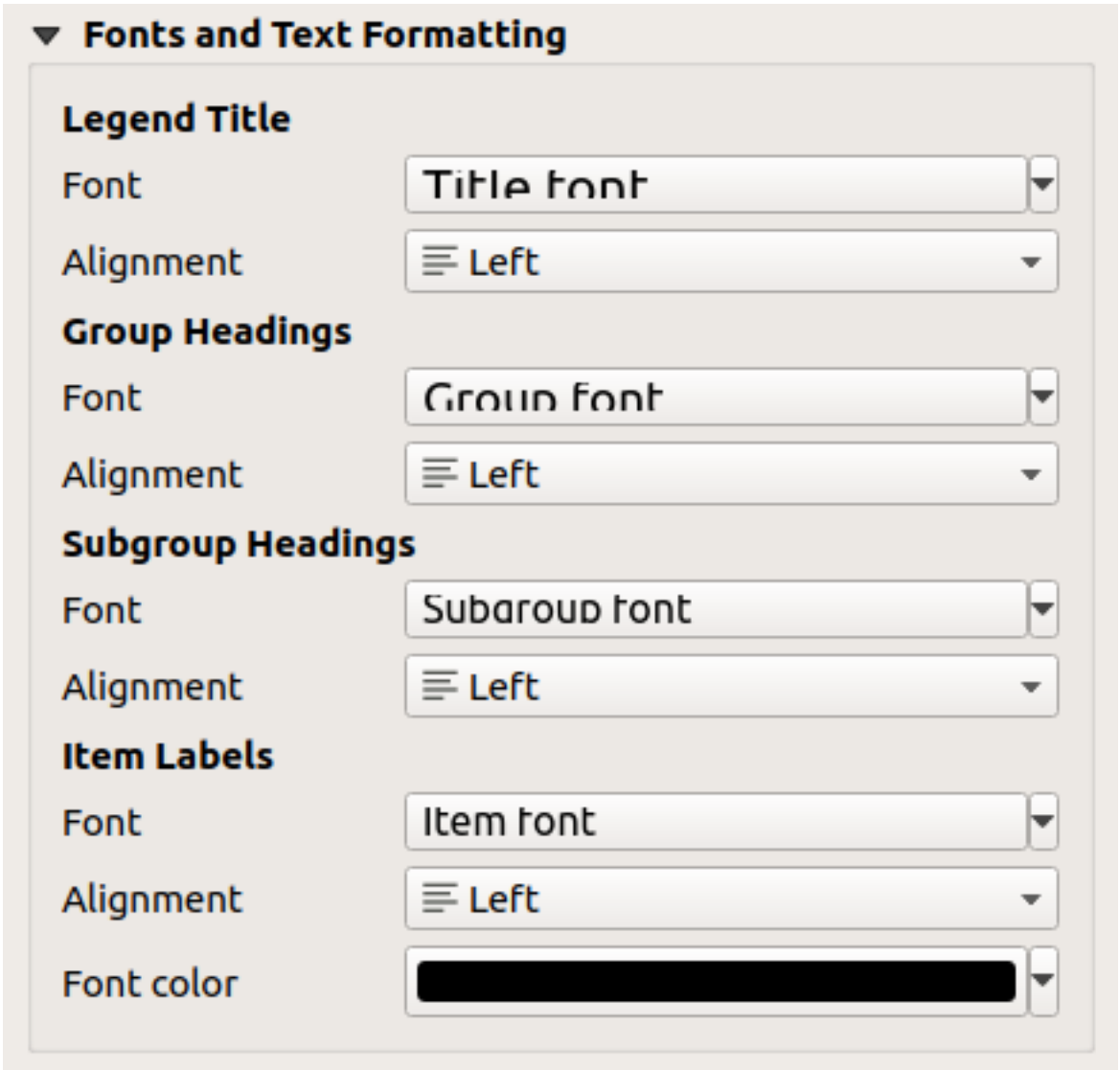


Abb. 19.29: Legend Fonts properties

- You can change the font of the legend title, group, subgroup and item (feature) in the legend item using the *font selector* widget
- For each of these levels you can set the text *Alignment*: it can be *Left* (default for left-to-right based locales), *Center* or *Right* (default for right-to-left based locales).

- You set the *Color* of the labels using the *color selector* widget. The selected color will apply to all the font items in the legend.

Columns

Under the *Columns* group of the legend *Item Properties* panel, legend items can be arranged over several columns:

- Set the number of columns in the *Count* 1,00 field. This value can be made dynamic e.g., following atlas features, legend contents, the frame size…
- *Gleiche Spaltenbreite* stellt ein, wie Legendenspalten angepasst werden sollen.
- Die *Layer aufteilen* Option ermöglicht es eine kategorisierte oder abgestufte Layerlegende in Spalten aufzuteilen.

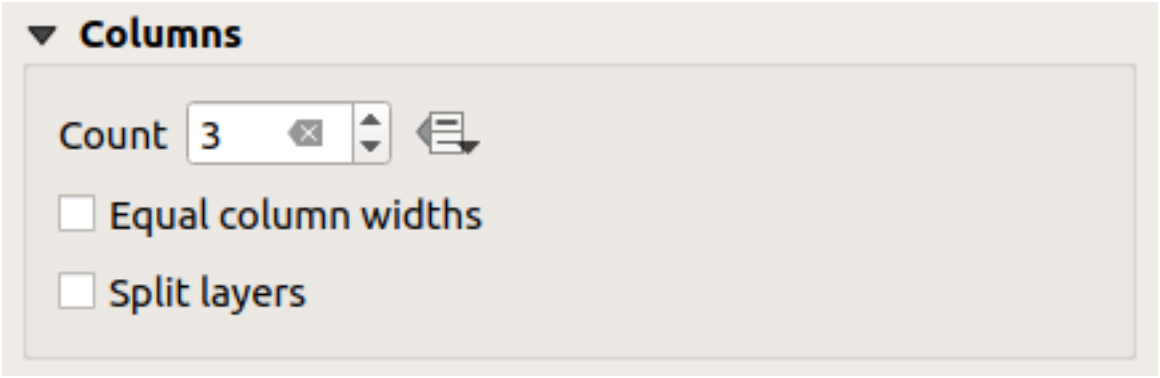


Abb. 19.30: Legend Columns settings

Symbol

The *Symbol* group of the legend *Item Properties* panel configures the size of symbols displayed next to the legend labels. You can:

- Set the *Symbol width* and *Symbol height*
- Set the markers' *Min symbol size* and *Max symbol size*: `0.00mm` means there is no value set.
- *Draw stroke for raster symbols*: this adds an outline to the symbol representing the band color of the raster layer; you can set both the *Stroke color* and *Tickness*.

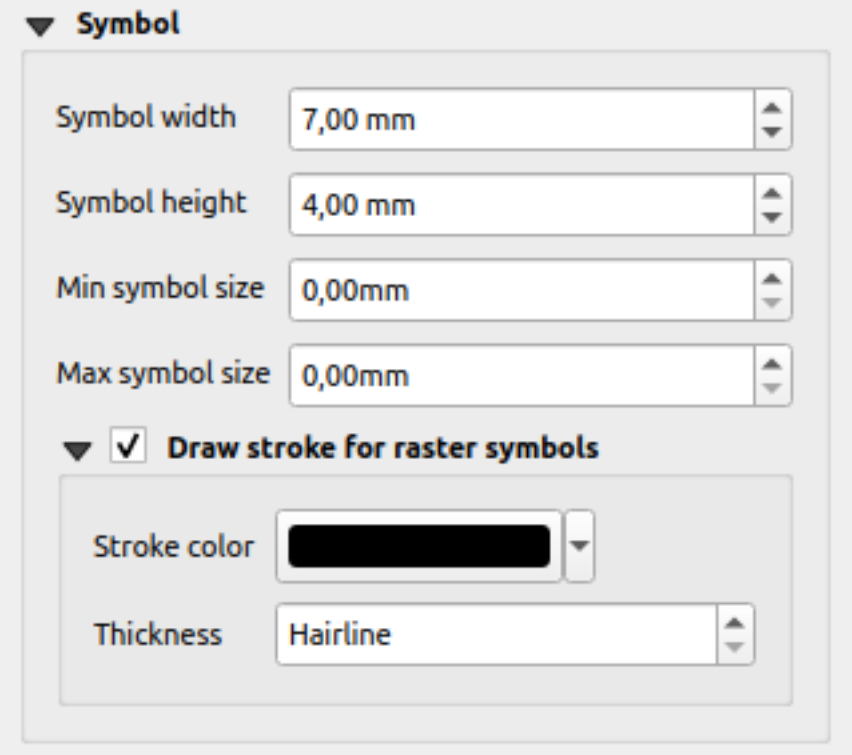


Abb. 19.31: Legend Symbol configuration

WMS LegendGraphic

The *WMS LegendGraphic* section of the legend *Item Properties* panel provide the following functionalities (see Abb. 19.32):

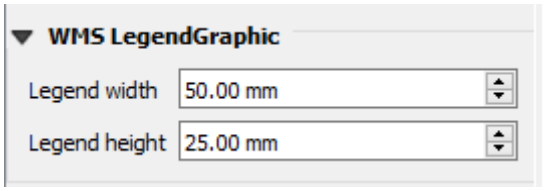
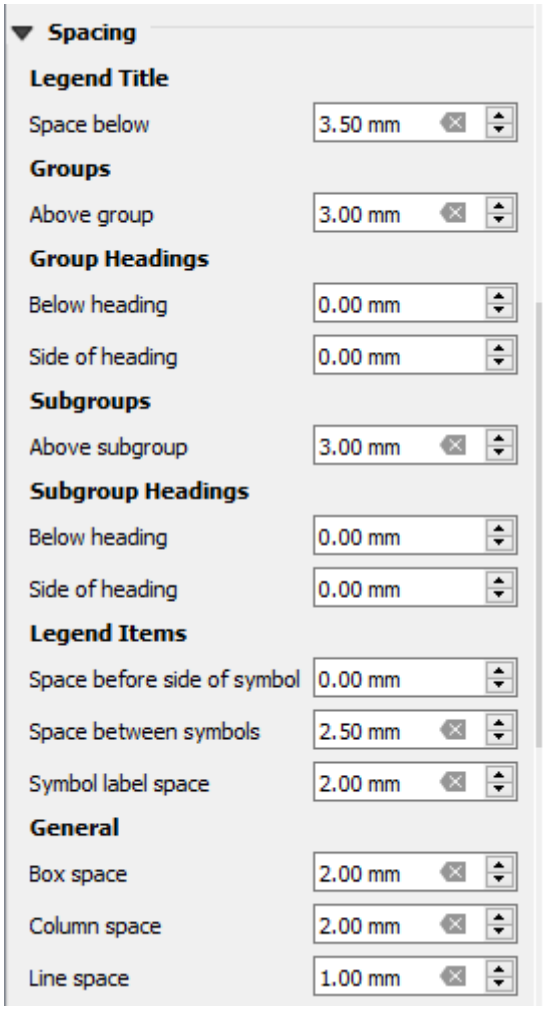


Abb. 19.32: WMS LegendGraphic

When you have added a WMS layer and you insert a legend item, a request will be sent to the WMS server to provide a WMS legend. This Legend will only be shown if the WMS server provides the GetLegendGraphic capability. The WMS legend content will be provided as a raster image.

WMS LegendGraphic wird verwendet um die *Legendenbreite* und die *Legendenhöhe* des WMS Lengendenrasterbildes anzupassen.

Spacing



The *Spacing* section allows you to customize the spacing within the legend. Spacing can greatly help denote the groupement of items in the legend and their relation.

Spacing around and before title, groups, subgroups, symbols, labels, boxes, columns and lines can be customized through this dialog.

19.2.6 Das Maßstabselement

Scale bars provide a visual indication of the size of features, and distance between features, on the map item. A scale bar item requires a map item. Use the *Add Scale Bar* tool following *items creation instructions* to add a new scale bar item that you can later manipulate the same way as exposed in *Interacting with layout items*.

By default, a new scale bar item shows the scale of the map item over which it is drawn. If there is no map item below, the *reference map* is used. You can customize it in the *Item Properties* panel. Other than the *items common properties*, this feature has the following functionalities (see Abb. 19.33):

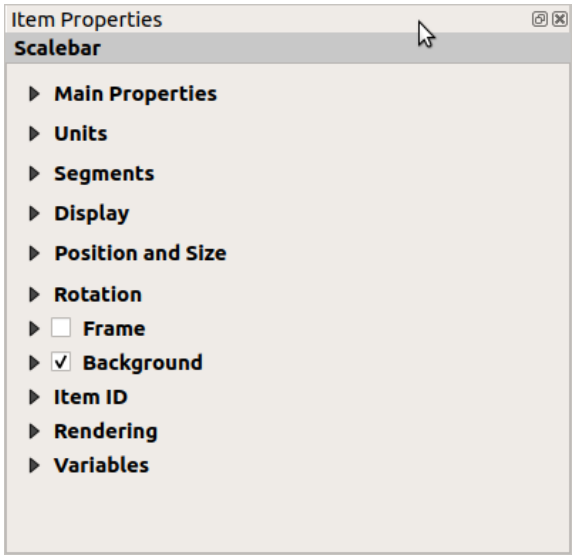


Abb. 19.33: Scale Bar Item Properties Panel

Haupteigenschaften

The *Main properties* group of the scale bar *Item Properties* panel provides the following functionalities (see Abb. 19.34):



Abb. 19.34: Scale Bar Main properties group

1. First, choose the map the scale bar will be attached to
2. Then, choose the style of the scale bar. Available styles are:
   - **Single box** and **Double box** styles, which contain one or two lines of boxes alternating colors;
   - **Middle**, **Up** or **Down** line ticks;
   - **Stepped line** style that draws a stepped line representation of a scalebar
   - **Hollow** style that draws a single box with alternating color for the segments, with horizontal lines through alternating segments
   - **Numeric**, where the scale ratio is printed (e.g., `1:50000`).
3. Set properties as appropriate

Units

The *Units* group of the scale bar *Item Properties* panel provides the functionalities to set the units of display and some text formatting (see Abb. 19.35):

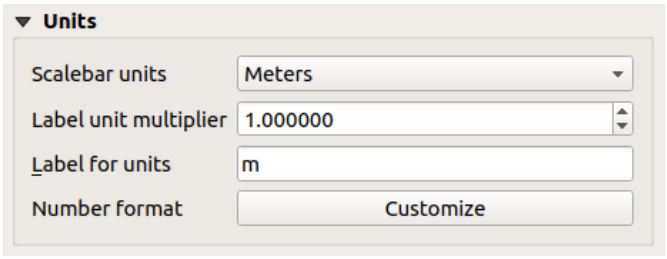


Abb. 19.35: Scale Bar Units group

- Select the units you want to use with *Scalebar units*. There are many possible choices: **Map Units** (the default one), **Meters**, **Feet**, **Miles** or **Nautical Miles**… and some derivatives. Units conversion is handled automatically.
- The *Label unit multiplier* specifies how many scale bar units per labeled unit. Eg, if your scale bar units are set to „meters“, a multiplier of 1000 will result in the scale bar labels in „kilometers“.
- The *Label for units* field defines the text used to describe the units of the scale bar, eg `m` or `km`. This should be matched to reflect the multiplier above.
- Press *Customize* next to *Number format* to have control over all the formatting properties for the numbers in the scale bar, including thousand separators, decimal places, scientific notation, etc. (see *Number Formatting* for more details). Very useful in the case of making maps for audiences outside of the current QGIS locale, or when you would like to vary the style from the locale defaults (e.g. adding thousands separators when the locale default is to hide them).

Segments

The *Segments* group of the scale bar *Item Properties* panel provides the functionalities to configure the number and size of segments and subdivisions (see Abb. 19.36):

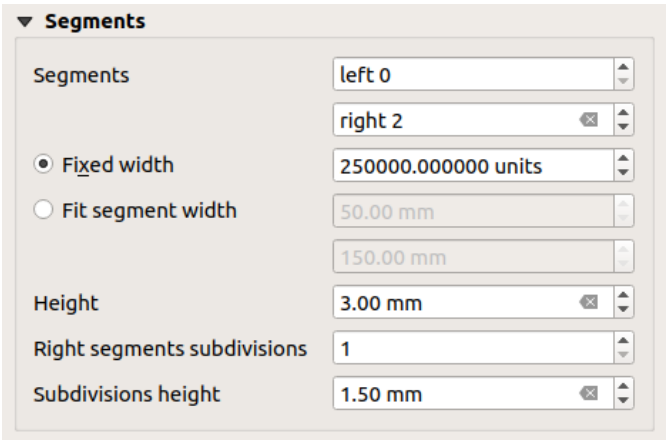


Abb. 19.36: Scale Bar Segments group

- You can define the number of *Segments* that will be drawn at the left and right sides of the `0` of the scale bar:
  - number of subdivisions of a unique segment on the *Left* side
  - number of segments on the *Right* side

- You can set how long a segment will be (*Fixed width*), or limit the scale bar size in mm with *Fit segment width* option. In the latter case, each time the map scale changes, the scale bar is resized (and its label updated) to fit the range set.
- *Höhe* wird benutzt, um die Höhe der Leiste einzustellen.
- *Right segment subdivisions* is used to define the number of sections the right-side segments of the scale bar can have (for *Line Ticks Down*, *Line Ticks Middle* and *Line Ticks Up* scale bar styles) .
- *Subdivision height* is used to define the height of the subdivision segment.

Anzeigen

The *Display* group of the scale bar *Item Properties* panel provides the following functionalities:

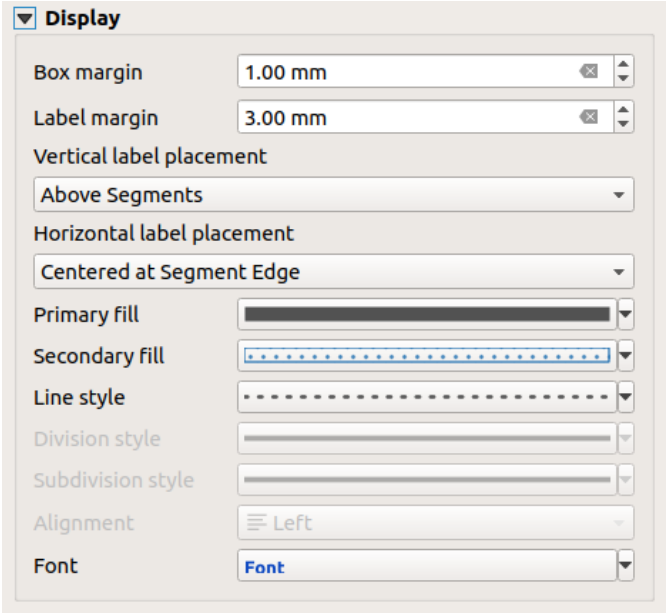


Abb. 19.37: Scale Bar Display group

Sie können festlegen wie der Maßstab in seinem Rahmen darsgestell wird.

- *Rahmenrand*: Zwischenraum zwischen Text- und Rahmengrenzen
- *Label margin* : space between text and scale bar drawing
- *Vertical label placement*: it can be above or below the scale bar segment
- *Horizontal label placement*: which would be centered at the scale bar segment's edge or center
- *Primary fill* and *Secondary fill* of the scale bar drawing using *fill symbols properties* (color, opacity, patterns, effects…) — for *Single Box*, *Double Box* and *Hollow* styles
- *Line style* of the scale bar drawing using *line symbols properties* (color, stroke, join, cap style, patterns, effects…) — for all but *Numeric* style
- *Division style* and *Subdivision style* respectively for division and subdivision segments in *Line Ticks Up*, *Line Ticks Middle* and *Line Ticks Down* scale bar styles using *line symbols properties* (color, stroke, join, cap style, patterns, effects…)
- *Alignment* puts text on the left, center or right side of the frame (only for *Numeric* scale bar style)
- *Font* to set the *properties* (size, font, color, letter spacing, shadow, background…) of the scale bar label.

Since most of the display properties of the scale bar rely on symbols whose properties can be data-defined, it's possible to render data-defined scale bars.

Example: The following code applied to the bold property of the scale labels will display numbers in bold when they are a multiple of 500:

```
-- returns True (or 1) if the value displayed on the bar
-- is a multiple of 500

@scale_value % 500 = 0
```

19.2.7 Das Tabellenelement

You can use table items to decorate and explain your map:

- *Attribute table*: shows a subset of the attributes of a layer, based on predefined rules
- *Fixed table*: inserts a manual text table where information can be independent from the layers.

Das Attributtabellenelement

Any layer in the project can have its attributes shown in the print layout. Use the  *Add Attribute Table* tool following *items creation instructions* to add a new table item that you can later manipulate the same way as exposed in *Interacting with layout items*.

By default, a new attribute table item loads first rows of the first (alphabetically sorted) layer, with all the fields. You can however customize the table thanks to its *Item Properties* panel. Other than the *items common properties*, this feature has the following functionalities (see Abb. 19.38):

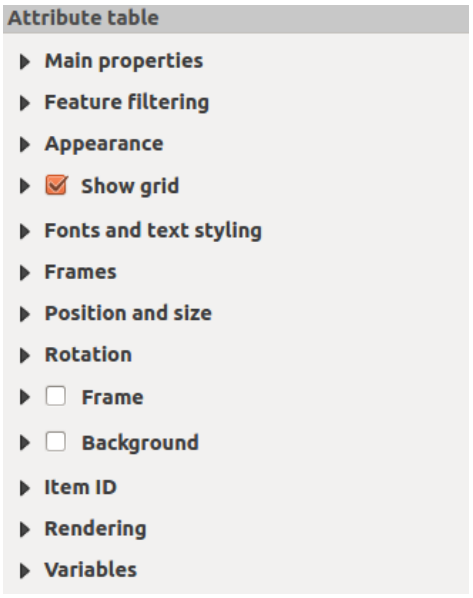


Abb. 19.38: Attribute table Item Properties Panel

Haupteigenschaften

The *Main properties* group of the attribute table provides the following functionalities (see Abb. 19.39):

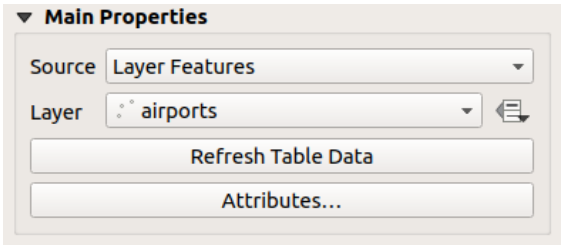


Abb. 19.39: Attribute table Main properties Group

- For *Source* you can by default only select **Layer features** allowing you to select a *Layer* from the vector layers loaded in the project.

  The Data-defined override button near the layer list allows you to dynamically change the layer which is used to populate the table, e.g. you could fill the attribute table with different layer attributes per atlas page. Note that the table structure used (Abb. 19.42) is the one of the layer shown in the *Layer* drop-down list and it is left intact, meaning that setting a data defined table to a layer with different field(s) will result in empty column(s) in the table.

  In case you activate the *Generate an atlas* option in the *Atlas* panel (see *Einen Atlas erzeugen*), there are two additional *Source* possible:

  - **Current atlas feature** (see Abb. 19.40): you won't see any option to choose the layer, and the table item will only show a row with the attributes from the current feature of the atlas coverage layer.
  - and **Relation children** (see Abb. 19.41): an option with the relation names will show up. This feature can only be used if you have defined a *relation* using your atlas coverage layer as parent, and the table will show the children rows of the atlas coverage layer's current feature.
- The button *Refresh Table Data* can be used to refresh the table when the actual contents of the table has changed.

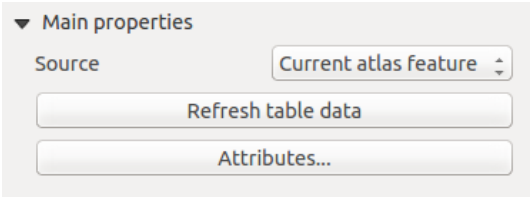


Abb. 19.40: Attribute table Main properties for ‚Current atlas feature'



Abb. 19.41: Attribute table Main properties for ‚Relation children'

- The button *Attributes…* starts the *Select Attributes* dialog, (see Abb. 19.42) that can be used to change the visible contents of the table. The upper part of the window shows the list of the attributes to display and the lower part helps you sort the data.

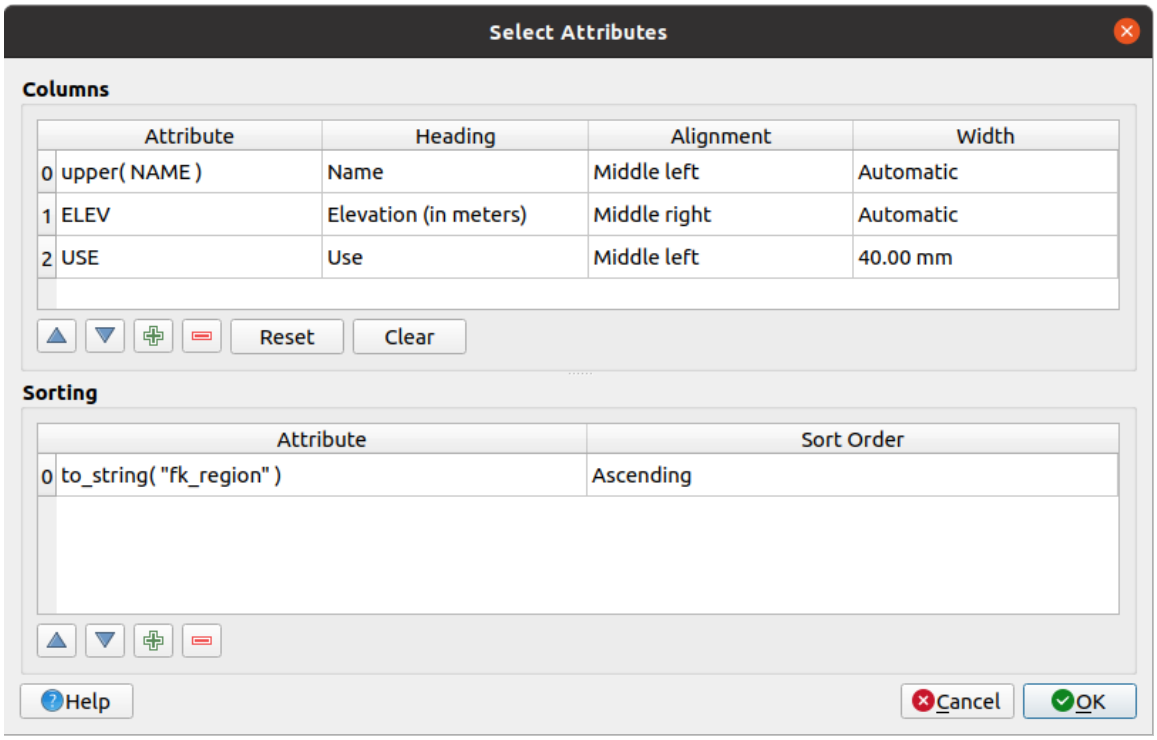


Abb. 19.42: Attribute table Select attributes Dialog

Im *Spalten* Abschnitt können Sie:

- Move attributes up or down the list by selecting the rows and then using the and buttons to shift the rows. Multiple rows can be selected and moved at any one time.
- Add an attribute with the button. This will add an empty row at the bottom of the table where you can select a field to be the attribute value or create an attribute via a regular expression.
- Remove an attribute with the button. Multiple rows can be selected and removed at any one time.
- Reset the attribute table back to its default state with the *Reset* button.
- Clear the table using the *Clear* button. This is useful when you have a large table but only want to show a small number of attributes. Instead of manually removing each row, it may be quicker to clear the table and add the rows needed.
- Cell headings can be altered by adding the custom text in the *Heading* column.
- Cell alignment can be managed with the *Alignment* column which will dictate the texts position within the table cell.
- Cell width can be manually managed by adding custom values to the *width* column.

Im *Sortierung* Abschnitt können Sie:

- Add an attribute to sort the table with: press the button and a new empty row is added. Insert a field or an expression in the *Attribute* column and set the *Sort order* to **Ascending** or **Descending**.
- Select a row in the list and use the and buttons to change the sort priority on attribute level. Selecting a cell in the *Sort Order* column helps you change the sorting order of the attribute field.
- Use the button to remove an attribute from the sorting list.

Objektfiltrierung

The *Feature filtering* group of the attribute table provides the following functionalities (see Abb. 19.43):

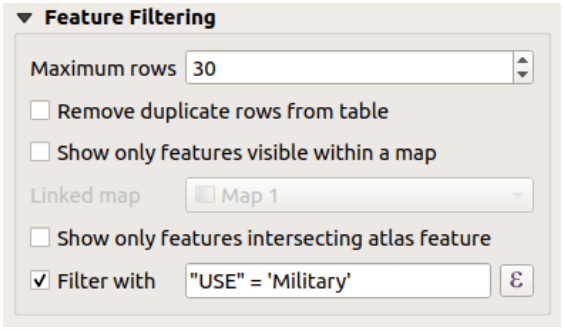


Abb. 19.43: Attribute table Feature filtering Group

Sie können:

- Die *Maximalen Zeilen* , die dargestellt werden sollen, definieren.
- *Doppelte Zeilen aus der Tabelle entfernen* aktivieren um nur eindeutige Datensätze zu zeigen.
- Activate *Show only visible features within a map* and select the corresponding *Linked map* whose visible features attributes will be displayed.
- Activate *Show only features intersecting Atlas feature* is only available when *Generate an atlas* is activated. When activated it will show a table with only the features which intersect the current atlas feature.
- Aktivieren Sie *Filtern nach* und schaffen Sie einen Filter indem Sie eine Eingabezeile eingeben oder einen regulären Ausdruck über den gegebenen Ausdrucksknopf einfügen. Einige Beispiele von Filteranweisungen, die Sie verwenden können wenn Sie den airports Layer aus dem Beispieldatensatz geladen haben
  - `ELEV > 500`
  - `NAME = 'ANIAK'`
  - `NAME NOT LIKE 'AN%'`
  - `regexp_match( attribute( $currentfeature, 'USE' ) , '[i]')`

  Der letzte reguläre Ausdruck wird nur die Flughäfen einfügen die einen Buchstaben ‚i' in der Attributspalte ‚USE' haben.

Darstellung

The *Appearance* group of the attribute table provides the following functionalities (see Abb. 19.44):

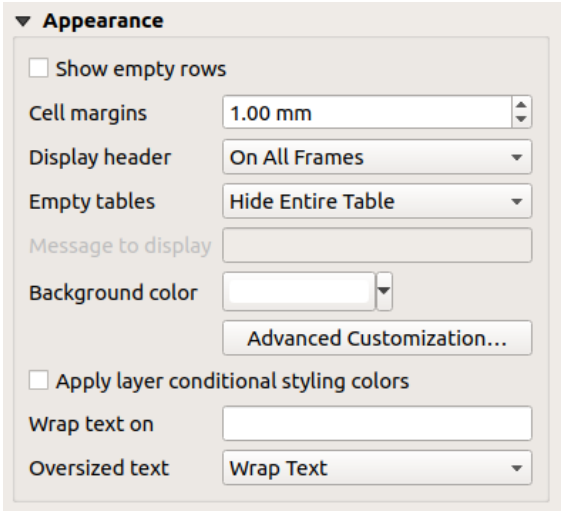


Abb. 19.44: Attribute table appearance Group

- Klicken Sie *Zeige leere Zeilen* um die Attributtabelle mit leeren Zellen zu füllen, diese Option kann auch verwendet werden um zusätzliche leere Zellen zu schaffen, wenn Sie ein Ergebnis anzeigen wollen!
- Mit *Zellenränder* können Sie die Ränder um den Text in jeder Zelle der Tabelle definieren.
- Mit *Kopf anzeigen* können Sie von einer Liste eine der voreingestellten Optionen ‚Im ersten Rahmen', ‚In allen Rahmen' oder ‚Kein Kopf' auswählen.
- Die Option *Leere Tabellen* kontrolliert was dargestellt wird wenn die Ergebnisauswahl leer ist.
  - **Nur Kopf zeichnen** zeichnet nur den Kopf ausser Sie haben ‚Kein Kopf' bei *Kopf anzeigen* ausgewählt.
  - **Ganze Tabelle ausblenden** zeichnet nur den Hintergrund der Tabelle. Sie können *Hintergrund nicht anzeigen wenn Rahmen leer ist* in *Rahmen* aktivieren um die Tabelle komplett auszublenden.
  - **Eingestellte Nachricht anzeigen** zeichnet den Kopf und fügt eine Zelle ein, die sich über alle Spalten erstreckt und eine Nachricht wie ‚Kein Ergebnis' kann in der Option *Anzuzeigende Nachricht* bereitgestellt werden
- Die Option *Anzuzeigende Nachricht* ist nur aktiviert wenn Sie **Eingestellte Nachricht anzeigen** bei *Leere Tabelle* gewählt haben. Die angegebene Nachricht wird in der Tabelle in der ersten Zeile gezeigt wenn das Ergebnis eine leere Tabelle ist.
- With *Background color* you can set the background color of the table using the *color selector* widget. The *Advanced customization* option helps you define different background colors for each cell (see Abb. 19.45)

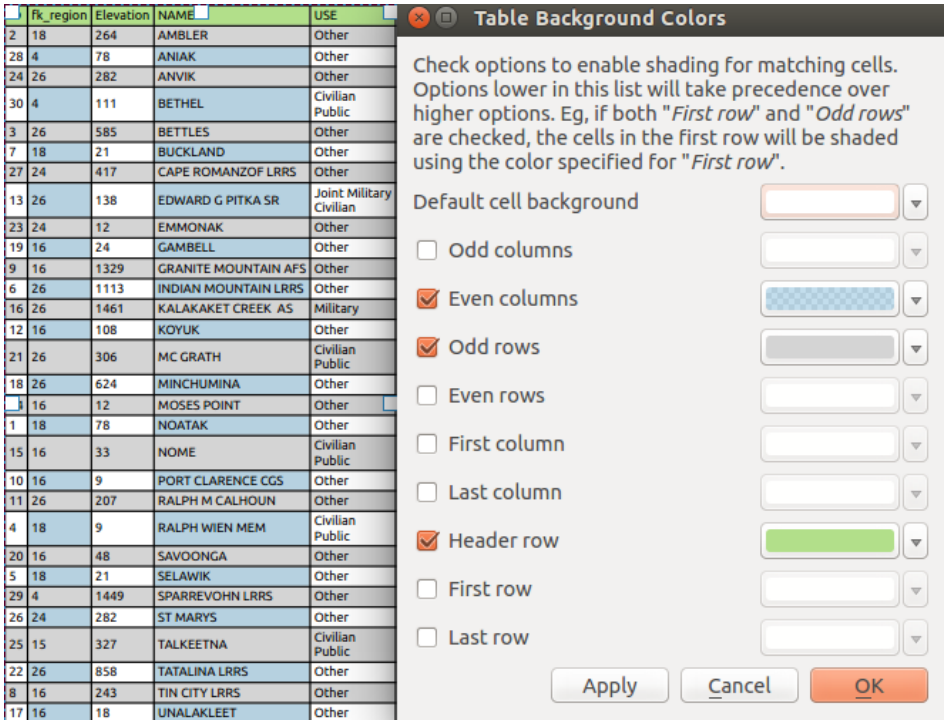


Abb. 19.45: Attribute table Advanced Background Dialog

- *Apply layer conditional styling colors*: the *conditional table formatting* present in the layer is applied inside the layout attribute table (*only background and foreground colors are currently supported*). Conditional formatting rules take precedence over other layout table formatting settings, e.g. they will override other cell background color settings such as alternating row colors.
- Mit der **:gui-Label:`Wrap Text on`** Option können Sie ein Zeichen definieren, auf dem der Zellinhalt wird eingewickelt wird, jedes Mal, wenn er erfüllt ist
- With *Oversized text* you define the behavior when the width set for a column is smaller than its content's length. It can be **Wrap text** or **Truncate text**.

Bemerkung: More properties of the attribute table item are described in the *Tables common functionalities* section.

Das Feste Tabellenelement

Additional information about the map can be inserted manually into a table by choosing *Add Fixed Table* and by following *items creation instructions* to add a new table item that you can later manipulate the same way as exposed in *Interacting with layout items*.

By default, an empty table with two minimized columns and rows appears in the map layout. You have to customize the table in the *Item Properties* panel. Other than the *items common properties*, this feature has the following functionalities:

Haupteigenschaften

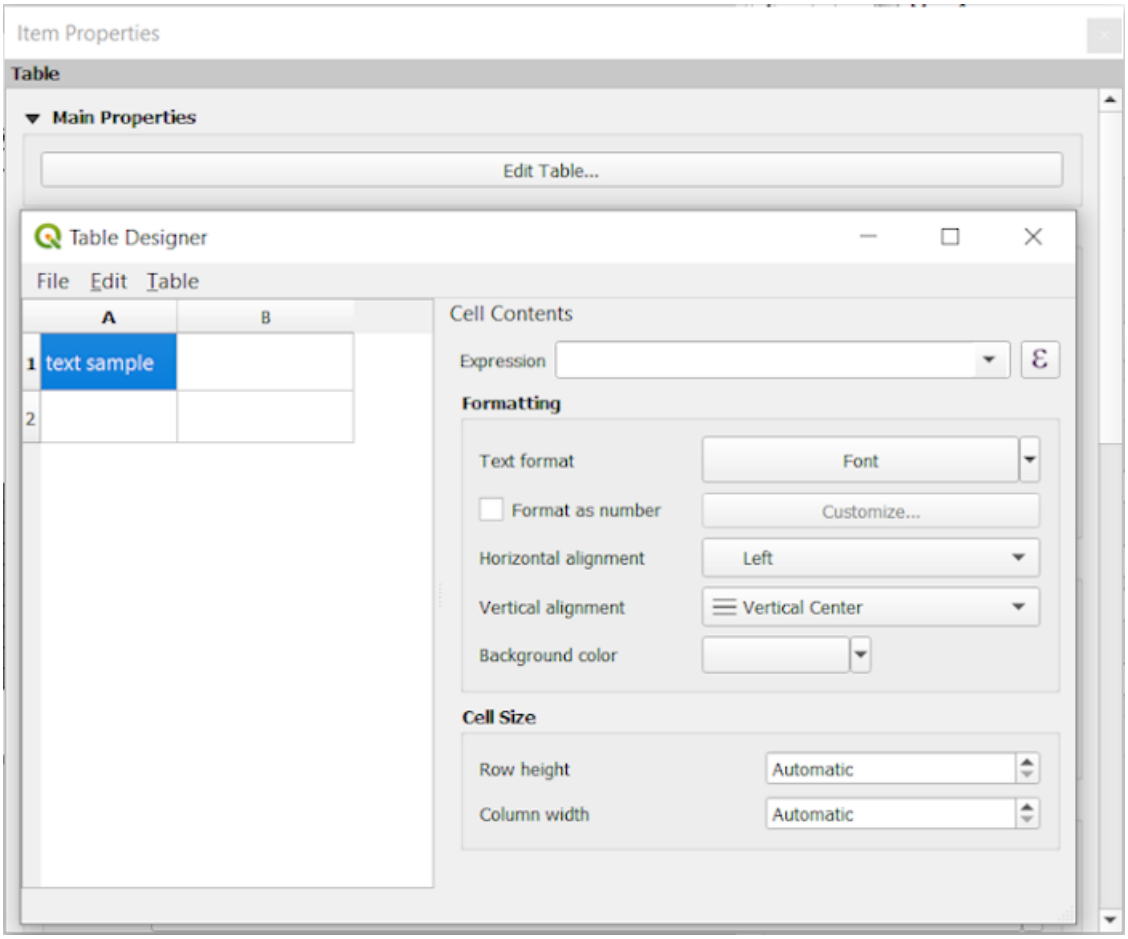


Abb. 19.46: Fixed table Item Properties Panel with Table designer

In *Main properties* you can work with the *Table designer* when clicking the *Edit table …*:

- You can click into the table and insert texts manually.
- Through the menus on top it is possible to:
  - *Import Content From Clipboard* by going to *File* (it overrides given inputs).
  - work with selection functionalities for rows and columns by going to *Edit*.
  - *Insert rows*, *Insert columns*, *Delete Rows*, *Delete Columns* as well as using the option to *Include Header Row*.
- You can work with the *Cell Contents* section on the right and:
  - Define the text format of selected cells in *Formatting*
    - by clicking on the given expression button and using a regular expression for the input of the cell
    - by choosing the *Text format*
    - by *Format as number* (several formats are available)
    - by defining the *Horizontal alignment* and the *Vertical alignment*
    - by choosing a *Background color*

- Define the *Cell Size* with *Row height* and *Column width*.

Darstellung

The *Appearance* group of the fixed table provides the following functionalities:

- Click *Show empty rows* to fill the attribute table with empty cells.
- Mit *Zellenränder* können Sie die Ränder um den Text in jeder Zelle der Tabelle definieren.
- Mit *Kopf anzeigen* können Sie von einer Liste eine der voreingestellten Optionen ‚Im ersten Rahmen', ‚In allen Rahmen' oder ‚Kein Kopf' auswählen.
- With *Background color* you can set the background color of the table using the *color selector* widget. The *Advanced customization* option helps you define different background colors for each cell.
- With *Oversized text* you define the behavior when the width set for a column is smaller than its content's length. It can be **Wrap text** or **Truncate text**.

Bemerkung: More properties of the fixed table item are described in the *Tables common functionalities* section.

Tables common functionalities

Gitter anzeigen

The *Show grid* group of the table items provides the following functionalities (see Abb. 19.47):

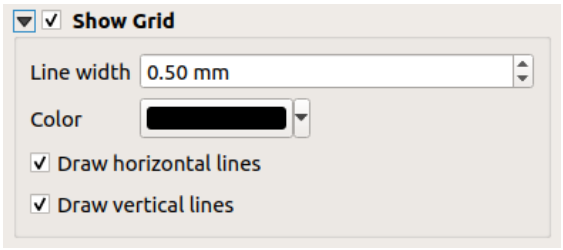


Abb. 19.47: Attribute table Show grid Group

- Activate *Show grid* when you want to display the grid, the outlines of the table cells. You can also select to either *Draw horizontal lines* or *Draw vertical lines* or both.
- Mit *Strichbreite* können Sie die Dicke der Linien, die im Gitter verwendet werden, festlegen.
- The *Color* of the grid can be set using the color selection widget.

Schrift- und Textgestaltung

The *Fonts and text styling* group of the table items provides the following functionalities (see Abb. 19.48):



Abb. 19.48: Attribute table Fonts and text styling Group

- You can define *Font* properties for *Table heading* and *Table contents*, using the advanced *text settings* widget (with buffer, shadow, paint effects, transparence, background, coloring, …). Note that these changes do not affect the cells that have custom font assigned, either from the *Appearance* section or the *Table Designer* dialog. Only cells with the default rendering are overwritten.
- For *Table heading* you can additionally set the *Alignment* to `Follow column alignment` or override this setting by choosing `Left`, `Center` or `Right`. The column alignment is set using the *Select Attributes* dialog (see Abb. 19.42).

Rahmen

The *Frames* group of the table item properties provides the following functionalities (see Abb. 19.49):

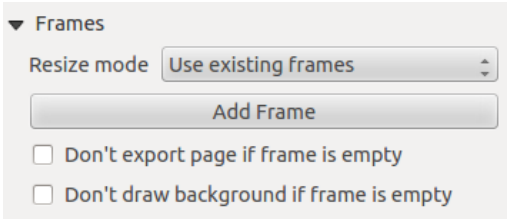


Abb. 19.49: Attribute table Frames Group

- Mit dem *Größenmodus* können Sie auswählen wie der Inhalt der Attributtabelle gerendert wird:
  - `Use existing frames` displays the result in the first frame and added frames only.
  - `Extend to next page` will create as many frames (and corresponding pages) as necessary to display the full selection of attribute table. Each frame can be moved around on the layout. If you resize a frame, the resulting table will be divided up between the other frames. The last frame will be trimmed to fit the table.
  - `Repeat until finished` will also create as many frames as the *Extend to next page* option, except all frames will have the same size.
- Use the *Add Frame* button to add another frame with the same size as selected frame. The result of the table that will not fit in the first frame will continue in the next frame when you use the Resize mode `Use existing frames`.
- Activate *Don't export page if frame is empty* prevents the page to be exported when the table frame has no contents. This means all other layout items, maps, scalebars, legends etc. will not be visible in the result.
- Das Aktivieren von *Hintergrund nicht anzeigen wenn Rahmen leer ist* verhindert dass der Hintergrund gezeichnet wird wenn der Rahmen keinen Inhalt hat.

19.2.8 The Marker, Picture and North Arrow Items

- *Das Bildelement*
  - *Main properties*
  - *Size and placement*
  - *Image rotation*
- *Das Nordpfeilelement*
- *The Marker Item*

Along with the map or legend items in the print layout, you may want to decorate your realization with images or annotations. QGIS provides different tools to achieve this:

- the *picture item*: decorates the layout with an image raster or SVG file (e.g. logos, pictures, north arrows, …)
- the *north arrow item*: a picture item predefined with a north arrow image
- the *marker item*: decorates the layout with QGIS vector *symbols*. It can be used to place markers over a map item or for creation of advanced custom legends.

Das Bildelement

You can add a picture by dragging it from your file manager onto the canvas, pasting it directly into the layout by using `Ctrl+V` or *Edit* ► *Paste* and by using the  Add Picture, following *items creation instructions*. Then you can manipulate it, as explained in *Interacting with layout items*.

When using  Add Picture, the picture item will be a blank frame that you can customize using its *Item Properties* panel. Other than the *items common properties*, this feature has the following functionalities:

Main properties

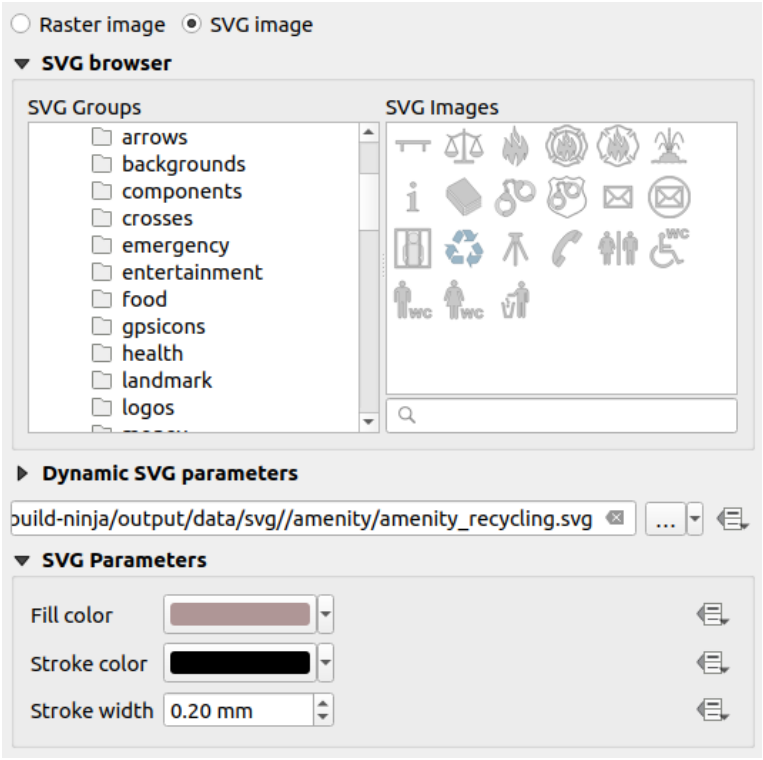


Abb. 19.50: Elementeigenschaften für Bilder

The picture item supports two types of images:

- *Raster Image*: a file selector widget can be used to fetch the data. Use the … Browse button to select a file on your computer or enter the path directly in the text field. You can even provide a remote URL that points to a picture. The associated image can also be *embedded* in the layout.

  Benutzen Sie die Schaltfläche Datendefinierte Übersteuerung, um die Bildquelle aus einem Objektattribut zu lesen oder über einen Ausdruck einzustellen.

- *SVG Image*: using by default the SVG libraries provided in *Settings* ► *Options* ► *System* ► *SVG Paths*. You can however use any other file, and the file selection follows the same rules as for the raster image. The SVG parameters can as well be set dynamic.

  The QGIS provided (default) `.SVG` files are customizable, meaning that you can easily apply other *Fill color*, *Stroke color* (including opacity) and *Stroke width* than the original, using their corresponding feature in the *SVG Parameters* group. These properties can also be *data-defined*.

  If you add an `.SVG` file that does not enable these properties, you may need to add the following tags to the file in order to add support e.g. for transparency:

  – *fill-opacity="param(fill-opacity)"*

  – *stroke-opacity="param(outline-opacity)"*

  More details at *Parametrizable SVG*.

Bemerkung: Drag-and-drop an image file (raster or SVG) into the layout page will create a layout picture item with corresponding settings.

Size and placement



Abb. 19.51: Layout pictures size and placement properties

Mit der Einstellung *Größenmodus* können Sie festlegen, wie das Bld dargestellt wird, wenn sich die Größe des Rahmens ändert:

- `Zoom`: enlarges/reduces the image to the frame while maintaining the aspect ratio of picture
- `Stretch`: stretches the image to fit inside the frame
- `Clip`: use this mode for raster images only, it sets the size of the image to the original image size without scaling, and the frame is used to clip the image. So only the part of the image that is inside the frame will be visible.
- `Zoom and resize frame`: enlarges the image to fit the frame, and then resizes frame to fit the resulting image dimensions
- `Resize frame to image size`: sets the size of the frame to match the original size of the image (no scaling)

Depending on the selected *Resize mode*, the *Placement* and *Image rotation* options may be disabled. *Placement* lets you select the position of the image inside its frame (top/middle/bottom and left/center/right).

Image rotation

Images can be rotated with the *Image rotation* field. Activating the *Sync with map* checkbox synchronizes the rotation of the image with the rotation applied to the selected map item. This is a convenient feature to make any picture behave as a north arrow. The *North alignment* can be:

- **Grid north**: the direction of a grid line which is parallel to the central meridian of the national/local grid
- **True north**: direction of a meridian of longitude.

Sie können der Bilddrehung auch einen *Versatz* für die Missweisung hinzufügen.

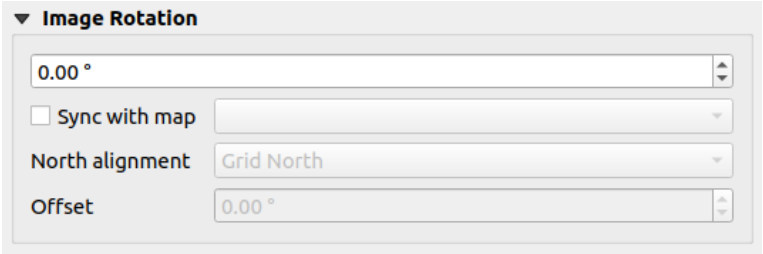


Abb. 19.52: Layout pictures image rotation properties

Das Nordpfeilelement

You can add a north arrow with the Add North Arrow button, following *items creation instructions* and manipulate it the same way as exposed in *Interacting with layout items*.

Since north arrows are images, the *North Arrow* item has the same properties as the *picture item*. The main differences are:

- A default north arrow is used when adding the item, instead of a blank frame
- The north arrow item is synced with a map item by default: the *Sync with map* property is the map over which the north arrow item is drawn. If none, it falls back to the *reference map*.

Bemerkung: Many of the north arrows do not have an ‚N' added in the north arrow. This is done on purpose, since there are languages that do not use an ‚N' for North.

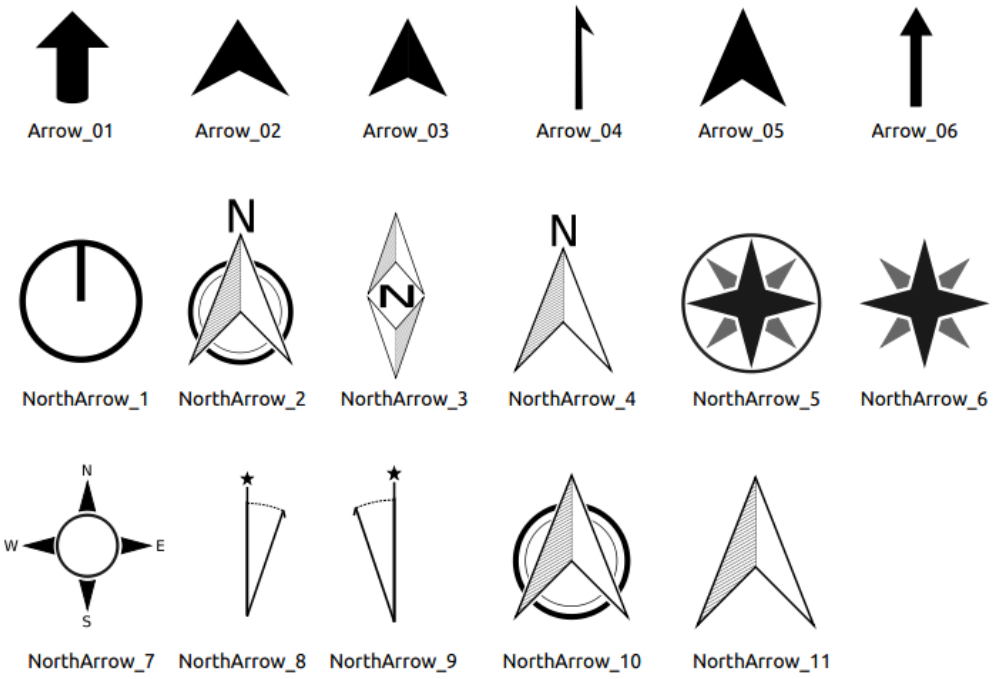


Abb. 19.53: Nordpfeile, die von der SVG-Bibliothek zur Verfügung gestellt werden.

The Marker Item

To add a marker item, select the Add Marker button, and click on the page. A default point marker symbol is added. Then you can manipulate it, as explained in *Interacting with layout items*. But note that unlike most of the other items, you resize the item given that its size is controlled by the embedded symbols properties.

The marker item can be customized from the *Item Properties* panel. Other than the *items common properties*, you can also:

- modify the *Symbol*, relying on all the symbol *widget capabilities*
- sync the marker item rotation with the map's (see *Image rotation*), acting as a north arrow. The map rotation is added to any existing marker symbol level rotation (so .e.g if you have to rotate the triangle marker 90° to get it pointing straight up, it will still work nicely in north arrow mode!)

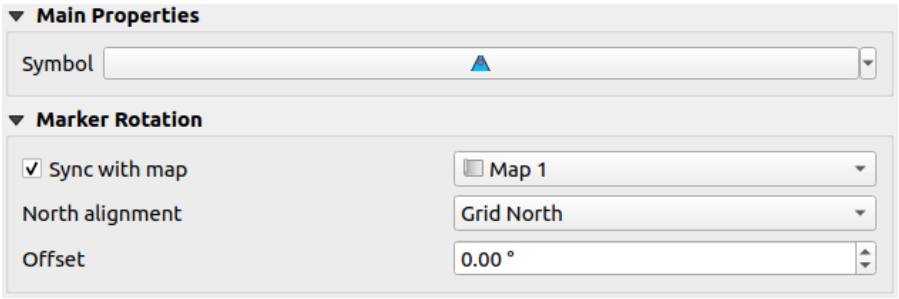


Abb. 19.54: The marker item custom properties

19.2.9 Das HTML-Rahmen Element

It is possible to add a frame that displays the contents of a website or even create and style your own HTML page and display it! You can add a picture with the *Add HTML* following *items creation instructions* and manipulate it the same way as exposed in *Interacting with layout items*. Note that the HTML scale is controlled by the layout export resolution at the time the HTML frame is created.

The HTML item can be customized using its *Item Properties* panel. Other than the *items common properties*, this feature has the following functionalities (see Abb. 19.55):

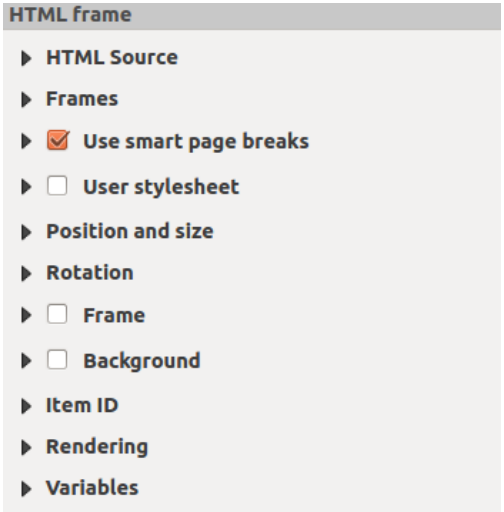


Abb. 19.55: HTML Frame, the Item Properties Panel

HTML-Quelle

The *HTML Source* group of the HTML frame *Item Properties* panel provides the following functionalities (see Abb. 19.56):

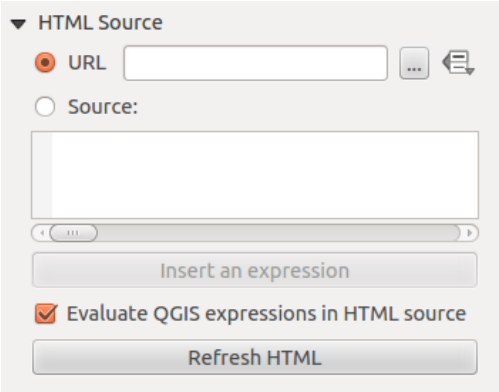


Abb. 19.56: HTML frame, the HTML Source properties

- In *URL* you can enter the URL of a webpage you copied from your Internet browser or select an HTML file using the … Browse button. There is also the option to use the Data-defined override button, to provide a URL from the contents of an attribute field of a table or using a regular expression.
- Unter *Quelle* können Sie Text mit einigen HTML-Tags ins Textfenster eingeben oder eine ganze HTML-Seite zur Verfügung zu stellen.
- The *Insert or Edit an Expression…* button can be used to add an expression like `[%Year($now)%]` in the Source textbox to display the current year. This button is only activated when radiobutton *Source* is selected. After inserting the expression click somewhere in the textbox before refreshing the HTML frame, otherwise you will lose the expression.
- Aktivieren Sie *QGIS-Ausdrücke in HTML-Quelle auswerten* um das Ergebnis des Ausdrucks, den Sie eingefügt haben, zu sehen, andernfalls sehen Sie den Ausdruck.
- Use the *Refresh HTML* button to refresh the HTML frame(s) and see the result of changes.

Rahmen

The *Frames* group of the HTML frame *Item Properties* panel provides the following functionalities (see Abb. 19.57):

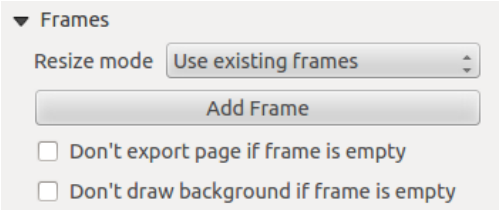


Abb. 19.57: HTML frame, the Frames properties

- Mit dem *Resize-Modus* können Sie auswählen wie der HTMl Inhalt gerendert wird:
  - `Use existing frames` displays the result in the first frame and added frames only.
  - `Extend to next page` will create as many frames (and corresponding pages) as necessary to render the height of the web page. Each frame can be moved around on the layout. If you resize a frame, the webpage will be divided up between the other frames. The last frame will be trimmed to fit the web page.

  - `Repeat on every page` will repeat the upper left of the web page on every page in frames of the same size.
  - `Repeat until finished` will also create as many frames as the `Extend to next page` option, except all frames will have the same size.
- Use the *Add Frame* button to add another frame with the same size as selected frame. If the HTML page does not fit in the first frame it will continue in the next frame when you use *Resize mode* or *Use existing frames*.
- Activate *Don't export page if frame is empty* prevents the page from being exported when the frame has no HTML contents. This means all other layout items, maps, scale bars, legends etc. will not be visible in the result.
- Das Aktivieren von *Hintergrund nicht anzeigen, wenn Rahmen leer ist* verhindert, dass der HTML-Rahmen gezeichnet wird wenn der Rahmen leer ist.

Intelligente Seitenumbrüche und Benutzer Stylesheet nutzen

The *Use smart page breaks* dialog and *User style sheet* dialog of the HTML frame *Item Properties* panel provides the following functionalities (see Abb. 19.58):

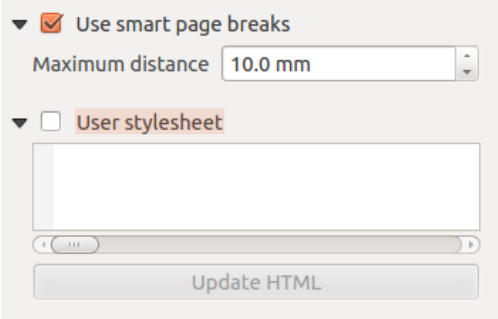


Abb. 19.58: HTML frame, Use smart page breaks and User style sheet properties

- Aktivieren Sie *Intelligente Seitenumbrüche* um zu verhindern, dass der HTML-Rahmen inmitten einer Textzeile umbricht so dass er weiter schön und glatt im nächsten Rahmen weitergeht.
- Setzen Sie den erlaubten *Maximalabstand* wenn ausgerechnet werden soll wo die Seitenumbrüche im HTML platziert werden sollen. Dieser Abstand ist der maximale Größe des leeren Raums am Fuß eines Rahmens nachdem der optimale Platz für den Seitenumbruch berechnet wurde. Das Setzen eines größeren Wertes resultiert in einer besseren Auswahl des Platzes für den Seitenumbruch, es resultiert aber auch in mehr nicht genutztem Platz am Fuß des Rahmens. Dies wird nur genutzt wenn *Intelligenter Seitenumbrüche nutzen* aktiviert ist.
- Activate *User style sheet* to apply HTML styles that often is provided in cascading style sheets. An example of style code is provided below to set the color of `<h1>` header tag to green and set the font and font size of text included in paragraph tags `<p>`.

```
h1 {color: #00ff00;
}
p {font-family: "Times New Roman", Times, serif;
   font-size: 20px;
}
```

- Use the *Update HTML* button to see the result of the style sheet settings.

19.2.10 Das Formelement

QGIS provides a couple of tools to draw regular or more complex shapes over the print layout.

Bemerkung: Unlike other print layout items, you can not style the frame nor the background color of the shapes bounding frame (set to transparent by default).

Das Rechteckelement

The *Shape* item is a tool that helps to decorate your map with regular shapes like triangle, rectangle, ellipse… You can add a regular shape using the Add Shape tool which gives access to particular tools like Add Rectangle, Add Ellipse and Add Triangle. Once you have selected the appropriate tool, you can draw the item following *items creation instructions*. Like other layout items, a regular shape can be manipulated the same way as exposed in *Interacting with layout items*.

Bemerkung: Holding down the `Shift` key while drawing the basic shape with the click and drag method helps you create a perfect square, circle or triangle.

The default shape item can be customized using its *Item Properties* panel. Other than the *items common properties*, this feature has the following functionalities (see Abb. 19.59):

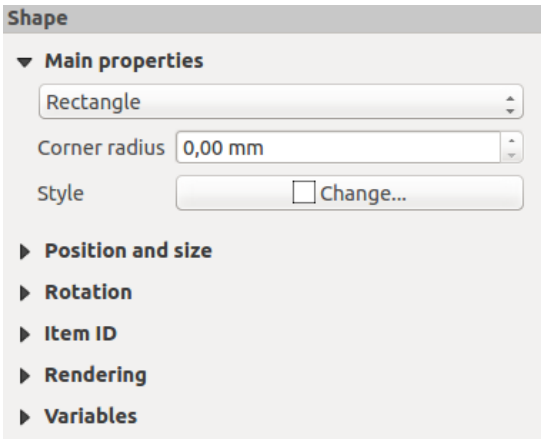


Abb. 19.59: Shape Item Properties Panel

The *Main properties* group shows and allows you to switch the type of the shape item (**Ellipse**, **Rectangle** or **Triangle**) inside the given frame.

You can set the style of the shape using the advanced *symbol* and *color* selector widget…

For the rectangle shape, you can set in different units the value of the *Corner radius* to round of the corners.

Das Knotenelement

While the *Add Shape* tool provides way to create simple and predefined geometric item, the *Add Node Item* tool helps you create a custom and more advanced geometric item. For polylines or polygons, you can draw as many lines or sides as you want and vertices of the items can be independently and directly manipulated using the *Edit Nodes Item*. The item itself can be manipulated as exposed in *Interacting with layout items*.

To add a node-based shape:

1. Click the Add Node Item icon
2. Select either Add Polygon or Add Polyline tool
3. Perform consecutive left clicks to add nodes of your item. If you hold down the `Shift` key while drawing a segment, it is constrained to follow an orientation multiple of 45°.
4. When you're done, right-click to terminate the shape.

You can customize the appearance of the shape in the *Item Properties* panel.

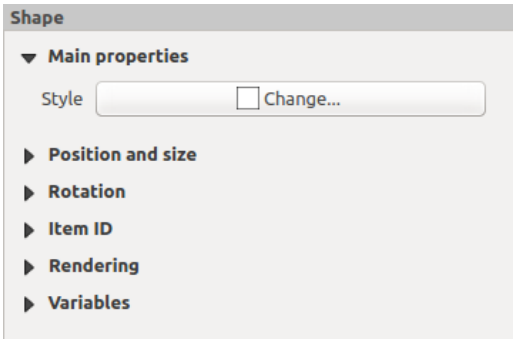


Abb. 19.60: Polygon Node Shape Item Properties Panel

In the *Main properties*, you can set the style of the shape using the advanced *symbol* and *color* selector widget…

For polyline node items, you can also parameterize the *Line markers* i.e. add:

- start and/or end markers with options:
  - *None*: draws a simple polyline.
  - *Arrow*: adds a regular triangular arrow head that you can customize.
  - *SVG* marker: uses an `SVG` file as arrow head of the item.
- customize the arrow head:
  - *Arrow stroke color*: sets the stroke color of the arrow head.
  - *Arrow fill color*: sets the fill color of the arrow head.
  - *Arrow stroke width*: sets the stroke width of the arrow head.
  - *Arrow head width*: sets the size of the arrow head.

SVG images are automatically rotated with the line. Stroke and fill colors of QGIS predefined SVG images can be changed using the corresponding options. Custom SVG may require some tags following this *instruction*.

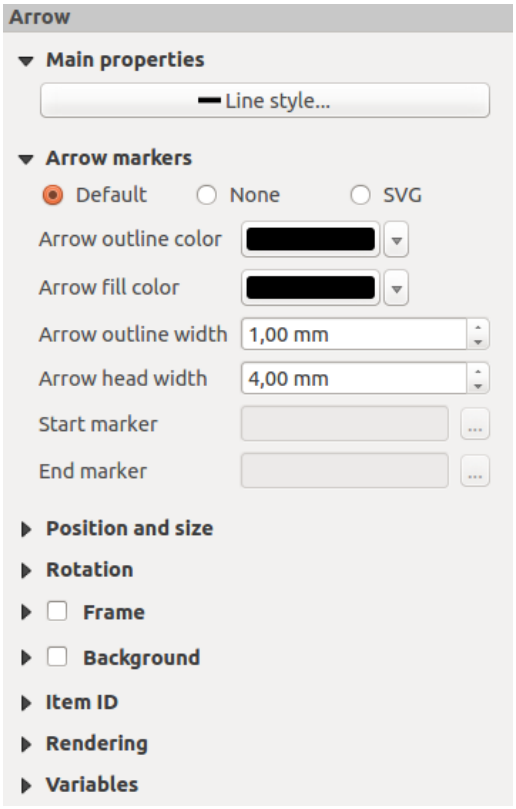


Abb. 19.61: Polyline Node Shape Item Properties Panel

Das Pfeilelement

The Add Arrow tool is a shortcut to create an arrow-enabled polyline by default and thus has the same properties and behavior as a *polyline node item*.

Actually, the arrow item can be used to add a simple arrow, for example, to show the relation between two different print layout items. However, to create a north arrow, the *image item* should be considered first as it gives access to a set of north arrows in `.SVG` format that you can sync with a map item so that it rotates automatically with it.

Editing a node item geometry

A specific tool is provided to edit node-based shapes through Edit Nodes Item. Within this mode, you can select a node by clicking on it (a marker is displayed on the selected node). A selected node can be moved either by dragging it or by using the arrow keys. Moreover, in this mode, you are able to add nodes to an existing shape: double-click on a segment and a node is added at the place you click. Finally, you can remove the currently selected node by hitting the `Del` key.

19.3 Eine Ausgabe erzeugen

Abb. 19.62 shows an example print layout including all the types of layout items described in the previous section.

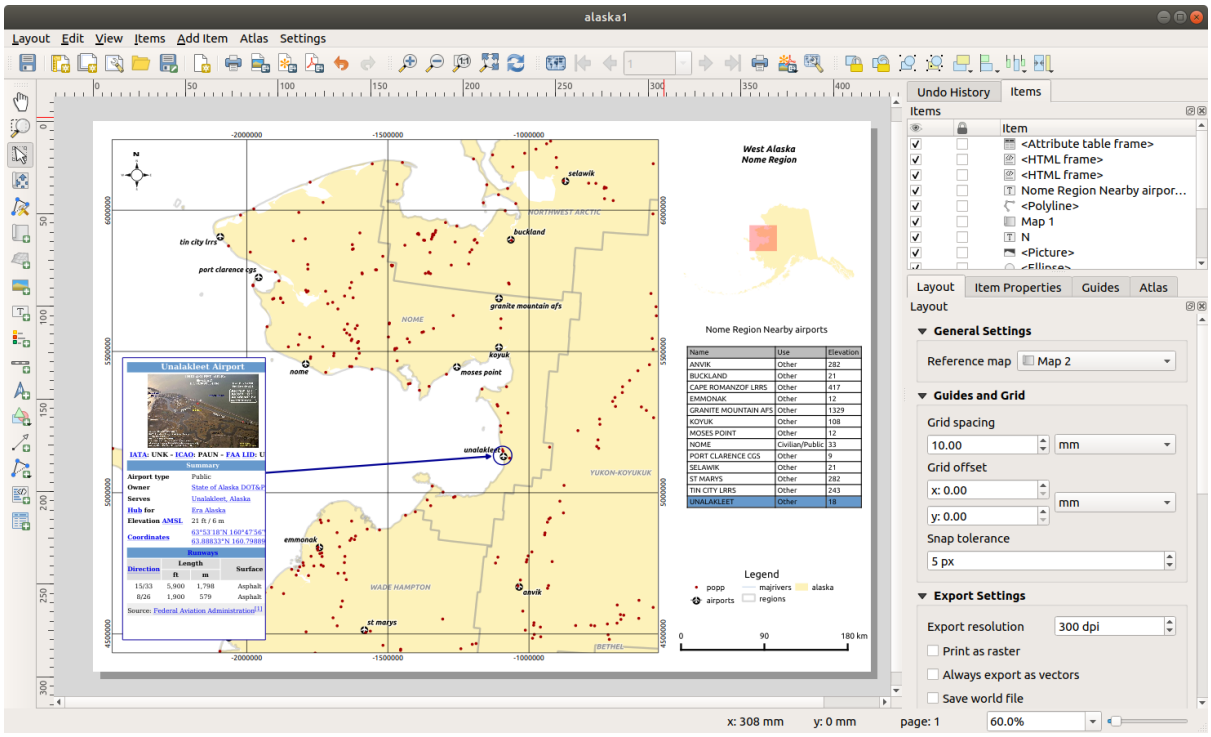


Abb. 19.62: Print Layout with map view, legend, image, scale bar, coordinates, text and HTML frame added

From the *Layout* menu or toolbar, you can output the print layout to different file formats, and it is possible to modify the resolution (print quality) and paper size:

- The Print icon allows you to print the layout to a connected printer or a PostScript file, depending on the installed printer drivers.
- The Export as image icon exports the print layout image formats such as `PNG`, `BMP`, `TIF`, `JPG`, and many others…
- The Export as SVG icon saves the print layout as an `SVG` (Scalable Vector Graphic).
- The Export as PDF icon saves the defined print layout directly as a `PDF` (Portable Document Format) file.

19.3.1 Exporteinstellungen

Whenever you export a print layout, there are a selection of export settings QGIS needs to check in order to produce the most appropriate output. These configurations are:

- The *Export settings* of the *Layout* panel, such as *Export resolution*, *Print as raster* *Always export as vectors* or *Save world file*
- *Exclude page from exports* in the *page item properties* panel
- *Exclude item from exports* in the *item properties* panel

19.3.2 Speichern als Rasterbild

To export a layout as an image:

1. Click the Export as image icon
2. Select the image format, the folder and filename (e.g. `myill.png`) to use. If the layout contains more than one page, each page will be exported to a file with the given filename with the page number appended (e.g. `myill_2.png`).
3. In the next (*Image Export Options*) dialog:
   - You can override the print layout *Export resolution* and the exported page dimensions (as set in *Layout* panel).
   - Image rendering can also be improved with the *Enable antialiasing* option.
   - If you want to export your layout as a **georeferenced image** (e.g., to share with other projects), check the *Generate world file* option, and an *ESRI World File* with the same name as the exported image, but a different extension (`.tfw` for TIFF, `.pnw` for PNG, `jgw` for JPEG, …) will be created when exporting. This option can also be checked by default in the *layout panel*.

     Bemerkung: For multi-page output, only the page that contains the *reference map* will get a world file (assuming that the *Generate world file* option is checked).

   - By checking *Crop to content* option, the image output by the layout will include the minimal area enclosing all the items (map, legend, scale bar, shapes, label, image…) of each page of the composition:
     - If the composition includes a single page, then the output is resized to include EVERYTHING on the composition. The page can then be reduced or extended to all items depending on their position (on, above, below, left or right of the page).
     - In case of a multi-page layout, each page will be resized to include items in its area (left and right sides for all pages, plus top for the first page and bottom for the last page). Each resized page is exported to a separate file.

     The *Crop to content* dialog also lets you add margins around the cropped bounds.

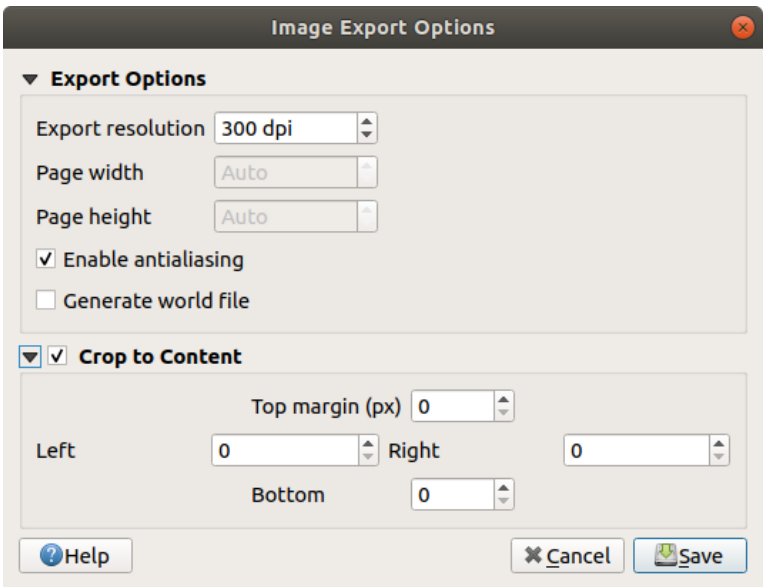


Abb. 19.63: Image Export Options, output is resized to items extent

Tipp: Use image formats that support transparency when items extend beyond the paper extent

Layout items may be placed outside the paper extent. When exporting with the *Crop to content* option, the resulting image may therefore extend beyond the paper extent. Since the background outside of the paper extent will be transparent, for image formats that do not support transparency (e.g. `BMP` and `JPG`) the transparent background will be rendered as full black, „corrupting“ the image. Use transparency-compatible formats (e.g. `TIFF` and `PNG`) in such cases.

Bemerkung: When supported by the format (e.g. `PNG`) and the underlying Qt library, the exported image may include *project metadata* (author, title, date, description…)

19.3.3 Als SVG exportieren

To export a layout as SVG:

1. Click the  Export as SVG icon
2. Fill in the path and filename (used as a base name for all the files in case of multi-page composition, as for image export)
3. In the next *SVG Export Options* dialog, you can override the layout default *export settings* or configure new ones:
   -  *Export map layers as SVG groups*: exported items are grouped within layers whose name matches the layer names from QGIS, making it much easier to understand the contents of the document.
   -  *Always export as vectors*: some rendering options require items to be rasterized for a better rendering. Check this option to keep the objects as vectors with the risk that the appearance of the output file may not match the print layout preview (for more details, see *Exporteinstellungen*).
   -  *Export RDF metadata* of the document such as the title, author, date, description…
   -  *Simplify geometries to reduce output file size*: this avoids exporting ALL geometry vertices, which can result in a ridiculously complex and large export file size that could fail to load in other applications. Geometries will be simplified while exporting the layout in order to remove any redundant vertices which are not discernably different at the export resolution (e.g. if the export resolution is `300 dpi`, vertices that are less than `1/600 inch` apart will be removed).
   - Set the *Text export*: controls whether text labels are exported as proper text objects (*Always export texts as text objects*) or as paths only (*Always export texts as paths*). If they are exported as text objects, they can be edited in external applications (e.g. Inkscape) as normal text. BUT the side effect is that the rendering quality is reduced, AND there are issues with rendering when certain text settings like buffers are in place. That's why exporting as paths is recommended.
   - Apply  *Crop to content* *option*
   -  *Disable tiled raster layer exports*: When exporting files, QGIS uses a built-in raster layer tiled rendering that saves memory. Sometimes, this can cause visible „seams“ in the rasters for generated files. Checking this option would fix that, at the cost of a higher memory usage during exports.

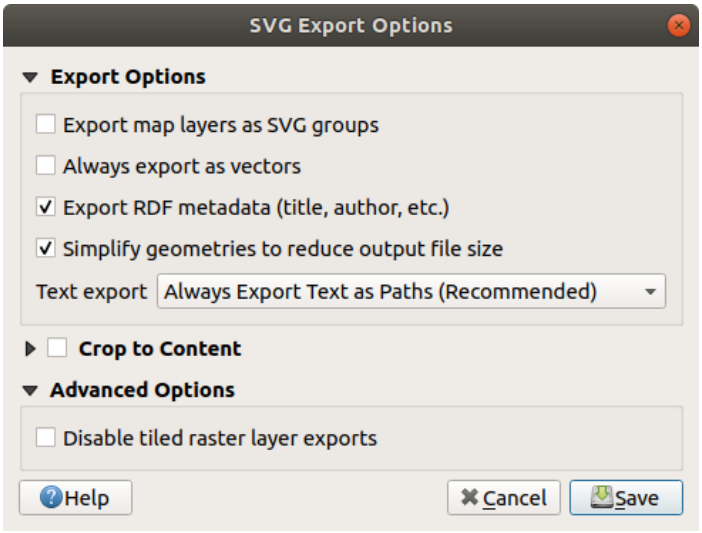


Abb. 19.64: SVG Exportoptionen

Bemerkung: Zur Zeit ist die SVG Ausgabe sehr einfach gehalten. Dies ist kein QGIS Probelm sondern ein Problem mit der darunterliegenden Qt Bibliothek. Dies wird hoffentlich in zukünftigen Versionen behoben.

19.3.4 Als PDF exportieren

To export a layout as PDF:

1. Click the Export as PDF icon
2. Fill in the path and filename: unlike for image and SVG export, all the pages in the layout are exported to a single PDF file.
3. In the next *PDF Export Options* dialog, you can override the layout default *export settings* or configure new ones:
   - *Always export as vectors*: some rendering options require items to be rasterized for a better rendering. Check this option to keep the objects as vectors with the risk that the appearance of the output file may not match the print layout preview (for more details, see *Exporteinstellungen*).
   - *Append georeference information*: available only if the *reference map*, from which the information is taken, is on the first page.
   - *Export RDF metadata* of the document such as the title, author, date, description…
   - Set the *Text export*: controls whether text labels are exported as proper text objects (*Always export texts as text objects*) or as paths only (*Always export texts as paths*). If they are exported as text objects then they can be edited in external applications (e.g. Inkscape) as normal text. BUT the side effect is that the rendering quality is decreased, AND there are issues with rendering when certain text settings like buffers are in place. That's why exporting as paths is recommended.
   - Control the PDF *Image compression* using:
     - *Lossy (JPEG)*, which is the default compression mode
     - or *Lossless*, which creates bigger files in most cases, but is much more suitable for printing outputs or for post-production in external applications (requires Qt 5.13 or later).
   - *Create Geospatial PDF (GeoPDF)*: Generate a georeferenced PDF file (requires GDAL version 3 or later).

- *Disable tiled raster layer exports*: When exporting files, QGIS uses tiled based rendering that saves memory. Sometimes, this can cause visible „seams“ in the rasters for generated files. Checking this option would fix that, at the cost of a higher memory usage during exports.
- *Simplify geometries to reduce output file size*: Geometries will be simplified while exporting the layout by removing vertices that are not discernably different at the export resolution (e.g. if the export resolution is `300 dpi`, vertices that are less than `1/600 inch` apart will be removed). This can reduce the size and complexity of the export file (very large files can fail to load in other applications).

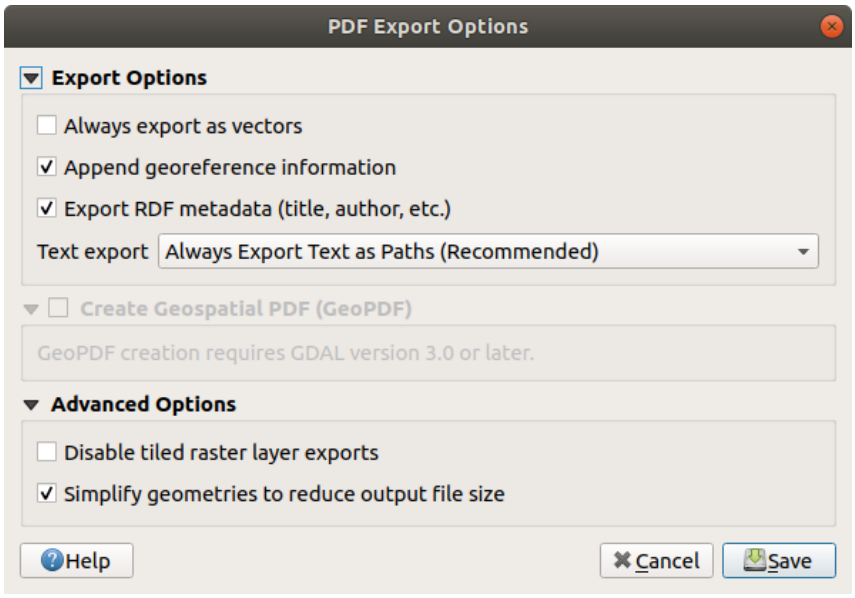


Abb. 19.65: PDF Export Options

Bemerkung: Since QGIS 3.10, with GDAL 3, GeoPDF export is supported, and a number of GeoPDF specific options are available:

- *Format* (GeoPDF format - there are some GeoPDF variations),
- *Include multiple map themes* (specify map themes to include),
- *Include vector feature information* (choose the layers and group them into logical PDF groups).

Bemerkung: Exporting a print layout to formats that supports georeferencing (e.g. `PDF` and `TIFF`) creates a georeferenced output by default.

19.3.5 Einen Atlas erzeugen

Atlas functions allow you to create map books in an automated way. Atlas uses the features of a table or vector layer (*Coverage layer*) to create an output for each feature (**atlas feature**) in the table / layer. The most common usage is to zoom a map item to the current atlas feature. Further use cases include:

- a map item showing, for another layer, only features that share the same attribute as the atlas feature or are within its geometry.
- a label or HTML item whose text is replaced as features are iterated over
- a table item showing attributes of associated *parent or children* features of the current atlas feature…

For each feature, the output is processed for all pages and items according to their exports settings.

Tipp: Use variables for more flexibility

QGIS provides a large panel of functions and *variables*, including atlas related ones, that you can use to manipulate the layout items, but also the symbology of the layers, according to atlas status. Combining these features gives you a lot of flexibility and helps you easily produce advanced maps.

To enable the generation of an atlas and access atlas parameters, refer to the *Atlas* panel. This panel contains the following (see Abb. 19.66):

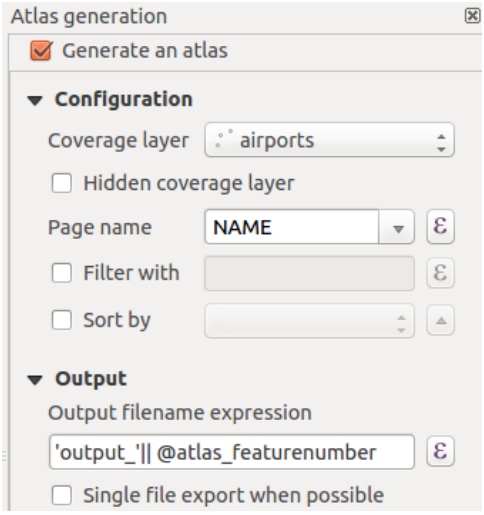


Abb. 19.66: Atlas Panel

- *Generate an atlas* enables or disables atlas generation.
- *Configuration*
  - A *Coverage layer* combo box that allows you to choose the table or vector layer containing the features to iterate over.
  - An optional *Hidden coverage layer* that, if checked, will hide the coverage layer (but not the other layers) during the generation.
  - An optional *Page name* combo box to specify the name for the feature page(s). You can select a field of the coverage layer or set an *expression*. If this option is empty, QGIS will use an internal ID, according to the filter and/or the sort order applied to the layer.
  - An optional *Filter with* text area that allows you to specify an expression for filtering features from the coverage layer. If the expression is not empty, only features that evaluate to `True` will be processed.
  - An optional *Sort by* that allows you to sort features of the coverage layer (and the output), using a field of the coverage layer or an expression. The sort order (either ascending or descending) is set by the two-state *Sort direction* button that displays an up or a down arrow.
- *Output* - this is where the output of the atlas can be configured:
  - An *Output filename expression* textbox that is used to generate a filename for each atlas feature. It is based on expressions. is meaningful only for rendering to multiple files.
  - A *Single file export when possible* that allows you to force the generation of a single file if this is possible with the chosen output format (`PDF`, for instance). If this field is checked, the value of the *Output filename expression* field is meaningless.

– An *Image export format* drop-down list to select the output format when using the  Export atlas as Images… button.

Control map by atlas

The most common usage of atlas is with the map item, zooming to the current atlas feature, as iteration goes over the coverage layer. This behavior is set in the *Controlled by atlas* group properties of the map item. See *Controlled by atlas* for different settings you can apply on the map item.

Customize labels with expression

In order to adapt labels to the feature the atlas iterates over, you can include expressions. Make sure that you place the expression part (including functions, fields or variables) between `[%` and `%]` (see *Das Beschriftungselement* for more details).

For example, for a city layer with fields `CITY_NAME` and `ZIPCODE`, you could insert this:

```
The area of [% concat( upper(CITY_NAME), ',', ZIPCODE, ' is ',
format_number($area/1000000, 2) ) %] km2
```

oder, andere Kombinationen:

```
The area of [% upper(CITY_NAME)%],[%ZIPCODE%] is
[%format_number($area/1000000,2) %] km2
```

The information `[% concat( upper(CITY_NAME), ',', ZIPCODE, ' is ', format_number($area/1000000, 2) ) %]` is an expression used inside the label. Both expressions would result in the following type of label in the generated atlas:

```
The area of PARIS,75001 is 1.94 km2
```

Explore Data-defined override buttons with atlas

There are several places where you can use a  Data defined override button to override the selected setting. This is particularly useful with atlas generation. See *Datendefinierte Übersteuerung Setup* for more details on this widget.

For the following examples the `Regions` layer of the QGIS sample dataset is used and selected as *Coverage layer* for the atlas generation. We assume that it is a single page layout containing a map item and a label item.

When the height (north-south) of a region extent is greater than its width (east-west), you should use *Portrait* instead of *Landscape* orientation to optimize the use of paper. With a  Data Defined Override button you can dynamically set the paper orientation.

Right-click on the page and select *Page Properties* to open the panel. We want to set the orientation dynamically, using an expression depending on the region geometry, so press the  button of field *Orientation*, select *Edit…* to open the *Expression string builder* dialog and enter the following expression:

```
CASE WHEN bounds_width(@atlas_geometry) > bounds_height(@atlas_geometry)
THEN 'Landscape' ELSE 'Portrait' END
```

Now if you *preview the atlas*, the paper orients itself automatically, but item placements may not be ideal. For each Region you need to reposition the location of the layout items as well. For the map item you can use the  button of its *Width* property to set it dynamic using the following expression:

```
@layout_pagewidth - 20
```

Likewise, use the button of the *Height* property to provide the following expression to constrain map item size:

```
@layout_pageheight - 20
```

To ensure the map item is centered in the page, set its *Reference point* to the upper left radio button and enter `10` for its *X* and *Y* positions.

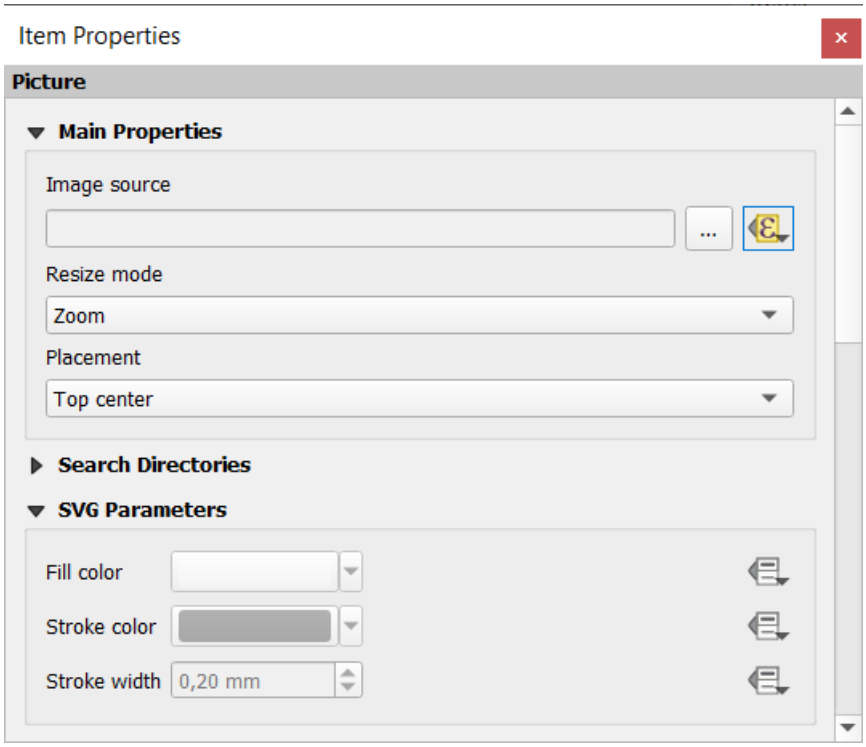
Let's add a title above the map in the center of the page. Select the label item and set the horizontal alignment to *Center*. Next move the label to the right position, choose the middle button for the *Reference point*, and provide the following expression for field *X*:

```
@layout_pagewidth / 2
```

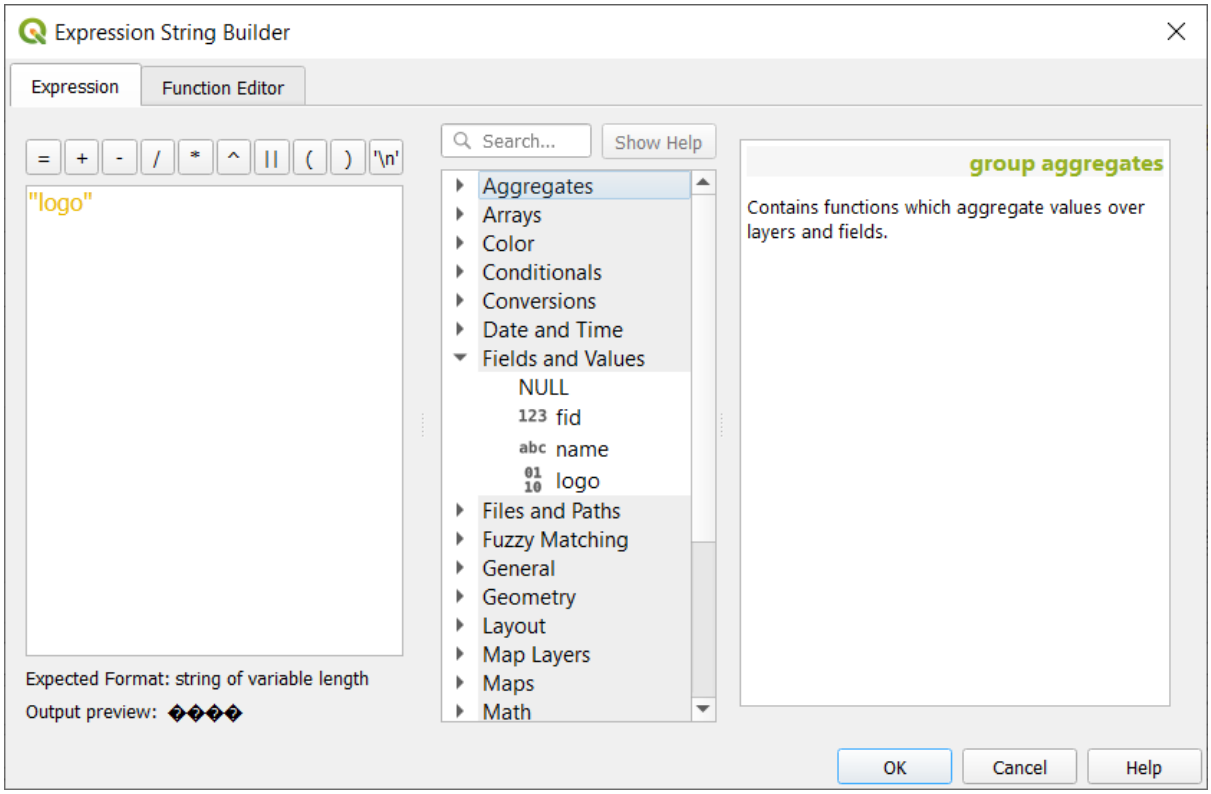
For all other layout items you can set the position in a similar way so they are correctly positioned both for portrait and landscape. You can also do more tweaks such as customizing the title with feature attributes (see *Customize labels with expression* example), changing images, resizing the number of legend columns number according to page orientation, …

The information provided here is an update of the excellent blog (in English and Portuguese) on the Data Defined Override options Multiple_format_map_series_using_QGIS_2.6 .

Another example for using data-defined override buttons is the usage of a dynamic picture. For the following examples we use a geopackage layer containing a BLOB field called `logo` with the field type binary (see *Einen neuen GeoPackage-Layer erstellen*). For every feature there is defined a different picture so that the atlas can iterate over as described in *Preview and generate an atlas*. All you need to do is add a picture in the print layout and go to its *Item properties* in the atlas context. There you can find a data-defined override button in the *Image source* section of the *Main Properties*.



In the following window choose *Edit* so that the *Expression String Builder* opens. From the *Fields and values* section you can find the BLOB field that was defined in the geopackage layer. Double-click the field name `logo` and click *OK*.



The atlas iterates over the entries in the BLOB field provided that you choose the geopackage layer as *Coverage layer* (further instructions you can find in *Preview and generate an atlas*).

These are just two examples of how you can use some advanced settings with atlas.

Preview and generate an atlas



Abb. 19.67: Atlas-Voransichtwerkzeuge

Once the atlas settings have been configured, and layout items (map, table, image…) linked to it, you can create a preview of all the pages by choosing *Atlas* ► *Preview Atlas* or clicking the Preview Atlas icon. You can then use the arrows to navigate through all the features:

- Erstes Objekt
- Vorheriges Objekt
- Nächstes Objekt
- Letztes Objekt

You can also use the combo box to select and preview a specific feature. The combo box shows atlas feature names according to the expression set in the atlas *Page name* option.

As for simple compositions, an atlas can be generated in different ways (see *Eine Ausgabe erzeugen* for more information - just use tools from the *Atlas* menu or toolbar instead of the *Layout* menu.

This means that you can directly print your compositions with *Atlas* ► *Print Atlas*. You can also create a PDF using *Atlas* ► *Export Atlas as PDF…*: You will be asked for a directory to save all the generated PDF files, except if the  *Single file export when possible* has been selected. In that case, you'll be prompted to give a filename.

With *Atlas* ► *Export Atlas as Images…* or *Atlas* ► *Export Atlas as SVG…* tool, you're also prompted to select a folder. Each page of each atlas feature composition is exported to the image file format set in *Atlas* panel or to SVG.

Bemerkung: With multi-page output, an atlas behaves like a layout in that only the page that contains the *General settings* will get a world file (for each feature output).

Tipp: Drucken eines bestimmten Atlasobjektes

If you want to print or export the composition of only one feature of the atlas, simply start the preview, select the desired feature in the drop-down list and click on *Layout* ► *Print* (or *Export…* to any supported file format).

Use project defined relations for atlas creation

For users with HTML and Javascript knowledge it is possible to operate on GeoJSON objects and use project defined relations from the QGIS project. The difference between this approach and using expressions directly inserted into the HTML is that it gives you a full, unstructured GeoJSON feature to work with. This means that you can use existing Javascript libraries and functions that operate on GeoJSON feature representations.

The following code includes all related child features from the defined relation. Using the JavaScript `setFeature` function it allows you to make flexible HTML which represents relations in whatever format you like (lists, tables, etc). In the code sample, we create a dynamic bullet list of the related child features.

```
// Declare the two HTML div elements we will use for the parent feature id
// and information about the children
<div id="parent"></div>
<div id="my_children"></div>

<script type="text/javascript">
   function setFeature(feature)
   {
     // Show the parent feature's identifier (using its "ID" field)
     document.getElementById('parent').innerHTML = feature.properties.ID;
     //clear the existing relation contents
     document.getElementById('my_children').innerHTML = '';
     feature.properties.my_relation.forEach(function(child_feature) {
     // for each related child feature, create a list element
     // with the feature's name (using its "NAME" field)
       var node = document.createElement("li");
       node.appendChild(document.createTextNode(child_feature.NAME));
       document.getElementById('my_children').appendChild(node);
     });
   }
</script>
```

During atlas creation there will be an iteration over the coverage layer containing the parent features. On each page, you will see a bullet list of the related child features following the parent's identifier.

19.4 Creating a Report

This section will help you set up a report in QGIS.

19.4.1 What is it?

By definition, a GIS report is a document containing information organized in a narrative way, containing maps, text, graphics, tables, etc. A report can be prepared ad hoc, periodic, recurring, regular, or as required. Reports may refer to specific periods, events, occurrences, subjects or locations.

In QGIS, a *Report* is an extension of a *Layouts*.

Reports allow users to output their GIS projects in a simple, quick and structured way.

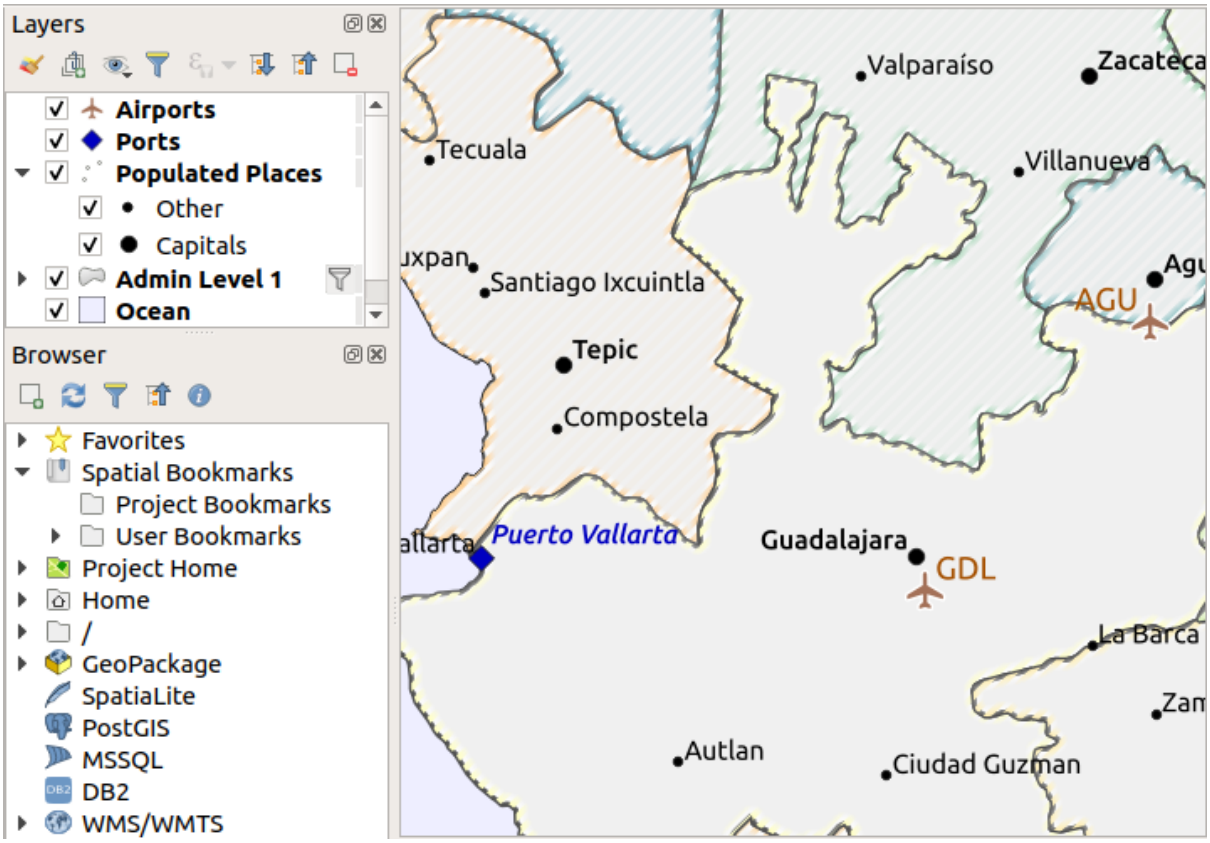
A report can be created with *Project* ► *New Report* or inside the *Project* ► *Layout Manager*.

Bemerkung: The maps in QGIS reports behave in the same way as maps in print layouts and atlases. We will concentrate on the specifics of QGIS reports. For details on map handling, see the sections on *print layouts* and *atlases*.

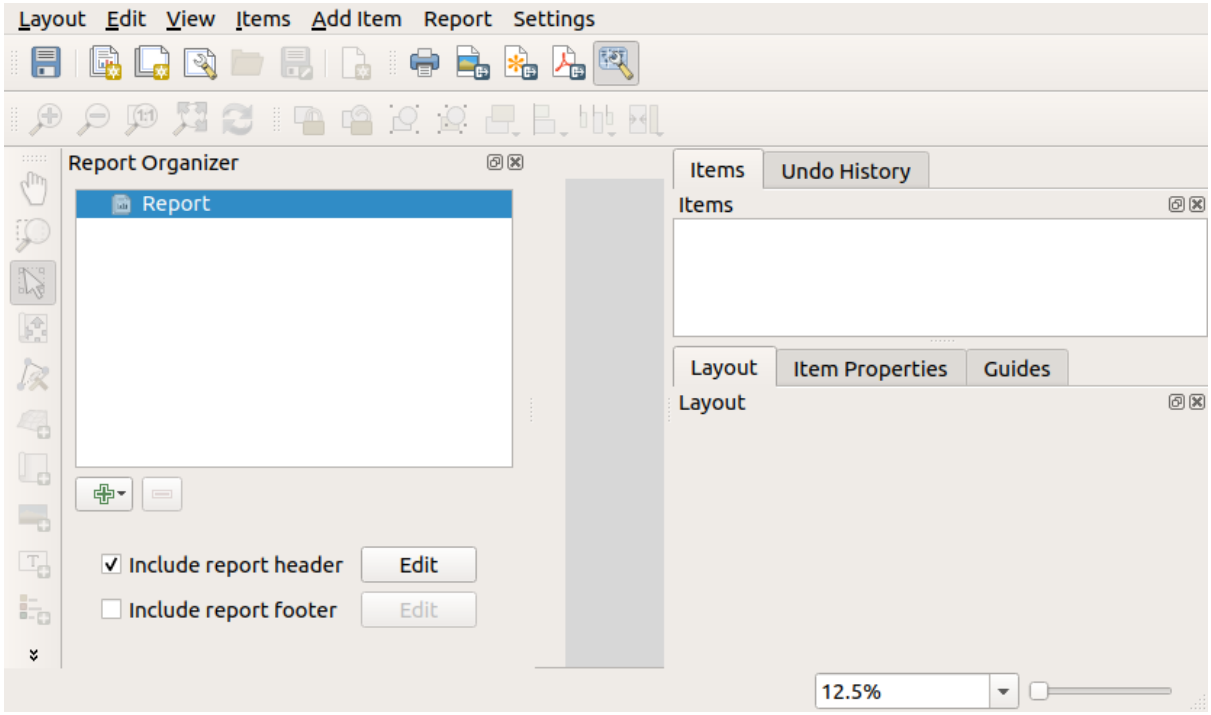
19.4.2 Get started

In the *Layout Manager* dialog a report can be created through *New from template* by selecting the dropdown option *Empty Report* and hitting the *Create…* button.

For this example, we use some administrative boundaries, populated places, ports and airports from the Natural Earth dataset (1:10M).

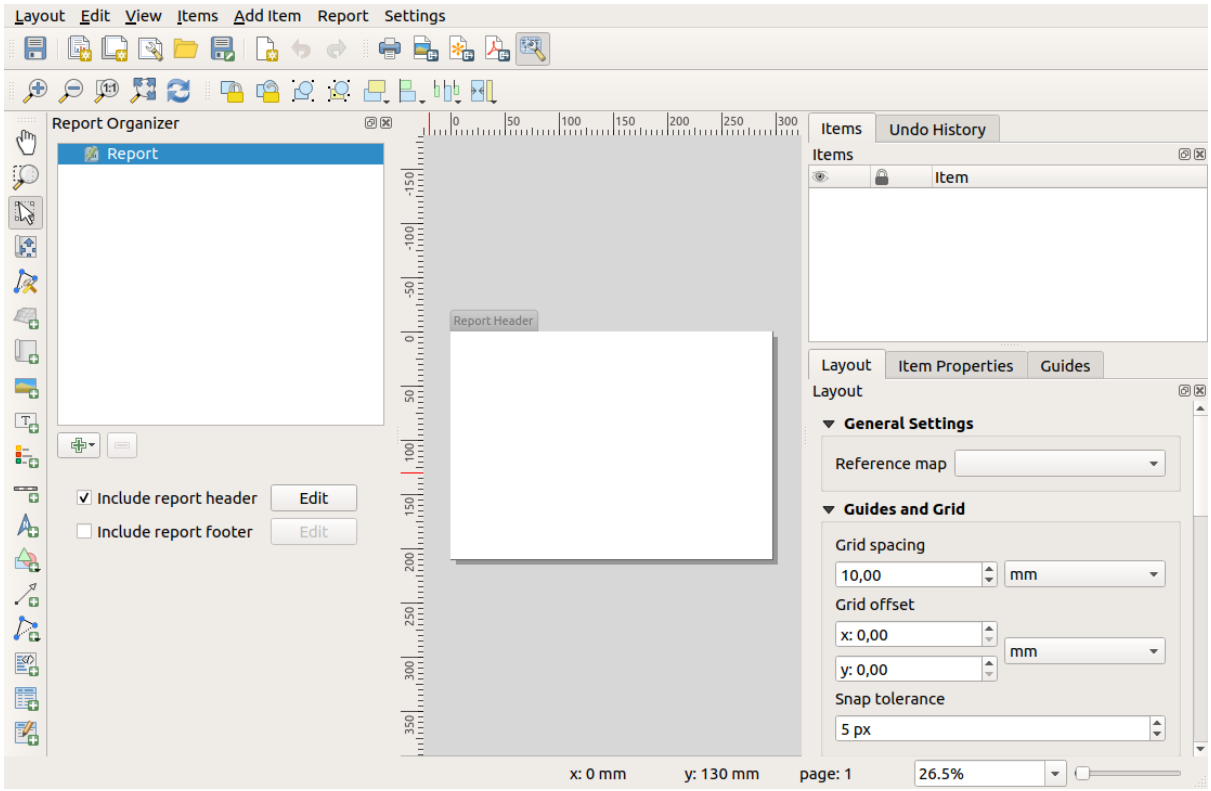


Using the *Project* ► *New Report* command, we create a blank report. Initially, there is not much to look at – the dialog which is displayed looks much like the print layout designer, except for the *Report Organizer* panel to the left:



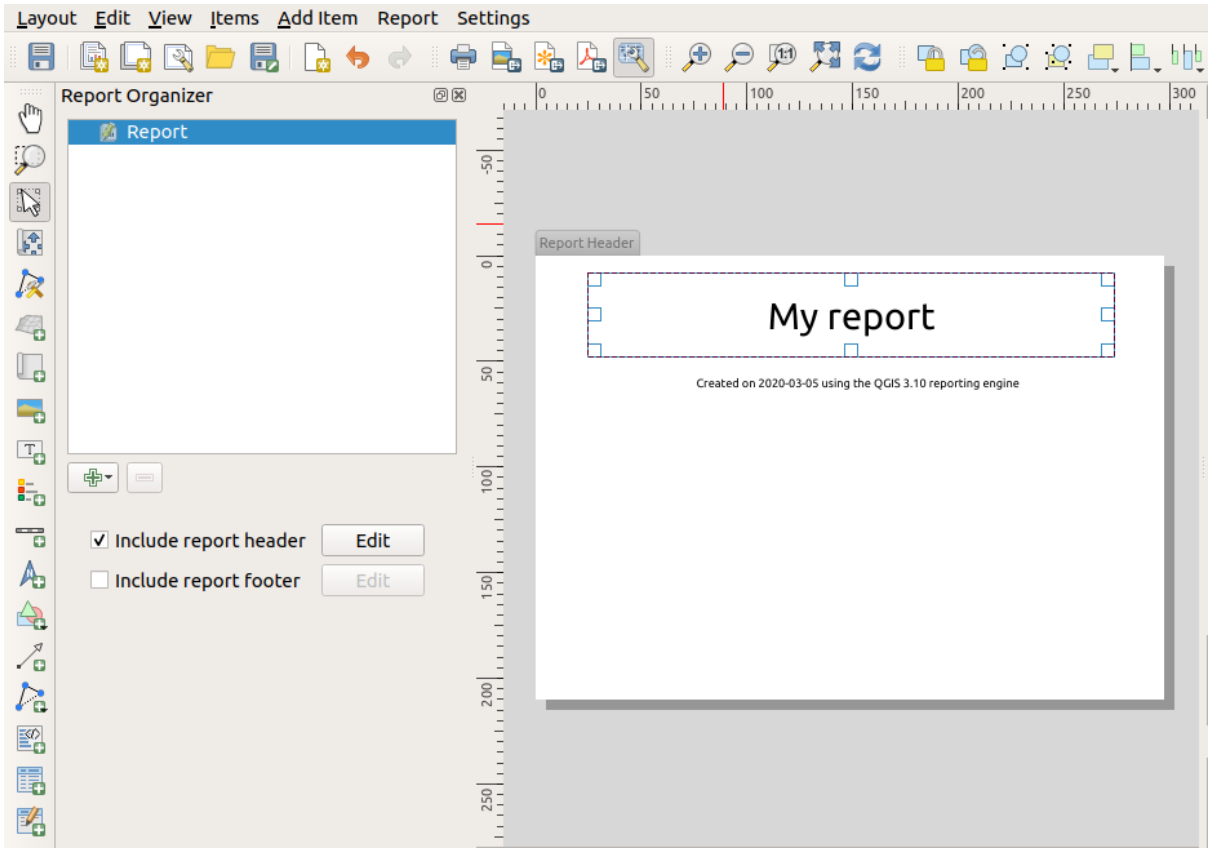
19.4.3 Layout Report Workspace

QGIS reports can consist of multiple, nested sections. In our new blank report we initially only have the main report section. The only options for this report section is *Include report header* and *Include report footer*. If we enable these options, a header will be included as the first page(s) (individual parts of reports can be multi-page if desired) in the report, and a footer will constitute the last page(s). Enable the header (*Include report header*), and hit the *Edit* button next to it:

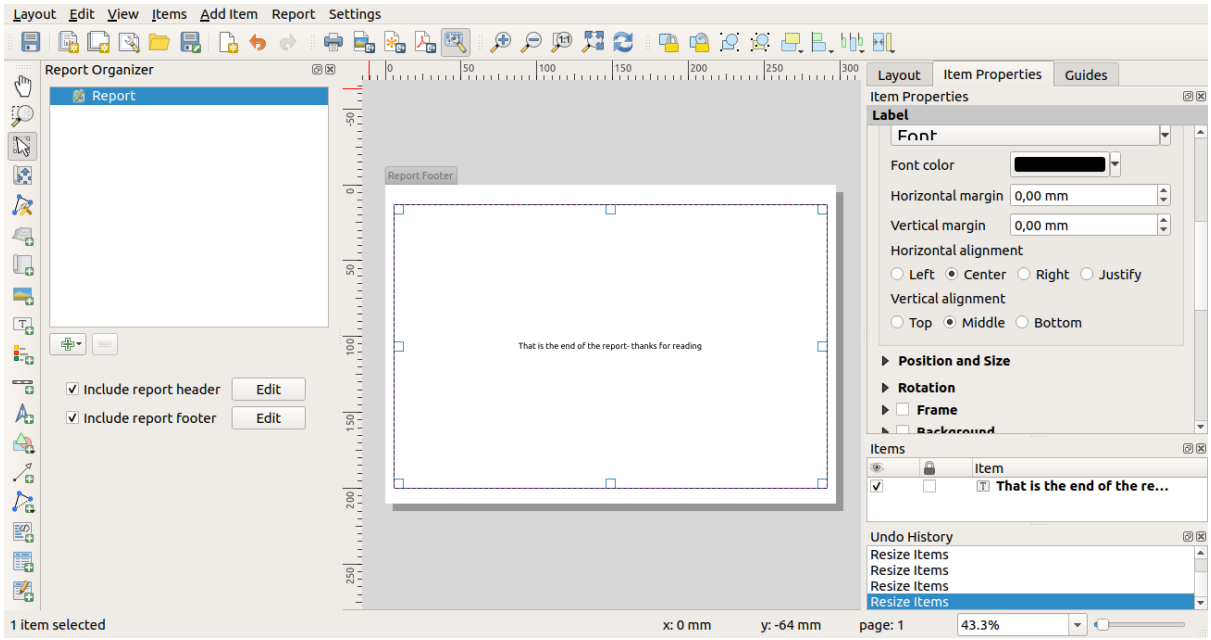


A few things happen as a result. Firstly, an edit pencil is shown next to *Report* in the *Report Organizer*, indicating that the report section is currently being edited in the designer. We also see a new page with a small *Report Header* title. The page has *landscape* orientation by default, but this (and other properties of the page) can be changed by right-clicking on the page and choosing *Page properties*. This will bring up the *Item properties* tab for the page, and page *Size*, *Width*, *Height*, and more can be specified.

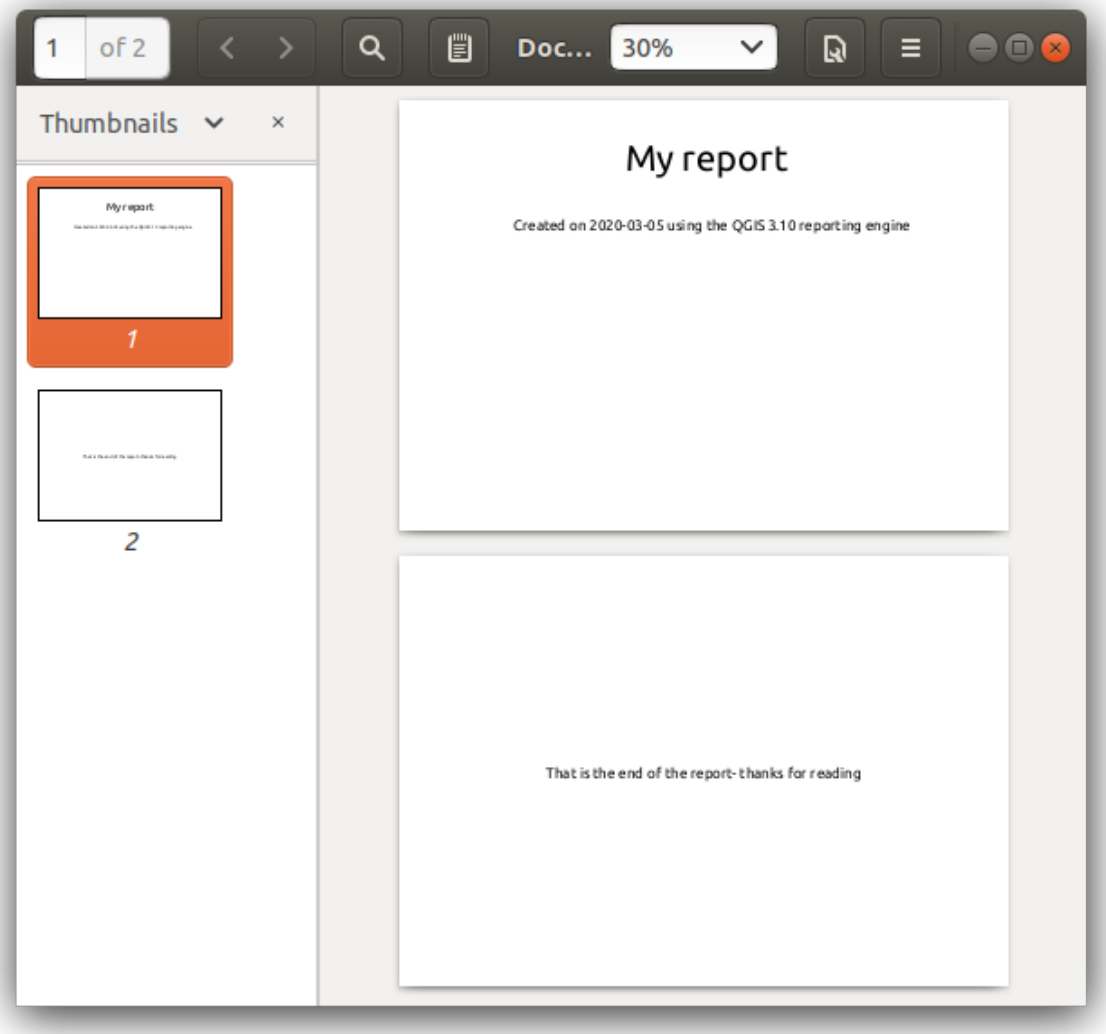
In QGIS reports, every component of the report is made up of individual layouts. They can be created and modified using the same tools as for standard print layouts – so you can use any desired combination of labels, pictures, maps, tables, etc. Let us add some items to our report header to demonstrate:



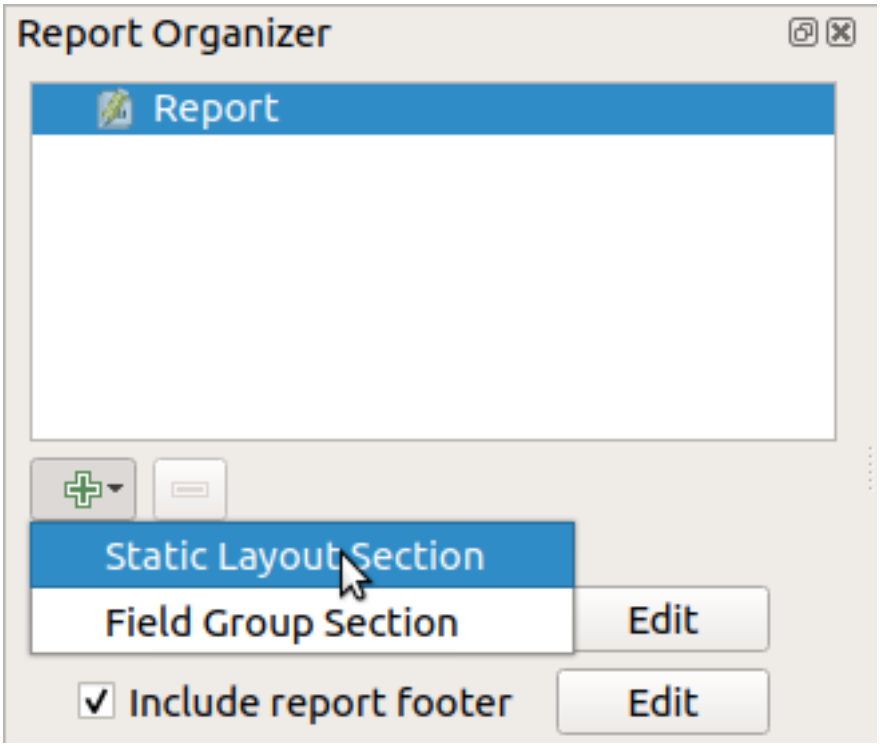
We will also create a simple footer for the report by checking the *Include report footer* option and hitting *Edit*.



Before proceeding further, let us export this report and see what we get. Exporting is done from the *Report* menu – in this case we select *Export Report as PDF…* to render the whole report to a PDF file. Here is the not-very-impressive result – a two page PDF consisting of our header and footer:



Let us make things more interesting. By hitting the Add Section button in the *Report Organizer*, we are given a choice of new sections to add to our report.

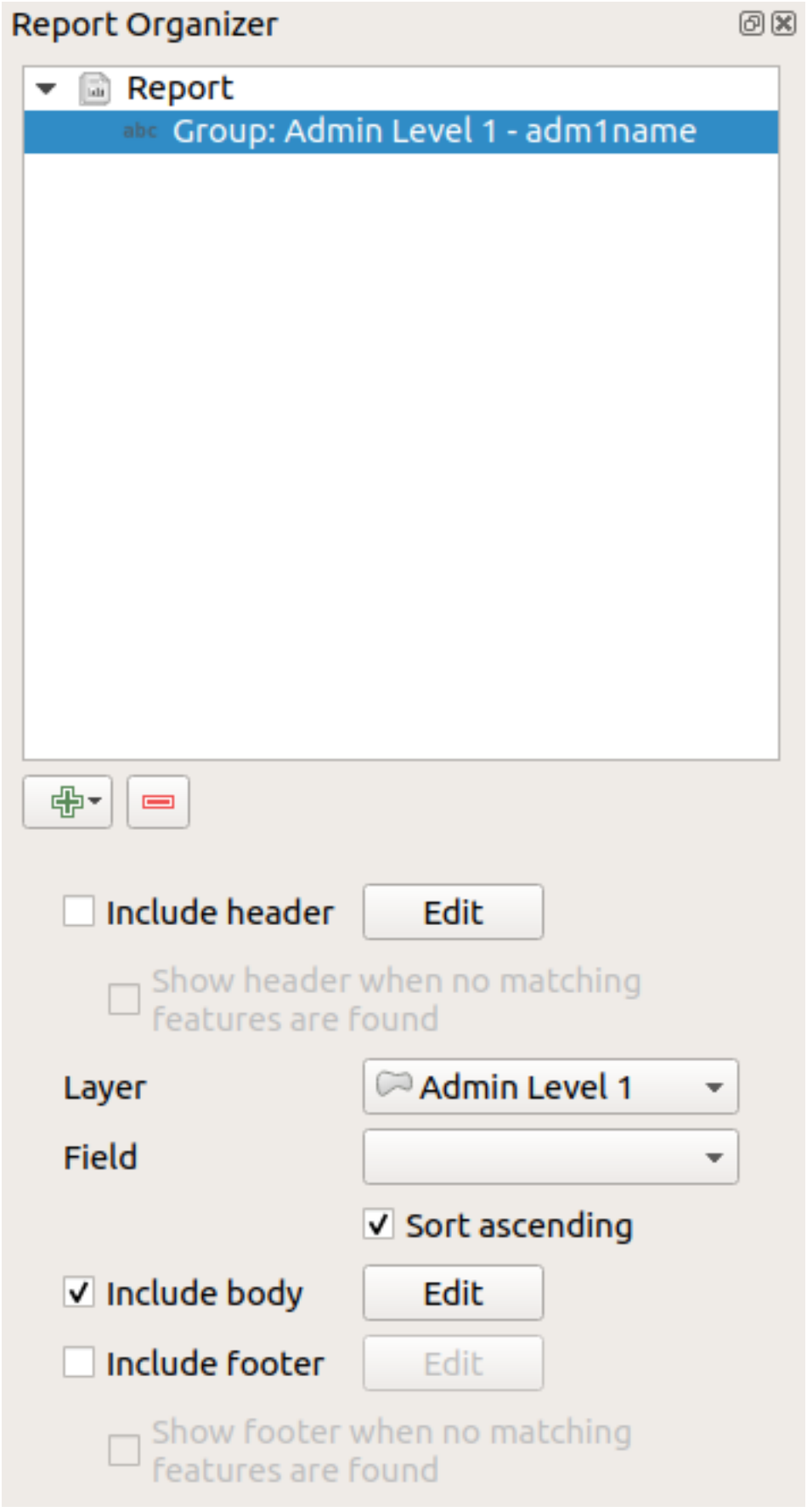


There are two options: *Static Layout Section* and *Field Group Section*.

The *Add Static Layout Section* is a single, static body layout. This can be used to embed static layouts mid-way through a report.

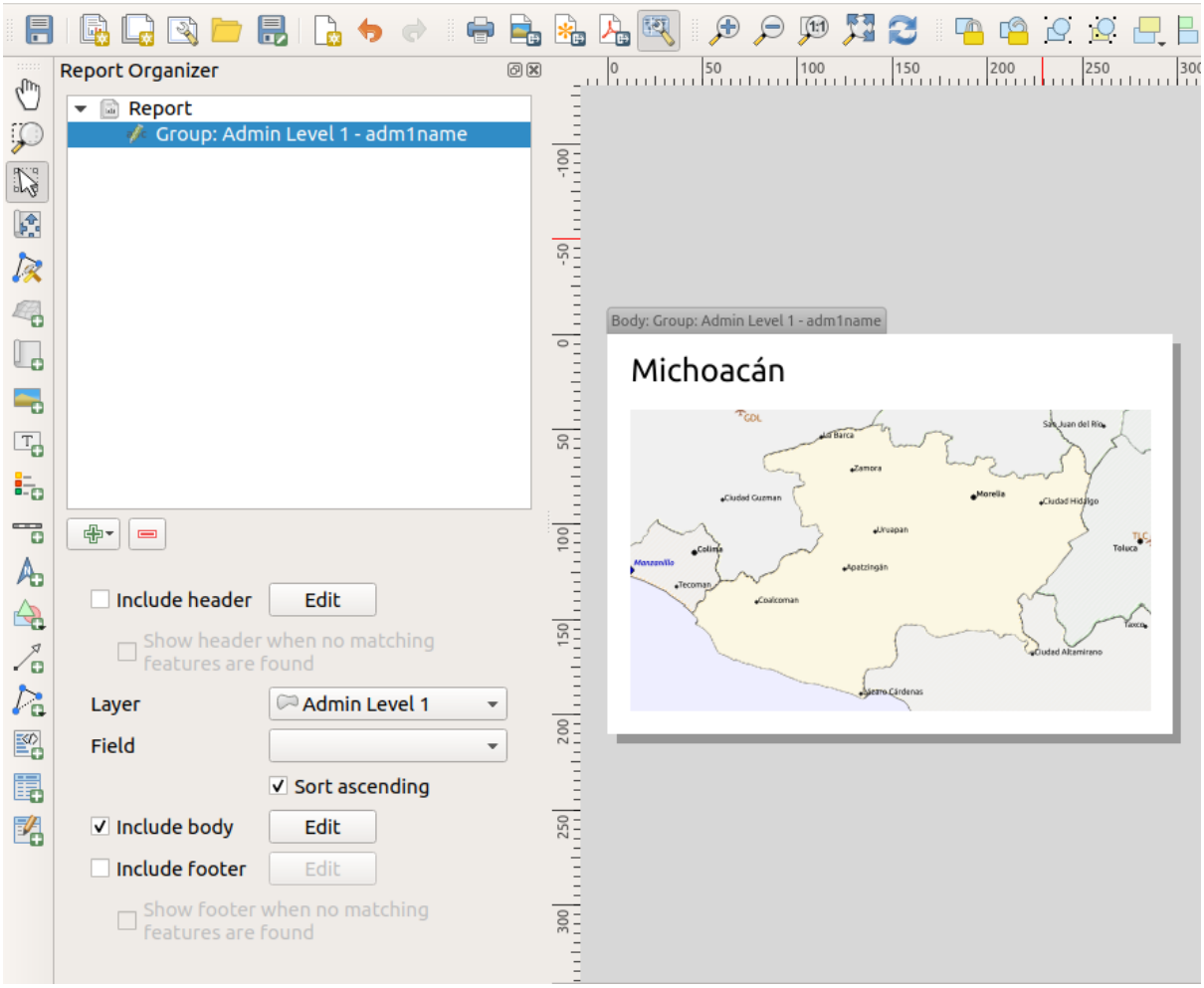
The *Field Group Section* repeats its body layout for every feature of a layer. The features are sorted by the selected grouping feature (with an option for ascending/descending sort). If a field group section has child sections (e.g. another field group section with a different field), then only features with unique values for the group feature are iterated over. This allows nested reports.

For now we will add a *Field Group Section* to our report. At its most basic level, you can think of a *Field Group Section* as the equivalent of a *print atlas*: you select a layer to iterate over, and the report will insert a section for each feature found. Selecting the new *Field Group Section* reveals a number of new related settings:



In this case we've setup our Field Group so that we iterate over all the states from the *Admin Level 1* layer, using

the values from the *adm1name* field. The same options to include header and footer are present, together with a new option to include a *body* for this section. We'll do that, and edit the body:

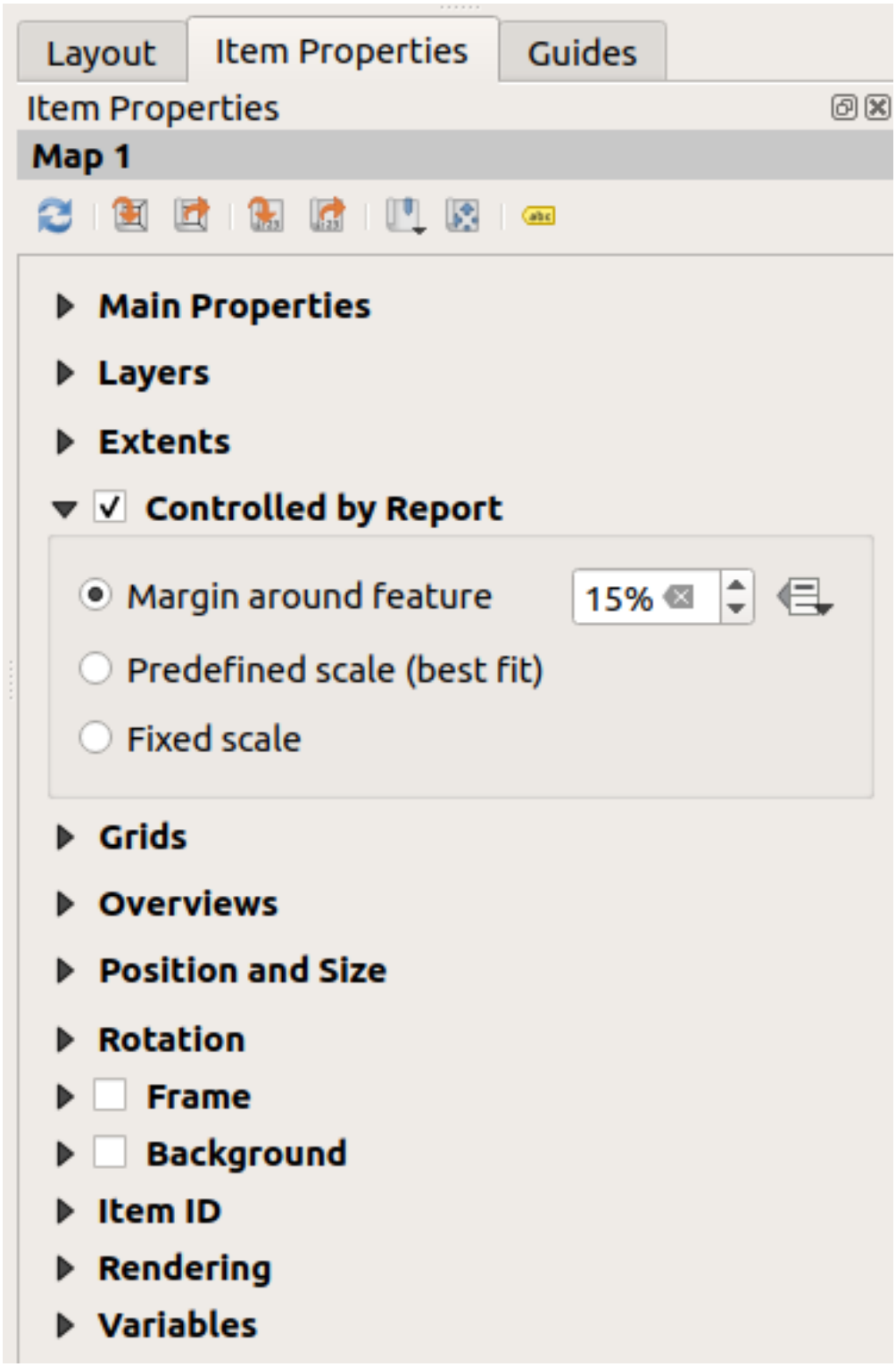


Our body now consists of a map and a label showing the name of the state. To include the name of the state, we selected *Add Item* ► *Add Label* and data defined the text under *Main Properties* with the help of *Insert or Edit an Expression*….

The result was the following expression (*name* is the name of the attribute in the *Admin Level 1* layer that contains the name of the state):

```
[% "name" %]
```

The map is set to follow the current report feature (enabled by checking *Controlled by Report* – just like a map item in an atlas will follow the current atlas feature when *Controlled by Atlas* is checked):



If we went ahead and exported our report now, we'd get something like this:

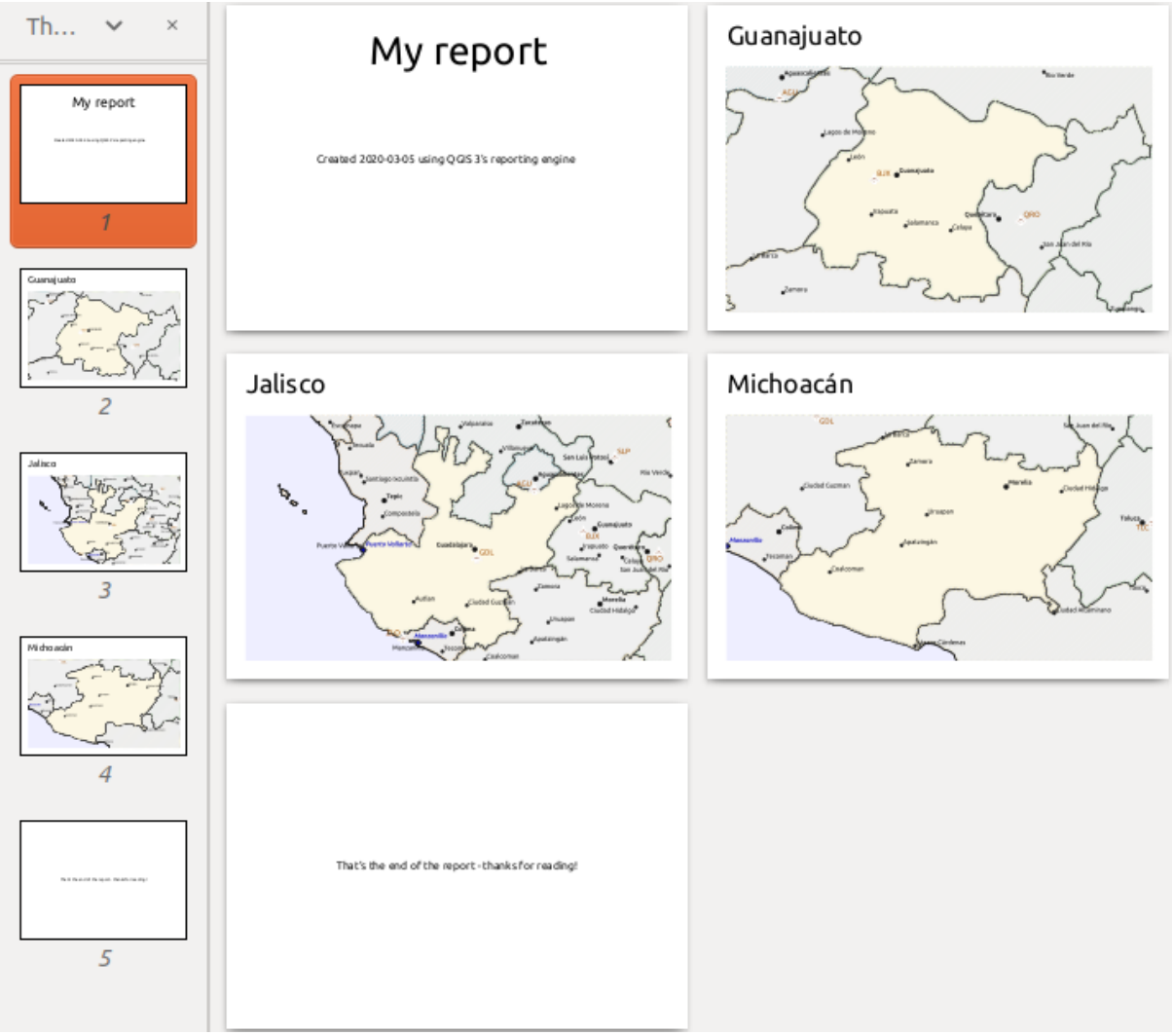
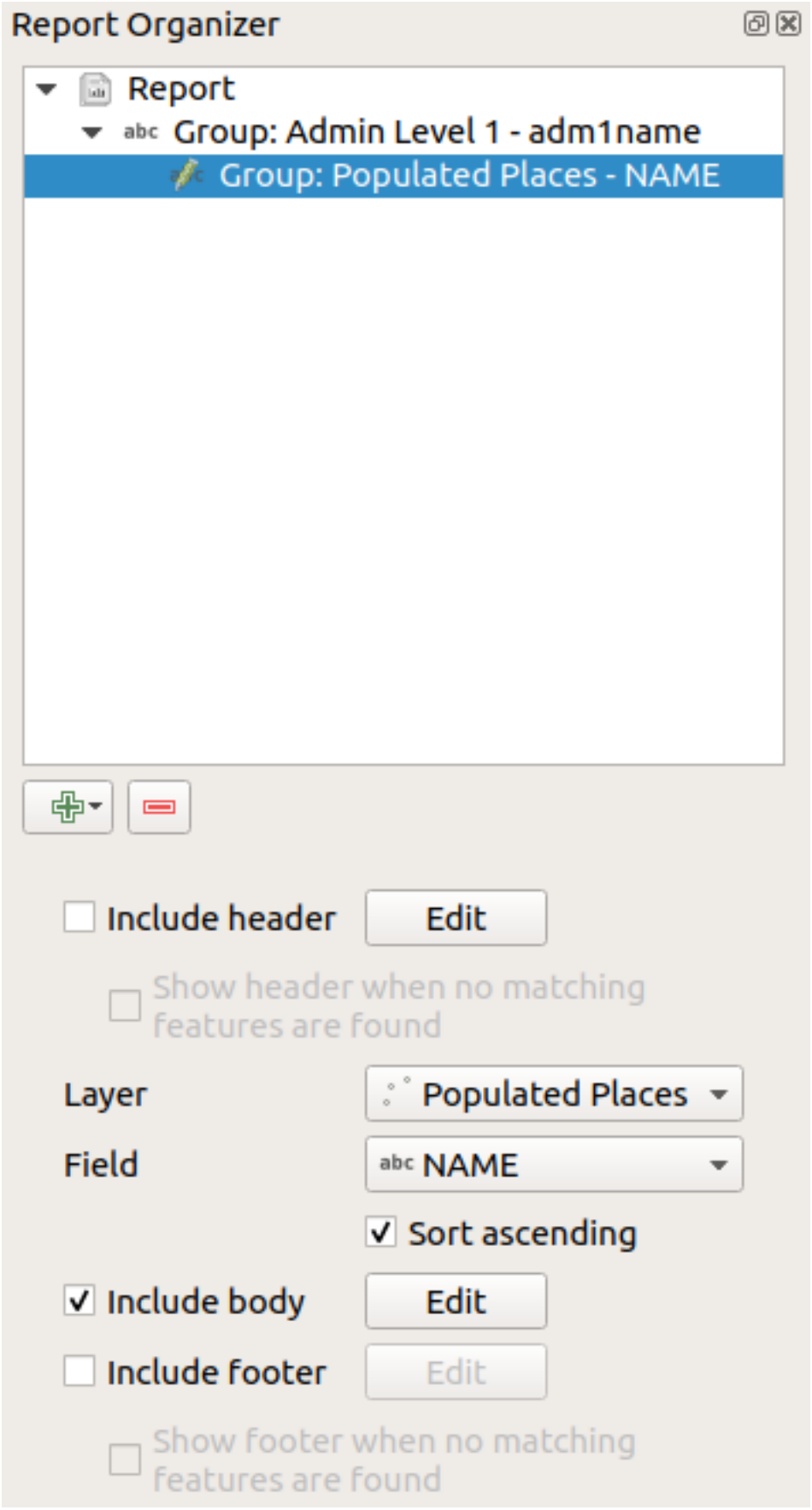


Abb. 19.68: The report header, a page for each state, and the report footer.

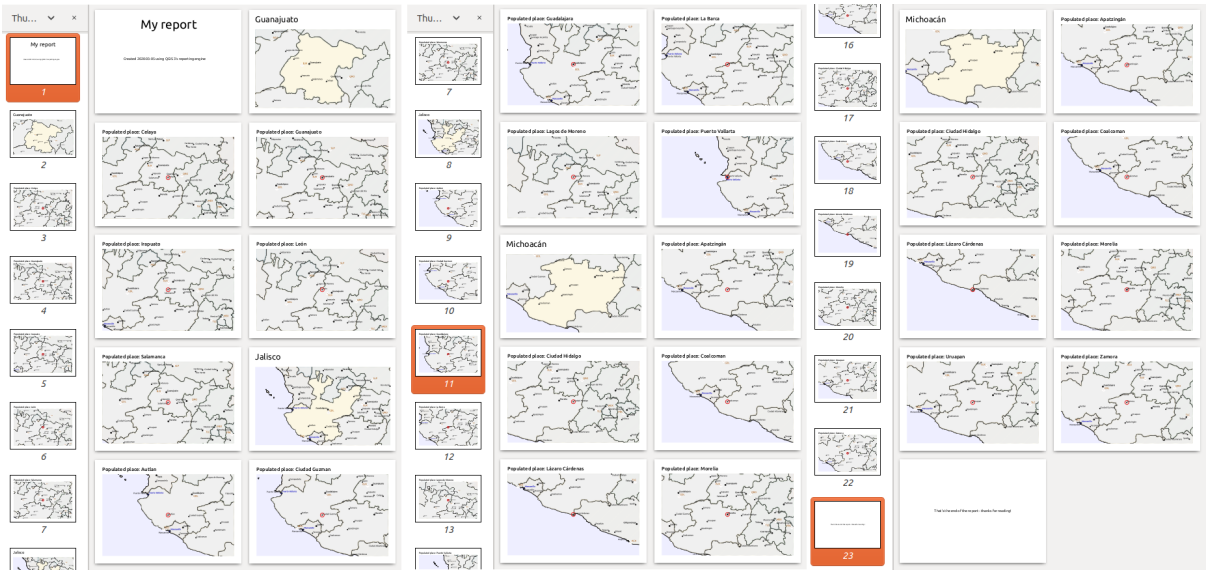
So more or less an atlas, but with a header and footer page.

Let us make things more interesting by adding a subsection to our state group. We do this by first selecting the *Admin Level 1* field group in the organizer, then hitting the Add Field button and adding a new *Field Group Section*:



When iterating over the features of a *Field Group Section*, the features will be filtered to match the defining field

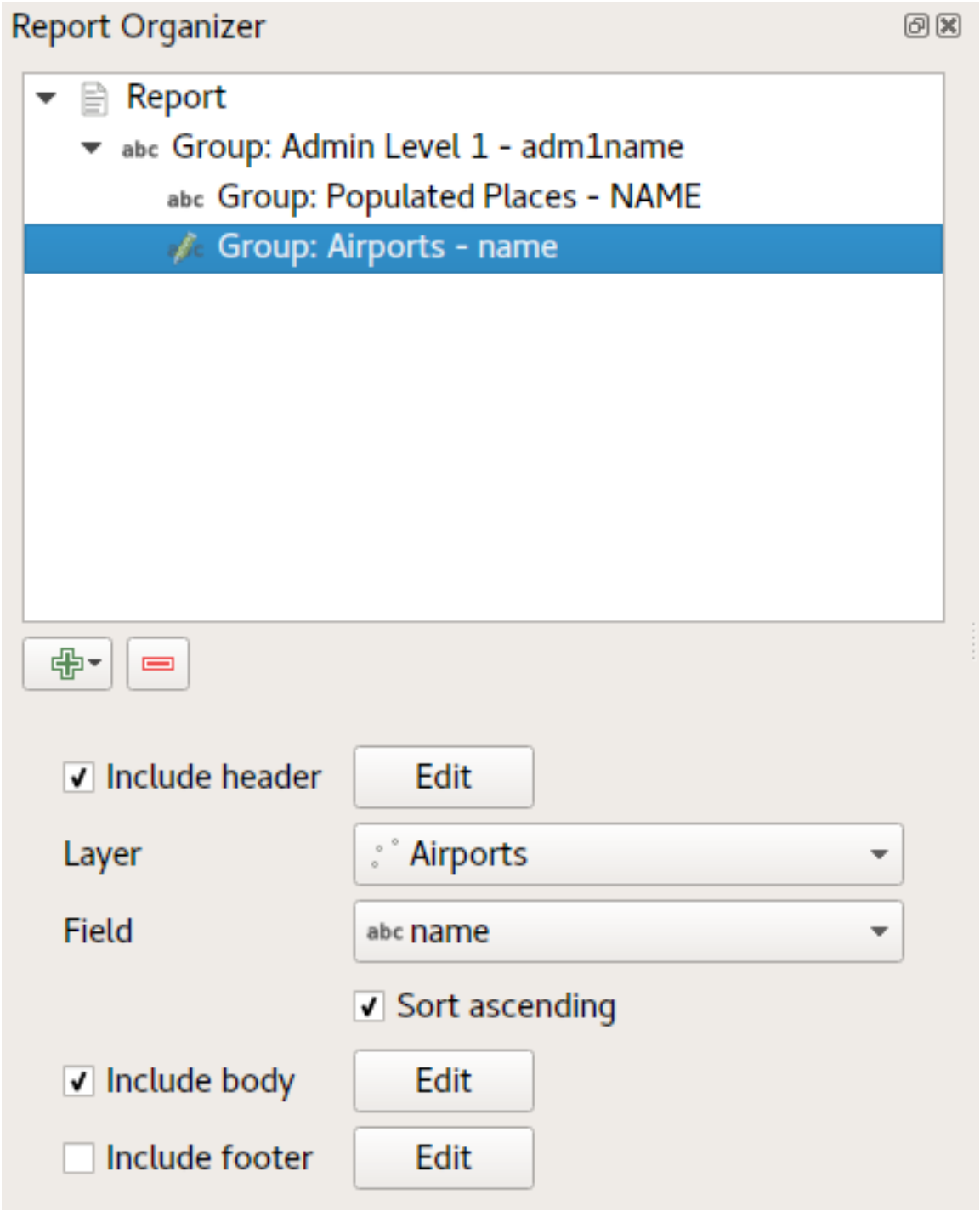
of its parent group (`adm1name` in this case). Here, the subsection we added will iterate over a *Populated Places* layer, including a body section for each place encountered. The magic here is that the *Populated Places* layer has an attribute with the same name as the defining field in the parent layer, *adm1name*, tagging each place with the state it is contained within (if you're lucky your data will already be structured like this – if not, run the *Join Attributes by Location* Processing algorithm and create your own field). When we export this report, QGIS will grab the first state from the *Admin Level 1* layer, and then iterate over all the *Populated Places* with a matching *adm1name* value. Here's what we get:



Here we created a basic body for the Populated Places group, including a map of the place and a table of some place attributes. So our report is now a report header, a page for the first state, followed by a page for every populated place within that state, then the rest of the states with their populated places, and finally the report footer. If we were to add a header for the Populated Places group, it would be included just before listing the populated places for each state, as shown in the illustration below.

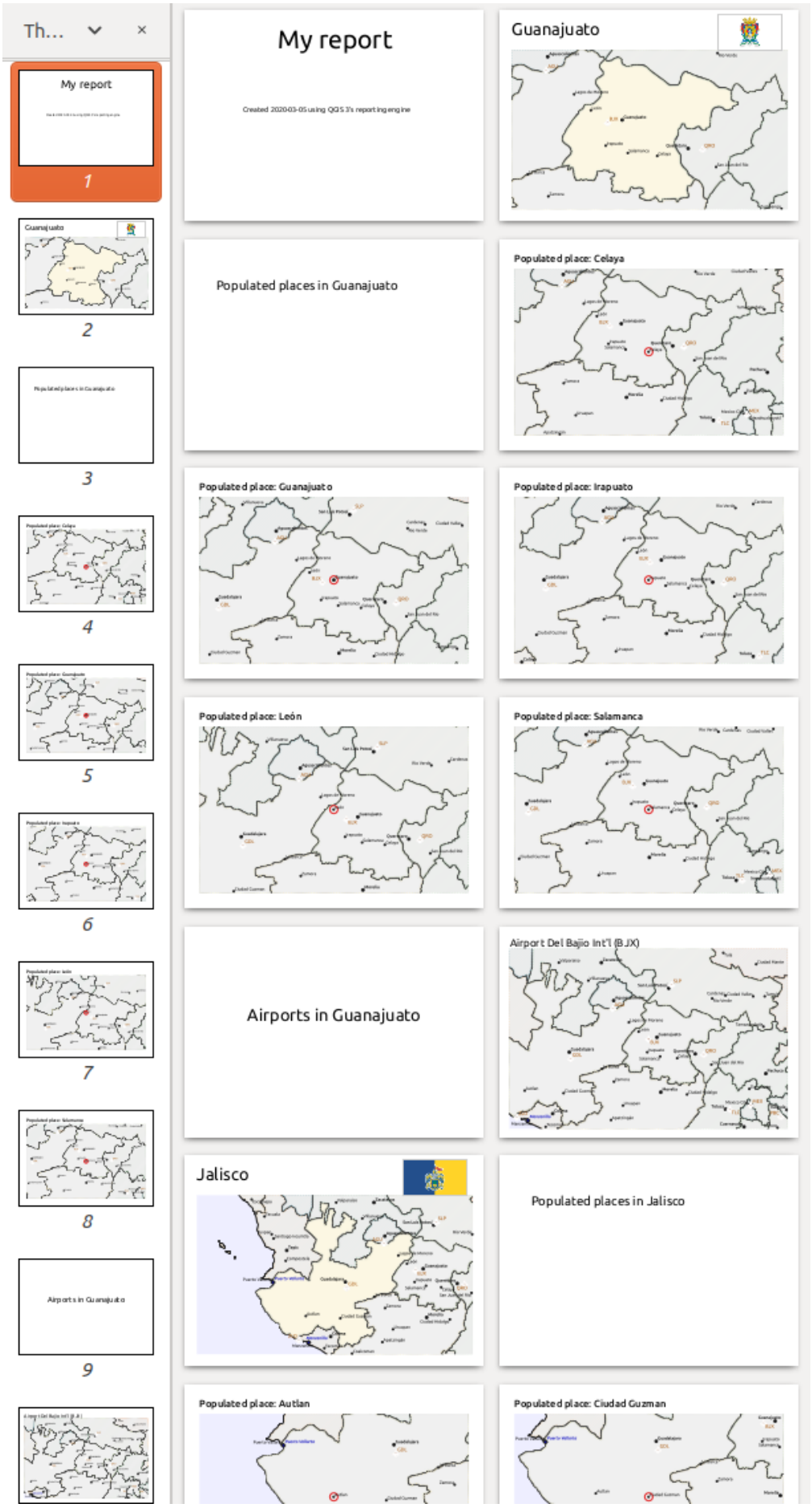
Similarly, a footer for the Populated Places group would be inserted after the final place for each state is included.

In addition to nested subsections, subsections in a report can also be included consecutively. If we add a second subsection to the *Admin Level 1 group* for *Airports*, then (if the *Airports* layer has an attribute *adm1name* that can link it to the parent group) our report will first list ALL the populated places for each state, followed by all the airports within that state, before proceeding to the next state.



The key point here is that our *Airports group* is a subsection of the *Admin Level 1 group* – not the *Populated Places group*.

In this case our report would be structured like this (note that state flags have also been included - the procedure for adding feature specific pictures in this way is described below):


Th...
My report
1
2
3
4
5
6
7
8
9
My report
Created 2020-03-05 using QGIS 3's reporting engine
Guanajuato
Populated places in Guanajuato
Populated place: Celaya
Populated place: Guanajuato
Populated place: Irapuato
Populated place: León
Populated place: Salamanca
Airports in Guanajuato
Airport Del Bajio Int'l (BJX)
Jalisco
Populated places in Jalisco
Populated place: Autlan
Populated place: Ciudad Guzman

Including pictures in a report

Pictures can be quite useful in reports, and QGIS allows pictures in both the static and dynamic parts of a report. Pictures are added in the same way as for standard print layouts, and for the static report parts (and static pictures in dynamic parts) there is not more to it.

But if you want illustrations that are tailored to the report features, your layer must have an attribute that can be used to define the picture to include.

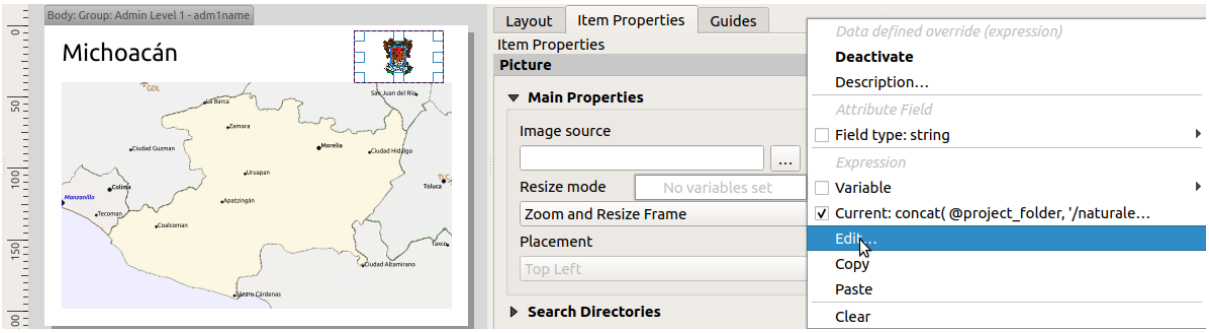
QGIS depends on absolute file names for images in reports.

For dynamic pictures, you first add a picture to the body part of the group, as usual. In the *Item properties* of the picture, you set the *Image Source* using the Data defined override button, and either select an attribute that contains the absolute path of the images or *Edit...* (to enter an expression that generates the absolute image path).

Below is an example expression that uses string concatenation to specify the absolute path to the pictures, using the directory where the project file is located (`@project_path`) and an attribute (`adm1name`) from which the file name is generated (in this case by transforming the string in the `adm1name` attribute to uppercase, and appending ‚_flag.png‘):

```
concat(@project_folder, '/naturalearth/pictures/' ,
       upper("adm1name"), '_flag.png')
```

This means that the pictures are located in the `naturalearth/pictures` subdirectory of the project file directory.



Highlighting the current report feature in a map

In the above report, the report features are emphasized in the maps using highlighting (state) and circles (populated places). To emphasize the report features in the maps (apart from placing them at the centre of the maps), you must data define the style using a comparison between its `@id` and the `@atlas_featureid`, as for atlases.

For instance, if you would like to use a thicker line / border for the report feature than the other features you can data define the line width:

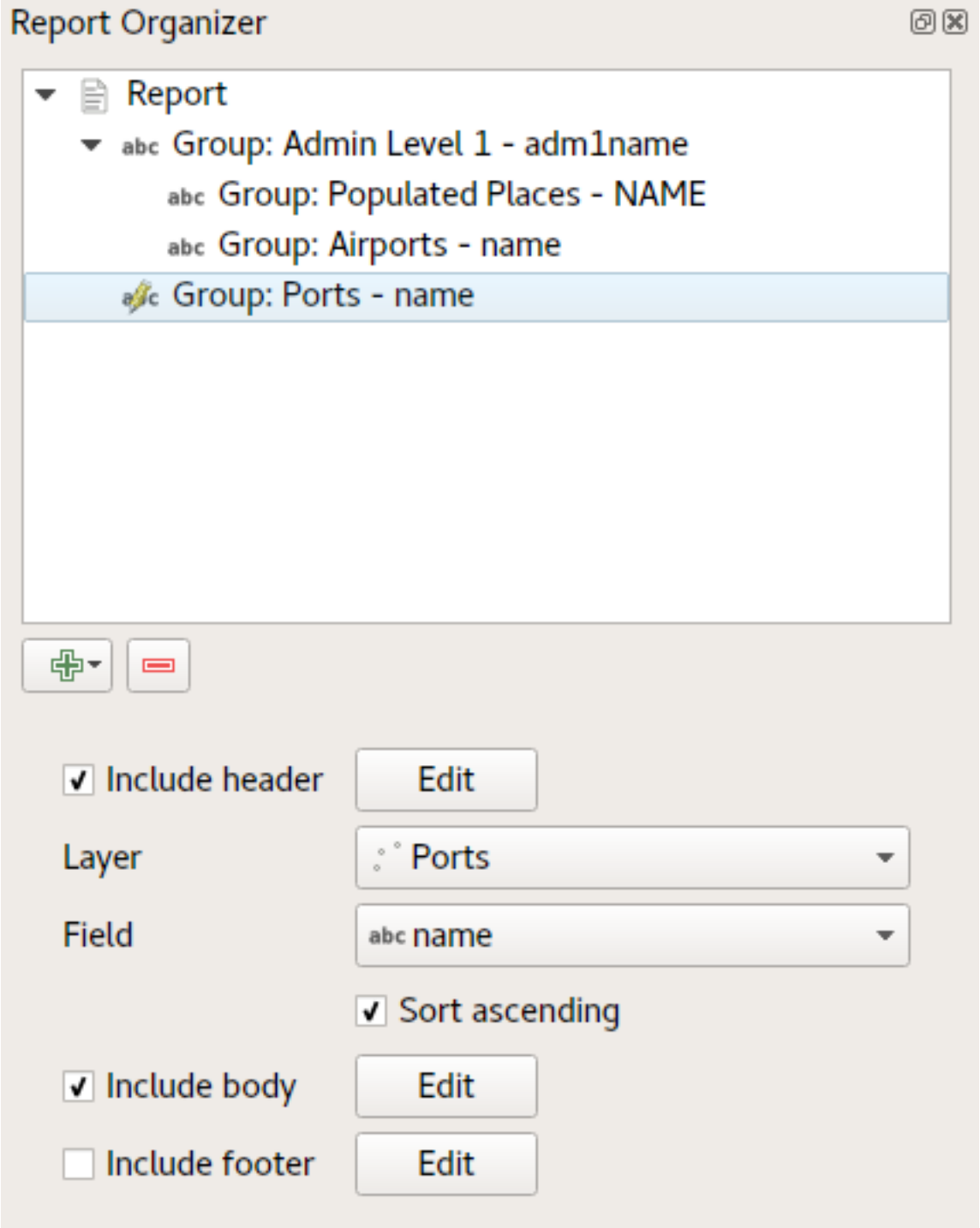
```
if($id=@atlas_featureid, 2.0, 0.1)
```

The report feature will get a 2 units wide polygon outline, while all other features will get a 0.1 units wide line. It is also possible to data define the colour (non-transparent dark magenta for the report feature and semi-transparent light gray for the other features):

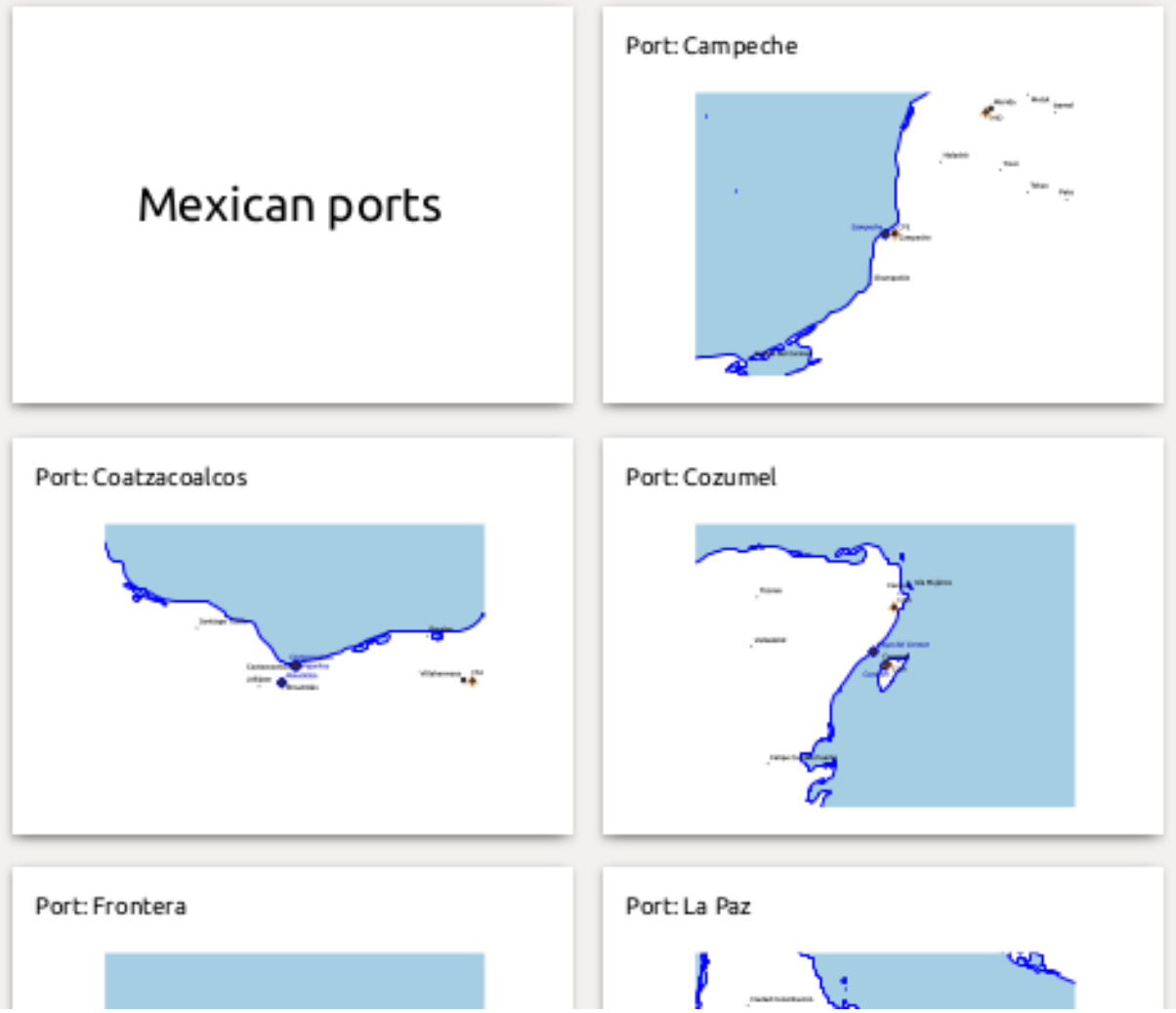
```
if($id=@atlas_featureid, '#FF880088', '#88CCCCCC')
```

More level 1 groups

Combining nested and consecutive sections, together with section headers and footers allows for tons of flexibility. For instance, in the below report we add another field group as a child of the main report for the :guilabel`Ports` layer. Now, after listing the states together with their populated places and airports, we'll get a summary list of all the ports in the region:



This results in the last part of our report exporting as:



19.4.4 Exporteinstellungen

When you export a report (*Report* ► *Export Report as Images… / SVG… / PDF…*), you will be asked for a file name, and then you get the opportunity to tune the export settings to get the most appropriate output.

As you see, reports in QGIS are extremely powerful and flexible!

Bemerkung: The current information was adapted from a North Road blog, Exploring Reports in QGIS 3.0 - the Ultimate Guide!

KAPITEL 20

Arbeiten mit OGC / ISO-Protokollen

Das Open Geospatial Consortium (OGC) ist eine internationale Organisation mit mehr als 300 Mitgliedern aus kommerziellen, behördlichen Bereichen, aus der Forschung sowie aus Non-Profit Organisationen Vereinen. Die Mitglieder entwickeln und implementieren Standards für den Austausch räumlicher Daten, GIS-Datenprocessing und standardisierte Bereitstellung von Geodaten.

Describing a basic data model for geographic features, an increasing number of specifications are developed by OGC to serve specific needs for interoperable location and geospatial technology, including GIS. Further information can be found at https://www.ogc.org/.

Wichtige von QGIS unterstützte OGC Spezifikationen sind:

- **WMS** — Web Map Service (*WMS/WMTS Client*)
- **WMTS** — Web Map Tile Service (*WMS/WMTS Client*)
- **WFS** — Web Feature Service (*WFS und WFS-T Klient*)
- **WFS-T** — Web Feature Service - Transactional (*WFS und WFS-T Klient*)
- **WCS** — Web Coverage Service (*WCS Client*)
- **WPS** — Web Processing Service
- **CSW** — Catalog Service for the Web
- **SFS** — Simple Features for SQL (*PostGIS Layers*)
- **GML** — Geography Markup Language

OGC-Dienste werden vermehrt zum Austausch von geographischen Daten zwischen unterschiedlichen GIS-Systemen und -implementierungen verwendet. QGIS unterstützt mittlerweile die oben genannten Spezifikationen als Client in Form von **SFS** (durch den Postgresql/PostGIS Datenprovider, vgl. *PostGIS Layers*).

Sie können Ihre Karten und Daten auch über die Protokolle WMS, WMTS, WFS, WFS-T und WCS teilen, indem Sie einen Webserver benutzen, auf dem QGIS Server, UMN MapServer oder GeoServer installiert ist.

20.1 WMS/WMTS Client

20.1.1 Übersicht über die WMS-Unterstützung

Derzeit kann QGIS als WMS-Klient eingesetzt werden. Es unterstützt die Versionen 1.1, 1.1.1 und 1.3 der WMS-Server. Gut getestet wurden die öffentlich verfügbaren Server wie beispielsweise DEMIS.

WMS-Server liefern Daten aufgrund einer Anfrage eines Klienten (hier QGIS) als Rasterbild aus. Dabei spielen Ausdehnung, Anzahl der angefragten Layer, Symbolisierungen und Transparenz eine Rolle. Der WMS-Server holt die benötigten Daten dann aus seiner Datenquelle hervor, rendert diese in eine Rasterkarte und sendet das fertige Bild zurück zum Klienten. Das für QGIS typische Rasterformat ist in aller Regel JPEG oder PNG.

WMS ist ein komplett auf Übertragung ausgelegter Dienst (REST = Representational State Transfer). Daraus resultiert die Tatsache, dass die von QGIS generierte URL für das Bild auch in einem Browser eingesetzt werden kann. Das Resultat dieser Anfrage sieht in der Regel genauso aus wie in QGIS. Das ist besonders hilfreich, wenn es beim Einsatz von WMS Probleme geben sollte. Da es sehr viele unterschiedle WMS-Server-Anbieter am Markt gibt (und alle die WMS-Spezifikation etwas unterschiedlich interpretieren), ist eine Überprüfung im Browser sehr hilfreich.

WMS-Layer können sehr einfach hinzugefügt werden, solange man die URL des Servers kennt, eine Verbindung über HTTP zu diesem Server besteht und der angefragte Server auch HTTP versteht.

Darüber hinaus speichert QGIS Ihre WMS-Antworten (d. h. Bilder) 24 Stunden lang im Cache, solange die GetCapabilities-Anforderung nicht ausgelöst wird. Die GetCapabilities-Anforderung wird jedes Mal ausgelöst, wenn die Schaltfläche: guilabel: *Connect* im Dialogfeld: guilabel:` Layer von WMS (T) Server hinzufügen` verwendet wird, um die WMS-Capabilities abzurufen. Dies ist eine automatische Funktion zur Optimierung der Projektladezeit. Wenn ein Projekt mit einer WMS-Ebene gespeichert wird, werden die entsprechenden WMS-Kacheln beim nächsten Öffnen des Projekts aus dem Cache geladen, sofern sie nicht älter als 24 Stunden sind.

20.1.2 Überblick über die WMTS Unterstützung

|qg| kann auch als WMTS Client fungieren. WMTS ist ein OGC Standard zum Bereitstellen von Tile Sets von räumlichen Daten. Dies ist ein schnellerer und effizienterer Weg als die Bereitstellung über einen WMS weil bei WMTS die Tile Sets vorgeneriert werden und der Client nur die Übermittlung von Tiles, nicht Ihre Erstellung abfragt. Ein WMS beinhaltet typischerweise sowohl die Erstellung als auch die Übermittlung der Daten. Ein bekanntes Beispiel eines nicht-OGC Standards zum Darstellen von gekachelten räumlichen Daten ist Google Maps.

Um die Daten in einer Vielzahl von Maßstäben je nach Anforderung darzustellen werden die WMTS Tile Sets in mehreren verschiedenen Maßstäben erstellt und dem GIS Client zur Abfrage bereitgestellt.

Das Diagramm veranschaulicht das Konzept der Tile Sets:

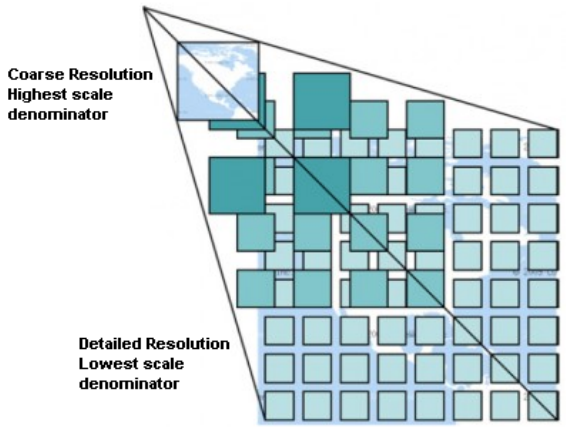


Abb. 20.1: Konzept der WMTS Tile Sets

Die zwei Typen von WMTS Schnittstellen die QGIS unterstützt sind die über Key-Value-Pairs (KVP) und RESTful. Diese zwei Schnittstellen sind unterschiedlich und Sie müssen diese für QGIS unterschiedlich spezifizieren.

1. Um einen **WMTS KVP** Service anzubinden muss ein QGIS Benutzer die WMS/WMTS Schnittstelle öffnen und die folgenden Zeichenkette zu der URL des WMTS Tile Service hinzufügen:

   ```
   "?SERVICE=WMTS&REQUEST=GetCapabilities"
   ```

   Ein Beispiel für diesen Typ von Adresse ist

   ```
   https://opencache.statkart.no/gatekeeper/gk/gk.open_wmts?\
     service=WMTS&request=GetCapabilities
   ```

   Zu Testzwecken funktioniert der topo2 Layer in diesem WMTS gut. Indem man diese Zeichenfolge hinzufügt gibt man an dass ein WMTS Web Service anstatt eines WMS Service benutzt werden soll.

2. Der **RESTful WMTS** Service erfordert eine andere Form, eine einfache URL. Das von der OGC empfohlene Format ist:

   ```
   {WMTSBaseURL}/1.0.0/WMTSCapabilities.xml
   ```

   An diesem Format können Sie erkennen, dass es sich um eine RESTful Adresse handelt. Einen RESTful WMTS erreichen Sie von QGIS aus, indem Sie einfach seine Adresse in das Feld für die URL im WMS-Formular eingeben. Ein Beispiel für diese Art von Adresse für den Fall der österreichischen Grundkarte ist https://maps.wien.gv.at/basemap/1.0.0/WMTSCapabilities.xml.

Bemerkung: Es gibt immer noch einige alte WMS-C-Dienste. Diese sind ähnlich wie WMTS (d.h. sie dienen dem selben Zweck, funktionieren aber anders). Sie können Sie genau so verwalten wie WMTS-Dienste. Fügen Sie einfach `?tiled=true` an das Ende der URL an. Siehe https://wiki.osgeo.org/wiki/Tile_Map_Service_Specification für weitere Informationen über diese Spezifikation.

Wenn Sie WMTS lesen können Sie auch an WMS-C denken.

20.1.3 WMS/WMTS Server auswählen

Wenn Sie das WMS Feature das erste Mal in QGIS verwenden sind keine Server definiert.

Dann müssen Sie Verbindungen zu den Servern, auf die Sie zugreifen wollen, definieren:

1. Gehen Sie zum Tab  *WMS/WMTS* des Dialogs *Datenquellenverwaltung* indem Sie:

   - entweder auf die Schaltfläche  klicken (oder Tastenkürzel `Strg+L`) und dann den Tab aktivieren
   - oder auf die Schaltfläche  in der *Layerverwaltungswerkzeugleiste* klicken
   - oder im Menü *Layer* ► *Layer hinzufügen* ►  den Menüpunkt *WMS/WMTS-Layer hinzufügen…* anwählen

2. Klicken Sie auf *Neu* im Tab *Layer*. Der Dialog *Neue WMS/WMTS-Verbindung anlegen* erscheint.

   Tipp: Ein Rechtsklick auf den Eintrag  *WMS/WMTS* innerhalb des *Bedienfelds Browser* und die Auswahl *Neue Verbindung…* öffnet ebenfalls den Dialog *Neue WMS/WMTS-Verbindung anlegen*.

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3. Geben Sie dort die Verbindungsparameter zu Ihrem gewünschten WMS-Server ein, so wie im Folgenden beschrieben:

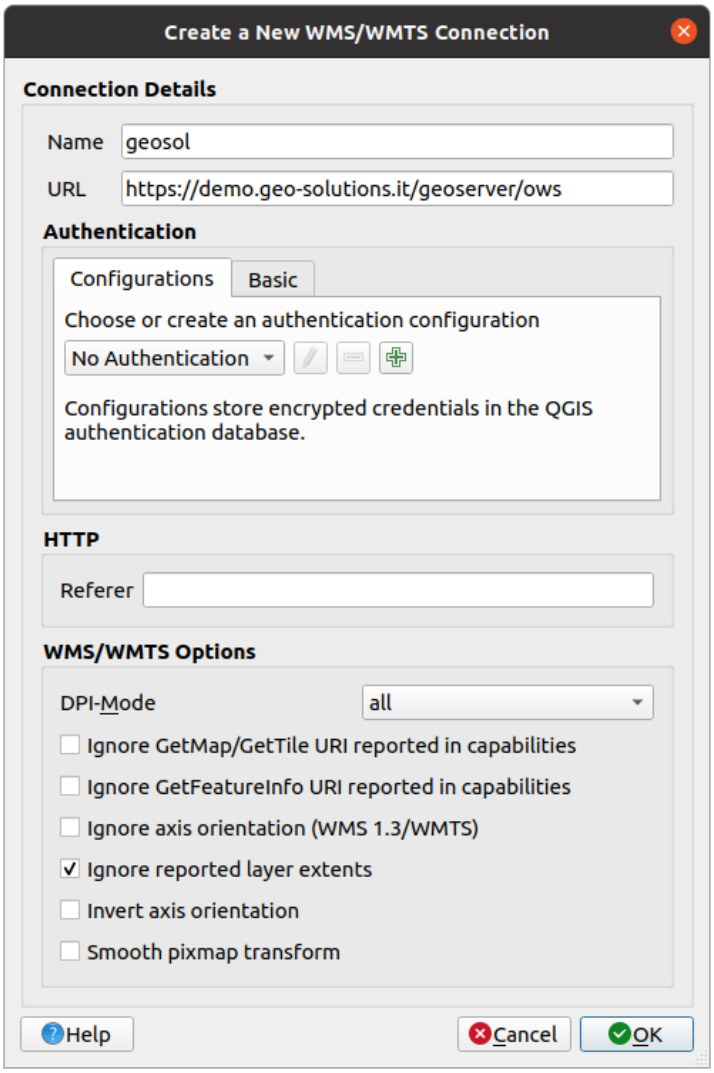


Abb. 20.2: Verbindung mit einem WMS-Server anlegen

- *Name*: Der Name der Verbindung. Der Name wird in der Auswahlliste der Serververbindungen benutzt, so dass Sie die WMS-Server unterscheiden können.
- *URL*: DIe URL des Servers. Es muss sich um einen auflösbaren Hostnamen handeln – im selben Format, wie Sie es für eine Telnetverbindung benutzen würden oder um einen Host anzupingen, d.h. nur die Basis-URL. Ihre URL sollte also keine Teile wie `request=GetCapabilities` oder `version=1.0.0` enthalten.
- *Authentifizierung* (optional): Benutzen Sie eine *gespeicherte Konfiguration* oder eine Basic-Authentifizierung mit *Benutzername* und *Passwort*.

> **Warnung:** Wenn Sie **Benutzername** und **Passwort** im Tab *Authentifizierung* speichern, werden diese Geheimnisse ungeschützt in der Verbindungskonfiguration gespeichert. Die **Geheimnisse sind sichtbar** wenn Sie z.B. die Projektdatei an andere weitergeben. Deshalb ist es ratsam. die Geheimnisse stattdessen in einer *Authentifizierungskonfiguration* (Tab *Konfigurationen*). Schlagen Sie Details in *Authentifizierungssystem* nach.

- HTTP *Referer*
- *DPI-Modus*: die verfügbaren Optionen sind **alle**, **aus**, **QGIS**, **UMN** und **GeoServer**
- ☐ *Gemeldete GetMap/GetTile/GetLengendGraphic-URI aus Diensteeigenschaften ignorieren*: falls Sie das

anhaken, wird die im *URL* Feld eingegebene URI benutzt.

- *Gemeldete GetFeatureInfo-URI ignorieren*: falls Sie das anhaken, wird die im *URL* Feld eingegebene URI benutzt.
- *Achsenorientierung ignorieren (WMS 1.3/WMTS)*
- *Berichtete Layerausmaße ignorieren*: die von Rasterlayern berichteten Layerausmaße können kleiner sein, als die Fläche, die tatsächlich gerendert wird (dies ist insbesondere bei WMS-Servern der Fall, die Symbole enthalten, die mehr Platz brauchen als die Daten selbst). Haken Sie diese Option an, um zu verhindern, dass Rasterlayer am Rand abgeschnitten werden, was zu abgeschnittenen Symbolen in den Randbereichen dieser Layer führen kann
- *Achsenorientierung invertieren*
- *Pixmap-Transformation glätten*

4. Klicken Sie auf *OK*

Wenn Sie die WMS-Verbindung einmal gesetzt haben, ist sie für zukünftige QGIS Sitzungen gespeichert.

Wenn Sie einen Proxyserver konfigurieren müssen, um WMS-Dienste aus dem Internet zu beziehen, können Sie Ihren Proxyserver in den Optionen hinzufügen. Wählen Sie im Menü *Einstellungen* ► *Optionen* und klicken Sie auf den Tab *Netzwerk*. Dort können Sie Ihre Proxyeinstellungen einfügen und sie durch Anhaken von *Proxy für Webzugriff verwenden* aktivieren. Stellen Sie sicher, dass Sie den richtigen *Proxytyp* aus der Auswahl eingestellt haben.

20.1.4 WMS/WMTS Layer laden

Sobald Sie einmal erfolgreich Ihre Parameter eingegeben haben, können Sie die Schaltfläche *Verbinden* benutzen, um die Eigenschaften des ausgewählten Servers herunterzuladen. Dazu gehören die Bildkodierung, die Layer und ihre Stile sowie die Bezugssysteme. Da es sich um eine Netzwerkanfrage handelt, hängt die Antwortgeschwindigkeit von der Qualität Ihrer Netzwerkverbindung zum WMS-Server ab. Während Daten vom WMS-Server heruntergeladen werden, wird der Downloadfortschritt in der unteren linken Ecke des QGIS-Hauptfensters dargestellt.

Ihr Bildschirm sollte nun so ähnlich wie im Bild Abb. 20.3 aussehen, das die Antwort eines WMS-Servers darstellt.

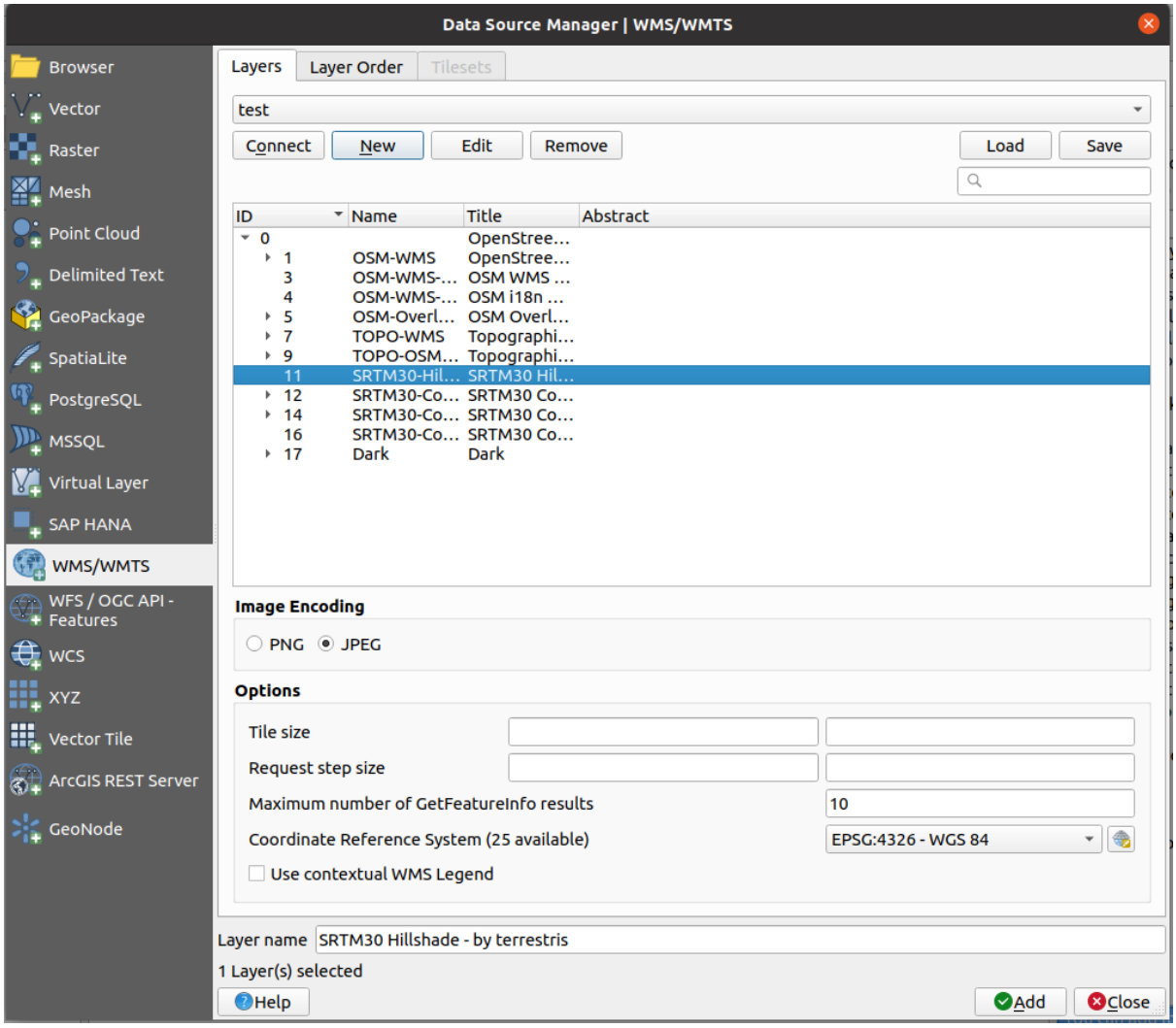


Abb. 20.3: Daten von einem WMS-Server hinzufügen, mit Auflistung der verfügbaren Layer

Der obere Teil des Tabs *Layer* im Dialog zeigt eine Baumstruktur, die Layergruppen mit ihren enthaltenen Layern und dem (bzw. den) zugehörigen Stil(en) enthält, die vom Server angeboten werden. Jeder Eintrag wird durch:

- eine *ID*
- einen *Namen*
- einen *Titel*
- und eine *Zusammenfassung* identifiziert.

Sie können die Liste mit dem Suchfeld rechts oben filtern.

Bildkodierung

Der *Bildkodierung* Bereich listet die Formate die sowohl vom Client als auch vom Server unterstützt werden auf. Wählen Sie eines abhängig von Ihren Anforderungen an die Bildqualität aus.

Tipp: Bildkodierung

In der Regel bieten WMS-Server JPEG oder PNG als Bildkodierung an. JPEG hat eine bildverschlechternde Kompression, während PNG zumeist die Qualität der ursprünglichen Rasterdaten widerspiegelt.

Verwenden Sie JPEG wenn Sie damit rechnen das die WMS Daten photographischen Charakter haben und/oder Sie ein Verlust an Bildqualität nicht stört. Dieser Kompromiss reduziert typischerweise die Datentransferbedingungen

um das fünffache verglichen mit PNG.

Verwenden Sie PNG wenn Sie eine genaue Wiedergabe der Originaldaten erzielen wollen und die erhöhten Datentransferbedingungen Sie nicht stören.

Optionen

Der Dialogbereich Optionen enthält Möglichkeiten, die WMS-Abfrage zu konfigurieren. Sie können folgendes einstellen:

- *Kachelgröße* wenn Sie die Kachelgröße (bspw., 256x256) einstellen wollen, um die WMS-Abfrage in viele einzelne Abfragen aufzuteilen.
- *Request step size*: if you want to reduce the effect of cut labels at tile borders, increasing the step size creates larger requests, fewer tiles and fewer borders. The default value is 2000.
- Die *Maximale Anzahl von GetFeatureInfo-Ergebnissen* vom Server
- Jeder WMS-Layer kann, in Abhängigkeit von den Eigenschaften des WMS-Servers, in verschiedenen KBS präsentiert werden. Wenn Sie einen Layer aus der Liste auswählen, erscheint ein Feld mit der Standardprojektion, die der Server anbietet. Klicken Sie auf KBS auswählen, um die Standardprojektion des Layers mit einem anderen vom Server unterstützten KBS zu ersetzen.

  Sie sehen einen Dialog ähnlich wie im Bild Abb. 10.3. Der Hauptunterschied zur WMS-Version des Dialogs ist, dass er nur KBS anzeigt, die vom WMS-Server unterstützt werden.

- Schließlich können Sie noch *Kontextbezogene WMS-Legende verwenden* anhaken, falls der WMS-Server dies unterstützt. Dann wird nur die für Ihren aktuellen Kartenausschnitt relevante Legende gezeigt, wodurch Legendenelemente für Objekte ausgeblendet werden, die Sie im aktuellen Kartenausschnitt gar nicht sehen.

Ganz unten im Dialog sehen Sie ein Eingabefeld *Layername*, das den *Titel* des ausgewählten Eintrags enthält. Sie können den Namen nach Belieben ändern. Dieser Name wird im Bedienfeld *Layer* erscheinen, nachdem Sie auf die Schaltfläche *Hinzufügen* geklickt und damit den oder die Layer nach QGIS geladen haben.

Sie können mehrere Layer auf einmal auswählen aber nur einen Stil pro Layer. Sollten mehrere Layer ausgewählt sein, werden sie auf dem WMS-Server zusammen gerendert und auf einmal als einzelner Layer an QGIS übertragen. Der Standardname ist eine Liste ihrer Titel, die mit Querstrich (/) getrennt ist.

Layerreihenfolge

Der Tab *Layerreihenfolge* listet die ausgewählten Layer des verbundenen WMS-Server auf.

Die WMS-Layers werden vom Server in der Reihenfolge übereinander gerendert, wie sie in der Liste im Tab *Layer* erscheinen, von oben nach unten. Möchten Sie die Reihenfolge ändern, können Sie die Schaltflächen *Auf* und *Ab* im Tab *Layerreihenfolge* verwenden.

Transparenz

Die Einstellung für die *Globale Deckkraft* in den *Layereigenschaften* ist hartkodiert, um stets aktiv zu sein, falls verfügbar.

20.1.5 Tilesets

Wenn Sie WMTS (gecachte WMS) Dienste verwenden wie

```
https://opencache.statkart.no/gatekeeper/gk/gk.open_wmts?\
  service=WMTS&request=GetCapabilities
```

können Sie durch die vom Server angeboteten *Kachelsätze* browsen. Zusätzliche Informationen wie Kachelgröße, Formate und unterstützte KBS sind in dieser Tabelle aufgeführt. Zusammen mit diesem Feature können Sie den Schiebregler für den Kachelmaßstab benutzen, den Sie im Menü *Ansicht* ► *Bedienfelder* (oder *Einstellungen* ► *Bedienfelder*), und dann im *Bedienfeld Kachelmaßstab* finden. Darin sehen Sie die vom Kachelserver angebotenen Maßstäbe mit einem praktischen Schieberegler.

20.1.6 Das Objekte abfragen Werkzeug

Nachdem Sie einen Layer von einem WMS-Server geladen haben, können Sie die Layer mit dem Werkzeug  Objekte Abfragen abfragen, sofern der WMS-Server diese Funktion unterstützt. Ein Klick auf einen Pixel stellt dann eine Abfrage an den WMS-Server für diesen Pixel. Das Ergebnis wird in Textform geliefert. Die Formatierung hängt von dem jeweilig verwendeten WMS-Server ab.

Formatauswahl

Wenn durch den Server mehrere Formate unterstützt werden wird dem Objekte abfragen Dialog automatisch eine Kombobox mit den unterstützten Formaten hinzugefügt und das ausgewählte Format kann im Projekt für den Layer gespeichert werden.

GML Formatunterstützung

Das  Objekte abfragen Werkzeug unterstützt WMS Server Response (GetFeatureInfo) im GML Format (es wird Feature in der QGIS GUI in diesem Zusammenhang genannt). Wenn das „Feature“ Format vom Server unterstützt wird und ausgewählt ist, sind die Ergebnisse des Objekte abfragen Werkzeugs Vektorobjekte, wie bei einem normalen Vektorlayer. Wenn ein einzelnes Objekt im Baum ausgewählt wird wird es in der Karte hervorgehoben und kann in die Zwischenablage kopiert werden und in einen anderen Vektorlayer eingefügt werden. Sehen Sie sich für die Unterstüzung von GetFeatureInfo im GML Format das Beispielsetup des UMN Mapservers unten an.

```
# in layer METADATA add which fields should be included and define geometry␣
↪(example):

"gml_include_items"   "all"
"ows_geometries"      "mygeom"
"ows_mygeom_type"     "polygon"

# Then there are two possibilities/formats available, see a) and b):

# a) basic (output is generated by Mapserver and does not contain XSD)
# in WEB METADATA define formats (example):
"wms_getfeatureinfo_formatlist" "application/vnd.ogc.gml,text/html"

# b) using OGR (output is generated by OGR, it is send as multipart and contains␣
↪XSD)
# in MAP define OUTPUTFORMAT (example):
OUTPUTFORMAT
    NAME "OGRGML"
    MIMETYPE "ogr/gml"
    DRIVER "OGR/GML"
    FORMATOPTION "FORM=multipart"
END

# in WEB METADATA define formats (example):
"wms_getfeatureinfo_formatlist" "OGRGML,text/html"
```

Eigenschaften

Nachdem Sie einen WMS Server hinzugefügt haben können Sie sich seine Eigenschaften mit einem Rechtsklick in der Legende und dem Auswählen von *Eigenschaften* ansehen.

Reiter Metadaten

Der Reiter *Metadaten* im Kontextmenü zeigt eine Vielzahl von Informationen über den WMS-Server. Diese Infos sind dem Capabilities-Dokument des Servers entnommen. Viele Definitionen können reduziert werden indem man den WMS Standard liest (siehe OPEN-GEOSPATIAL-CONSORTIUM *Literatur und Internetreferenzen*), hier sind dazu einige praktische Definitionen:

- **Servereigenschaften**
  - **WMS Version**– Die WMS-Version, die vom Server unterstützt wird.

  - **Bildformate** — Eine Liste der MIME-Typen mit denen der Server antworten kann. QGIS unterstützt jedes Format, welches die darunterliegende Bibliothek QT unterstützt, mindestens aber `image/png` und `image/jpeg`.
  - **Abfrageformate** — Eine Liste der MIME-Typen mit denen der Server auf Pixel-Abfragen antworten kann. Derzeit wird von QGIS nur der Typ `text-plain` unterstützt.

- **Layereigenschaften**
  - **Ausgewählt** — Gibt an, ob dieser Layer während des Hinzufügens des Server ausgewählt war.
  - **Sichtbar** — Gibt an, ob der Layer in der Legende angezeigt wird oder nicht. (noch nicht verwendet in der aktuellen Version von QGIS.)
  - **Kann abfragen** — Gibt an, ob der Layer auf Abfragen Ergebnisse zurückgibt.
  - **Kann Transparenz** — Gibt an, ob der Layer transparent gezeichnet werden kann. Diese QGIS Version verwendet ein hardcodiertes `Ja`, sofern die Bildkodierung Transparenz bietet
  - **Kann reingezoomt werden** —Gibt an, ob dieser Layer gezoomt werden kann. Diese Version von QGIS verwendet standardmäßig `Ja`. Daher kann es sein, dass einige Layer komisch aussehen, die diese Funktion nicht unterstützen.
  - **Kaskadierend** — WMS-Server können als Proxy zwischen anderen WMS-Servern agieren, um Rasterdaten für einen Layer anzufordern. Dieser Eintrag gibt an, wieviele WMS-Server angefragt werden müssen, um die Daten zu bekommen.
  - **Fixierte Höhe, Fixierte Breite** —Gibt an, ob der Layer eine feste Pixeldimension hat. Diese Version von QGIS nimmt an, dass alle WMS-Layer diesen Wert nicht gesetzt haben. Daher kann es sein, dass einige Layer komisch aussehen, die diese Funktion nicht unterstützen.
  - **WGS 84 Boundingbox** —Gibt die Boundingbox eines Layers in WGS84-Koordinaten an. Einige WMS-Server setzen diese Werte nicht korrekt (z.B. stehen darin manchmal UTM-Koordinaten), sodass bei solchen Layern in QGIS der Eindruck entsteht, sehr weit herausgezoomt zu sein. Der Webmaster des WMS-Servers sollte dann auf dieses Problem aufmerksam gemacht werden. Das WMS XML-Element ist `LatLonBoundingBox`, `EX_GeographicBoundingBox` oder die CRS:84 `BoundingBox`.
  - **Verfügbare Koordinatensysteme** — Die Projektionen, in denen dieser Layer dargestellt werden kann. Diese sind dem Capabilities-Dokument des Servers entnommen.
  - **Verfügbare Stile** — Die Bildstile, in denen dieser Layer dargestellt werden kann.

20.1.7 Show WMS legend graphic in table of contents and layout

The QGIS WMS data provider is able to display a legend graphic in the table of contents' layer list and in the print layout. The WMS legend will be shown only if the WMS server has GetLegendGraphic capability and the layer has getCapability url specified, so you additionally have to select a styling for the layer.

Wenn eine legendGraphic verfügbar ist, wird diese unter dem Layer angezeigt. Sie ist klein und Sie müssen darauf klicken um Sie in Ihrer tatsächlichen Größe (gemäß den QgsLegendInterface Architekturlimitationen) zu öffnen. Das Klicken auf die Legende des Layers öffnet einen Rahmen mit einer Legende in voller Auflösung.

In the print layout, the legend will be integrated at it's original (downloaded) dimension. Resolution of the legend graphic can be set in the item properties under *Legend* ► *WMS LegendGraphic* to match your printing requirements.

Die Legende wird Kontextinformationen basiert auf dem aktuellen Maßstab darstellen. Die WMS Legende wird nur gezeigt wenn der WMS Server eine GetLegendGraphic Capability hat und für dem Layer eine getCapability URL angegeben wurde, also müssen Sie einen Stil auswählen.

20.1.8 Einschränkungen des WMS-Klienten

Nicht alle mögliche WMS Client Funktionalitäten sind in diese Version von QGIS| integriert worden. Einige der bemerkenswerteren Ausnahmen folgen noch.

WMS-Layereigenschaften ändern

Once you've completed the  Add WMS layer procedure, there is no way to change the settings. A work-around is to delete the layer completely and start again.

WMS-Server, die eine Authentifizierung benötigen

Derzeit werden öffentlich zugängliche und gesicherte WMS Services unterstützt. Die gesicherten WMS Server können mit öffentlicher Authentifizierung angebunden werden. Sie können die (optionalen) Anmeldeinformationen hinzufügen wenn Sie einen WMS Server hinzufügen. Schlagen Sie unter Abschnitt *WMS/WMTS Server auswählen* Details nach.

Tipp: Zugriff auf abgesicherte OGC-Layer

If you need to access secured layers with secured methods other than basic authentication, you can use InteProxy as a transparent proxy, which does support several authentication methods. More information can be found in the InteProxy manual at https://inteproxy.wald.intevation.org.

Tipp: QGIS WMS Mapserver

Since Version 1.7.0, QGIS has its own implementation of a WMS 1.3.0 Mapserver. Read more about this in QGIS-Server-manual.

20.2 WCS Client

 Ein Web Coverage Service (WCS) stellt eine Anbindung zu Rasterdaten in Formaten die nützlich für die client-seitige Darstellung, als Input für wissenschaftliche Modelle und für andere Clients zur Verfügung. Der WCS ist vergleichbar zu WFS und WMS. Als WMS und WFS Service Instanz erlaubt der WCS den Clients Teile von Serverinformationsbeständen basierend auf räumlichen Einschränkungen und Abfragekriterien auszuwählen.

QGIS hat einen nativen WCS Provider und unterstützt sowohl Version 1.0 und 1.1 (welche deutliche Unterschiede aufweisen), aktuell jedoch wird 1.0 vorgezogen da es mit 1.1 viele Probleme gibt (z.B. implementiert jeder Server es auf eine andere Art und Weise mit zahlreichen Besonderheiten).

Der native WCS Provider kümmert sich um alle Netzwerkanfragen und verwendet alle voreingestellten QGIS Netzwerkanfragen (insbesondere proxy). Es ist auch möglich einen Cache auszuwählen (‚Immer cachen', ‚Cache vorziehen', ‚Netzwerk vorziehen', ‚Immer Netzwerk') und der Provider unterstützt ebenfalls das Auswählen der Zeitposition wenn Temporal Domain vom Server angeboten wird.

Warnung: Wenn Sie **Benutzername** und **Passwort** im Tab *Authentifizierung* speichern, werden diese Geheimnisse ungeschützt in der Verbindungskonfiguration gespeichert. Die **Geheimnisse sind sichtbar** wenn Sie z.B. die Projektdatei an andere weitergeben. Deshalb ist es ratsam. die Geheimnisse stattdessen in einer *Authentifizierungskonfiguration* (Tab *Konfigurationen*). Schlagen Sie Details in *Authentifizierungssystem* nach.

20.3 WFS und WFS-T Klient

In QGIS, a WFS layer behaves pretty much like any other vector layer. You can identify and select features, and view the attribute table. QGIS supports WFS 1.0.0, 1.1.0, 2.0 and OGC API - Features (OAPIF), including editing (through WFS-T).

In general, adding a WFS layer is very similar to the procedure used with WMS. There are no default servers defined, so you have to add your own. You can find WFS servers by using the *MetaSearch plugin* or your favourite web search engine. There are a number of lists with public URLs, some of them maintained and some not.

Einen WFS-Layer laden

As an example, we use the Gateway Geomatics WFS server and display a layer. https://demo.gatewaygeomatics.com/cgi-bin/wfs_gateway?REQUEST=GetCapabilities&VERSION=1.0.0&SERVICE=WFS

To be able to load a WFS Layer, first create a connection to the WFS server:

1. Open the *Data Source Manager* dialog by pressing the Open Data Source Manager button
2. Enable the *WFS/OGC API-Features* tab
3. Click on *New…* to open the *Create a New WFS Connection* dialog
4. Enter `Gateway Geomatics` as name
5. Enter the URL (see above)

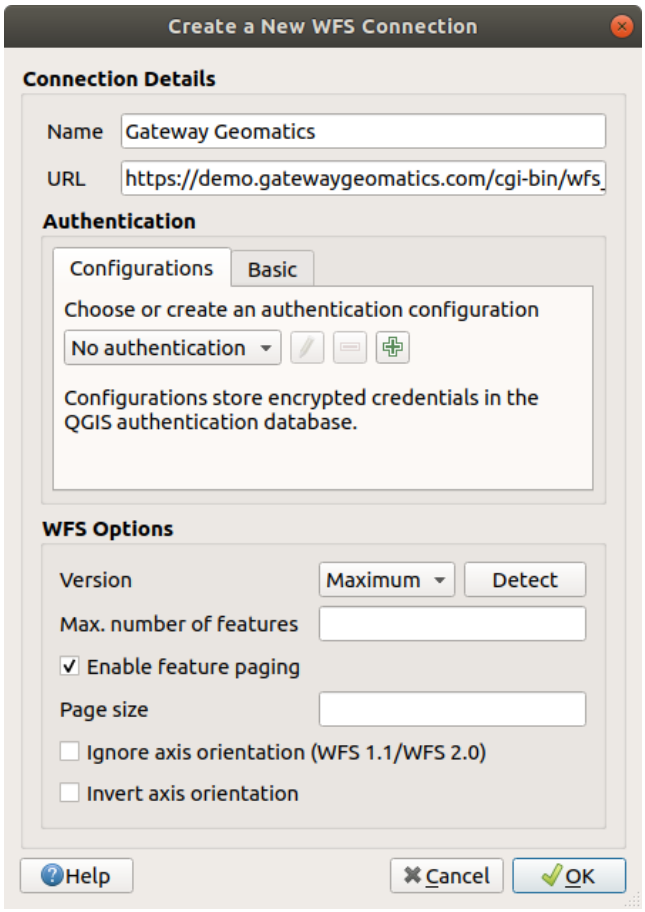


Abb. 20.4: Creating a connection to a WFS server

Bemerkung: In case of an OGC API - Features (OAPIF), the URL to provide should be the landing page, ie

the main page from which it is possible to navigate to all the available service endpoints.

6. In the WFS settings dialog, you can:
   - Indicate the WFS version of the server. If unknown, press the *Detect* button to automatically retrieve it.
   - Define the *maximum number of features* retrieved in a single GetFetFeature request. If empty, no limit is set.
   - *Invert axis orientation*.
   - And depending on the WFS version:
     - Force to *Ignore axis orientation (WFS 1.1/WFS 2.0)*
     - *Enable feature paging* and specify the maximum number of features to retrieve with *Page size*. If no limit is defined, then the server default is applied.

   Warnung: Entering **username** and **password** in the *Authentication* tab will keep unprotected credentials in the connection configuration. Those **credentials will be visible** if, for instance, you shared the project file with someone. Therefore, it's advisable to save your credentials in an *Authentication configuration* instead (*Configurations* tab). See *Authentifizierungssystem* for more details.

7. Press *OK* to create the connection.

Beachten Sie dass auch jede Proxyeinstellung die Sie in Ihren eingestellt haben berücksichtigt wird.

Now we are ready to load WFS layers from the above connection.

1. Choose ‚Gateway Geomatics' from the *Server Connections* drop-down list.
2. Click *Connect*
3. Select the *Parks* layer in the list
4. You can also choose whether to:
   - *Use title for layer name*, showing the layer's title as defined on the server in the *Layers* panel instead of its *Name*
   - *Only request features overlapping the view extent*
   - *Change* the layer's CRS
   - or *Build query* to specify particular features to retrieve, by either using the corresponding button or double-clicking the target layer.
5. Click *Add* to add the layer to the map.

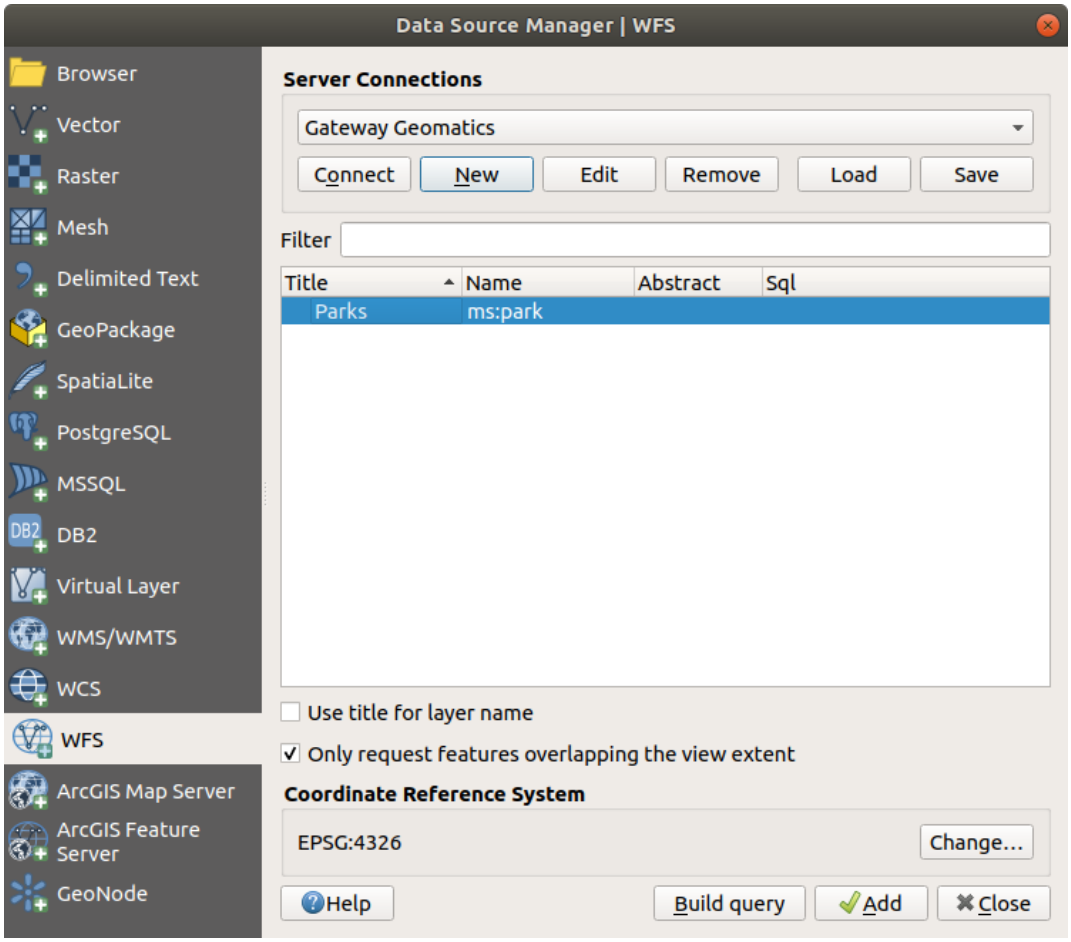


Abb. 20.5: Einen WFS Layer hinzufügen

You'll notice the download progress is visualized in the lower left of the QGIS main window. Once the layer is loaded, you can identify and select a couple of features and view the attribute table.

Bemerkung: QGIS supports different versions of the WFS protocol, with background download and progressive rendering, on-disk caching of downloaded features and version autodetection.

KAPITEL 21

Arbeiten mit GPS Daten

21.1 GPS Plugin

21.1.1 Was ist GPS?

GPS, das Global Positioning System, ist ein satellitenbasiertes System das es jedem mit einem GPS Empfänger ermöglicht seine genaue Position überall auf der Welt zu finden. GPS wird als Navigationshilfe in Flugzeugen, in Schiffen und von Wanderern benutzt. Der GPS Empfänger verwendet die Signale von den Satelliten um seine Länge, Breite und (manchmal) Höhe zu berechnen. Die meisten Empfänger haben auch die Fähigkeit Orte (bekannt als **Wegpunkte**), Sequenzen von Wegpunkten, die zusammen eine geplante **Route** ergeben und Tracklogs oder **Spuren** der zeitlichen Bewegung des Empfängers zu speichern. Wegpunkte, Routen und Spuren sind die drei Grundtypen in GPS Daten. QGIS stellt Wegpunkte in Punktlayern dar, wohingegen Routen und Spuren in Vektorlinien dargestellt werden.

Bemerkung: QGIS supports also GNSS receivers. But we keep using the term GPS in this documentation.

21.1.2 GPS-Daten aus einer Datei laden

Es gibt viele verschiedene Datenformate zum Speichern von GPS-Daten. Das von QGIS unterstützte Format ist GPX (GPS eXchange format), ein Standardformat, welches Wegpunkte, Routen und Spuren in einer Datei enthalten kann.

Um eine GPX Datei zu laden müssen Sie zuerst das Plugin laden. *Erweiterungen* ► |*showPluginManager*| *:menuselection:`Erweiterungen verwalten und installieren …* öffnet den Pluginmanagerdialog. Aktivieren Sie das *GPS Werkzeuge* Kontrollkästchen. Wenn dieses Plugin geladen ist erscheint ein Knopf mit einem kleinen tragbaren GPS Gerät in der Werkzeugleiste und in:menuselection:*Layer –> Layer erstellen –>* :

- GPS-Werkzeuge
- *Erstelle neuen GPX Layer*

Für das Arbeiten mit GPS-Daten stellen wir eine GPX-Beispieldatei im |qg| Beispieldatensatz zur Verfügung: `qgis_sample_data/gps/national_monuments.gpx`. Siehe Abschnitt *Beispieldaten herunterladen* für weitere Informationen über die Beispieldaten.

1. Select *Vector* ► *GPS Tools* or click the GPS Tools icon in the toolbar and open the *Load GPX file* tab (see Abb. 21.1).
2. Browse to the folder `qgis_sample_data/gps/`, select the GPX file `national_monuments.gpx` and click *Open*.

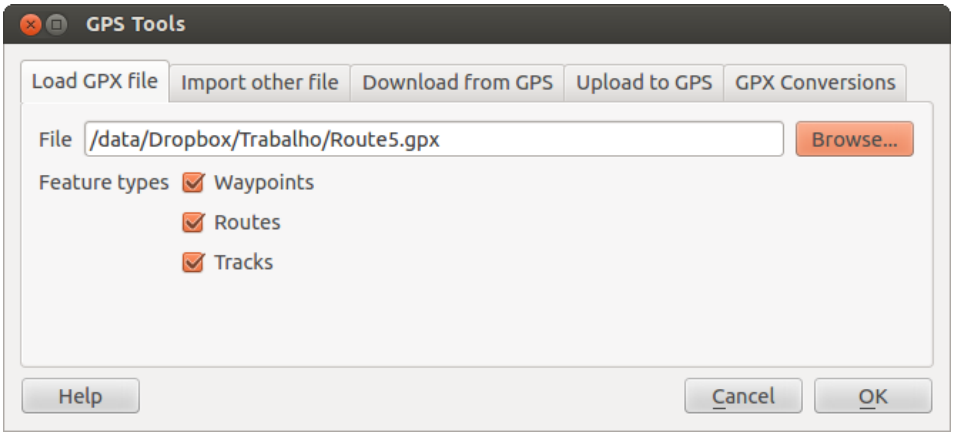


Abb. 21.1: Das *GPS Werkzeuge* Dialogfenster

Use the *Browse...* button to select the GPX file, then use the checkboxes to select the feature types you want to load from that GPX file. Each feature type will be loaded in a separate layer when you click *OK*. The file `national_monuments.gpx` only includes waypoints.

Bemerkung: GPS units allow you to store data in different coordinate systems. When downloading a GPX file (from your GPS unit or a web site) and then loading it in QGIS, be sure that the data stored in the GPX file uses WGS 84 (latitude/longitude). QGIS expects this, and it is the official GPX specification. See https://www.topografix.com/GPX/1/1/.

21.1.3 GPSBabel

Since QGIS uses GPX files, you need a way to convert other GPS file formats to GPX. This can be done for many formats using the free program GPSBabel, which is available at https://www.gpsbabel.org. This program can also transfer GPS data between your computer and a GPS device. QGIS uses GPSBabel to do these things, so it is recommended that you install it. However, if you just want to load GPS data from GPX files you will not need it. Version 1.2.3 of GPSBabel is known to work with QGIS, but you should be able to use later versions without any problems.

21.1.4 GPS-Daten importieren

Um GPS-Daten aus einer Datei, die nicht im GPX-Format vorliegt zu importieren, benutzen Sie den Reiter *Aus anderer Datei importieren*. Wählen Sie dann die Datei (und den Dateityp), die importiert werden soll aus, von welchem Datenformat Sie importieren möchten und wo die konvertierte GPX-Datei unter welchem Namen abgelegt werden soll. Beachten Sie, dass nicht für alle Datenformate die drei GPS-Datentypen Wegpunkte, Routen und Spuren unterstützt werden. Manchmal sind es nur ein oder zwei.

21.1.5 GPS-Daten von einem Empfänger herunterladen

QGIS can use GPSBabel to download data from a GPS device directly as new vector layers. For this we use the *Download from GPS* tab of the GPS Tools dialog (see Abb. 21.2). Here, we select the type of GPS device, the port that it is connected to (or USB if your GPS supports this), the feature type that you want to download, the GPX file where the data should be stored, and the name of the new layer.

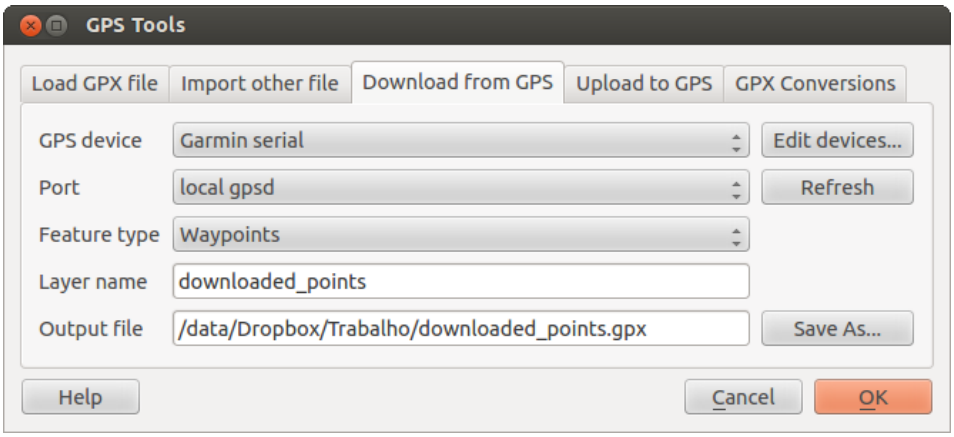


Abb. 21.2: Das Downloadwerkzeug

Durch die Angabe des Typs Ihres GPS-Empfängers legen Sie fest, wie GPSBabel mit dem Gerät kommuniziert. Wenn kein vorhandener Typ mit Ihrem Empfänger funktioniert, können Sie einen eigenen, neuen Gerätetyp erstellen (vgl. Abschnitt *Neues GPS-Gerät definieren*).

Der Verbindungsport ist ein Dateiname oder ein anderer Name, den Ihr System als Referenz für den physischen Port benutzt, über den eine Verbindung zum GPS-Empfänger hergestellt wird. Es kann auch einfach USB sein, wenn dies von dem GPS-Gerät unterstützt wird.

- Unter Linux ist dies etwas wie `/dev/ttyS0` oder `/dev/ttyS1`.
- Unter Windows ist dies `COM1` oder `COM2`.

When you click *OK*, the data will be downloaded from the device and appear as a layer in QGIS.

21.1.6 GPS-Daten auf einen Empfänger hochladen

Sie können auch einen Vektorlayer aus |qg| auf einen GPS-Empfänger hochladen, indem Sie den Reiter *Zum GPS hochladen* verwenden. Der Vektorlayer muss dazu ein GPX-Layer sein. Sie wählen dazu einen entsprechenden Layer aus, den Typ Ihres GPS-Empfängers und den Verbindungsport (oder USB). Genau wie beim Reiter *Vom GPS herunterladen* können Sie bei Bedarf auch einen eigenen, neuen Empfänger-Typ erstellen, wenn Ihr Gerät nicht in der Liste auftaucht.

Dieses Werkzeug ist sehr nützlich, besonders im Zusammenspiel mit den Vektorfunktionen von QGIS. Sie können eine Karte laden, ein paar Wegpunkte oder Routen digitalisieren und es dann auf Ihren GPS-Empfänger hochladen.

21.1.7 Neues GPS-Gerät definieren

There are lots of different types of GPS devices. The QGIS developers can't test all of them, so if you have one that does not work with any of the device types listed in the *Download from GPS* and *Upload to GPS* tools, you can define your own device type for it. You do this by using the GPS device editor, which you start by clicking the *Edit Devices* button in the download or the upload tab.

To define a new device, you simply click the *New Device* button, enter a name, enter download and upload commands for your device, and click the *Update Device* button. The name will be listed in the device menus in the upload and download windows – it can be any string. The download command is the command that is used to download data from the device to a GPX file. This will probably be a GPSBabel command, but you can use any other command line program that can create a GPX file. QGIS will replace the keywords `%type`, `%in`, and `%out` when it runs the command.

`%type` wird ersetzt durch `-w`, wenn Sie Wegpunkte herunterladen, `-r` wenn es eine Route ist und `-t`, wenn es sich um Spuren handelt. GPSBabel erfährt dadurch, um welchen GPS-Datentyp es sich handelt.

`%in` wird ersetzt durch den Namen des Verbindungsports und `%out` durch den Namen, den Sie für die GPX-Datei gewählt haben. Wenn Sie also einen neuen Gerätetyp mit dem Kommando `gpsbabel %type -i garmin -o gpx %in %out` (es handelt sich hierbei um das Standard Kommando für einen ‚Garmin Serial') definieren und diesen benutzen, um Wegpunkte von Port `/dev/ttyS0` in die Datei `output.gpx` zu schreiben, dann ersetzt QGIS die Schlüsselworte und startet das Kommando `gpsbabel -w -i garmin -o gpx /dev/ttyS0 output.gpx`.

Das Kommando hinaufladen wird benutzt, um die Daten auf Ihren GPS-Empfänger zu transferieren. Es werden dazu die gleichen Schlüsselworte benutzt, nur dass `%in` durch den Namen der hochzuladenen GPX-Datei und `%out` durch den Namen des Verbindungsports ersetzt wird.

You can learn more about GPSBabel and its available command line options at https://www.gpsbabel.org.

Wenn Sie einmal einen eigenen Gerätetypen erstellt haben, wird dieser in der Liste der GPS-Geräte dauerhaft angezeigt werden.

21.1.8 Downloaden von Punkten/Spuren von GPS Einheiten

As described in previous sections QGIS uses GPSBabel to download points/tracks directly in the project. QGIS comes out of the box with a pre-defined profile to download from Garmin devices. Unfortunately there is a bug #6318 that does not allow create other profiles, so downloading directly in QGIS using the GPS Tools is at the moment limited to Garmin USB units.

Garmin GPSMAP 60cs

MS Windows

Install the Garmin USB drivers from https://www8.garmin.com/support/download_details.jsp?id=591

Verbinden Sie die Einheit. Öffnen Sie GPS Werkzeuge und verwenden Sie `type=garmin serial` und `port=usb:`. Füllen Sie die Felder *Layername* und *Ausgabedatei* aus. Manchmal scheint es Probleme beim Speichern in einen bestimmten Ordner zu geben, wenn Sie etwas wie `c:\temp` verwenden funktioniert es für gewöhnlich.

Ubuntu/Mint GNU/Linux

Es wird zuerst ein Eintrag über die Rechte des Gerätes benötigt, wie beschrieben auf https://wiki.openstreetmap.org/wiki/USB_Garmin_on_GNU/Linux. Sie können versuchen eine Datei `/etc/udev/rules.d/51-garmin.rules` zu erstellen, die diese Regel enthält.

```
ATTRS{idVendor}=="091e", ATTRS{idProduct}=="0003", MODE="666"
```

Danach ist es nötig sicher zu gehen das das `garmin_gps` Kernelmodul nicht geladen ist

```
rmmod garmin_gps
```

and then you can use the GPS Tools. Unfortunately there seems to be a bug #7182 and usually QGIS freezes several times before the operation work fine.

BTGP-38KM Datenlogger (nur Bluetooth)

MS Windows

Der bereits erwähnte Bug lässt es nicht zu, dass Daten innerhalb von |qg| heruntergeladen werden, also müssen Sie GPSBabel aus der Kommandozeile heraus oder mit Hilfe seiner Schnittstelle verwenden.

```
gpsbabel -t -i skytraq,baud=9600,initbaud=9600 -f COM9 -o gpx -F C:/GPX/aaa.gpx
```

Ubuntu/Mint GNU/Linux

Verwenden Sie den gleichen Befehl (oder Einstellungen wenn Sie die GPSBabel GUI verwenden) wie in Windows. Unter Linux ist vielleicht üblich eine Nachricht wie folgt zu erhalten

```
skytraq: Too many read errors on serial port
```

es ist einfach eine Frage des aus- und anschalten des Dateloggers und es erneut zu versuchen.

BlueMax GPS-4044 Datenlogger (sowohl BT als auch USB)

MS Windows

Bemerkung: Es muss seine Treiber installieren bevor man es unter Windows 7 verwendet. Sehen Sie in den Herstellerseiten für den richtigen Download nach.

Downloaden mit GPSBabel, mit USB und BR, gibt immer einen Fehler heraus wie

```
gpsbabel -t -i mtk -f COM12 -o gpx -F C:/temp/test.gpx
mtk_logger: Can't create temporary file data.bin
Error running gpsbabel: Process exited unsuccessfully with code 1
```

Ubuntu/Mint GNU/Linux

Mit USB

Nachdem Sie das Kabel angeschlossen haben verwenden Sie den `dmesg` Befehl um zu verstehen welcher Port benutzt wird, zum Beispiel `/dev/ttyACM3`. Benutzen Sie dann wie immer GPSBabel aus der Kommandozeile oder der GUI.

```
gpsbabel -t -i mtk -f /dev/ttyACM3 -o gpx -F /home/user/bluemax.gpx
```

Mit Bluetooth

Verwenden Sie Blueman Device Manager um das Gerät zu verbinden und machen Sie es über einen Systemport zugänglich, starten Sie dann GPSBabel.

```
gpsbabel -t -i mtk -f /dev/rfcomm0 -o gpx -F /home/user/bluemax_bt.gpx
```

21.2 Live GPS tracking

To activate live GPS tracking in QGIS, you need to select *View* ► *Panels* *GPS Information Panel* or press `Ctrl+0`. You will get a new docked window on the left side of the canvas.

There are three possible screens in this GPS tracking window:

- Position: GPS position coordinates and an interface for manually entering vertices and features
- Signal: signal strength of satellite connections
- Options:GPS options screen (see Abb. 21.5)

With a plugged-in GPS receiver (has to be supported by your operating system), a simple click on *Connect* connects the GPS to QGIS. A second click (now on *Disconnect*) disconnects the GPS receiver from your computer. For GNU/Linux, gpsd support is integrated to support connection to most GPS receivers. Therefore, you first have to configure gpsd properly to connect QGIS to it.

With the *Recenter* button the map will jump to the current GPS position.

Warnung: Wenn Sie Ihre Position in die Oberfläche aufnehmen wollen müssen Sie erst einen neuen Vektorlayer erstellen und diesen in den Bearbeitungsmodus bringen um Ihren Track aufnehmen zu können.

When a GPS device is connected and the user moves the cursor over the map canvas, a live status bar message displays the distance and bearing from the cursor to the GPS position. Project distance and bearing settings are respected in this display.

Tipp: Touch Screen Devices

On a touch screen device use a tap-and-hold event to trigger the live status bar message.

21.2.1 Positionskoordinaten

If the GPS is receiving signals from satellites, you will see your position in latitude, longitude and altitude together with additional attributes.

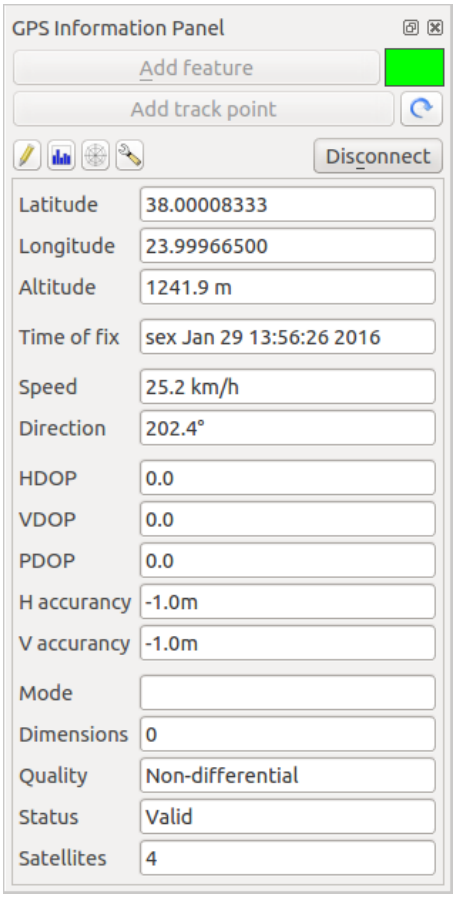


Abb. 21.3: GPS Tracking Position und zusätzliche Attribute

21.2.2 GPS Signalstärke

 Hier können Sie die Signalstärke der Satelliten von denen Sie Signale empfangen sehen.

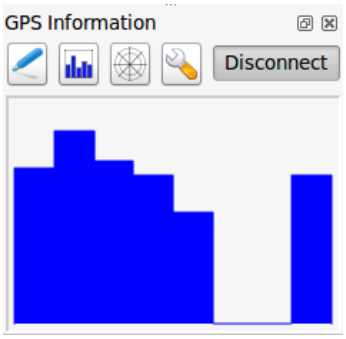


Abb. 21.4: GPS Tracking Signalstärke

21.2.3 GPS Optionen

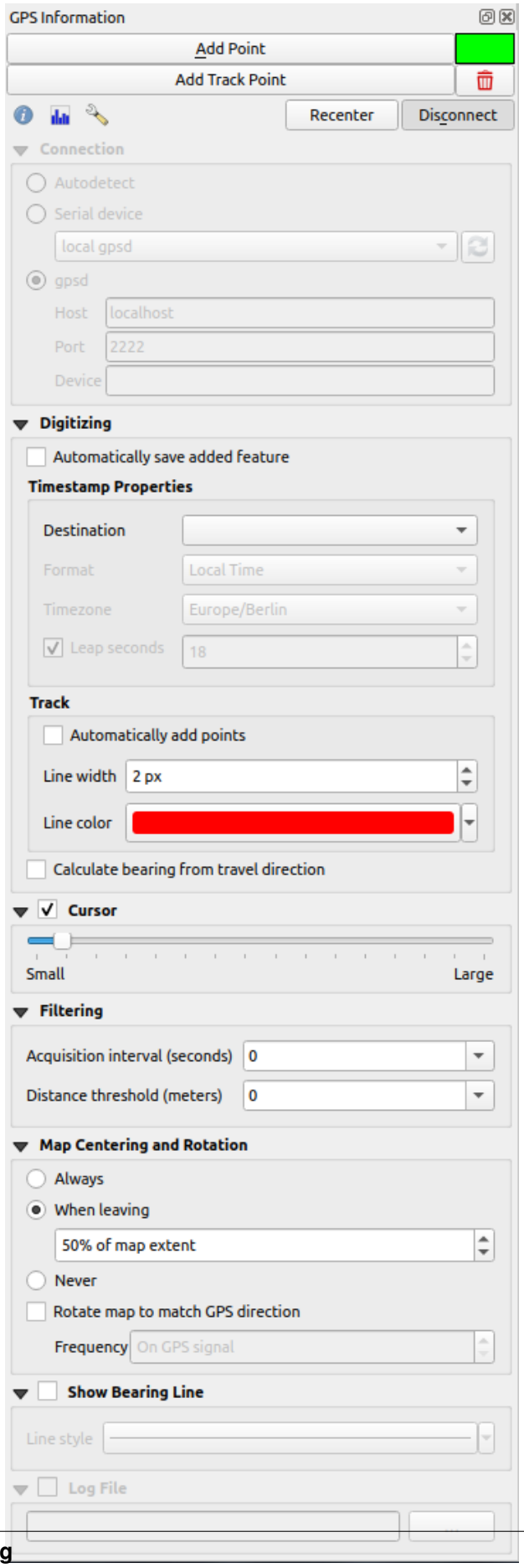


Abb. 21.5: GPS Tracking Optionsansicht

Here you can specify:

- *Connection*
  - In case of connection problems, you can switch between:
    - *Automatisch feststellen*
    - *Serial device* (reload required if a new GPS Device is connected)
    - *gpsd* (wählt den Host, Port und das Gerät mit dem Ihr GPS verbunden ist)
  - A click on *Connect* again initiates the connection to the GPS receiver.
- *Digitizing*
  - Sie können *Hinzugefügte Objekte automatisch speichern* aktivieren wenn Sie sich im Bearbeitungsmodus befinden. Oder Sie können *Punkte automatisch hinzufügen* aktivieren um Punkte mit einer bestimmten Größe und Farbe der Kartenansicht hinzuzufügen.
  - The *Calculate bearing from travel direction* can be used if the device reports faulty bearing measurements and it will calculate the GPS bearing based on the previous two recorded locations.
- *Cursor*: you can use a slider to shrink and grow the position cursor on the canvas.
- *Filtering*: You can also set an *Acquisition interval (seconds)* and a *Distance threshold (meters)* parameters to keep the cursor still active when the receiver is in static conditions.
- *Map Centering and Rotation*
  - Das Aktivieren des Radioknopfes *Karte zentrieren* ermöglicht es auszuwählen, wie das Kartenfenster aktualisiert werden soll. Dies enthält ‚immer beim Verlassen', wenn die aufgenommenen Koordinaten den Bereich des Kartenfensters verlassen oder ‚niemals', um die Kartenausschnitt beizubehalten.
  - Activating *Rotate map to match GPS direction* will automatically rotate the map canvas so that it is oriented in the same direction as the GPS bearing.
- Activating *Show Bearing Line* will show a line from the GPS location pointing in current path direction of the GPS.
- Schliesslich können Sie das Kontrollkästchen *Logdatei* aktivieren und einen Pfad angeben, wo die Logdateien über die GPS-Messung abgelegt werden.

If you want to set a feature manually, you have to go back to Position and click on *Add Point* or *Add Track Point*.

21.2.4 Ein Bluetooth GPS fürs Live Tracking anbinden

Mit |qg| können Sie ein Bluetooth GPS für das Aufnehmen von Felddaten anbinden. Um dies durchzuführen benötigen Sie ein Bluetooth Gerät und einen Bluetooth Empfänger auf Ihrem Computer.

Als erstes müssen Sie Ihr GPS Gerät erkennen lassen und mit dem Computer verbinden. Stellen Sie das GPS an, gehen Sie zum Bluetooth Icon in Ihrem Infobereich und suchen Sie nach einem Neuen Gerät.

On the right side of the Device selection mask make sure that all devices are selected so your GPS unit will probably appear among those available. In the next step a serial connection service should be available, select it and click on *Configure* button.

Denken Sie daran dass die an die GPS Verbindung angebundenen COM Ports aus den Bluetooth Eigenschaften resultieren.

Machen Sie die Kopplung für die Verbindung nachdem das GPS erkannt wurde. Normalerweise ist der Authorisationskode `0000`.

Now open *GPS information* panel and switch to GPS options screen. Select the COM port assigned to the GPS connection and click the *Connect*. After a while a cursor indicating your position should appear.

Wenn |qg| keine GPS Daten empfangen kann sollten Sie Ihr GPS Gerät neustarten, 5-10 Sekunden warten und dann wieder eine Verbindung versuchen. Normalerweise funktioniert diese Lösung. Wenn Sie wieder einen Verbindungsfehler erhalten vergewissern Sie sich dass kein anderer Bluetoothempfänger, der an die gleiche GPS Einheit gekoppelt ist, in Ihrer Nähe ist.

21.2.5 GPSMAP 60cs verwenden

MS Windows

Easiest way to make it work is to use a middleware (freeware, not open) called GPSGate.

Launch the program, make it scan for GPS devices (works for both USB and BT ones) and then in QGIS just click *Connect* in the Live tracking panel using the  *Autodetect* mode.

Ubuntu/Mint GNU/Linux

Wie unter Windows ist der einfachste Weg einen Server, in diesem Fall GPSD, dazwischen zu benutzen, also

```
sudo apt install gpsd
```

Laden Sie dann das `garmin_gps` Kernelmodul

```
sudo modprobe garmin_gps
```

Und verbinden Sie dann die Einheit. Überprüfen Sie dann mit `dmesg` die aktuelle von dem Gerät verwendete Einheit, zum Beispiel `/dev/ttyUSB0`. Starten Sie jetzt gpsd

```
gpsd /dev/ttyUSB0
```

Und verbinden Sie sich zuletzt mit dem |qg| Live Tracking Tool.

21.2.6 BTGP-38KM Datenlogger verwenden (nur Bluetooth)

Sie können GPSD (unter Linux) oder GPSGate (unter Windows) mühelos verwenden.

21.2.7 BlueMax GPS-4044 Datenlogger verwenden (sowohl BT als auch USB)

MS Windows

Das Live Tracking funktioniert mit USB und BT Modus, mit oder ohne GPSGate, benutzen Sie einfach den  *Automatisch feststellen* Modus oder stellen Sie das Tool auf den richtigen Port ein.

Ubuntu/Mint GNU/Linux

Für USB

Das Live Tracking funktioniert sowohl mit GPSD

```
gpsd /dev/ttyACM3
```

oder ohne es, indem man das |qg| Live Tracking Tool direkt mit dem Gerät verbindet (zum Beispiel `/dev/ttyACM3`).

Für Bluetooth

Das Live Tracking funktioniert sowohl mit GPSD

```
gpsd /dev/rfcomm0
```

oder ohne es, indem man das |qg| Live Tracking Tool direkt mit dem Gerät verbindet (zum Beispiel `/dev/rfcomm0`).

KAPITEL 22

Authentifizierungssystem

22.1 Authentifizierungssystem Übersicht

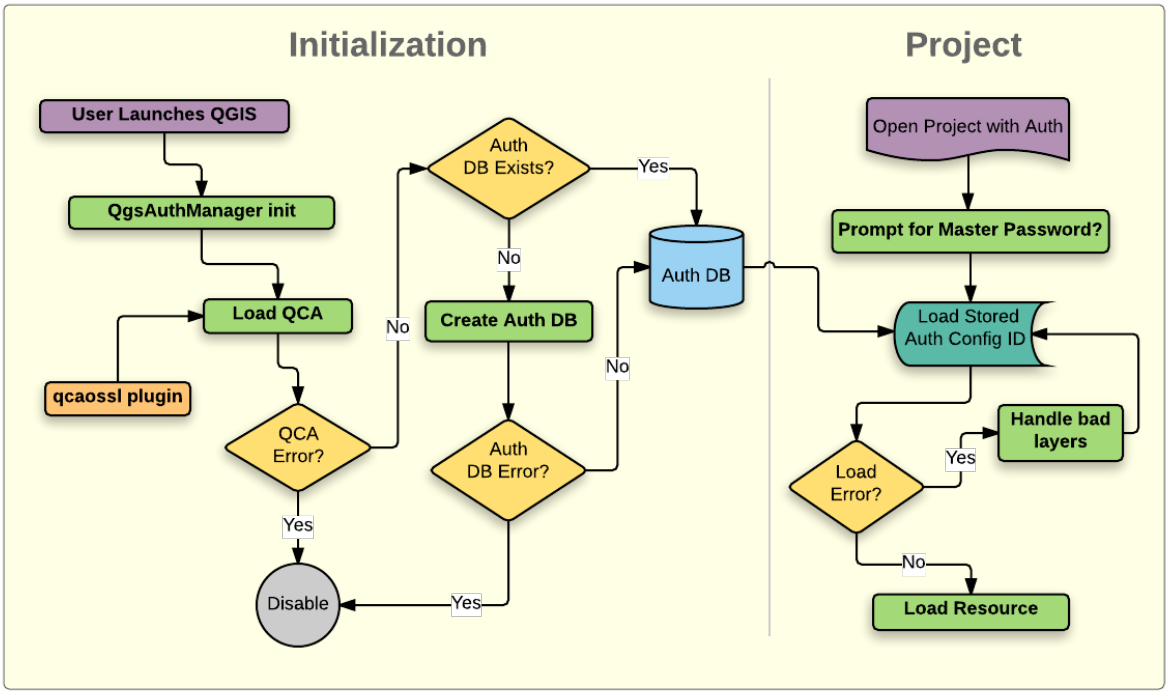


Abb. 22.1: Anatomie des Authentifizierungssystems

22.1.1 Authentifikationsdatenbank

The new authentication system stores authentication configurations in an SQLite database file located, by default, at `<profile directory>/qgis-auth.db`.

Diese Authentifizierungsdatenbank kann ohne Auswirkung auf andere aktuelle QGIS Benutzereinstellungen zwischen QGIS Installationen bewegt werden, da sie völlig unabhängig von normalen QGIS-Einstellungen

ist. Eine Konfigurations-ID (eine zufällige 7-stellige alphanumerische Zeichenfolge) wird erzeugt, wenn eine Konfiguration zu der Datenbank gespeichert wird. Dies stellt die Konfiguration dar, wodurch die ID im Klartext als Anwendungskomponenten gespeichert wird (z. B. Projekt-, Plugin- oder Einstellungsdateien) ohne Offenlegung ihrer zugehörigen Anmeldeinformationen.

Bemerkung: Das übergeordnete Verzeichnis des *qgis-auth.db`kann mit der folgenden Umgebungsvariablen gesetzt werden, `QGIS_AUTH_DB_DIR_PATH`*, oder mit der `--authdbdirectory` Option während des Starts auf der Kommandozeile.

22.1.2 Hauptpasswort

To store or access sensitive information within the database, a user must define a *master password*. A new master password is requested and verified when initially storing any encrypted data to the database. When sensitive information is accessed, the user is prompted for the master password. The password is then cached for the remainder of the session (until application is quit), unless the user manually chooses an action to clear its cached value. Some instances of using the authentication system do not require input of the master password, such as when selecting an existing authentication configuration, or applying a configuration to a server configuration (such as when adding a WMS layer).

You can choose to save the password in the `Wallet/Keyring` of your computer.

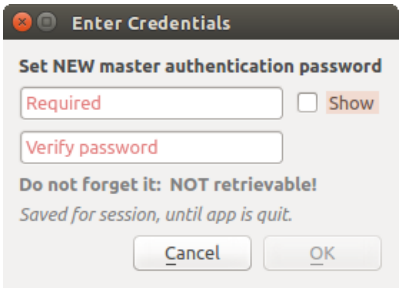


Abb. 22.2: Neues Hauptpasswort eingeben

Bemerkung: Ein Pfad zu einer Datei, die das Hauptpasswort beinhalet, kann mit Hilfe der Umgebungsvariablen eingestellt werden `QGIS_AUTH_PASSWORD_FILE`.

Hauptpasswort verwalten

Einmal eingestellt, kann das Hauptpasswort zurückgesetzt werden, das aktuelle Hauptpasswort wird vor dem Zurücksetzen jedoch benötigt werden. Während dieses Prozesses ist es eine Option, eine vollständige Sicherung der aktuellen Datenbank vorzunehmen.



Abb. 22.3: Hauptpasswort zurücksetzen

Wenn der Benutzer das Hauptpasswort vergisst, gibt es keine Möglichkeit es abzurufen oder außer Kraft setzen. Es gibt auch keine Mittel die verschlüsselten Informationen abzurufen ohne das Master-Passwort zu kennen.

Wenn ein Benutzer das bestehende Password drei Mal falsch eingibt, wird ein Dialog Ihnen anbieten, die Datenbank zu löschen.

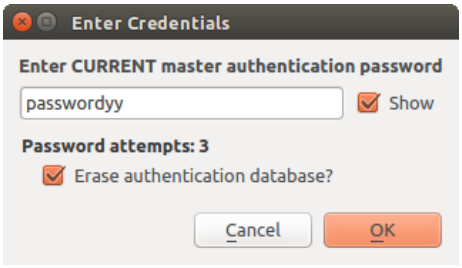


Abb. 22.4: Passwortabfrage nach drei ungültigen Versuchen

22.1.3 Authentifikationskonfiguration

Sie können Authentifizierungseinstellungen über *Konfigurationen* in dem *Authentifizierung* Reiter des QGIS Optionen Dialog (*Einstellungen► Optionen*) vornehmen.

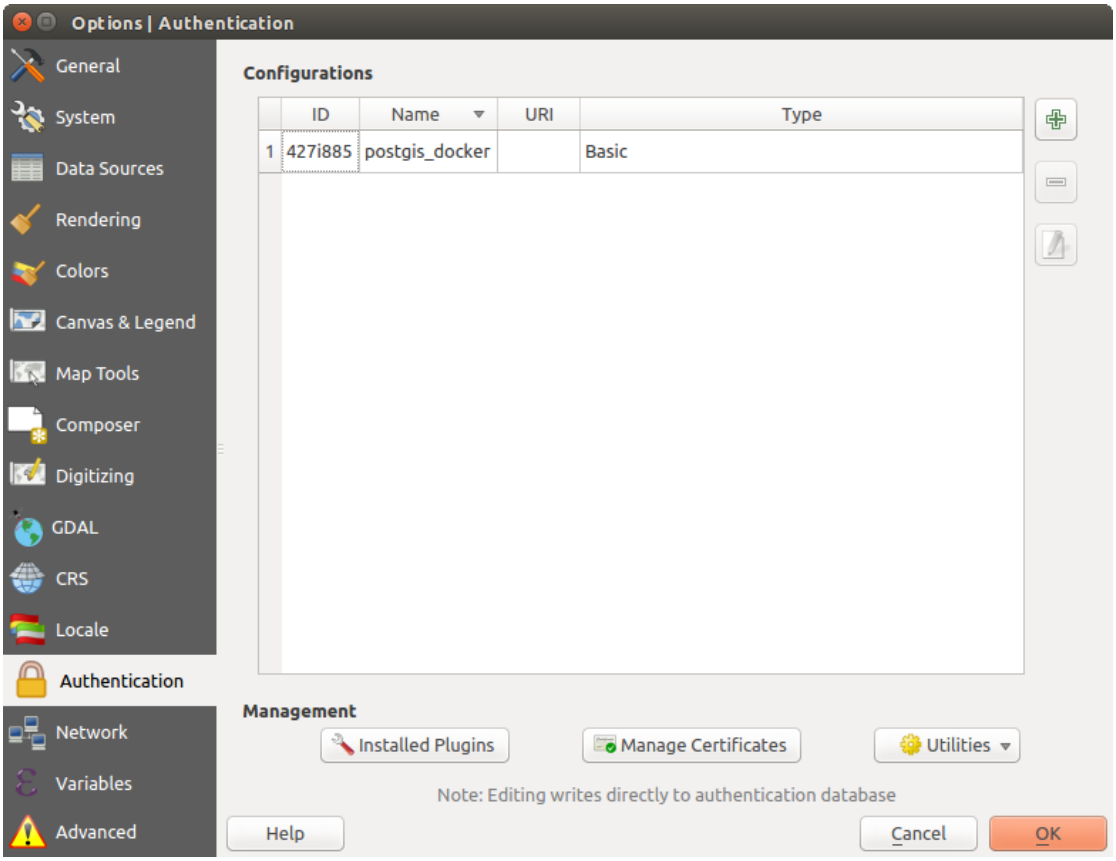


Abb. 22.5: Konfigurationen Editor

Nutzen Sie den Knopf, um neue Konfigurationen hinzuzufügen, den Knopf um Sie zu entfernen und den Knopf um bestehende zu bearbeiten.

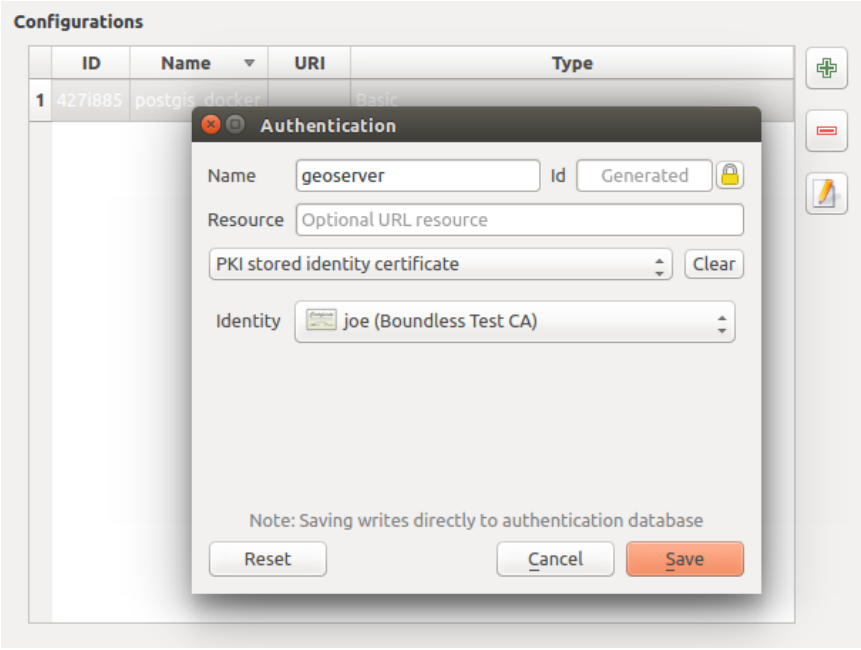


Abb. 22.6: Konfigurationen von innerhalb des Konfigurationseditors hinzufügen

Die selben Arten von Tätigkeiten für Authentifikationskonfigurationen (Hinzufügen, Bearbeiten und Entfernen) können auch bei der Konfiguration einer Service-Verbindung, wie der Konfiguration einer OWS-Service-Verbindung, getätigt werden. Dafür gibt es Aktionsschaltflächen innerhalb der Konfigurationsauswahl für die vollständige Verwaltungskonfigurationen die man innerhalb der Authentifikationsdatenbank findet. In diesem Fall ist es nicht erforderlich in den *Konfigurationen* im *Authentifikation* Reiter zu wechseln, es sei denn Sie müssen weitere umfassende Konfigurationen vornehmen.

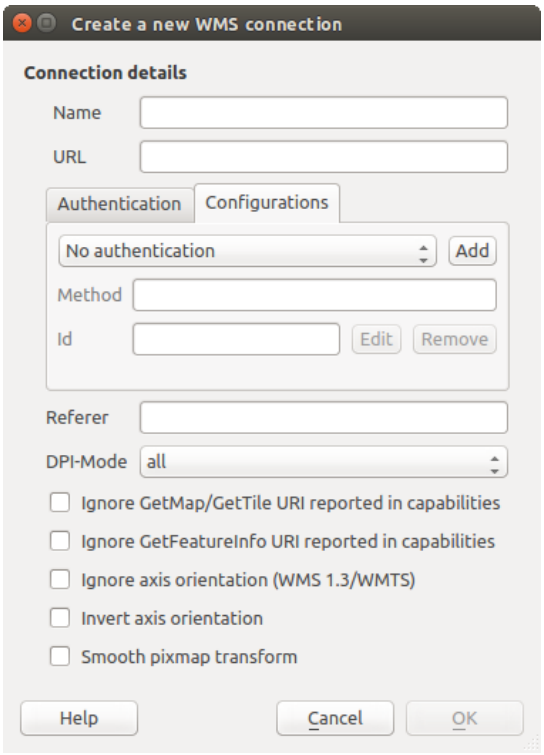


Abb. 22.7: WMS connection dialog showing *Add*, *Edit*, and *Remove* authentication configuration buttons

Beim erstellen oder bearbeiten einer Authentifikationskonfiguration, ist ein Name, eine Authentifizierungsmethode oder eine andere Information, die die Authentifizierungsmethode benötigt, erforderlich (mehr über die verfügbaren Authentifikationstypen in *Authentifizierungsmethoden*).

22.1.4 Authentifizierungsmethoden

Available authentications are provided by C++ plugins much in the same way data provider plugins are supported by QGIS. The method of authentication that can be selected is relative to the access needed for the resource/provider, e.g. HTTP(S) or database, and whether there is support in both QGIS code and a plugin. As such, some authentication method plugins may not be applicable everywhere an authentication configuration selector is shown. A list of available authentication method plugins and their compatible resource/providers can be accessed going to *Settings* ► *Options* and, in the *Authentication* tab, click the *Installed Plugins* button.

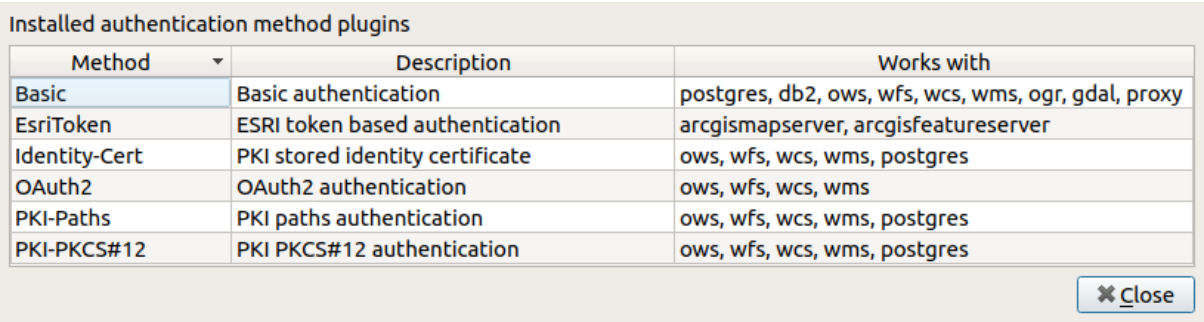


Abb. 22.8: Verfügbare Liste von Methodenerweiterungen

Plugins can be created for new authentication methods that do not require QGIS to be recompiled. Since the support for plugins is currently C++-only, QGIS will need to be restarted for the new dropped-in plugin to become available to the user. Ensure your plugin is compiled against the same target version of QGIS if you intend to add it to an existing target install.

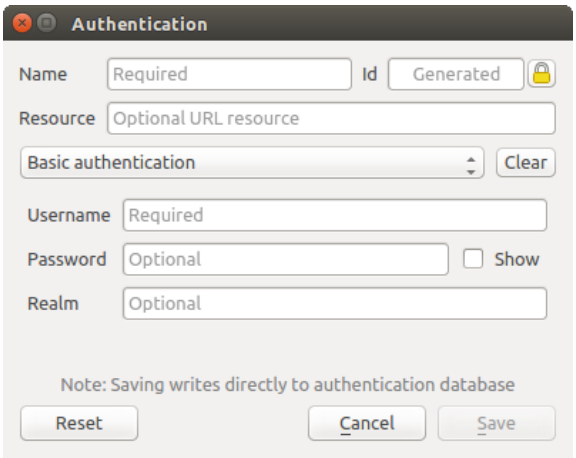


Abb. 22.9: Einfache HTTP Authentifikationskonfiguration

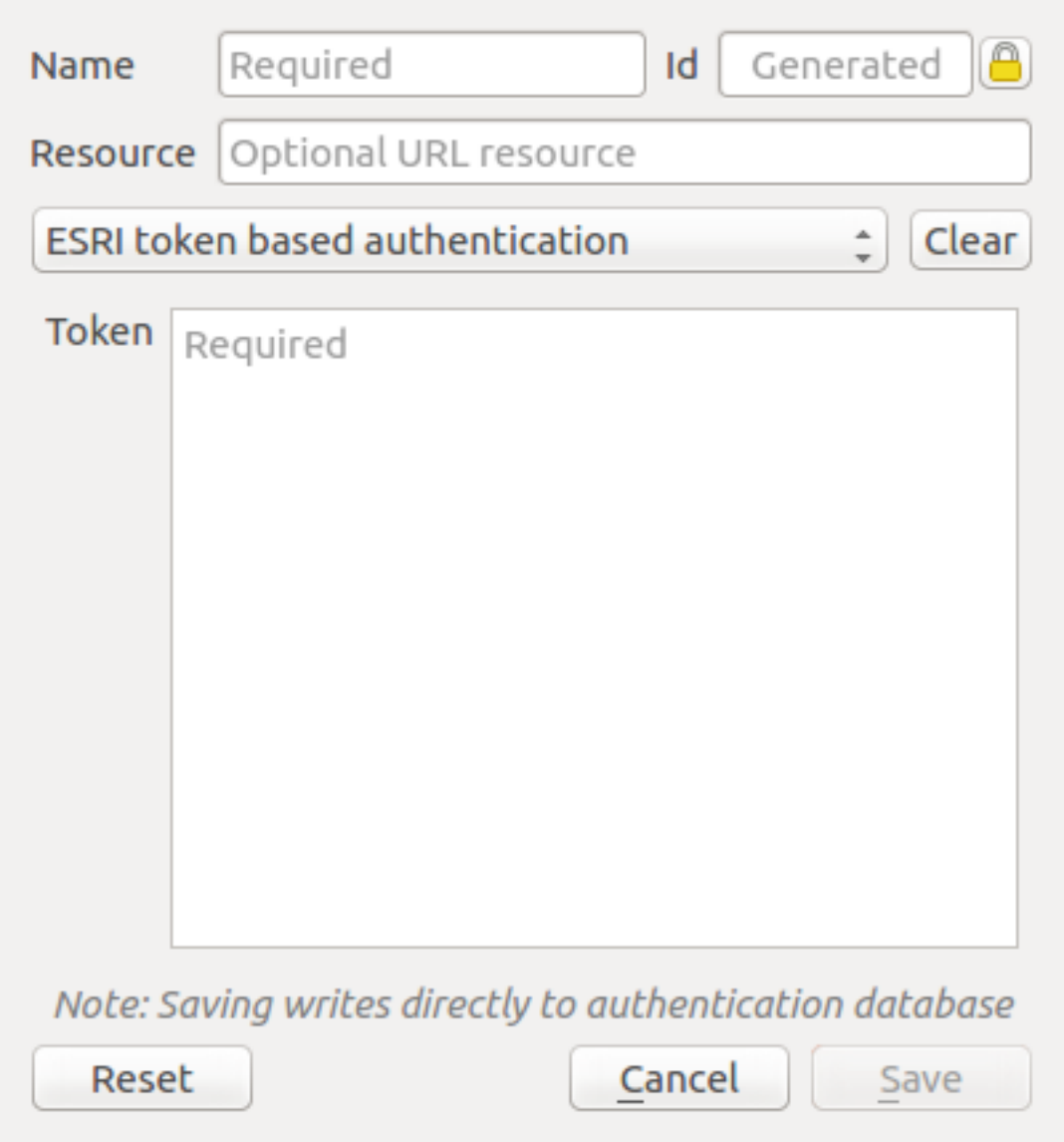


Abb. 22.10: ESRI Token authentication configs

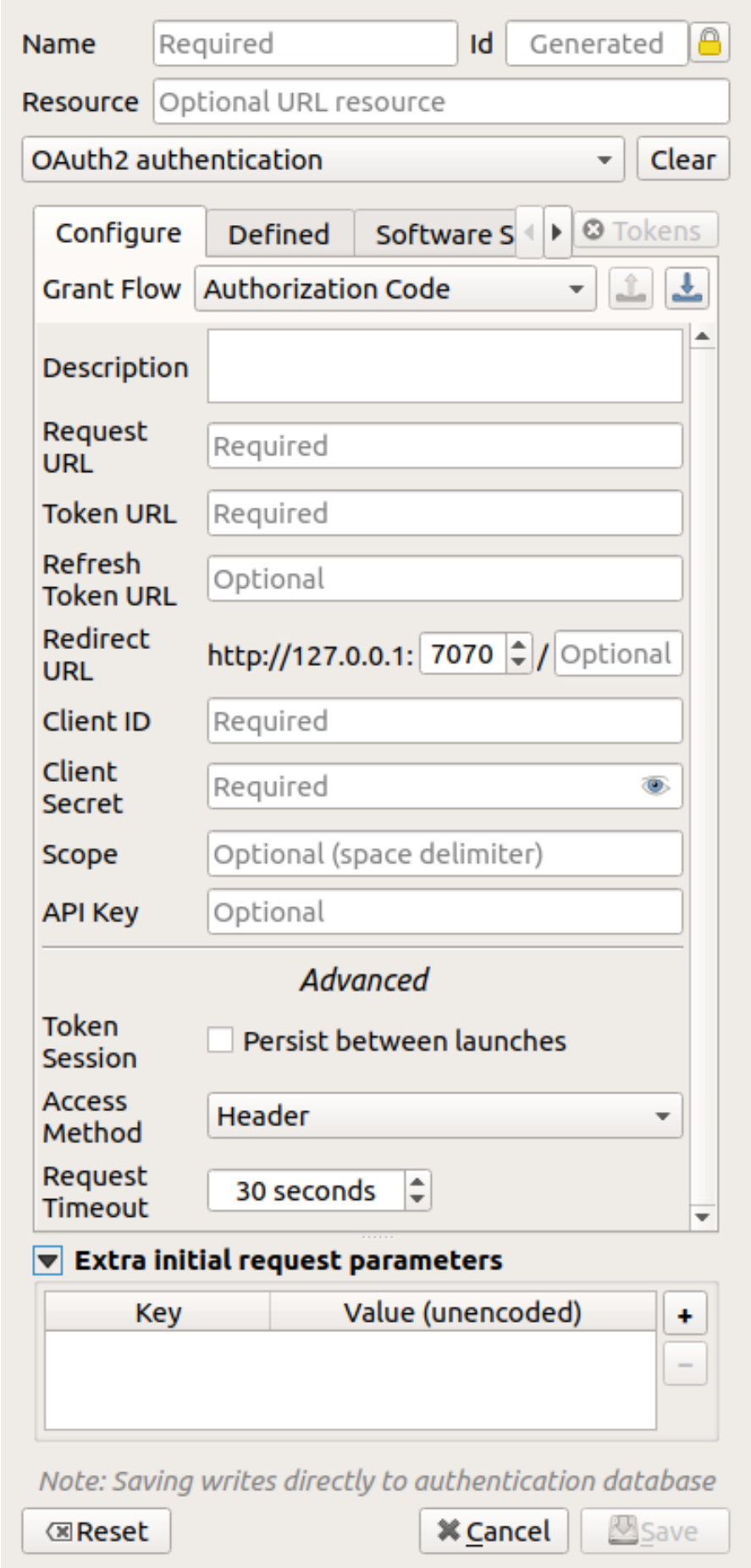


Abb. 22.11: OAuth2 authentication configs

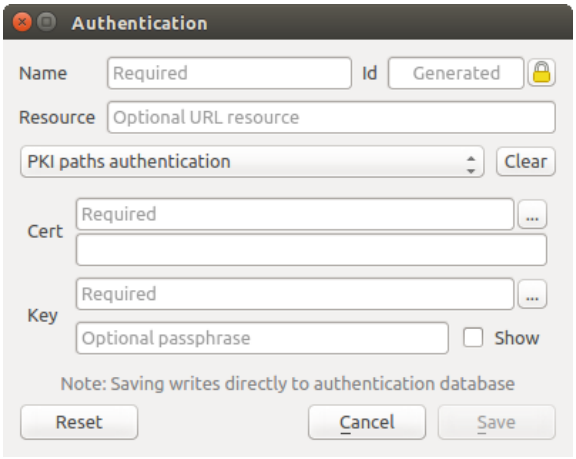


Abb. 22.12: PKI Pfad-Authentifikationskonfiguration

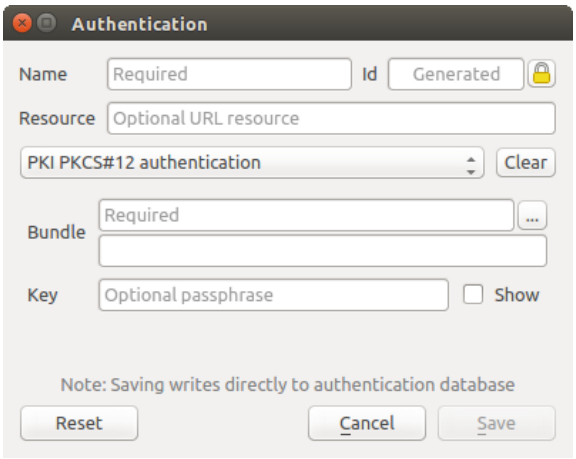


Abb. 22.13: PKI PKCS#12 Dateipfad Authentifikationskonfiguration

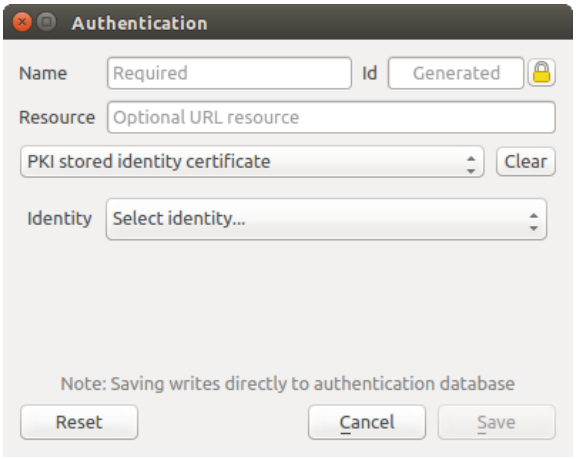


Abb. 22.14: Gespeicherte Identität Authentifikationskonfigurationen

Bemerkung: Die URL-Ressource ist derzeit eine *nicht ausführbare* Funktion, die eine bestimmte Konfiguration automatisch wählt, wenn sie sich mit einer Ressource und gegebenen URL verbindet.

22.1.5 Hauptpasswort und Auth Konfig Hilfsmittel

Unter dem Optionen-Menü (*Einstellungen* ► *Optionen*) in der *Authentifikation* Registerkarte gibt es verschiedene Werkzeuge die Authentifikationsdatenbank und -konfigurationen zu verwalten:

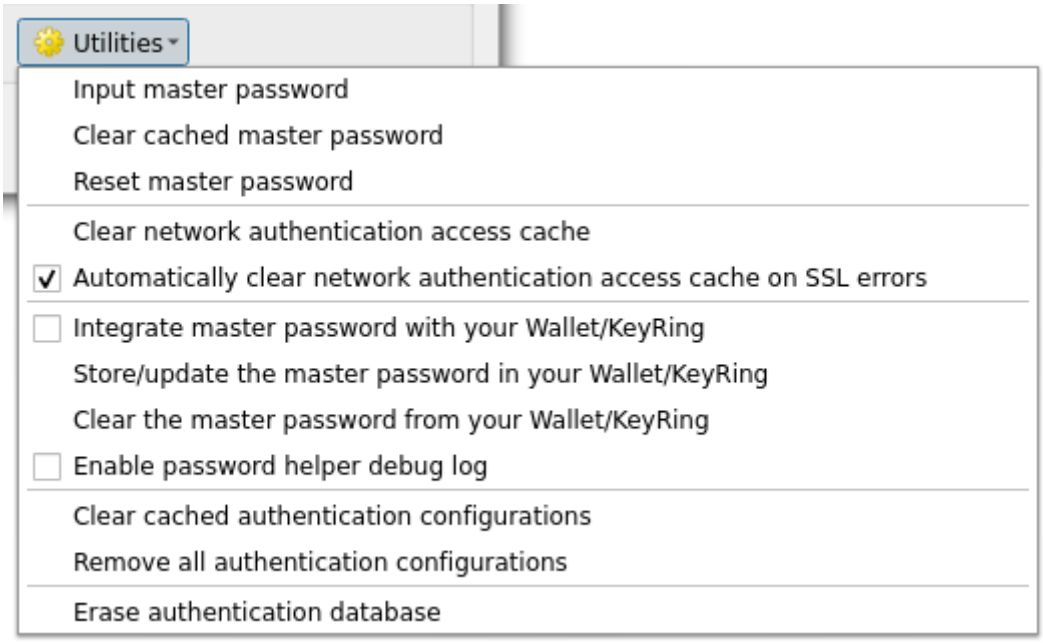


Abb. 22.15: Werkzeug-Menü

- **Input master password**: opens the master password input dialog, independent of performing any authentication database command
- **Clear cached master password**: unsets the master password if it has been set
- **Reset master password**: opens a dialog to change the master password (the current password must be known) and optionally back up the current database
- **Clear network authentication access cache**: clears the authentication cache of all connections
- **Automatically clear network authentication access cache on SSL errors**: the connection cache stores all authentication data for connections, also when the connection fails. If you change authentication configurations or certification authorities, you should clear the authentication cache or restart QGIS. When this option is checked, the authentication cache will be automatically cleared every time an SSL error occurs and you choose to abort the connection
- **Integrate master password with your Wallet/Keyring**: adds the master password to your personal Wallet/Keyring
- **Store/update the master password in your Wallet/Keyring**: updates the changed master password in your Wallet/Keyring
- **Clear the master password from your Wallet/Keyring**: deletes the master password from your Wallet/Keyring
- **Enable password helper debug log**: enables a debug tool that will contain all the log information of the authentication methods
- **Clear cached authentication configurations**: clears the internal lookup cache for configurations, used to speed up network connections. This does not clear QGIS's core network access manager's cache, which requires a relaunch of QGIS.
- **Remove all authentication configurations**: clears the database of all configuration records, without removing other stored records.

- **Erase authentication database**: schedules a backup of the current database and complete rebuild of the database table structure. The actions are scheduled for a later time, to ensure that other operations, like project loading, do not interrupt the operation or cause errors due to a temporarily missing database.

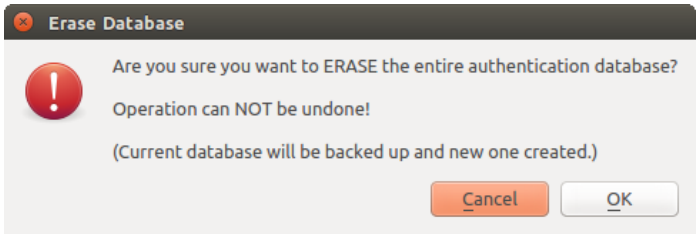


Abb. 22.16: Menü DB Löschverifizierung

22.1.6 Gebrauche Authentifikationskonfiguration

Typischerweise wird eine Authentifizierungskonfiguration in einem Konfigurationsdialog für ein Netzwerk-Dienste (wie WMS) ausgewählt. Allerdings kann das Auswahl-Widget überall, wo Authentifizierung benötigt wird, eingebettet werden oder in einer Nicht-Kernfunktionalität, wie in Dritt-Beteiligten PyQGIS oder C ++ Plugins.

Wenn die Auswahl *Keine Authentifizierung* im Pop-up-Menü anzeigt, wenn nichts ausgewählt ist, wenn es keine Konfigurationen zur Auswahl gibt oder wenn eine zuvor zugewiesene Konfiguration nicht mehr in der Datenbank gefunden wurde. Die *Typ* und *ID* Felder sind schreibgeschützt und stellen eine Beschreibung der Authentifizierungsmethode zur Verfügung und der entsprechenden ID der Config.

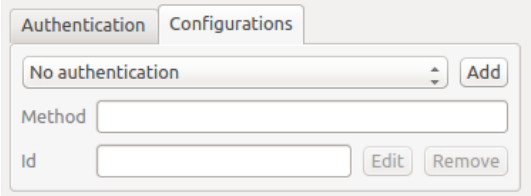


Abb. 22.17: Authentication configuration selector with no authentication

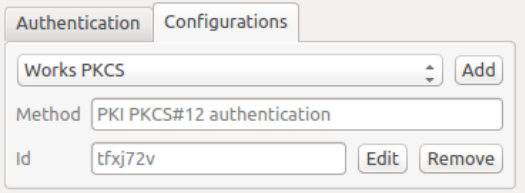


Abb. 22.18: Authentication configuration selector with selected config

22.1.7 Python-Bindung

Alle Klassen und öffentlichen Funktionen haben sip Bindungen, außer `QgsAuthCrypto`, da das Management des Master-Passwort-Hashing und die Auth-Datenbank-Verschlüsselung von der Hauptanwendung und nicht über Python behandelt werden sollte. Siehe :ref:authentication_security_considerations` über Python-Zugang.

22.2 Benutzerauthentifizierung Workflows

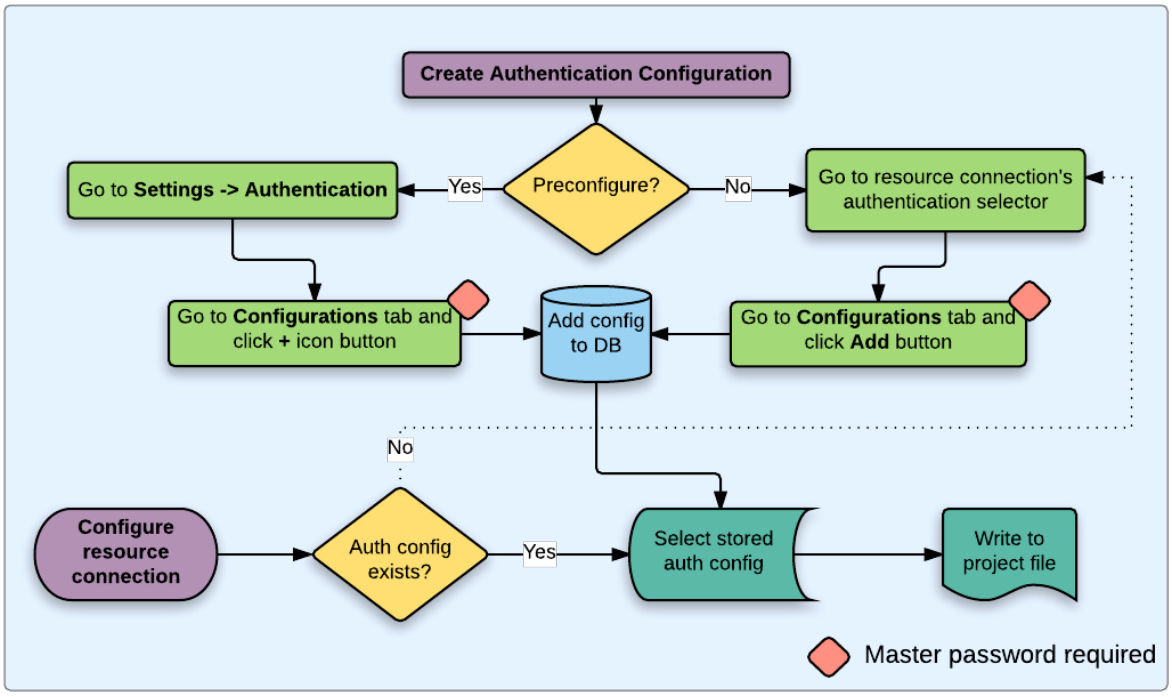


Abb. 22.19: Generischer Benutzer Workflow

22.2.1 HTTP(S) Authentifikation

Eine der häufigsten Verbindungen findet mittels HTTP (S) statt, z.B. bei WebGIS Servern und die Authentifizierungsmethoden werden oft für diese Art von Verbindungen genutzt. Die Methoden haben Zugriff auf das HTTP-Request Objekt und können sowohl den Request als auch seinen Header manipulieren. Dies ermöglicht viele Formen von Internet-basierten Authentifizierungen. Wenn über HTTP(S) mit der Standard Benutzername-/Passwort-Authentifizierungsmethode verwendet wird, wird bei der Verbindung eine HTTP-Basisauthentifizierung versucht.

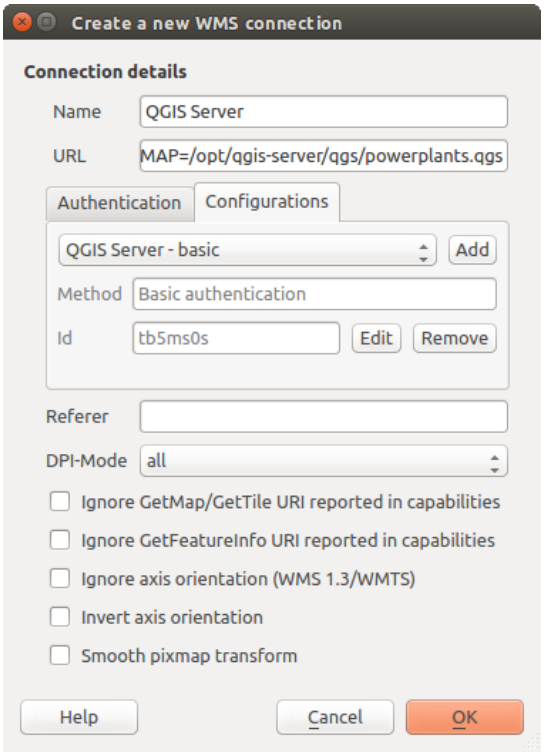


Abb. 22.20: Konfigurieren einer WMS-Verbindung für HTTP BASIC

22.2.2 Datenbank Authentifikation

Connections to database resources are generally stored as `key=value` pairs, which will expose usernames and (optionally) passwords, if *not* using an authentication configuration. When configuring with the auth system, the `key=value` will be an abstracted representation of the credentials, e.g. `authfg=81t21b9`.

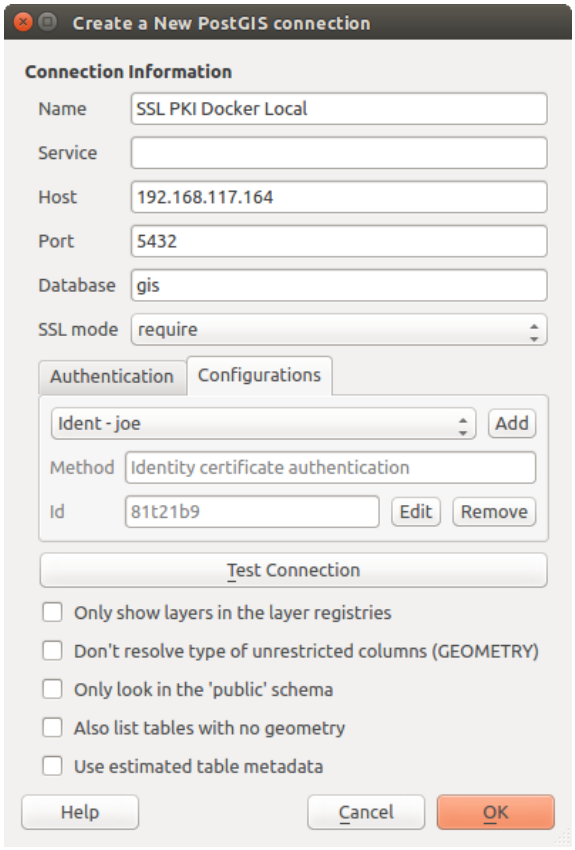


Abb. 22.21: Einstellen einer Postgress-SSL mit PKI-Verbindung

22.2.3 PKI Authentifikation

Wenn PKI-Komponenten innerhalb des Authentifikationssystems konfiguriert werden, haben Sie die Möglichkeit, Komponenten in die Datenbank zu importieren oder Dateien, die auf Ihrem System gespeichert sind, zu referenzieren. Letzteres kann nützlich sein, wenn solche Komponenten sich häufig verändern oder wenn die Dateien durch einen Systemadministrator verschoben werden. In beiden Fällen müssen Sie ein beliebiges Passwort speichern um Zugang zu privaten Schlüsseln innerhalb der Datenbank zu haben.

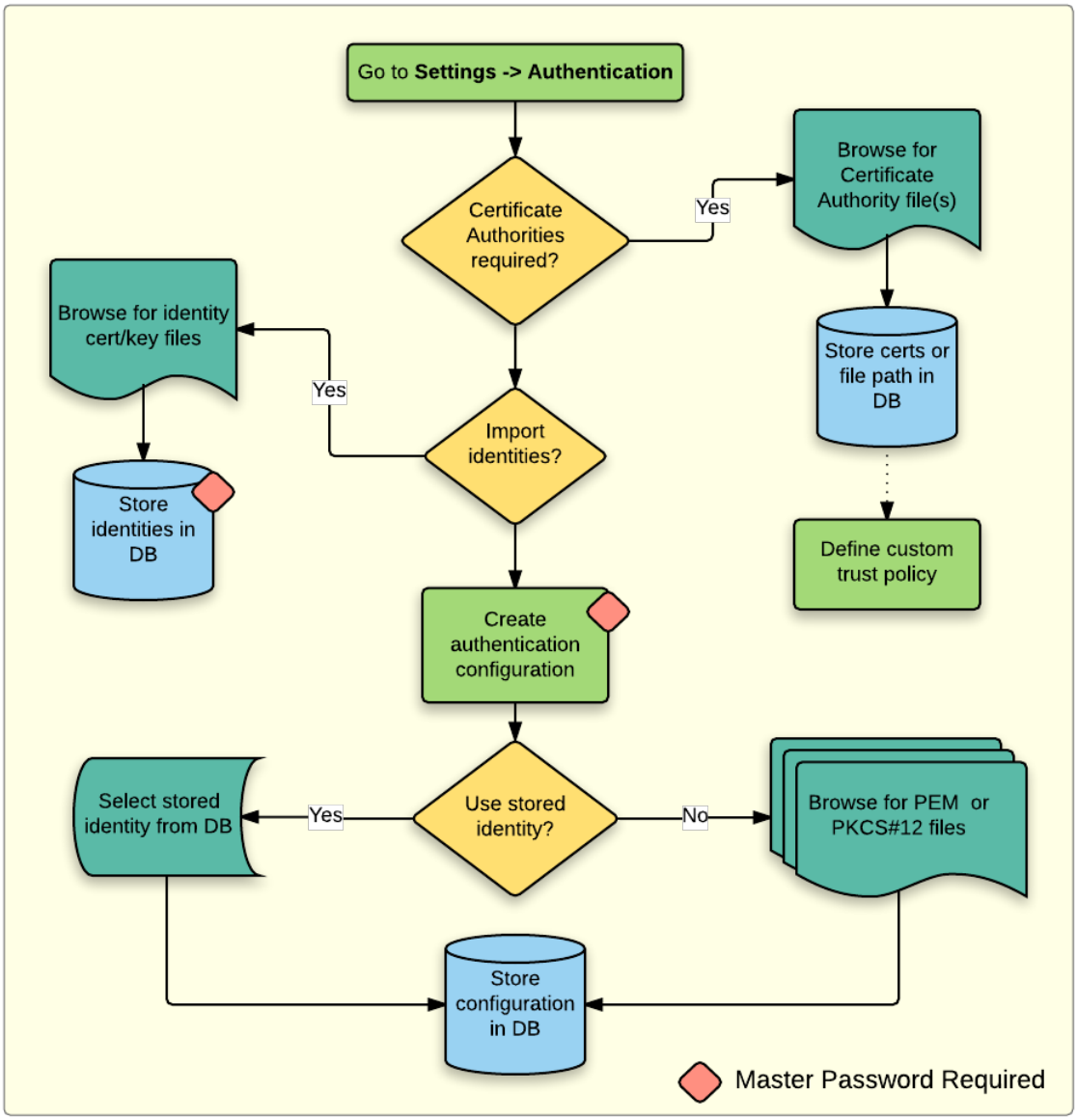


Abb. 22.22: PKI Konfiguration Workflow

All PKI components can be managed in separate editors within the **Certificate Manager**, which can be accessed in the *Authentication* tab in QGIS *Options* dialog (*Settings* ► *Options*) by clicking the *Manage Certificates* button.

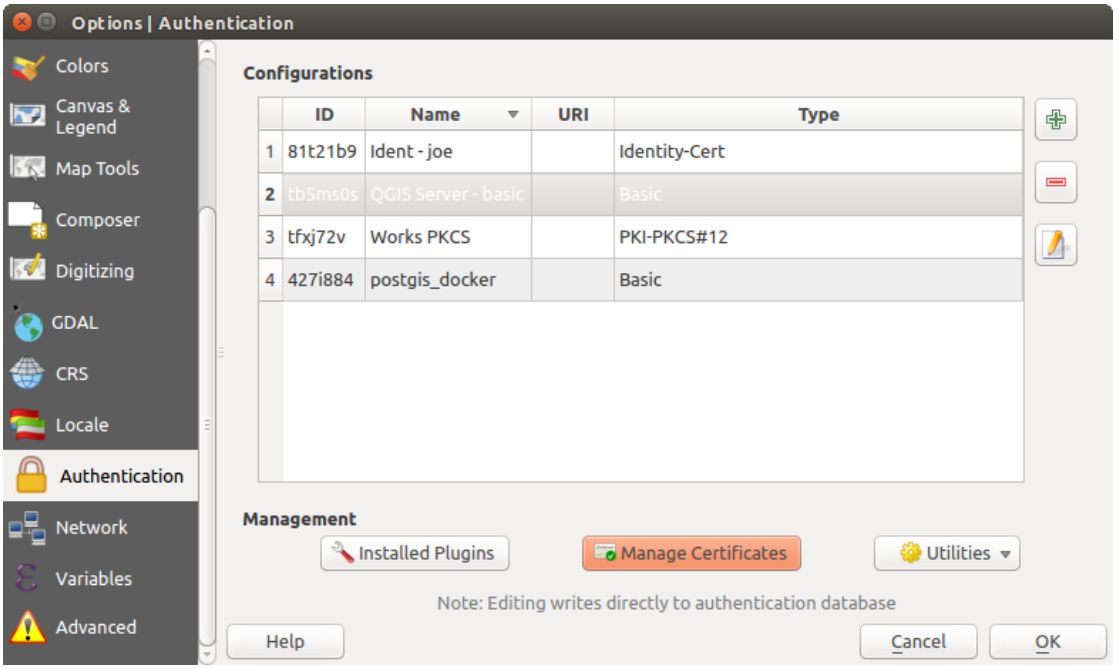


Abb. 22.23: Öffnen der Zertifikatsverwaltung

In the *Certificate Manager*, there are editors for **Identities**, **Servers** and **Authorities**. Each of these are contained in their own tabs, and are described below in the order they are encountered in the workflow chart above. The tab order is relative to frequently accessed editors once you are accustomed to the workflow.

Bemerkung: Because all authentication system edits write immediately to the authentication database, there is no need to click the *Options* dialog *OK* button for any changes to be saved. This is unlike other settings in the Options dialog.

Autoritäten

Sie können verfügbare Zertifikat Autoritäten (Cas) aus dem **Autoritäten** Reiter im **Zertifikate verwalten** aus dem **Authentifikation** Reiter des QGIS **Optionen** Dialog verwalten.

Wie oben in dem Workflow-Diagramm Bezug genommen wird, ist der erste Schritt importieren oder einer Datei eine CAs zuweisen. Dieser Schritt ist optional und nicht notwendig, wenn Ihre PKI Vertrauenskette ihren Ursprung in einer CA hat, welche bereits auf Ihrem Betriebssystem (OS) installiert ist, wie ein Zertifikat eines kommerziellen Zertifizierungsanbieters. Falls Ihre Authentifizierung keine vertrauenswürdige CA ist, müssen Sie eine importieren oder dem Dateisystempfad eine zuweisen. (Kontaktieren Sie Ihren Systemadministrator, falls Sie sich unsicher sind.)

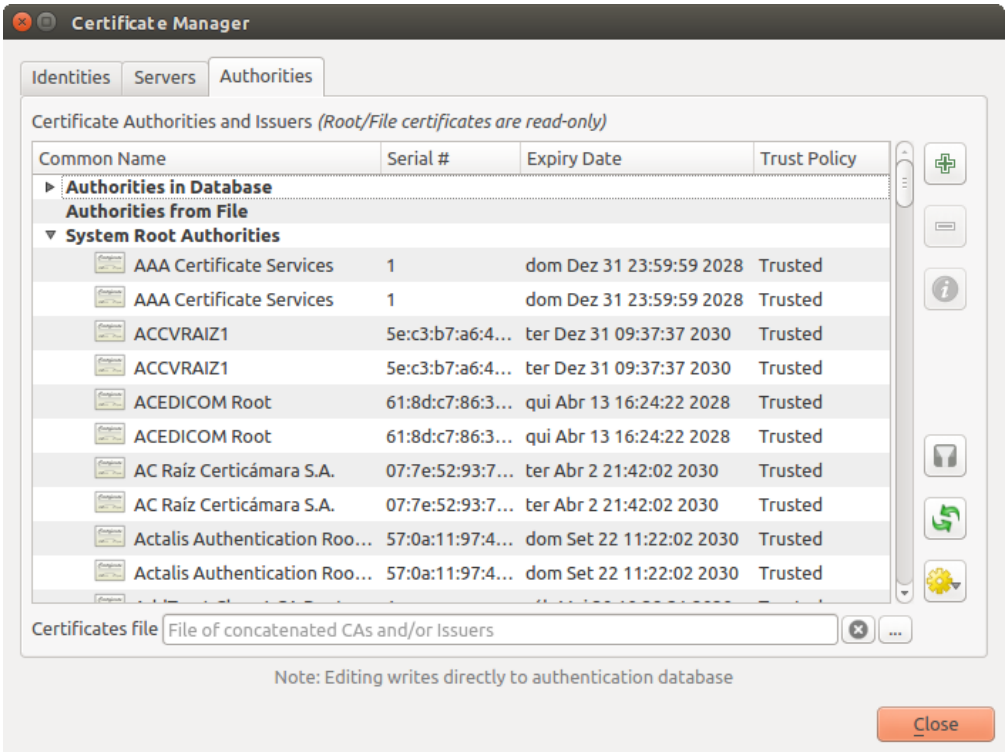


Abb. 22.24: Autoritäteneditor

By default, the root CAs from your OS are available; however, their trust settings are not inherited. You should review the certificate trust policy settings, especially if your OS root CAs have had their policies adjusted. Any certificate that is expired will be set to untrusted and will not be used in secure server connections, unless you specifically override its trust policy. To see the QGIS-discoverable trust chain for any certificate, select it and click the Show information for certificate.

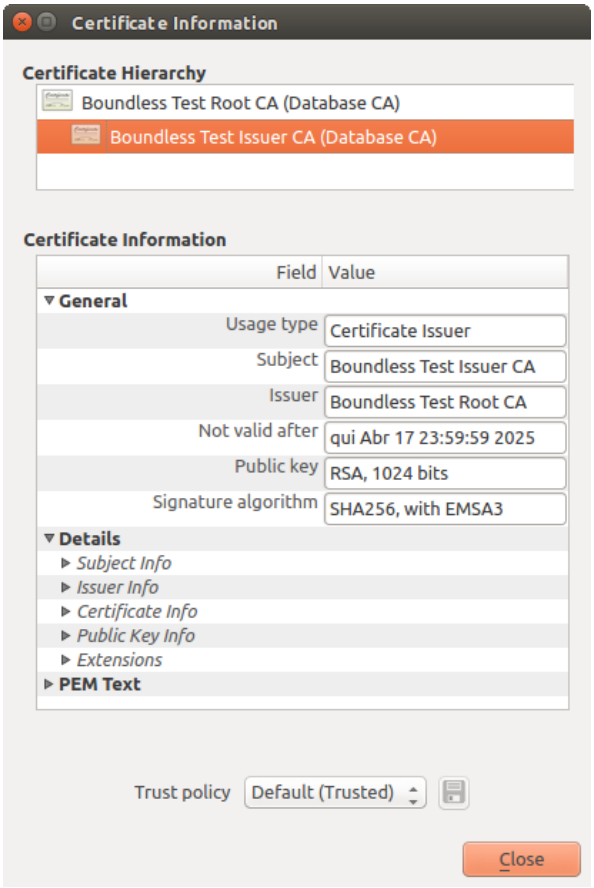


Abb. 22.25: Zertifikatsinformation Dialog

You can edit the *Trust policy*  for any selected certificate within the chain. Any change in trust policy to a selected certificate will not be saved to the database unless the  Save certificate trust policy change to database button is clicked *per* selected certification. Closing the dialog will **not** apply the policy changes.

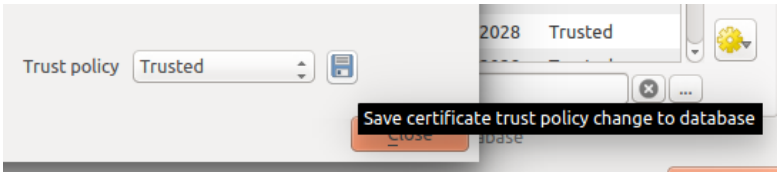


Abb. 22.26: Speichern der Vertrauensrichtlinien Änderungen

Sie können die gefilterten CAs überprüfen, sowohl die Zwischen- als auch die Stammzertifikate, denen durch Klicken auf sichere Verbindungen getraut wird oder ändern Sie die Standard-Vertrauensrichtlinie indem Sie den  **Optionen** Knopf klicken.

Warnung: Die Standard-Vertrauensrichtlinie ändern kann zu Problemen mit sicheren Verbindungen führen.

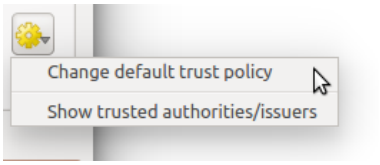


Abb. 22.27: Autoritätenoptionen-Menü

Sie können CAs importieren oder speichern ein Dateisystempfad aus einer Datei, welche mehrere CAs enthält oder importieren einzelne CAs. Das Standard PEM Format für Dateien, welche mehrere CA Kettenzertifikate enthalten, haben das Stammzertifikat am Ende der Datei und alle anschließend unterzeichneten Zertifikate oben, am Anfang der Datei.

Der CA Zertifikat-Importieren-Dialog wird alle CA Zertifikate innerhalb einer Datei finden, unabhängig von der Reihenfolge und gibt auch die Möglichkeit Zertifikate zu importieren, die als ungültig betrachtet werden (falls Sie deren Vertrauensrichtlinien überschreiben). Sie können die Vertrauensrichtlinie nach dem Import außer Kraft setzen, oder tun Sie es später in dem **Autoritäten** Editor.

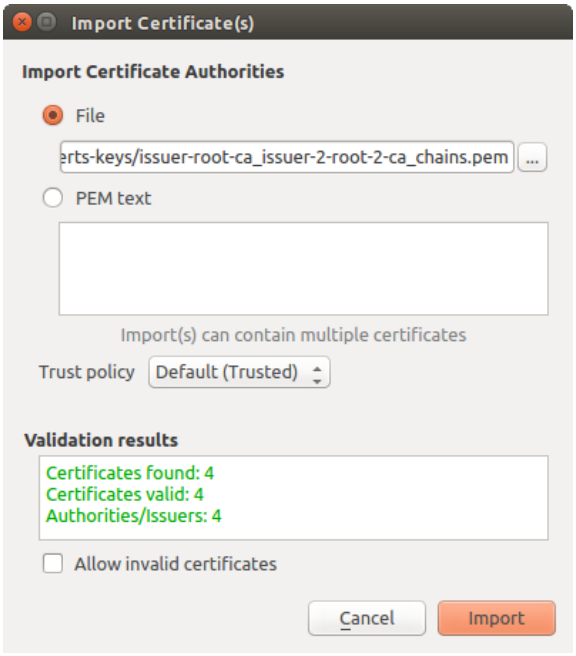


Abb. 22.28: Zertifikat importieren Dialog

Bemerkung: Wenn Sie Zertifikatinformationen in das *PEM Text* Feld einfügen, beachten Sie, dass verschlüsselte Zertifikate nicht unterstützt werden.

Identitäten

Sie können verfügbare Client-Identitäts-Bündel über den Reiter *Identitäten* des *Zertifikat Manager* im Reiter **Authentifizierung** im Dialog QGIS **Optionen**. Eine Identität authentifiziert Sie gegen einen PKI-fähigen Dienst und besteht in der Regel aus einem Client-Zertifikat und einen privaten Schlüssel, entweder als separate Dateien oder kombiniert in einer einzigen „gebündelten“ Datei. Das Bündel oder private Schlüssel sind oft Passphrase geschützt.

Sobald Sie alle Zertifizierungsstellen (CAs) importiert haben können Sie optional alle Identitätsbündel in die Authentifizierungsdatenbank importieren. Wenn Sie die Identitäten nicht speichern möchten, können Sie ihre Komponentendateisystempfade innerhalb einer einzelnen Authentifizierungskonfiguration referenzieren.

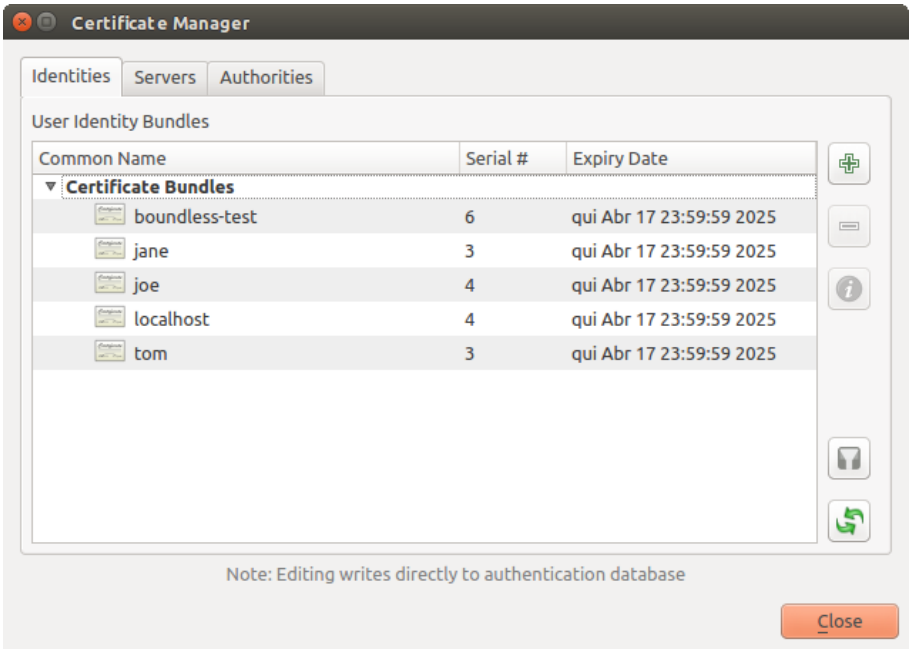


Abb. 22.29: Identitäteneditor

Wenn ein Identitäts-Bündel importieren, können diese Passwort-geschützt oder ungeschützt sein und CA-Zertifikate enthalten, die eine Vertrauenskette bilden. Vertrauenskette Zertifizierungen werden nicht an dieser Stelle importiert; sie können separat unter dem Reiter guilabel:*Authoritäten* hinzugefügt werden.

Beim Import wird das Zertifikats und der Private Key eines Bündels in der Datenbank gespeichert, wobei der Speicher des Schlüssels über das QGIS Master Passwort verschlüsselt ist. Die anschließende Verwendung des gespeicherten Bündels aus der Datenbank erfordert dann nur Eingabe des QGIS Master Passworts.

Persönliche Identitäts-Bündel bestehend aus PEM/DER (.pem / .der) und PKCS#12 (.p12/.pfx) Komponenten werden unterstützt. Wenn ein Schlüssel oder ein Bündel passwortgeschützt ist, wird das Passwort benötigt, um die Komponente zu validieren, bevor sie importiert wird. Wenn das Client-Zertifikat in dem Bündel ungültig ist (zum Beispiel ist das Datum des Inkrafttretens noch nicht gestartet oder abgelaufen), kann das Bündel nicht importiert werden.

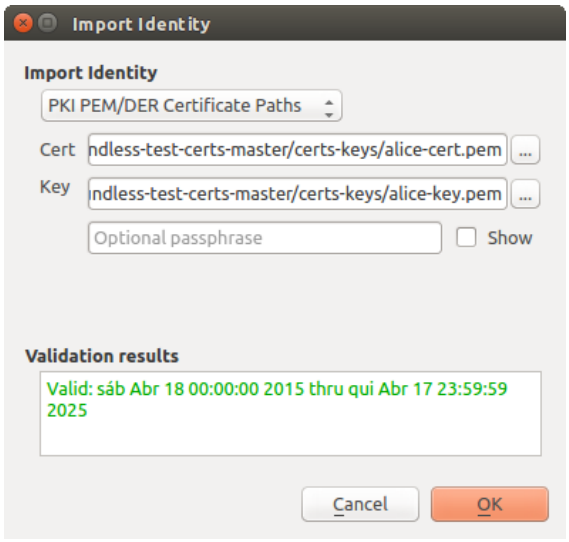


Abb. 22.30: PEM/DER Identität importieren

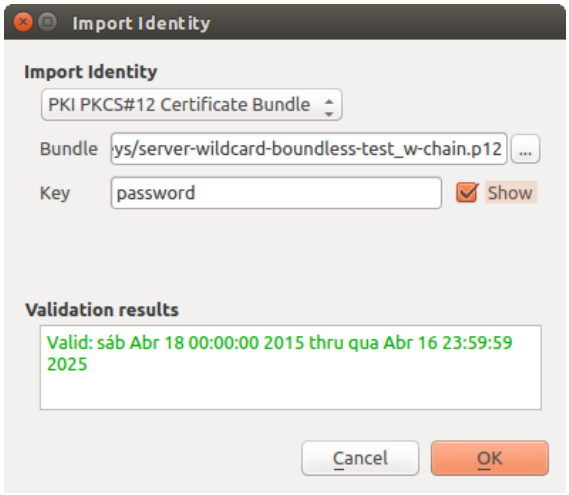


Abb. 22.31: PKCS#12 Identität importieren

22.2.4 Defekte Layer behandeln

Gelegentlich kommt es vor, dass die ID der Authentifizierungs-Konfiguration, die mit einer Projektdatei gespeichert wird, nicht mehr gültig ist, möglicherweise, weil die aktuelle Authentifizierungsdatenbank sich geändert hat, seitdem das Projekt zuletzt gespeichert wurde, oder aufgrund einer fehlenden Übereinstimmung der Anmeldeinformationen. In solchen Fällen öffnet sich der Dialog *Defekte Layer behandeln* beim Starten von QGIS.

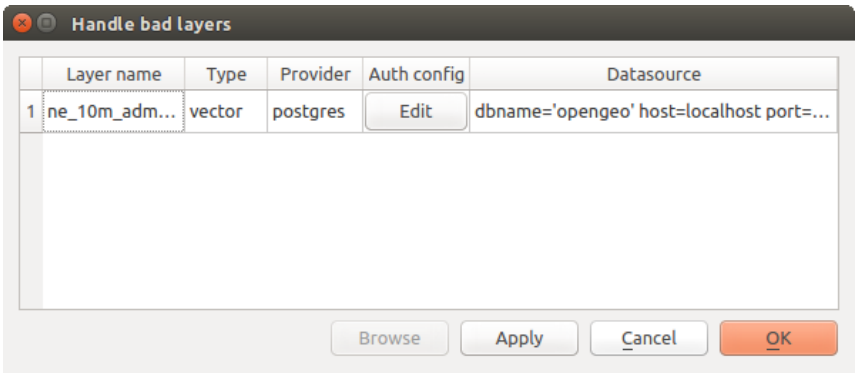


Abb. 22.32: Defekte Layer mit Authentifizierung behandeln

Wenn eine Datenquelle eine ihr zugewiesene Authentifizierungs Konfigurations-ID besitzt, können Sie diese bearbeiten. Dadurch wird der Pfad der Datenquelle automatisch geändert, so wie es beim Öffnen der Projektdatei mit einem Texteditor und dem bearbeiten von Zeichenfolgen passiert.

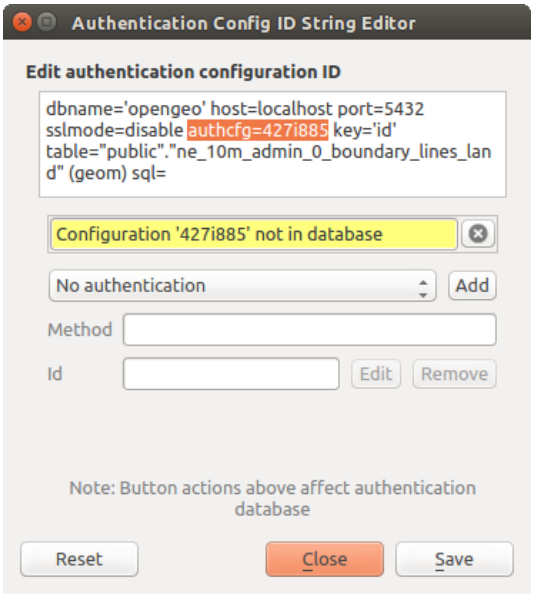


Abb. 22.33: Defekte Layer mit Authentifikationskonfiguration bearbeiten

22.2.5 Kennung der Authentifikationskonfiguration ändern

Occasionally, you will need to change the authentication configuration ID that is associated with accessing a resource. There are instances where this is useful:

- **Resource auth config ID is no longer valid**: This can occur when you have switched auth databases add need to *align* a new configuration to the ID already associated with a resource.
- **Shared project files**: If you intended to share projects between users, e.g. via a shared file server, you can *predefine* a 7-character (containing **a-z** and/or **0-9**) that is associated with the resource. Then, individual users change the ID of an authentication configuration that is specific to their credentials of the resource. When the project is opened, the ID is found in the authentication database, but the credentials are different per user.

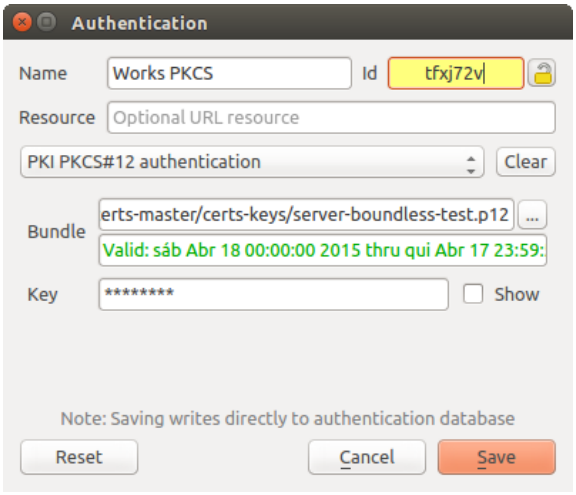


Abb. 22.34: Kennung einer Layer Authentifikationskonfiguration ändern (entsichert gelbes Textfeld)

Warnung: Das Ändern der Auth-Config-ID ist eine erweiterte Operation und sollte nur in Betracht gezogen werden, wenn es notwendig ist. Aus diesem Grund gibt es eine Lock-Taste, die geklickt werden muss, um das ID Text-Feld vor der Bearbeitung zu entsperren.

22.2.6 QGIS Server Unterstützung:

Wenn eine Projektdatei verwendet wird mit Layern, die eine Authentifizierung konfiguriert haben und vom QGIS Server verwendet werden sollen, gibt es ein paar zusätzliche Schritte zu beachten, um mit QGIS die Ressource zu laden:

- Authentifizierungsdatenbank muss verfügbar sein
- Das Authentifizierungsdatenbank Hauptpasswort muss verfügbar sein

When instantiating the authentication system, Server will create or use `qgis-auth.db` file in the active *user profile*, or the directory defined by the `QGIS_AUTH_DB_DIR_PATH` environment variable. It may be that the Server's user has no HOME directory, in which case, use the environment variable to define a directory that the Server's user has read/write permissions and is not located within the web-accessible directories.

Um das Master-Passwort an den Server zu übergeben, schreiben sie dieses in die erste Zeile einer Datei im Pfad des Dateisystems, der durch den Server Prozess Benutzer lesbar ist und definiert ist durch die `QGIS_AUTH_PASSWORD_FILE` Umgebungsvariable . Stellen Sie sicher, dass die Datei nur lesbar ist durch den Server Prozess Benutzer und nicht in einem über das Web zugänglichen Verzeichnis liegt.

Bemerkung: `QGIS_AUTH_PASSWORD_FILE` variable will be removed from the Server environment immediately after accessing.

22.2.7 SSL Serverausnahme

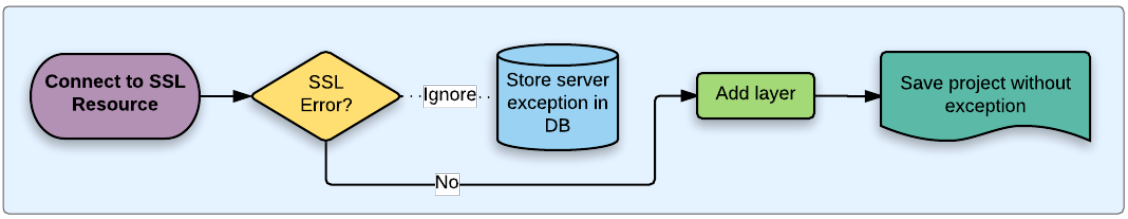


Abb. 22.35: SSL Serverausnahmen

Sie können SSL-Server-Konfigurationen und Ausnahmen über den Reiter **Server** im Abschnitt **Authentifizierung** des QGIS Menüs **Optionen** verwalten.

Manchmal, wenn sie sich mit einem SSL-Server verbinden, gibt es Fehler beim SSL „Handshake“ oder mit dem Zertifikat des Servers. Sie können diese Fehler ignorieren oder eine SSL-Server-Konfiguration als eine Ausnahme erstellen. Dies ist ähnlich wie bei Web-Browsern, wo Sie SSL-Fehler ausser Kraft setzen können, aber mit einer besseren Kontrolle.

Warnung: Sie sollten keine SSL-Server-Konfiguration erstellen, wenn Sie keine umfassenden Kenntnisse des gesamten SSL-Setups zwischen dem Server und Client besitzen. Stattdessen wenden Sie sich besser an den Server-Administrator.

Bemerkung: Einige PKI-Setups verwenden eine völlig andere CA-Vertrauenskette, um Client-Identitäten zu validieren, als der Ablauf bei der Validierung eines SSL-Server-Zertifikats. Unter solchen Umständen behebt die Erstellung einer neuen Konfiguration für den Verbindungsserver nicht unbedingt das Problem, sodass sich sich den diesem Fall nur einen Serveradministrator wenden können.

You can pre-configure an SSL server configuration by clicking the button. Alternatively, you can add a configuration when an SSL error occurs during a connection and you are presented with an **SSL Error** dialog (where the error can be ignored temporarily or saved to the database and ignored):

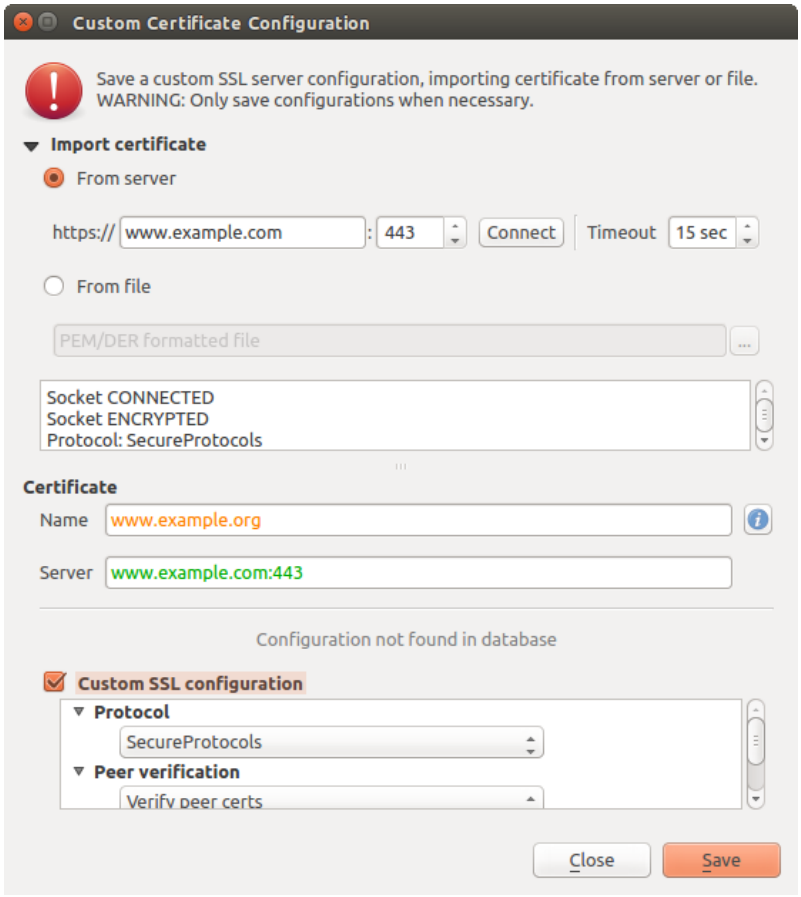


Abb. 22.36: Manuell eine Konfiguration hinzufügen

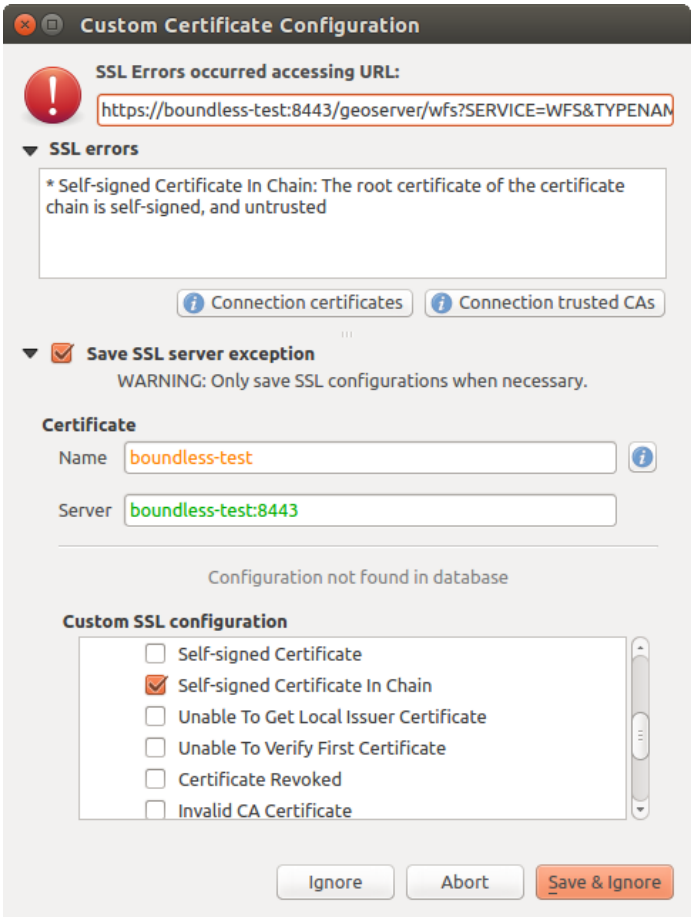


Abb. 22.37: Konfiguration während einem SSL Fehler hinzufügen

Sobald eine SSL-Konfiguration in der Datenbank gespeichert wird, kann sie bearbeitet oder gelöscht werden.

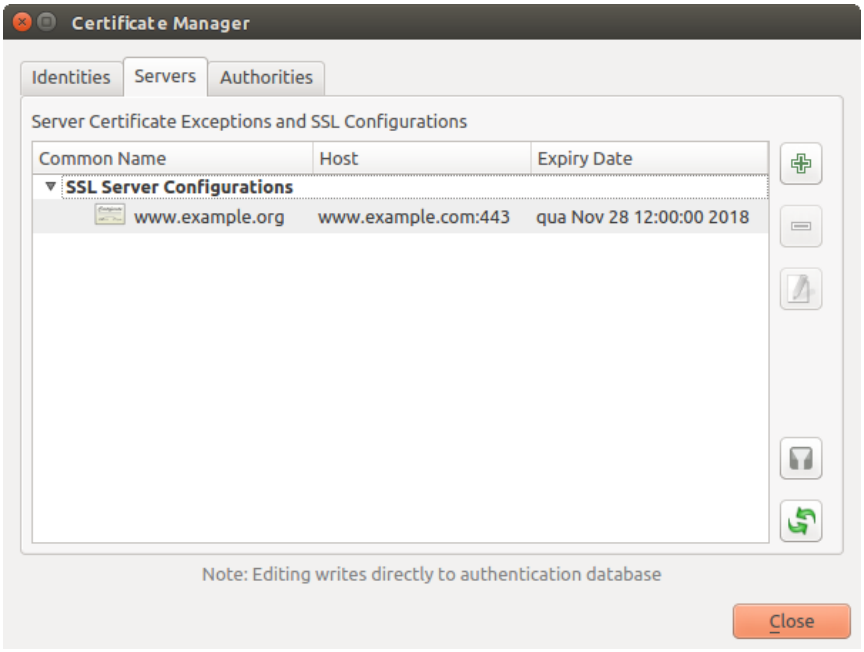


Abb. 22.38: Bestehende SSL Konfiguration

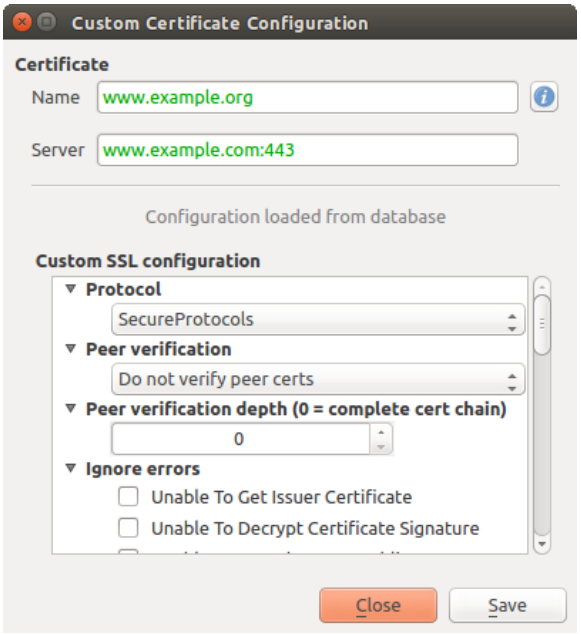


Abb. 22.39: Bestehende SSL Konfiguration bearbeiten

If you want to pre-configure an SSL configuration and the import dialog is not working for your server's connection, you can manually trigger a connection via the **Python Console** by running the following code (replace `https://bugreports.qt-project.org` with the URL of your server):

```
from qgis.PyQt.QtNetwork import QNetworkRequest
from qgis.PyQt.QtCore import QUrl
from qgis.core import QgsNetworkAccessManager

req = QNetworkRequest(QUrl('https://bugreports.qt-project.org'))
reply = QgsNetworkAccessManager.instance().get(req)
```

Dies wird ein SSL-Fehler-Dialog öffnen, wenn Fehler auftreten, wo Sie die Konfiguration in die Datenbank speichern können.

22.3 Sicherheitsüberprüfung

Sobald das Hauptpasswort eingegeben wird, ist die API offen für Authentifizierung configs die auf die Authentifizierungs-Datenbank zuzugreifen, so ähnlich wie funktioniert Firefox. Doch in der ersten Implementierung gibt es keinen Schutz gegen PyQGIS Zugang. Dies kann zu Problemen führen, wenn ein Benutzer ein böswilliges PyQGIS Plugin oder eine Standalone-Anwendung installiert, die den Zugriff auf die Anmeldeinformationen zur Authentifizierung erhält.

Die schnelle Lösung für die anfängliche Freisetzung von Funktion ist nicht nur die meisten PyQGIS Bindungen für das Authentifizierungssystem zu umfassen.

Eine weitere einfache, wenn auch nicht robuste Lösung ist eine Kombobox hinzuzufügen in *Einstellungen* ► *Optionen* ► *Authentifizierung* (Vorgabe ist „niemals“):

```
"Allow Python access to authentication system"
Choices: [ confirm once per session | always confirm | always allow | never]
```

Eine solche Einstellung der Optionen müsste an einem Ort nicht gespeichert werden, der für Python nicht zugänglich Python ist, z. B. die Authentifizierungsdatenbank und verschlüsselt mit dem Master-Passwort.

- Eine weitere Option kann es sein zu verflogen, welche Plugins der Benutzer speziell hat

- erlaubt auf Authentifizierungssystem zuzugreifen, obwohl es schwierig sein kann, abzuleiten welches Plugin tatsächlich abruft.
- Sandboxing Plugins, möglich in ihrer eigenen virtuellen Umgebung, würde „Cross-Plugin‘ Hacking von Authentifizierung configs von einem anderen Plugin reduzieren, das autorisiert ist. Dies könnte beudeuten, die Cross-Plugin Kommunikation ist gut, aber vielleicht nur zwischen Plugins von Drittanbietern.
- Eine weitere gute Lösung ist, Code-Signing-Zertifikate zu prüfen. Denn dann kann das Zertifikat des Plugins beim Laden validieren. Bei Bedarf kann der Nutzer auch nicht vertrauenswürdige Politiken für Zertifikate einstellen, mit dem Plugin im Zusammenhang mit bestehenden Zertifikatsverwaltungen.
- Alternativ, Zugriff auf sensible Authentifizierungssystem Daten von Python
- konnte nie erlaubt werden und nur QGIS Kern-Widgets nutzen oder Authentifizierungs-System-Integrationen kopieren, würde es dem Plugin ermöglichen, mit Ressourcen zu arbeiten, die eine Authentifizierungskonfiguration haben, während Hauptpasswort und Authentifizierungs Config im Bereich der wichtigen Bereiche der Hauptapp laden.

Die gleichen Sicherheitsbedenken gelten für C ++ Plugins, obwohl es schwieriger sein wird, den Zugang zu beschränken, da es keine verbindliche Funktion gibt, einfach wie mit Python zu entfernen.

22.3.1 Einschränkungen

Die verwirrende Lizenzierung und Exportierung Probleme sind mit OpenSSL assoziiert. Um mit Qt mit SSL-Zertifikaten zu arbeiten, muss es Zugang zu den OpenSSL-Bibliotheken geben. Je nachdem, wie Qt kompiliert wurde, ist die Standard-dynamische Laufzeit auf OpenSSL-Libs verbunden (Exportbeschränkungen vermeiden).

QCA folgt einer ähnlichen Taktik, wobei durch die Verknüpfung zu QCA keine Einschränkungen entstehen, weil das QCA-ossl (OpenSSL) Plugin zur Laufzeit geladen wird. Das QCA-ossl Plugin ist mit den OpenSSL-Libs direkt verknüpft. Packagers wäre die benötige OpenSSL-Linking Einschränkung, um sicherzustellen, dass erfüllt sind, wenn sie das Plugin versenden. Könnte sein. Ich weiß es nicht wirklich. Ich bin kein Anwalt.

Das Authentifizierungssystem deaktiviert sicher selbst, wenn `qca-ossl` zur Laufzeit nicht gefunden wird.

KAPITEL 23

GRASS GIS Integration

Die GRASS-Integration stellt den Zugang zu GRASS GIS Datenbanken und Funktionalitäten (siehe GRASS-PROJECT in Literatur und Internetreferenzen) bereit. Die Integration besteht aus zwei Teilen: Anbieter und Plugin. Der Anbieter erlaubt das Browsen, Managen und Visualisieren von GRASS Raster- und Vektorlayern. Das Plugin kann verwendet werden, um neue GRASS Locations und Mapsets zu erstellen, die GRASS Region zu ändern, Vektorlayer zu erstellen oder zu verändern und GRASS 2-D und 3-D Daten mit Hilfe von mehr als 400 GRASS Modulen zu analysieren. In diesem Abschnitt führen wir in die Funktionalitäten des Anbieters und des Plugins ein und geben einige Beispiele zur Handhabung und Arbeit mit GRASS-Daten.

Der Anbieter unterstützt GRASS Version 6 und 7, das Plugin unterstützt GRASS 6 und 7 (ab QGIS 2.12). QGIS Distribution kann entweder Provider/Plugin für GRASS 6 oder GRAS 7 oder für beide Versionen gleichzeitig enthalten (Binärdateien haben unterschiedliche Dateinamen). Nur eine Version des Anbieters/Plugin kann zur Laufzeit jedoch geladen werden.

23.1 Beispieldatensatz

Als Beispiel nutzen wir den QGIS Alaska Datensatz (siehe Abschnitt *Beispieldaten herunterladen*). Er beinhaltet eine kleine Muster GRASS `LOCATION` mit drei Vektorlayern und einer Rasterhöhenkarte. Legen Sie eine neuen Ordner `grassdata` an, laden den QGIS ‚Alaska' Datensatz `qgis_sample_data.zip` von https://qgis.org/downloads/data/ herunter und entpacken die Datei nach `grassdata`.

More sample GRASS `LOCATIONs` are available at the GRASS website at https://grass.osgeo.org/download/data/.

23.2 GRASS Layer visualisieren

Wenn der Anbieter in QGIS geladen ist, wird für jeden Ordner der eine GRASS Location enthält das GRASS Icon im QGIS Browser angezeigt. Gehen Sie im QGIS Browser zum Ordner `grassdata` und erweitern den Ordner `alaska` und das Mapset `demo`.

Sie können GRASS Raster- und Vektorebenen wie jeden anderen Layer aus dem Browser entweder durch Doppelklick auf Layer oder per Drag & Drop auf die Karte oder Legende laden.

Tipp: Probleme beim Laden von GRASS-Layern

Wenn Sie keine GRASS Locationitems sehen, überprüfen Sie *Hilfe* ->**:Menüauswahl:`Über`***Anbieter*, ob GRASS Vektor-Anbieter geladen sind.

23.3 Daten in eine GRASS LOCATION importieren via drag and drop

In diesem Abschnitt wird Ihnen Beispielhaft gezeigt, wie Sie Raster- oder Vektordateien in eine GRASS Mapset laden.

1. Navigieren Sie im QGIS-Browser zu dem Mapset, aus dem Sie Dateninformationen importieren wollen.
2. Um QGIS Browser einen Layer zu finden, den Sie GRASS importieren möchten finden, beachten Sie, dass Sie eine andere Instanz des Browsers öffnen können (*Browser Panel (2)*), wenn Quelldaten zu weit von der mapset im Baum entfernt sind.
3. Ziehen Sie einen Layer in die Zielkarte. Der Import nimmt unter Umständen für größere Layer etwas Zeit in Anspruch. Man sieht dann ein animiertes Icon vor dem neuen Layer bis der Import abgeschlossen ist.

Wenn Rasterdaten in einem abweichenden KBS vorliegen, können sie mit Hilfe von *Approximate* (schnell) oder *Exact* (genau) transformiert werden. Wenn eine Verknüpfung zur Quelle des Rasters erstellt ist (mit Hilfe von `r.external`), haben die Quelldaten dasselbe KBS und das Format ist GDAL bekannt. Das KBS der Quelldaten wird verwendet. Man kann diese Optionen im *Browser* Reiter unter *GRASS Optionen* einstellen.

Wenn ein Quellraster mehr Kanäle hat, wird eine neue GRASS Karte für jede Schicht mit dem **<Kanalnummerr>** Suffix und eine Gruppe aller Karten mit Symbol erzeugt. Externe Raster haben ein anderes Symbol .

23.4 GRASS Daten im QGIS Browser verwalten

- Karten kopieren: GRASS Karten können zwischen Mapsets innerhalb der gleichen Stelle mit Drag & Drop kopiert werden.
- Löschen von Karten: Rechtsklick auf eine GRASS Karte und wählen Sie **:gui-Label:`Löschen`** aus dem Kontextmenü.
- Umbenennen von Karten: Rechtsklick auf eine GRASS Karte und wählen Sie: gui-Label: *Umbenennen* aus dem Kontextmenü.

23.5 GRASS Optionen

GRASS Optionen werden im *GRASS Optionen* Dialog eingestellt, welchen Sie auch durch Rechtsklick auf die Location oder das Mapset Element im Browser öffnen können, wenn Sie *GRASS Optionen* wählen.

23.6 GRASS Plugin starten

Um die GRASS Funktionalitäten in QGIS zu nutzen, muss das GRASS Plugin in den Erweiterungen ausgewählt und geladen werden. Man geht dazu im Menü zu *Erweiterungen* ► *Erweiterungen verwalten und installieren…*, wählt dort *GRASS* und klickt auf *OK*.

Die folgenden Haupteigenschaften werden beim Starten des GRASS Plugins im GRASS Menü bereitgestellt (*Erweiterungen* ► *GRASS*):

- Mapset öffnen

- Neues Mapset
- Schließe Mapset
- GRASS-Werkzeugkiste öffnen
- Aktuelle GRASS-Region darstelllen
- GRASS Optionen

23.7 GRASS Mapset öffnen

Ein GRASS Mapset muss geöffnet werden, um Zugang zu den GRASS Tools im Plugin zu bekommen (die Werkzeuge sind deaktiviert, wenn kein Mapset geöffnet ist). Sie können ein Mapset aus dem Browser öffnen: Rechtsklick auf das Mapset Element und wählen Sie dann *Mapset öffnen* aus dem Kontextmenü.

23.8 Information zur GRASS-Datenbank

GRASS Daten werden in einem Ordner gespeichert, der als GISDBASE bezeichnet wird. Standardmäßig wird der Ordner `grassdata` genannt und er muss erstellt worden sein, bevor man beginnt, mit dem GRASS Plugin in QGIS zu arbeiten. Innerhalb dieses Ordners sind die GRASS Daten als Projekte in Unterordnern genannt `LOCATIONs` organisiert. Jede `LOCATION` ist durch ein Koordinatenbezugssystem, Kartenprojektion und eine geographische Grenze definiert und kann darüberhinaus weitere Unterordner `MAPSETs` (Unterordner des Ordners `LOCATION`) besitzen, um die Layer der `LOCATION` weiter z.B. thematisch oder räumlich zu unterteilen (siehe Neteler & Mitasova 2008 in *Literatur und Internetreferenzen*). Um Raster- und Vektorlayer mit den GRASS Modulen zu analysieren, müssen diese zuerst in eine passende GRASS `LOCATION` importiert werden. (Dies ist nicht ganz korrekt. Mit den GRASS Modulen `r.external` und `v.external` können Sie eine ‚read-only' Verknüpfung zu externen durch GDAL/OGR-unterstützte Layer erstellen, ohne die Daten importieren zu müssen. Da dies aber nicht der normale Weg für GRASS Anfänger ist, wird auf diese Möglichkeit nicht näher eingegangen.).

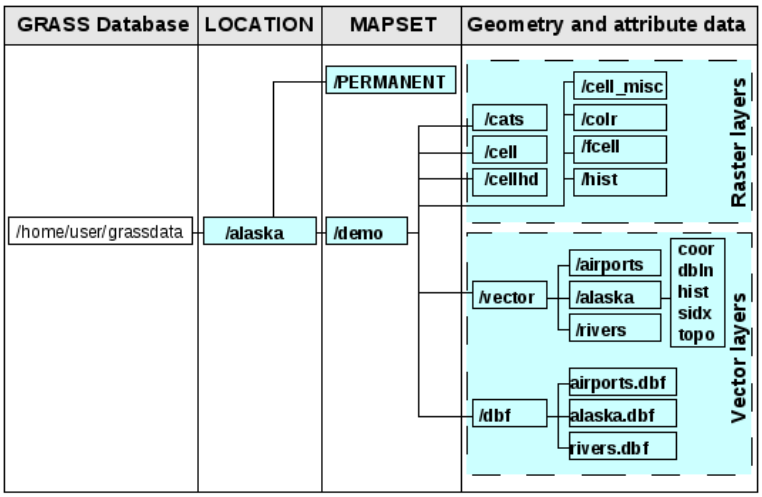


Abb. 23.1: GRASS Daten in der Alaska LOCATION

23.9 Daten in eine GRASS LOCATION importieren

Siehe Abschnitt import_data dnd um herauszufinden, wie die Daten einfach importiert per Drag & Drop in den Browser importert werden können.

Dieser Abschnitt zeigt ein Beispiel wie man Raster- und Vektordaten in die ‚alaska' GRASS `LOCATION` aus dem QGIS ‚Alaska' Datensatz in einem üblichen Weg, mit Hilfe von Standard GRASS Modulen, importiert. Daher verwenden wir die Landcover Rasterkarte `landcover.img` und die GML Vektorkarte `lakes.gml` aus dem QGIS ‚Alaska' Datensatz (siehe *Beispieldaten herunterladen*).

1. Starten Sie QGIS und laden Sie das GRASS Plugin, falls dies noch nicht geschehen ist.
2. Klicken Sie in der GRASS Werkzeugleiste das  Mapset öffnen Icon um den *Wählen Sie ein GRASS Mapset* Assistenten zu starten.
3. Wählen Sie als GRASS Datenbank den Ordner `grassdata` im QGIS Alaska Datensatz, als `LOCATION` ‚alaska', als `MAPSET` ‚demo' und klicken auf *OK*.
4. Nun klicken Sie auf das Icon  GRASS-Werkzeugkiste öffnen, damit die GRASS Werkzeuge (siehe Abschnitt *Die GRASS Werkzeugkiste*) zur Verfügung stehen.
5. Um die Rasterkarte `landcover.img` zu importieren, drücken Sie auf das Modul `r.in.gdal` im *Modulbaum* Reiter. Diese GRASS Module ermöglicht es, GDAL-unterstützte Rasterdateien in eine GRASS `LOCATION` zu importieren.
6. Browsen Sie zum Ordner `raster` im QGIS ‚Alaska' Datensatz und wählen Sie die Datei `landcover.img`.
7. Geben Sie als Ausgabe-Rasterkarte `landcover_grass` ein und klicken auf *Starten*. Im Reiter *Ergebnis* sehen Sie das aktuell ausgeführte GRASS Kommando `r.in.gdal -o input=/path/to/landcover.img output=landcover_grass`.
8. Klicken Sie nach der Ausgabe **Erfolgreich beendet** auf *Ergebnis visualisieren*. Der Rasterlayer `landcover_grass` ist nun in GRASS importiert und wird im QGIS Arbeitsbereich angezeigt.
9. Um die GML Vektordatei `lakes.gml` zu importieren klicken Sie das Modul `v.in.ogr` im *Modulbaum* Reiter. Dieses GRASS Modul ermöglicht den Import con OGR-unterstützen Vektordateien in eine GRASS `LOCATION`. Der Moduldialog für `v.in.ogr` erscheint.
10. Browsen Sie zum Ordner `gml im QGIS 'Alaska' Datensatz und wählen Sie die Datei :file:`lakes.gml` als OGR Datei aus.
11. Vergeben Sie `lakes_grass` als Ausgabe-Vektorkarte und klicken auf *Starten*. Sie brauchen sich um die anderen Optionen in diesem Beispiel nicht kümmern. Im Reiter *Ergebnis* sehen Sie das aktuell ausgeführte GRASS Kommando `v.in.ogr -o dsn=/path/to/lakes.gml output=lakes\_grass`.
12. Klicken Sie nach Erscheinen der Ausgabe **Erfolgreich beendet** auf *Ergebnis visualisieren*. Der Vektorlayer `lakes_grass` ist nun in GRASS importiert und wird im QGIS Arbeitsbereich dargestellt.

23.9.1 Eine neue GRASS LOCATION erstellen

Als ein Beispiel möchten wir Ihnen zeigen, wie die GRASS `LOCATION` des Alaska Beispieldatensatzes erstellt wurde. Das Koordinatenbezugssystem ist Albers Equal Area mit der Einheit ‚feet'. Diese GRASS :file:` LOCATION alaska` wird für alle GRASS GIS Beispiele verwendet. Es ist also sinnvoll, sich diesen Datensatz zu installieren (siehe Abschnitt *Beispieldaten herunterladen*).

1. Starten Sie QGIS und laden Sie das GRASS Plugin, falls dies noch nicht geschehen ist.
2. Laden Sie die Shapedatei `alaska.shp` aus dem QGIS Alaska Datensatz (see *Beispieldaten herunterladen*) in QGIS ein (see section *Loading a layer from a file*).
3. Klicken Sie in der GRASS Werkzeugleiste auf das  Neues Mapset Icon um den *Neues Mapset* Assistenten zu öffnen.

4. Wählen Sie einen vorhandenen GRASS Datenbankordner (GISDBASE) `grassdata` oder legen Sie für die neue `LOCATION` mit Hilfe des Dateimanagers einen neuen Ordner an. Klicken Sie dann auf *Weiter*.
5. We can use this wizard to create a new `MAPSET` within an existing `LOCATION` (see section *Eine neue GRASS MAPSET erstellen*) or to create a new `LOCATION` altogether. Select *Create new location* (see Abb. 23.2).
6. Gebe einen Namen für die `LOCATION` an – wir verwendeten ‚alaska' – und klicke auf *Weiter*.
7. Definieren Sie die Projektion indem Sie den Radiobutton *Projektion* zum Aktivieren der Projektionsliste klicken.
8. Wir benutzen Albers Equal Area Alaska (Fuß) Projektion. Da wir zufällig wissen dass es durch den EPSG ID 2964 repräsentiert wird geben wir dies in das Suchfenster ein. (Bemerkung: Wenn Sie diesen Ablauf für eine andere `LOCATION` und Projektion wiederholen wollen und Sie die EPSG ID nicht gespeichert haben, klicken Sie auf das KBS-Status Icon in der unteren rechten Ecke der Statusleiste (siehe Abschnitt *Arbeiten mit Projektionen*)).
9. Geben Sie bei *Filter* 2964 ein um die Projektion auszuwählen.
10. Klicken Sie auf *Weiter*.
11. Um die voreingestellte Region zu bestimmen, muss man die Grenzen der `LOCATION` im Norden, Süden, Osten und Westen angeben. Wir klicken einfach auf den Knopf *Setze aktuelle QGIS-Ausdehnung*, um die Ausdehnung des in QGIS geladenen Layers `alaska.shp` als voreingestellte GRASS-Region zu verwenden.
12. Klicken Sie auf *Weiter*.
13. Wir müssen außerdem ein `MAPSET` innerhalb unserer neuen `LOCATION` vorgeben (das ist beim Erstellen einer neuen `LOCATION` erforderlich). Sie können hier einen beliebigen Namen vergeben, wir verwendeten ‚demo'. GRASS erstellt automatisch ein spezielles `MAPSET` mit Namen `PERMANENT`, das die Hauptdaten des Projekts, die vorgegebene Ausdehnung und die Vorgaben zum Koordinatensystem speichert (siehe auch Neteler & Mitasova 2008 in *Literatur und Internetreferenzen*).
14. Sehen Sie sich die Zusammenfassung an und vergewissern sich, dass alles korrekt ist und klicken anschließend auf *Abschließen*.
15. Die neue `LOCATION`, ‚alaska', und zwei `MAPSETs`, ‚demo' und ‚PERMANENT' werden erstellt. Die gerade geöffnete Arbeitsumgebung ist ‚demo', wie Sie es definiert haben.
16. Beachten Sie, dass einige Werkzeuge des GRASS Plugins grau hinterlegt waren und nun auch zur Verfügung stehen.

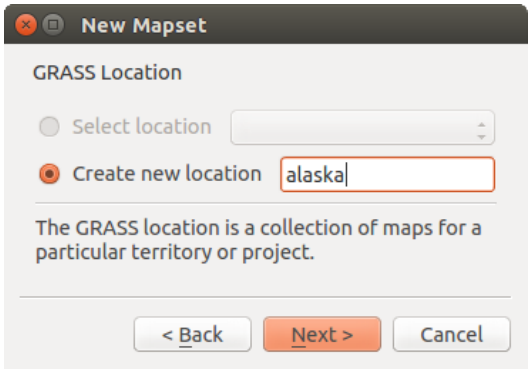


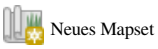
Abb. 23.2: Erstellen einer neuen GRASS LOCATION oder einer neuen MAPSET in QGIS

Wenn das wie eine Menge von Schritten schien ist es doch nicht so schlimm und ein schneller Weg eine `LOCATION` zu erstellen. Die `LOCATION` ‚alaska' is jetzt bereit für den Datenimport (siehe Abschnitt *Daten in eine GRASS LOCATION importieren*). Sie können auch die bereits bestehenden Vektor- und Rasterdaten in der Beispiel GRASS `LOCATION` ‚alaska' verwenden, die im |qg| ‚Alaska' Datensatz *Beispieldaten herunterladen* enthalten ist und weiter zu Abschnitt *Das GRASS Vektormodell* gehen.

23.9.2 Eine neue GRASS MAPSET erstellen

Ein Benutzer hat nur Schreibzugriff auf eine MAPSET die er oder sie erstellt hat. Das heißt dass Sie neben dem Zugriff zu Ihrer eigenen MAPSET Sie Karten in MAPSETs anderer Benutzer lesen können (und Sie können Ihre lesen) aber Sie nur die Karten in Ihrer eigenen MAPSET verändern und löschen können.

Alle MAPSETs beinhalten eine WIND Datei die die aktuellen Grenzkoordinatenwerte und die aktuell ausgewählte Rasterauflösung speichert (siehe Neteler & Mitasova 2008 in *Literatur und Internetreferenzen*, und Abschnitt *Einstellung der GRASS Region*).

1. Starten Sie QGIS und laden Sie das GRASS Plugin, falls dies noch nicht geschehen ist.
2. Klicken Sie in der GRASS Werkzeugleiste auf das 

Icon um den *Neues Mapset* Assistenten zu öffnen.
3. Wählen Sie den GRASS Datenbankordner (GISDBASE) grassdata mit der LOCATION ‚alaska' aus wo Sie eine weitere MAPSET genannt ‚test' hinzufügen wollen.
4. Klicken Sie auf *Weiter*.
5. We can use this wizard to create a new MAPSET within an existing LOCATION or to create a new LOCATION altogether. Click on the radio button  *Select location* (see Abb. 23.2) and click *Next*.
6. Geben Sie den Namen test ein für ein neues MAPSET. Unten im Wizard sehen Sie eine Liste aller existierenden MAPSETs und ihrer Eigentümer.
7. Klicken Sie auf *Weiter*, vergewissern Sie sich, dass alle Angaben richtig sind und klicken auf *Abschließen*.

23.10 Das GRASS Vektormodell

Es ist wichtig, das :index:`GRASS Vektordaten Modell ‚vor der Digitalisierung zu verstehen. Im Allgemeinen verwendet GRAS ein topologisches Vektormodell. Das bedeutet, dass Flächen nicht als geschlossene Polygone vorhanden sind, sondern als ein oder mehrere Umrandungen (Boundaries). Eine Umrandung (Boundary) zwischen zwei aneinander grenzenden Flächen ist nur einmal digitalisiert worden; beide Flächen teilen sich diese Umrandung. Umrandungen dürfen keine Lücken haben. Eine Fläche besteht also aus einer Umrandung und einem Zentroid, der diese Fläche als ein sog. **Labelpunkt** mit einer Attributtabelle verknüpft.

Neben den Umrandungen und Zentroiden kann eine Vektorkarte selbstverständlich auch Punkte und Linien enthalten. Alle diese Geometrieelemente können innerhalb ein und dem selben Datensatz enthalten sein. Sie werden in unterschiedlichen ‚Ebenen' innerhalb von QGIS dargestellt. Auch wenn es möglich ist, Geometrieelemente zu mischen, so ist es eigentlich unüblich und wird normalerweise auch in GRASS GIS nur selten verwendet. Etwa bei Netzwerkanalysen. Im Normalfall sollten Sie versuchen, unterschiedliche Geometrietypen in unterschiedlichen Datensätzen (Layern) zu speichern.

Es ist auch möglich, unterschiedliche Inhalte des gleichen Geometrietyps in verschiendenen Ebenen eines Vektorlayers zu speichern. Beispielsweise können Felder, Wälder und Seen in einem Vektordatensatz gespeichert werden. Angrenzende Seen, Felder und Wälder teilen sich dann die gleiche Umrandung, jedoch haben sie separate Attributtabellen, die über ihre Ebene angesprochen wird. Darüber hinaus können Sie auch Attribute für die Umrandungen vergeben, falls eine Umrandung gleichzeitg einen Weg darstellt. In diesem Fall könnte auch die Umrandung eine separate Attributtabelle haben.

Die ‚Ebene' eines jeden Objektes wird in GRASS intern als ‚layer' bezeichnet. ‚Layer' ist die Nummer die definiert ob es mehr als einen Layer innerhalb des Datensatzes gibt (z.B. ob die Geometrie Wald oder See ist). Vorerst kann dies nur eine Nummer sein. In Zukunft wird GRASS auch Namen als Felder in der Benutzeroberfläche unterstützen.

Attribute können innerhalb der GRASS LOCATION als dBase oder SQLite3 oder in externen Datenbanktabellen abgelegt werden, z.B. PostgreSQL, MySQL, SQLITE3, etc.

Die Attribute in den Tabellen werden über ein sog. ‚Kategoriefeld' an die Geometrien des Datensatzes gehängt.

Die ‚Kategorie' (oder key, ID, etc) ist eine Ganzzahl, über die eine Verknüpfung zwischen den Geometrien und den Spalten in der Datenbanktabelle hergestellt wird.

Tipp: Das GRASS Vektormodell verstehen

The best way to learn the GRASS vector model and its capabilities is to download one of the many GRASS tutorials where the vector model is described more deeply. See https://grass.osgeo.org/learn/manuals/ for more information, books and tutorials in several languages.

23.11 Einen neuen GRASS Vektorlayer erstellen

Um einen neuen GRASS Vektorlayer zu erzeugen, wählen Sie eines der folgenden Elemente aus dem Mapset Kontextmenü im Browser:

- Neuer Punktlayer
- Neuer Linienlayer
- Neuer Polygonlayer

und einen Namen in das Dialogfeld eingeben. Eine neue Vektorkarte wird erstellt und der Layer dem Kartenfenster hinzugefügt und die Bearbeitung gestartet. Einen Typ des Layers zu wählen beschränkt nicht den Geometrietypen, der in der Vektorkarte digitalisiert werden kann. In GRASS ist es möglich, alle Arten von Geometrietypen (Punkt, Linie und Polygon) in einer Vektorkarte zu organisieren. Der Typ wird nur verwendet, um die Layer dem Kartenfenster hinzuzufügen, da QGIS von dem Layer fordert eine bestimmte Art zu haben.

Es ist auch möglich, Layer bestehenden Vektorkarten hinzuzufügen, wählen Sie ein Element oben aus dem beschriebenen Kontextmenü der bestehenden Vektorkarte.

GRASS GIS erlaubt es aufgrund des topologischen Datenmodells, die verschiedenen Geometrietypen (Punkt, Linie und Fläche) in einem Vektorlayer abzuspeichern. Aus diesem Grund ist es nicht notwendig im Vorfeld einen Geometrietyp festzulegen. Dies unterscheidet sich von der Erstellung eines neuen Shapefile in QGIS, denn Shapefiles verwenden das Simple Feature Vektormodell (siehe Abschnitt *Neue Vektorlayer erstellen*).

23.12 Digitalisieren und Editieren eines GRASS Vektorlayers

GRASS Vektorebenen können mit den Standard QGIS Digitalisierfunktionen werden digitalisiert. Es gibt jedoch einige Besonderheiten, die Sie kennen sollten, aufgrund

- GRASS topologischen Modell im Vergleich zu einfachen QGIS Funktion
- Komplexität von GRASS-Modellen
  - mehrere Layer in einer Karte
  - mehrere Geometrietypen in einer Karte
  - Geometrieteilung von mehreren Objekte durch mehrere Layer

Die Besonderheiten sind in den folgenden Abschnitten besprochen.

Speichern, Änderungen verwerfen, rückgängig machen, wiederholen

Warnung: Alle während der Bearbeitung vorgenommenen Änderungen werden sofort auf Vektorkarten und die dazugehörigen Attributtabellen geschrieben.

Die Änderungen werden nach jeder Operation geschrieben, es ist jedoch möglich, Rückgängig/Wiederholen zu wählen oder alle Änderungen zu verwerfen, wenn die Bearbeitung geschlossen wird. Wenn Änderungen rückgängig gemacht werden oder Änderungen verworfen werden, wird der ursprüngliche Zustand in der Vektorkarte neu geschrieben und die der Attributtabellen.

Es gibt zwei Hauptgründe für dieses Verhalten:

- Es ist die Natur von GRASS-Vektoren aus Überzeugung zu kommen, dass der Benutzer tun will, was er tut und es ist besser, dass die Daten gespeichert werden, wenn die Arbeit plötzlich unterbrochen wird (z. B. Stromausfall)
- Die Notwendigkeit für eine effektive Bearbeitung von topologischen Daten visualisiert Informationen über die topologische Korrektheit, solche Informationen können nur von GRASS Vektorkarte erworben werden, wenn Änderungen an der Karte vorgenommen werden.

Werkzeugleiste

Die ‚Digitalisierungsleiste' hat einige spezielle Werkzeuge, wenn Sie einen GRASS Layer bearbeiten:

Icon	Werkzeug	Zweck
	Neuer Punkt	Digitalisiert neuen Punkt
	Neue Linie	Digitalisiert neue Linie
	Neue Grenze	Digitalisiert neue Grenze
	Neuer Zentroid	Digitalisiert neuen Zentroiden (Labelpunkt für eine existierende Fläche)
	Neue geschlossene Grenze	Digitalisiert neue geschlossene Grenze

Tabelle Digitalisierung GRASS: GRASS Digitalisierungstools

Tipp: Polygone in GRASS digitalisieren

Wenn Sie ein Polygon innerhalb eines GRASS Vektorlayers erstellen wollen, digitalisieren Sie zuerst die Boundary der Fläche. Danach fügen Sie einen Zentroid (Labelpunkt) hinzu. Der Grund ist, dass in topologischen Layern die Attributinformationen einer Fläche immer mit dem Zentroiden und nicht mit der Grenze verknüpft werden.

Kategorie

Kategorie, die oft als cat bezeichnet wird, ist eine Art von ID. Der Name stammt aus Zeiten, in denen GRASS-Vektoren nur einzelne Attribut „Kategorien" hatten. Kategorien werden als Bindeglied zwischen Geometrie und Attribute verwendet. Eine einzelne Geometrie kann mehrere Kategorien haben und somit mehrere Funktionen in verschiedenen Layern darstellen. Derzeit ist es möglich, nur eine Kategorie pro Layer mit QGIS Werkzeugen zu bearbeiten. Neue Funktionen haben automatische neue einzigartige Kategorien, ohne Grenzen. Grenzen bilden in der Regel nur Bereiche und stellen keine lineare Funktionen dar, es ist jedoch möglich, Attribute für eine Grenze später zu definieren, beispielsweise in einer anderen Ebene.

Neue Kategorien werden immer nur in derzeit bearbeiteten Layern erstellt.

Es ist nicht möglich mehrere Kategorien zuweisen, um die Geometrie mit QGIS zu bearbeiten, solchen Daten werden wie mehrere Funktionen dargestellt und einzelne Merkmale, auch aus verschiedenen Schichten, können gelöscht werden.

Attribute

Die Attribute des aktuell bearbeiteten Layer können nur geändert werden, wenn die Vektorkarte mehrere Layer enthält, Merkmale anderer Layer werden alle ‚<nicht editierbar (layer#)>' eingestellt, so werden Sie gewarnt, dass solche Attribut nicht editierbar sind. Der Grund dafür ist, dass andere Layer in der Regel andere Gruppe von Feldern haben und haben können, während QGIS nur einen festen Satz von Feldern pro Layer unterstützt.

Wenn einer Geometrie primitive nicht eine Kategorie zugeordnet ist, wird eine neue einzigartige Kategorie automatisch zugeordnet und eine neue Eintragung in der Attributtabelle erstellt, wenn ein Attribut dieser Geometrie verändert wird.

Tipp: Wenn Sie Bulk-Aktualisierung von Attributen in der Tabelle machen wollen, zum Beispiel mit dem ‚Feldrechner' (*Using the Field Calculator*), und es einige Funktionen ohne Kategorie gibt, die Sie nicht aktualisieren wollen (in der Regel Grenzen) , können Sie diese in dem „Erweiterten Filter' auf `cat is not null` einstellen.

Stil editieren

Die topologische Symbologie ist für eine effektive Bearbeitung von topologischen Daten wesentlich. Bei Beginn der Bearbeitung, eine spezialisierter Renderer ‚GRASS Bearbeiten' wird automatisch auf die Ebene gesetzt und der ursprüngliche Renderer wiederhergestellt, wenn die Bearbeitung geschlossen ist. Der Stil kann in den Layereigenschaften im ‚Stil' Reiter angepasst werden. Der Stil kann auch in der Projektdatei oder in einer separaten Datei gespeichert werden. Wenn Sie den Stil anpassen, ändern sich nicht seinen Namen, weil er zurückgesetzt wird, wenn das Bearbeiten erneut gestartet wird.

Tipp: Speichern Sie die Projektdatei nicht, wenn der Layer bearbeitet wird, dies würde den Layer mit ‚Edit Style' speichern, was keine Bedeutung hat, wenn der Layer nicht bearbeitet wird.

Der Stil basiert auf topologischen Informationen, die vorübergehend als Feld ‚topo_symbol' der Tabelle hinzugefügt wird. Das Feld wird automatisch entfernt, wenn die Bearbeitung abgeschlossen ist.

Tipp: Entfernen Sie nicht das ‚topo_symbol' Feld aus der Attributtabelle, das würde das Objekt unsichtbar machen, weil die Darstellung basiert auf dieser Spalte.

Objektfang

Um einen Bereich zu bilden, müssen Ecken verbundener Grenzen **genau** die gleichen Koordinaten haben. Dies kann mit dem Schnappen Werkzeug erreicht werden, wenn Kartenfenster und Vektorkarte das gleiche KBS haben. Ansonsten, koordiniert durch Umwandlung von Karte auf Kartenfenster und wieder zurück, können die Koordinaten etwas unterschiedlich wegen Darstellungsfehler und KBS Transformationen werden.

Tipp: Layer KBS verwenden, auch für das Fenster während dem editieren.

Einschränkungen

Die gleichzeitige Bearbeitung von mehreren Layern innerhalb des gleichen Vektors wird nicht unterstützt. Dies ist vor allem deswegen unmöglich, durch das nicht händeln mehrere Handhabungs Stacks für eine einzelne Datenquelle.

Linux macOS Unter Linux und macOS kann jeweils nur ein GRASS layer bearbeitet werden. Das liegt an einem Fehler in GRASS der es nicht erlaubt, Datenbanktreiber in zufälliger Reihenfolge zu schließen. Der Fehler wird von den GRASS Entwicklern behoben.

Tipp: GRASS Schreibberechtigung

Sie müssen der Besitzer der GRASS `MAPSET`, die Sie bearbeiten wollen, sein. Es ist unmöglich Datenlayer in einer `MAPSET` die Ihnen nicht gehört zu bearbeiten, auch wenn Sie Schreibrechte darauf haben.

23.13 Einstellung der GRASS Region

Die Region Einstellung (Einstellung eines räumlichen Arbeitsfensters) in GRASS ist wichtig für das Arbeiten mit Rasterlayern. Vektoranalysen sind standardmäßig nicht auf eine definierte Region Definition begrenzt. Aber alle neu erstellten Raster werden die räumliche Ausdehnung und Auflösung der gerade definierten GRASS Region haben, unabhängig von Ihrer ursprünglichen Ausdehnung und Auflösung. Die aktuelle GRASS Region ist in der `$LOCATION/$MAPSET/WIND` Datei gespeichert und Sie definiert die Nord-, Süd-. Ost- und Westgrenze, die Anzahl von Spalten und Reihen sowie die horizontale und vertikale räumliche Auflösung.

Es ist auch möglich, die Region mit dem Knopf  Aktuelle GRASS-Region darstellen aus- bzw. einzuschalten.

Die Region kann im Reiter ‚Region' im ‚GRASS-Werkzeuge' Widget angepasst werden. Man kann die neuen Grenzen und die neue Auflösung hier eingeben und auf *Anwenden* drücken. Durch Drücken auf den Knopf *Ausdehnung durch*

Ziehen auf der Karte wählen kann die Region interaktiv durch Ziehen eines Rechteckes mit der Maus im QGIS Arbeitsbereich festgelegt werden.

Das GRASS Modul `g.region` bietet viele weitere Optionen zur Einstellung der passenden Ausdehnung und Auflösung der Region für die Rasteranalyse. Das Modul `g.region` können Sie über die GRASS Werkzeugkiste nutzen, wie in Kapitel *Die GRASS Werkzeugkiste* beschrieben.

23.14 Die GRASS Werkzeugkiste

Die  GRASS-Werkzeugkiste ermöglicht es, GRASS Module auf Daten innerhalb einer ausgewählten GRASS `LOCATION` und `MAPSET` anzuwenden. Dazu muss im Vorfeld eine GRASS `LOCATION` und `MAPSET` geöffnet werden, in der Sie Schreibrechte besitzen. Dies ist normalerweise garantiert, wenn Sie die `MAPSET` selbst erstellt haben und notwendig, damit die Ergebniskarten der Raster- und Vektoranalysen in der ausgewählten `LOCATION` und `:file:`MAPSET` gespeichert werden können.

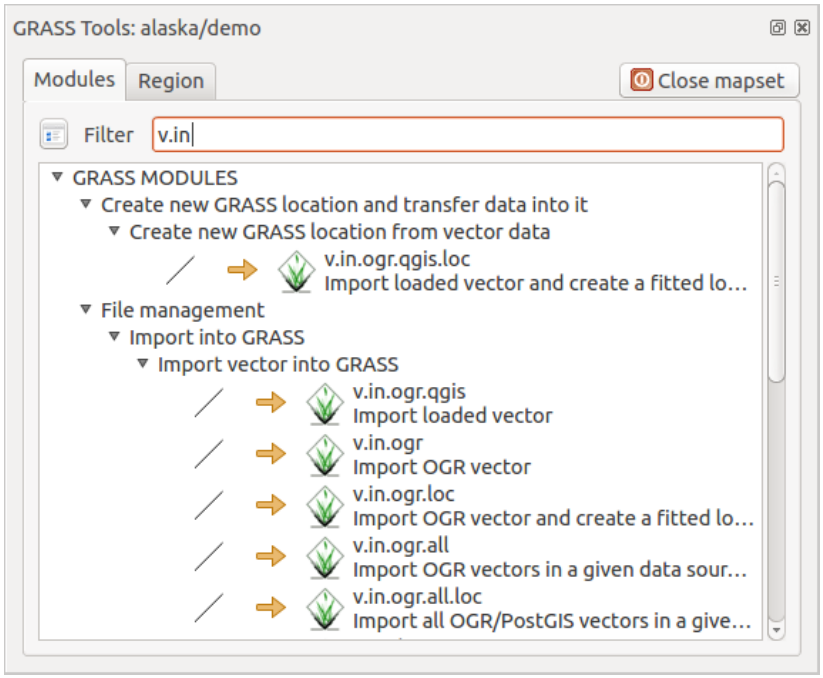


Abb. 23.3: GRASS Werkzeuge und Modulbaum

23.14.1 Arbeiten mit GRASS Modulen

Die GRASS Shell der Werkzeugkiste bietet Zugriff auf fast alle (mehr als 300) GRASS Module über die Kommandozeile. Um eine benutzfreundlichere Umgebung zu bieten, sind davon etwa 200 Module graphisch auswählbar und bieten einen Dialog in Form eines zusätzlichen Reiters in der Werkzeugkiste.

Eine vollständige Liste der GRASS-Module, die in der grafischen Toolbox in der QGIS-Version | CURRENT | verfügbar sind ist im GRASS-Wiki unter https://grasswiki.osgeo.org/wiki/GRASS-QGIS_relevant_module_list verfügbar.

Es ist außerdem möglich, die GRASS Werkzeugkiste anzupassen und weitere Module zu integrieren. Die Herangehensweise ist in Abschnitt *Anpassen der Module* beschrieben.

As shown in Abb. 23.3, you can look for the appropriate GRASS module using the thematically grouped *Modules Tree* or the searchable *Modules List* tab.

Wenn Sie auf das grafische Icon eines Modules klicken, öffnet sich ein neuer Moduldialog mit drei Reitern *Optionen*, *Ergebnis* und *Handbuch*.

Optionen

Der Reiter *Optionen* stellt Ihnen in vereinfachter Form die unbedingt notwendigen Eingabeparameter zur Verfügung, die das Modul zum Laufen benötigt.

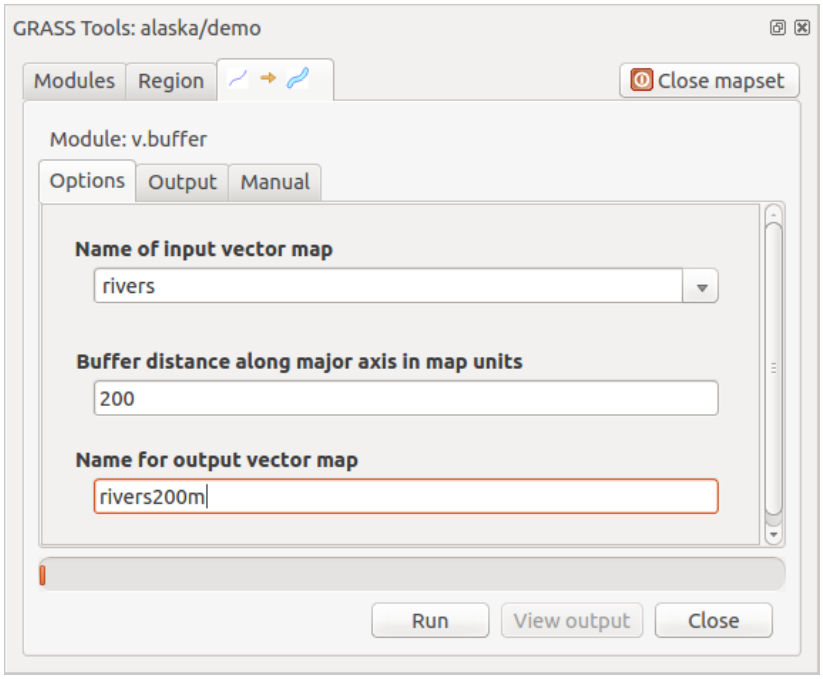


Abb. 23.4: GRASS Werkzeuge Modul Optionen

Die zur Verfügung gestellten Modulparameter sind oftmals nicht vollständig um den Dialog einfach zu halten. Wenn Sie weitergehende Modulparamter und -flags verwenden wollen müssen Sie die GRASS Shell starten und das Programm in der Kommandozeile benutzen.

Eine neue Funktion seit der QGIS Version 1.8.0 ist der Knopf *Fortgeschrittene Optionen einblenden* unterhalb der vereinfachten Moduldialoge im Reiter *Optionen*. Momentan ist diese Funktion nur für das Modul v.in.ascii umgesetzt. Es ist aber zukünftig für weitere Module vorgesehen und wird so die kompletten Funktionen der GRASS Module grafisch bereitstellen, ohne die GRASS Shell und somit die Kommandozeile benutzen zu müssen.

Ergebnis

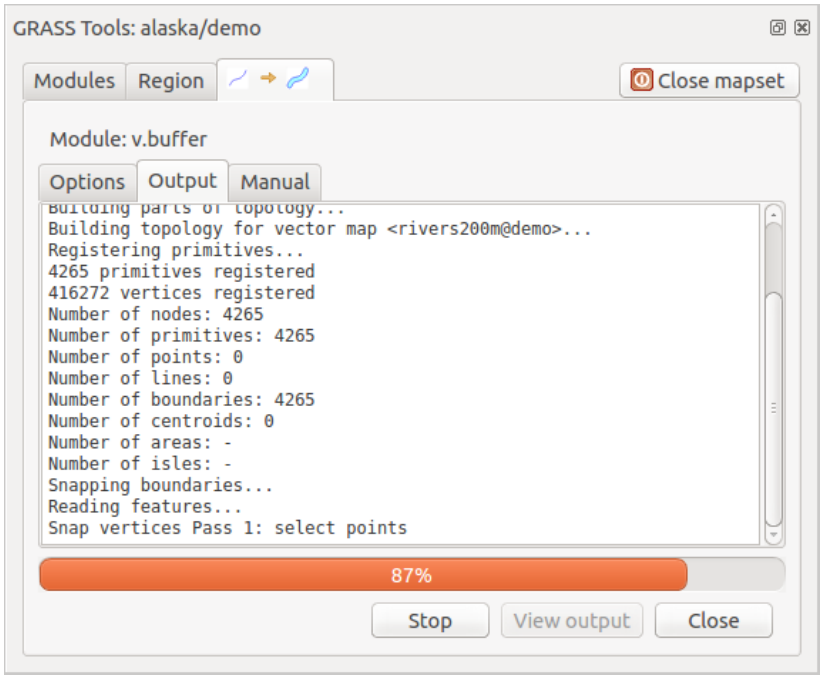


Abb. 23.5: GRASS Werkzeuge Modul Ergebnis

Der Reiter *Ergebnis* stellt Informationen über den Ausgabestatus des Moduls bereit. Nach Klick auf den *Starten* Knopf wechselt das Modul zum Reiter *Ergebnis* und zeigt Informationen über die Abarbeitung des Prozesses. Wenn alles funktioniert, erscheint schlussendlich die Meldung `Erfolgreich beendet`.

Handbuch

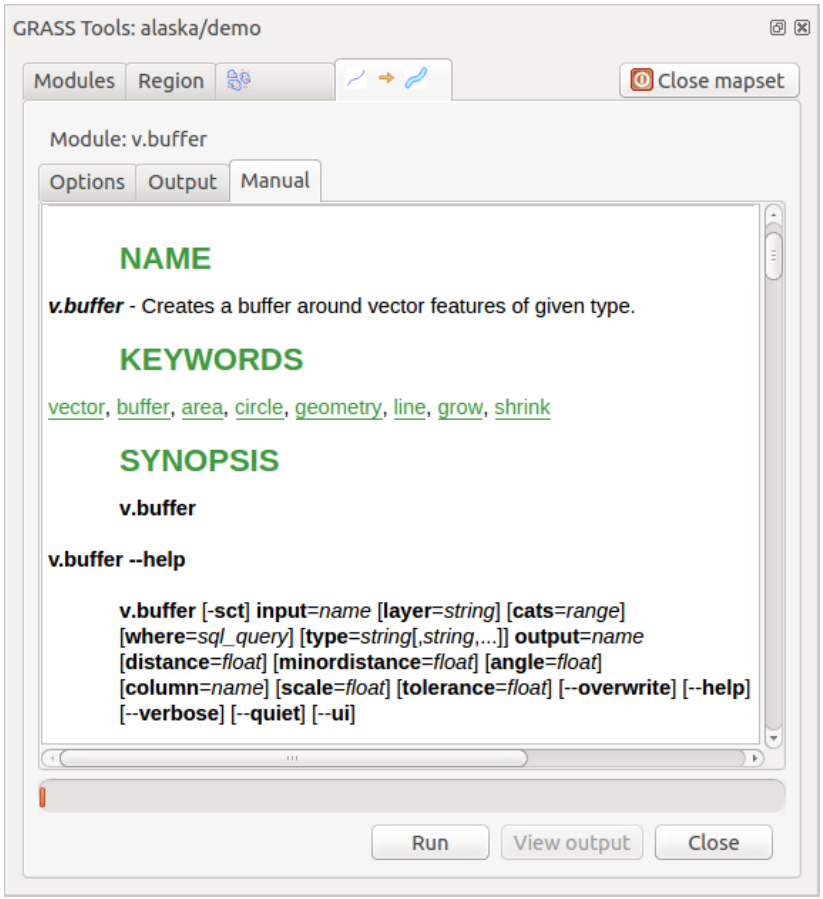


Abb. 23.6: GRASS Werkzeuge Modul Handbuch

Der Reiter *Handbuch* zeigt die HTML Hilfeseite der GRASS Module. Sie können es zum Überprüfen weitergehender Modulparameter oder -flags oder um vertieftere Kenntnisse über den Anwendungszweck der Module zu erwerben benutzen. Am Ende jeder Modul Handbuchseite sehen Sie weiterführende Links zum `Main Help index`, dem `Thematic index` und dem `Full index`. Diese Links stellen die gleiche Information wie das Modul `g.manual` zur Verfügung.

Tipp: Ergebnisse direkt anzeigen

Wollen Sie Ihre Ergenisse direkt in der Kartenansicht ansehen, nutzen Sie den Knopf ‚Ergebnis visualisieren' im unteren Bereich des jeweiligen Modulreiters

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23.14.2 GRASS Beispielanwendung

Die folgenden Beispiele sollen die Anwendung verschiedener GRASS Module demonstrieren.

Höhenlinien aus einem DGM erstellen

Im ersten Beispiel wird eine Höhenlinienkarte aus einem Höhenraster (DEM) erstellt. Hier wird angenommen dass Sie die Alaska `LOCATION` wie in Abschnitt *Daten in eine GRASS LOCATION importieren* eingerichtet haben.

- Als erstes öffnen Sie die Location, indem Sie auf das  Mapset öffnen Icon klicken und dann die Alaska Location auswählen.
- Als nächstes drücken Sie auf das Icon  GRASS-Werkzeugkiste öffnen.
- In der Liste von Werkzeugkategorien doppelklicken Sie auf *Raster* ► *Oberflächenverwaltung* ► *Vektorkonturlinien erzeugen*.
- Jetzt wird ein einfacher Klick auf das Werkzeug **r.contour** einen Werkzeugdialog wie oben beschrieben öffnen (siehe *Arbeiten mit GRASS Modulen*).
- Geben Sie `gtopo30` in *Name des EIngaberasters* ein.
- Geben Sie im Feld *Abstand zwischen den Kontourintervallen*  den Wert 100 an. (Dadurch werden Höhenlinien in einem Abstand von 100m erstellt.)
- In das Feld *Name der Vektorausgabekarte* geben Sie den Namen `hoehen_100` an.
- Klicken Sie auf *Starten* um die Verarbeitung zu starten. Warten Sie bis die Meldung `Erfolgreich beendet` im Ergebnisfenster erscheint. Drücken Sie dann auf *Ergebnis visualisieren* und *Schließen*.

Da die aktuelle GRASS Region ziemlich groß ist, kann es eine Weile dauern, bis der Layer vollständig dargestellt wird. Danach können Sie noch die Layereigenschaften verändern und eine Farbe für die Linien auswählen, die sich deutlich vom Höhenmodell unterscheidet, siehe *Vektorlayereigenschaften*.

Als nächstes zoomen Sie in einen bergigen Bereich im Zentrum Alaskas. Wenn Sie weit genug in die Karte hineingezoomt sind, werden Sie erkennen, dass die Höhenlinien teilweise sehr eckig erscheinen. Um das Erscheinungsbild zu optimieren, bietet GRASS ein Modul mit dem Namen **v.generalize**. Dabei wird mit Hilfe des Douglas Peuker Algorithmus und der einer Reduktion der Stützpunkte eine Glättung der Linien erreicht, ohne die Geometrien zu zerstören. Da der Ergebnislayer weniger Stützpunkte hat, ist er auch kleiner und kann schneller geladen werden. Die Analyse wird z.B. angewendet, wenn man sehr detailierte Daten nur in einem kleinen Maßstab anzeigen möchte.

Tipp: Geometrien in QGIS vereinfachen

Beachten Sie, dass es in QGIS das Werkzeug *Vektor* ► *Geometrie-Werkzeuge* ► *Vereinfachen* gibt, dass ähnlich dem GRASS **v.generalize** Douglas-Peuker-Algorithmus arbeitet.

In diesem Beispiel wollen wir nun aber etwas anderes erreichen. Die Höhenlinien, die wir mit r.contour erstellt haben, zeigen teilweise sehr scharfe Winkel, die wir glätten möchten. Unter den Algorithmen des Moduls **v.generalize** befindet sich auch der Chaikens-Algorithmus, der exakt das macht, was wir möchten (auch Hermite Splines). Achten Sie aber darauf, dass es passieren kann, dass Stützpunkte nicht nur eliminiert sondern auch **hinzugefügt** werden können. Dadurch kann der Layer wieder langsamer geladen werden.

- Öffnen Sie die GRASS Werkzeugkiste und doppelklicken Sie die Kategorien *Vektor* ► *Karte entwickeln* ► *Generalisierung* und klicken Sie dann auf das **v.generalize** Modul um sein Optionsfenster zu öffnen.
- Stellen Sie sicher, dass ‚hoehen_100' als Vektorlayer in Feld *Name der Vektoreingabekarte* erscheint.
- Wählen Sie Chaiken's Algorithm aus der Liste der Generalisierungs Algorithmen. Lassen Sie alle anderen Optionen auf der Voreinstellung. Geben Sie in der untersten Zeile im Feld *Name der Ausgabe-Vektorkarte* ‚hoehen_100_smooth' ein und klicken auf *Starten*.

- Die Ausführung dauert einen Moment. Wenn `Erfolgreich beendet` im Ergebnisfenster erscheint, klicken Sie auf *View Output* und dann auf *Schließen*.
- Ändern Sie nun auch die Farbe des neuen Layers, damit er sich deutlich von dem Höhenmodell und den zuvor berechneten Höhenlinien abhebt. Sie werden erkennen, dass die Kanten der neuen Höhenlinien wesentlich weicher gezeichnet sind.



Abb. 23.7: GRASS Moduk v.generalize zum Glätten einer Vektorkarte

Tipp: Vektorlinien glätten mit dem GRASS Modul v.generalize

Die oben beschriebene Anwendung kann auch in anderen Situationen verwendet werden. Wenn Sie z.B. eine Rasterkarte mit Niederschlagswerten haben, können Sie mit r.contour einen Isohyetallayer (konstanter Niederschlag) erstellen.

Erstellen eines 3D Schummerungseffekts

Es gibt verschiedene Methoden, um Höhenlayer anzuzeigen und ihnen einen 3D Schummerungseffekt zu verleihen. Der Gebrauch von Höhenlinien ist eine populäre Methode, die häufig angewendet wird, um topographische Karten zu erstellen. Eine andere Möglichkeit, um einen 3D Effekt zu erzeugen ist, bietet das Hillshading. Der Effekt basiert dabei auf einem Höhenmodell. Dabei wird zuerst die Hangneigung und -richtung der Zellen bestimmt und dann durch die Simulation des Sonnenstandes eine Reflexionswert erzeugt. Dadurch werden der Sonne zugewandte Bereiche aufgehellt und der Sonne abgewandte Bereiche (im Schatten) dunkler dargestellt.

- Fangen Sie mit diesem Beispiel an indem Sie zuerst den Rasterlayer `gtopo30` laden. Öffnen Sie die GRASS-Werkzeugkiste und unter der Raster Kategorie wechseln Sie in den Bereich *Räumliche Analysen* ► *Geländeanalyse*.
- Nun klicken Sie auf **r.shaded.relief**, um den Modulreiter zu öffnen.
- Ändern Sie den Wert im Feld *Winkel der Sonne in Grad östlich von der Nordrichtung* 1,00 270 auf 315.
- Geben Sie `gtopo30_shade` für das neu zu erstellende Raster mit Schummerung ein und klicken auf *Starten*.
- Nachdem die Karte berechnet wurde, visualisieren Sie sie und setzen Sie die Farbe des Rasterlayers auf Graustufen.
- Um die Schummerung und das Höhenmodell `gtopo30` zusammen zu sehen, ziehen Sie die Schummerungskarte in der Legende unter das Höhenmodell. Öffnen Sie dann den Dialog Layereigenschaften der Karte `gtopo30`, und ändern Sie die Transparenz im Reiter *Transparenz* auf den Wert 25%.

Die Höhenkarte `gtopo30` wird nun als Farbkarte leicht transparent über der Schummerungskarte angezeigt. Dadurch entsteht ein visueller 3D Effekt. Um den Unterschied besser zu erkennen, wechseln Sie über das Kontrollkästchen den Anzeigemodus der Schummerungskarte in der Legende und wieder zurück.

Die GRASS Kommandozeile verwenden

Das GRASS Plugin in QGIS stellt die GRASS Module oftmals in vereinfachter Form und auch nicht vollständig bereit. Es ist also grundsätzlich für Anwender gestaltet, die sich nicht so gut mit GRASS und all seinen Fähigkeiten auskennen oder nur einfacher Analysen durchführen wollen. Daher werden in den grafischen Moduldialogen oftmals nicht alle Optionen und Parameter, die das GRASS Modul bieten bereitgestellt, um den Umgang einfacher und intuitiver zu gestalten. Wer tiefer in GRASS einsteigen möchte, er hat die Möglichkeit, sämtliche Funktionalitäten und Module über die GRASS Kommandozeile (GRASS Shell) anzusprechen. In dem folgenden Beispiel soll eine zusätzliche Option des Moduls **r.shaded.relief** angesprochen werden, die nur über die Kommandozeile genutzt werden kann.

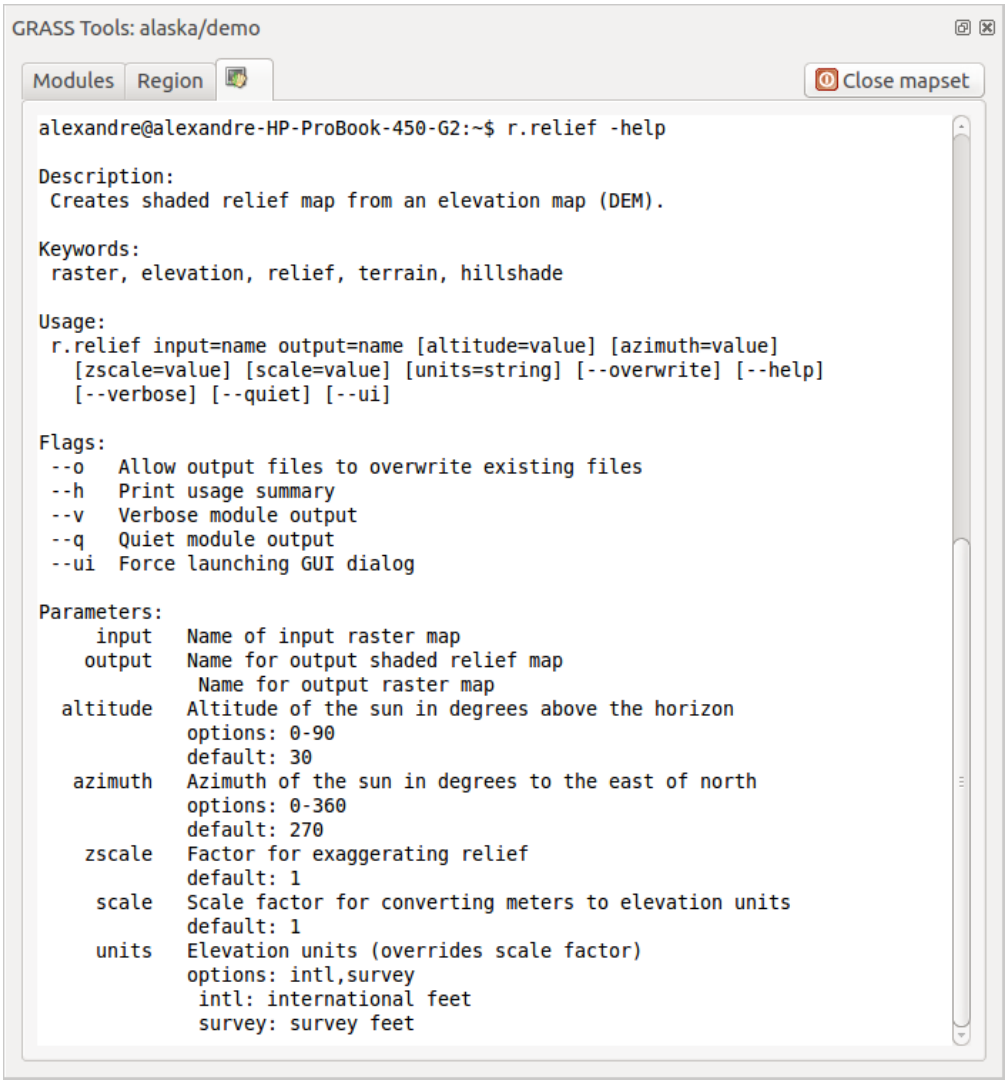


Abb. 23.8: Die GRASS Shell, Modul r.shaded.relief

Das Modul **r.shaded.relief** stellt einen zusätzliche Parameter `zmult` bereit, über den der Höhenwert relativ zu den X-Y Werten multipliziert werden kann. Dadurch wird der Schummerungseffekt noch prägnanter.

- Laden Sie das Höhenraster `gtopo30` wie zuvor und starten dann die GRASS Toolbox und klicken auf die GRASS Shell. Geben Sie im Shell Fenster das Kommando `r.shaded.relief map=gtopo30 shade=gtopo30_shade2 azimuth=315 zmult=3` ein und drücken `Enter`.
- Wenn die Berechnung abgeschlossen ist, wechseln Sie den Reiter *Browser* und Doppelklicken Sie auf die neu erstellte Karte `gtopo30_shade2`, um Sie in QGIS anzuzeigen.
- Wie oben erklärt verschieben Sie die Schummerungskarte unter das `gtopo30` Raster in der Legende, überprüfen Sie dann die Transparenz des farbigen `gtopo30` Layers. Sie sollten dabei erkennen, dass der Schummerungseffekt stärker verglichen mit der ersten Schummerungskarte ist.

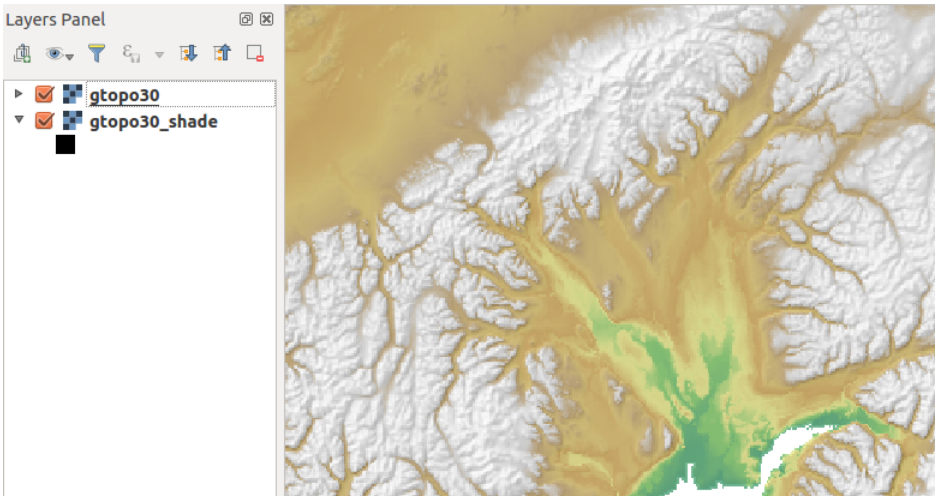


Abb. 23.9: Darstellen einer Schummering erstellt mit dem GRASS Modul r.shaded.relief

Rasterstatistik auf Basis eines Vektorlayer berechnen

Das folgende Beispiel zeigt, wie man univariate Statistik für Rasterwerte innerhalb von Vektorpolygonen berechnen kann und die Werte in neue Attributspalten des Vektorlayers hinzufügt.

- Es werden wieder die Alaska Daten verwendet. Unter *Daten in eine GRASS LOCATION importieren* findet man Hinweise zum Import der Datei `shapefiles/trees.shp` nach GRASS.
- Jetzt ist ein Zwischenschritt nötig: es müssen Zentroiden zu der importierten Baumkarte hinzugefügt werden um es zu einem kompletten GRASS Flächenvektor (der sowohl Umrandungen als auch Zentroide enthält) zu machen.
- Wählen Sie aus der Werkzeugkiste *Vektor* ► *Karte entwickeln* ► *Objekte verwalten* und öffnen Sie das Modul **v.centroids**.
- Geben Sie als *Name für die Ausgabe-Vektorkarte* ‚forest_areas' an und starten Sie das Modul.
- Nun laden Sie den neuen Layer `forest_areas` und visualisieren Sie die verschiedenen Waldtypen in verschiedenen Farben - deciduous, evergreen und mixed. Dazu öffnen Sie den Dialog *Eigenschaften* des Layers, wechseln zum Reiter *Darstellung*, wählen  ‚Eindeutiger Wert' und setzen das *Klassifikationsfeld* auf ‚VEGDESC' (siehe auch die Beschreibung des Reiters Darstellung in Abschnitt *Symbology Properties* des Vektordatenabschnitts).
- Als nächstes öffnen Sie wieder die GRASS-Werkzeugkiste und wechseln nach *Vektor* ► *Vektor mit anderen Karten aktualisieren*.
- Klicken Sie auf das **v.rast.stats** Modul. Geben Sie `gtopo30` und `forest_areas` ein.
- Ein weiterer Parameter wird benötigt: Geben Sie bei *column prefix* `elev` ein und klicken auf *Starten*. Dies ist eine rechenintensive Operation, die längere Zeit in Anspruch nimmt (wahrscheinlich bis zu zwei Stunden).
- Schließlich öffnen Sie den Layer `forest_areas` erneut und lassen Sie sich die Attributtabelle anzeigen. Dort gibt es nun weitere Spalten einschließlich `elev_min`, `elev_max`, `elev_mean` usw. für jedes Waldpolygon.

23.14.3 Anpassen der Module

Nahezu alle GRASS-Module können in die GRASS-Werkzeugkiste integriert werden. Eine XML-Schnittstelle wertet die sehr einfachen XML-Dateien, die die Module beschreiben, aus und übernimmt die Oberflächendarstellung.

Beispielhaft ist hier die XML-Datei zum Modul `v.buffer` (v.buffer.qgm) dargestellt:

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<!DOCTYPE qgisgrassmodule SYSTEM "http://mrcc.com/qgisgrassmodule.dtd">

<qgisgrassmodule label="Vector buffer" module="v.buffer">
        <option key="input" typeoption="type" layeroption="layer" />
        <option key="buffer"/>
        <option key="output" />
</qgisgrassmodule>
```

Der Parser liest diese Definition aus und erstellt bei Auswahl des Moduls einen neuen Reiter in der Toolbox. Eine detaillierte Beschreibung zum Hinzufügen neuer Module, zum Ändern der Modulgruppe usw. findet man unter https://qgis.org/en/site/getinvolved/development/addinggrasstools.html.

KAPITEL 24

QGIS Verarbeitung Umgebung

24.1 Einführung

Dieses Kapitel stellt das QGIS Verarbeitung Umgebung, eine leistungsstarke Analyseumgebung für raumbezogene Daten in QGIS, vor. Verarbeitung ist eine Geoverarbeitungsumgebung, die verwendet wird, um eigene und fremde Algorithmen aus QGIS heraus aufrufen zu können, so dass räumliche Analysen produktiv und einfach zu bewerkstelligen sind.

As a *Core plugin*, Processing is installed by default but you need to activate it:

1. Go to *Plugins* ► *Manage and install plugins…*
2. Click on the *Installed* tab at the left
3. Check the box next to the  *Processing* entry
4. Close the dialog.

   A *Processing* menu is now available in the top menu bar. From there you can reach the main components of this framework.

In den folgenden Abschnitten werden wir betrachten wie die grafischen Elemente dieser Umgebung benutzt werden und wie man das Beste aus jedem einzelnen von ihnen herausholen kann.

There are four basic elements in the framework GUI, which are used to run algorithms for different purposes. Choosing one tool or another will depend on the kind of analysis that is to be performed and the particular characteristics of each user and project. All of them (except for the batch processing interface, which is called from the toolbox or the algorithm execution dialog, as we will see) can be accessed from the *Processing* menu item (you will see more entries; the remaining ones are not used to execute algorithms and will be explained later in this chapter).

- The *Toolbox*: The main element of the GUI, it is used to execute a single algorithm or run a batch process based on that algorithm.

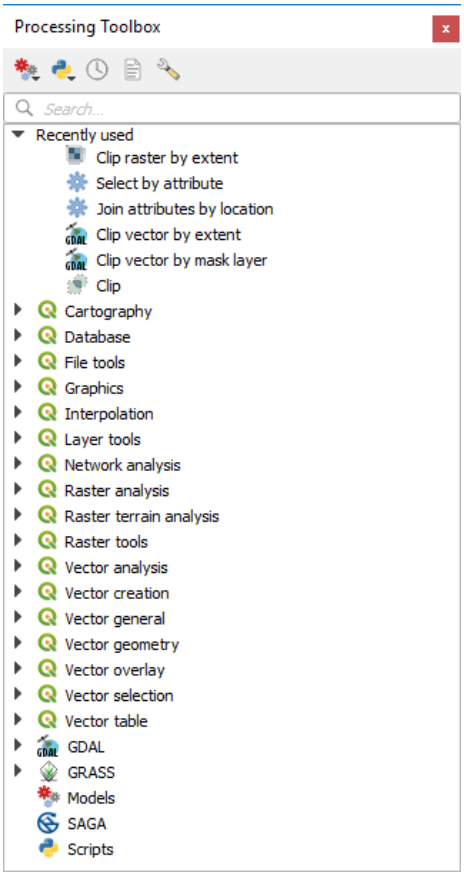


Abb. 24.1: Verarbeitungswerkzeuge

- The *Graphical Modeler*: Several algorithms can be combined graphically using the modeler to define a workflow, creating a single process that involves several subprocesses.

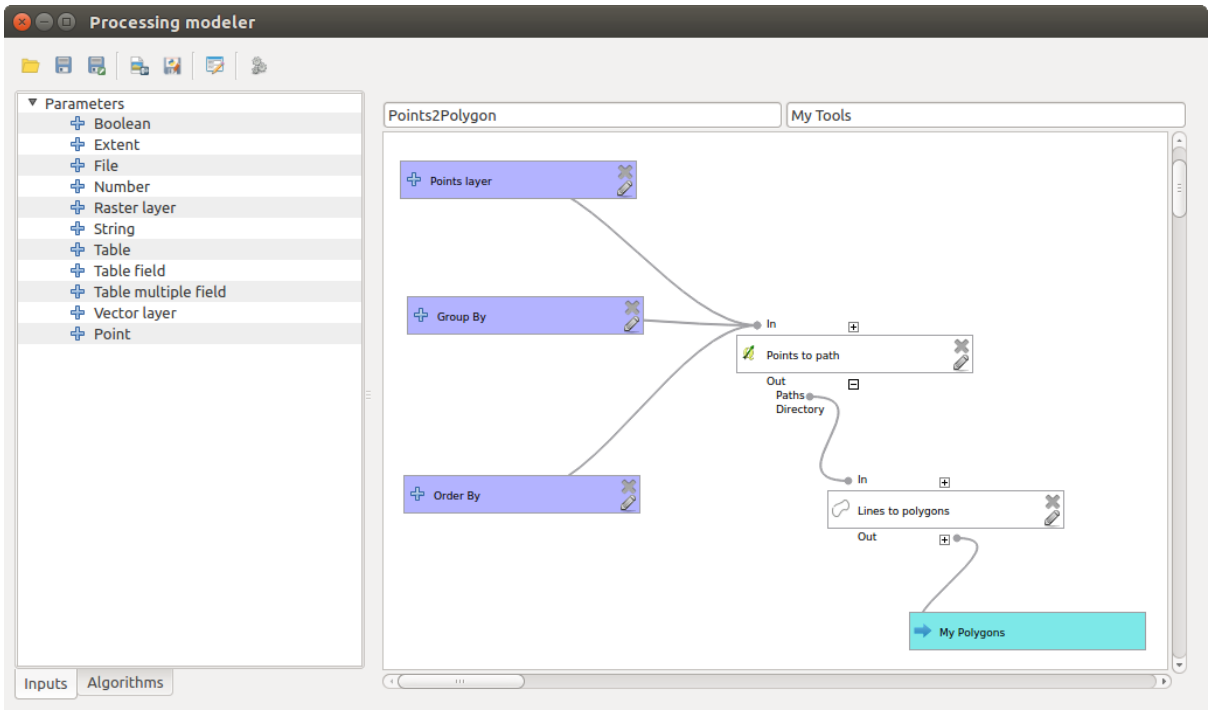


Abb. 24.2: Verarbeitungsmodellierung

- The *History* manager: All actions performed using any of the aforementioned elements are stored in a history file and can be later easily reproduced using the history manager.

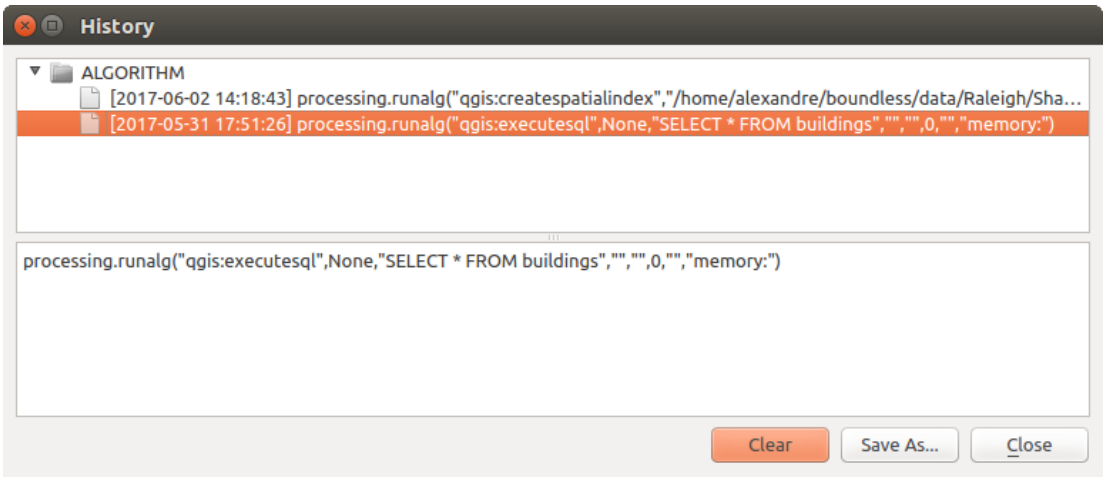


Abb. 24.3: Verarbeitung Protokoll

- The *Batch Processing* interface: This interface allows you to execute batch processes and automate the execution of a single algorithm on multiple datasets.

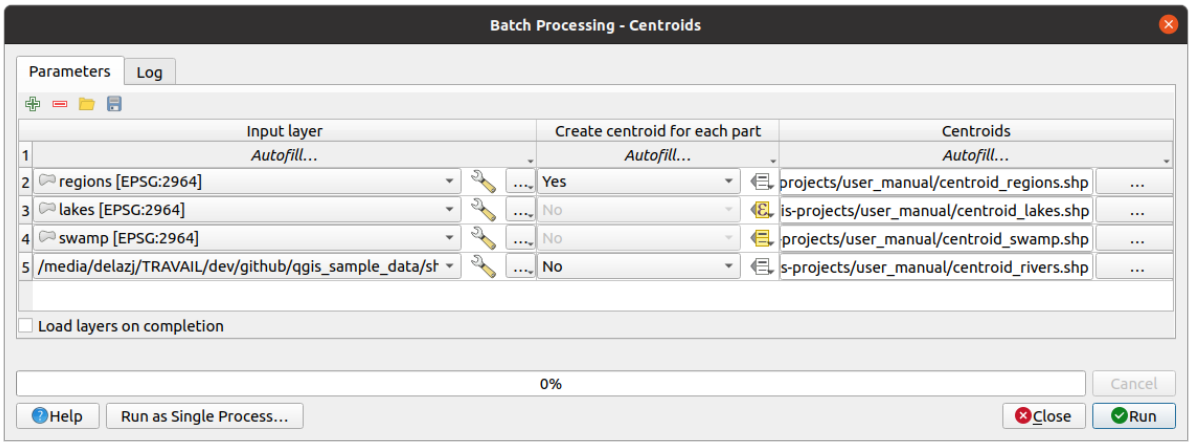


Abb. 24.4: Batch Processing Schnittstelle

In den folgenden Abschnitten werden wir auf jedes dieser Elemente im Detail eingehen.

24.2 Configuring the Processing Framework

The Processing Options menu (*Settings*► *Options* ► *Processing* tab) allows you to configure how algorithms work. Configuration parameters are structured in separate blocks that you can select on the left-hand side of the dialog.

The *General* block contains a number of interesting parameters.

- *Default output raster layer extension* is by default `tif`
- *Default output vector layer extension* is by default `gpkg`
- *Invalid features filtering* when executing algorithm:
  - *Do not filter (better performance)*: all the features (with valid and invalid geometries) are processed, but the result may be erroneous depending on how the geometry invalidity affects the operations

  - *Skip (ignore) features with invalid geometries*, meaning that only a subset of your dataset (the valid geometry features) will be processed
  - *Stop algorithm execution when a geometry is invalid*: you'll need to track and fix the invalid geometries if you want the algorithm to process the whole layer. Algorithms like *Check validity* or *Fix geometries* can help you achieve this.

  The *Invalid features filtering* setting can be overridden on a per-input basis, at algorithm runtime.

- *Keep dialog open after running algorithm*. Once an algorithm has finished execution and its output layers are loaded into the QGIS project, the algorithm dialog is closed. If you want to keep it open (to run the algorithm again with different parameters, or to better check the output that is written to the log tab), check this option.
- *Max Threads*
- *Output folder* for non temporary outputs: If no folder path is provided for the Processing execution outputs, this is the folder in which they will be saved. Default is `processing/outputs` under the active *user profile* directory.
- *Override temporary output folder path*: Temporary outputs are saved by default in the `tmp` folder on the machine. This option helps you set a different place for storage.
- *Pre-execution script* and *Post-execution script*. These parameters point to files that contain scripts written using the processing scripting functionality, explained in the section covering scripting and the console.
- *Prefer output filename for layer names*. The name of each resulting layer created by an algorithm is defined by the algorithm itself. In some cases, a fixed name might be used, meaning that the same output name will be used, no matter which input layer is used. In other cases, the name might depend on the name of the input layer or some of the parameters used to run the algorithm. If this checkbox is checked, the name will be taken from the output filename instead. Notice that, if the output is saved to a temporary file, the filename of this temporary file is usually a long and meaningless one intended to avoid collision with other already existing filenames.
- *Results group name*. If you want to obtain all processing result layers in a group in the *Layers* panel, set a group name for this parameter. The group may exist already or not. QGIS will add all output layers to such a group. By default, this parameter is empty, so all output layers are added to different places in the *Layers* panel, depending on the item that is active when running an algorithm. Note that output layers will be loaded to the *Layers* panel only if *Open output file after running algorithm* is checked in the algorithm dialog.
- *Show algorithms with known issues*: By default, QGIS avoids display of broken algorithms (generally from third-party providers). If checked, they will be available in the Processing toolbox, with a warning icon and a tooltip explaining they have issues. Use at your own risks.
- *Show layer CRS definition in selection boxes*
- *Show tooltip when there are disabled providers*
- *Style for line layers*, *Style for point layers*, *Style for polygons layers* and *Style for raster layers* are used for setting the default rendering style for output layers (that is, layers generated by processing algorithms). Just create the style you want using QGIS, save it to a file, and then enter the path to that file in the settings so the algorithms can use it. Whenever a layer is loaded by Processing and added to the QGIS canvas, it will be rendered with that style.

  Rendering styles can be configured individually for each algorithm and each one of its outputs. Just right-click on the name of the algorithm in the toolbox and select *Edit rendering styles for outputs*. You will see a dialog like the one shown next.

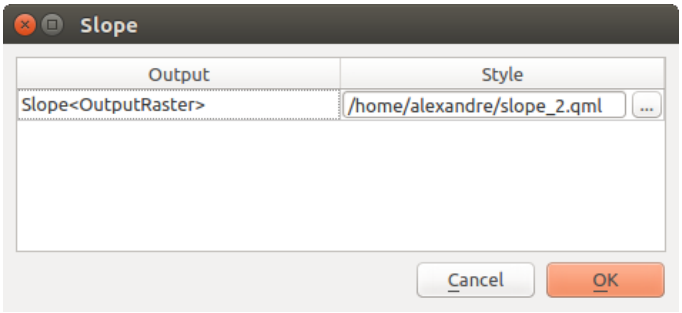


Abb. 24.5: Rendering Styles

Select the style file (`.qml`) that you want for each output and press *OK*.

- *Warn before executing if parameter CRS's do not match*

The *Menus* block controls whether an algorithm, script or model (built-in or provided by plugins) should be made available through a dedicated menu or toolbar (along with the Processing Toolbox). For each item of each provider, you can:

- *Add button in toolbar*, making it available in the *Processing Algorithms* toolbar
- assign an *Icon* to the algorithm
- set a *Menu path*: the algorithm will then be available through an existing or a custom menu, e.g. `Vect&or/MyTopAlgorithms`

Restart QGIS to apply the settings. At any time, your changes can be *Reset to defaults*.

In the *Models* and *Scripts* blocks, you can set a default folder to store, and look for models and scripts respectively.

You will also find a block for algorithm *Providers*. This is the place installed providers expose their settings. For example, built-in providers contain an *Activate* item that you can use to make their algorithms appear or not in the toolbox. Some algorithm providers have their own configuration items, which will be explained when covering particular algorithm providers.

24.3 The Toolbox

The *Processing Toolbox* is the main element of the processing GUI, and the one that you are more likely to use in your daily work. It shows the list of all available **algorithms** grouped in different blocks called *Providers*, and custom **models** and **scripts** you can add to extend the set of tools. Hence the toolbox is the access point to run them, whether as a single process or as a batch process involving several executions of the same algorithm on different sets of inputs.

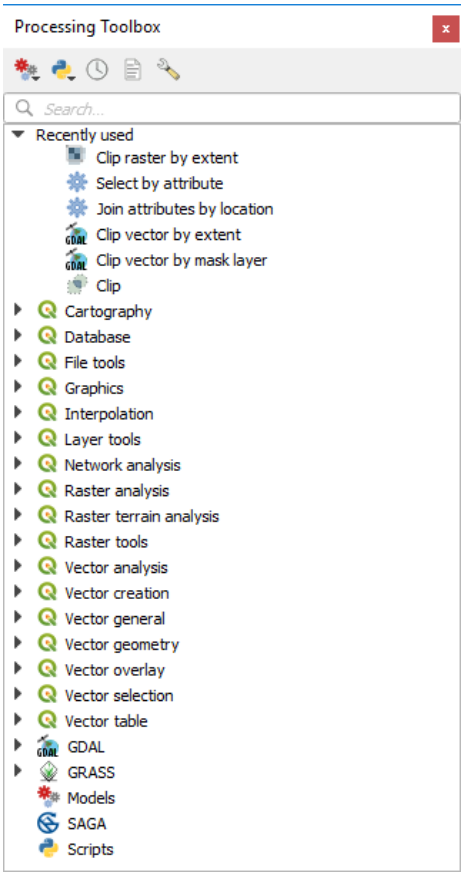


Abb. 24.6: Verarbeitungswerkzeuge

Providers can be (de)activated in the *Processing settings dialog*. By default, only providers that do not rely on third-party applications (that is, those that only require QGIS elements to be run) are active. Algorithms requiring external applications might need additional configuration. Configuring providers is explained in a *later chapter* in this manual.

In the upper part of the toolbox dialog, you will find a set of tools to:

- work with Models: *Create New Model…*, *Open Existing Model…* and *Add Model to Toolbox…*;
- work with Scripts: *Create New Script…*, *Create New Script from Template…*, *Open Existing Script…* and *Add Script to Toolbox…*;
- open the History panel;
- open the Results Viewer panel;
- toggle the toolbox to the *in-place modification mode* using the Edit Features In-Place button: only the algorithms that are suitable to be executed on the active layer without outputting a new layer are displayed;
- open the Options dialog.

Below this toolbar is a *Search…* box to help you easily find the tools you need. You can enter any word or phrase on the text box. Notice that, as you type, the number of algorithms, models or scripts in the toolbox is reduced to just those that contain the text you have entered in their names or keywords.

Bemerkung: At the top of the list of algorithms are displayed the most recent used tools; handy if you want to reexecute any.

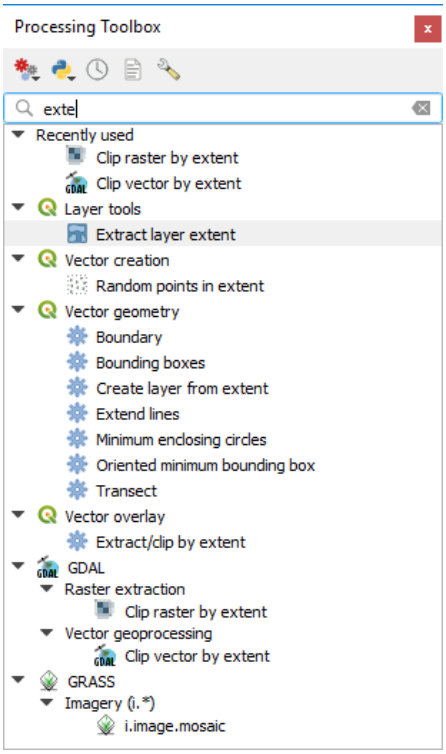


Abb. 24.7: Die Verarbeitungswerkzeuge zeigen Suchergebnisse

To execute a tool, just double-click on its name in the toolbox.

24.3.1 Der Algorithmus Dialog

Once you double-click on the name of the algorithm that you want to execute, a dialog similar to that in the Abb. 24.8 below is shown (in this case, the dialog corresponds to the `Centroids` algorithm).

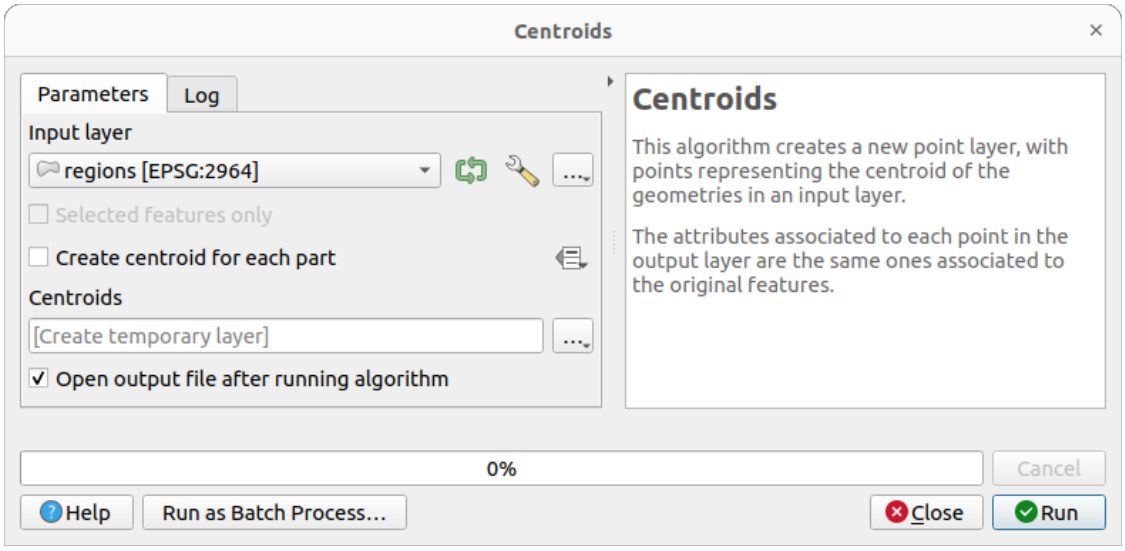


Abb. 24.8: Algorithm Dialog - Parameters

The dialog shows two tabs (*Parameters* and *Log*) on the left part, the algorithm description on the right, and a set of buttons at the bottom.

The *Parameters* tab is used to set the input values that the algorithm needs to be executed. It shows a list of input values and configuration parameters to be set. It of course has a different content, depending on the requirements of the algorithm to be executed, and is created automatically based on those requirements.

Obwohl die Anzahl und Art der Parameter von den Eigenschaften des Algorithmus abhängt, ist die Struktur für alle ähnlich. Die Parameter die Sie in der Tabelle finden können können folgende Typen sein.

- A **raster layer**, to select from a list of all such layers available (currently opened) in QGIS. The selector contains as well a button on its right-hand side, to let you select filenames that represent layers currently not loaded in QGIS.
- A **vector layer**, to select from a list of all vector layers available in QGIS. Layers not loaded in QGIS can be selected as well, as in the case of raster layers, but only if the algorithm does not require a table field selected from the attributes table of the layer. In that case, only opened layers can be selected, since they need to be open so as to retrieve the list of field names available.

  You will see an iterator button by each vector layer selector, as shown in the figure below.

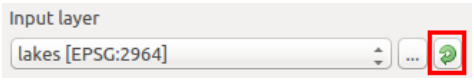


Abb. 24.9: Vektor Interator Knopf

  Wenn der Algorithmus mehrere davon enthält können Sie auch nur einen von Ihnen umschalten. Wenn der zu einer Vektoreingabe gehörende Knopf umgeschaltet ist wird der Algorithmus iterativ mit jedem seiner Objekte ausgeführt anstatt nur einmal für den ganzen Layer und erstellt so viele Ausgaben wie der Algorithmus ausgeführt wurde. Dies ermöglicht es den Ablauf zu automatisieren wenn alle Objekte in einem Layer separat verarbeitet werden müssen.

Bemerkung: By default, the parameters dialog will show a description of the CRS of each layer along with its name. If you do not want to see this additional information, you can disable this functionality in the Processing Settings dialog, unchecking the *General* ► *Show layer CRS definition in selection boxes* option.

- A **table**, to select from a list of all available in QGIS. Non-spatial tables are loaded into QGIS like vector layers, and in fact they are treated as such by the program. Currently, the list of available tables that you will see when executing an algorithm that needs one of them is restricted to tables coming from files in dBase (`.dbf`) or Comma-Separated Values (`.csv`) formats.
- An **option**, to choose from a selection list of possible options.
- A **numerical value**, to be introduced in a spin box. In some contexts (when the parameter applies at the feature level and not at the layer's), you will find a Data-defined override button by its side, allowing you to open the *expression builder* and enter a mathematical expression to generate variable values for the parameter. Some useful variables related to data loaded into QGIS can be added to your expression, so you can select a value derived from any of these variables, such as the cell size of a layer or the northernmost coordinate of another one.

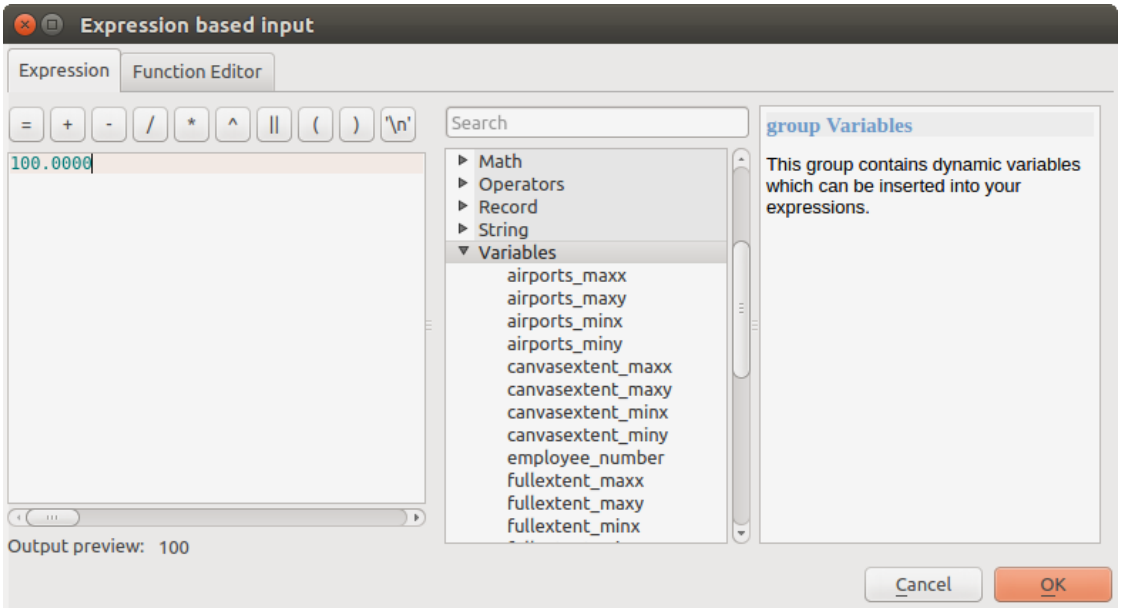


Abb. 24.10: Expression based input

- A **range**, with min and max values to be introduced in two text boxes.
- A **text string**, to be introduced in a text box.
- A **field**, to choose from the attributes table of a vector layer or a single table selected in another parameter.
- A **coordinate reference system**. You can select it among the recently used ones from the drop-down list or from the *CRS selection* dialog that appears when you click on the button on the right-hand side.
- An **extent**, a text box defining a rectangle through its corners coordinate in the format `xmin, xmax, ymin, ymax`. Clicking on the button on the right-hand side of the value selector, a pop-up menu will appear, giving you options to:
  - *Calculate from layer*: fills the text box with the coordinates of the bounding box of a layer to select among the loaded ones
  - *Use map canvas extent*
  - *Draw on canvas*: the parameters window will hide itself, so you can click and drag onto the canvas. Once you have defined the extent rectangle, the dialog will reappear, containing the values in the extent text box.

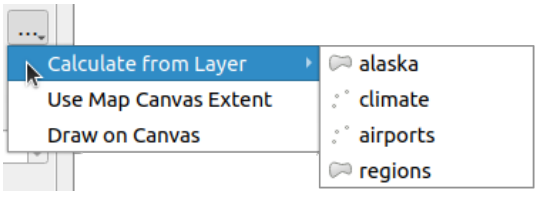


Abb. 24.11: Ausdehnung Auswahl

- A **list of elements** (whether raster or vector layers, tables, fields) to select from. Click on the … button at the left of the option to see a dialog like the following one. Multiple selection is allowed and when the dialog is closed, number of selected items is displayed in the parameter text box widget.

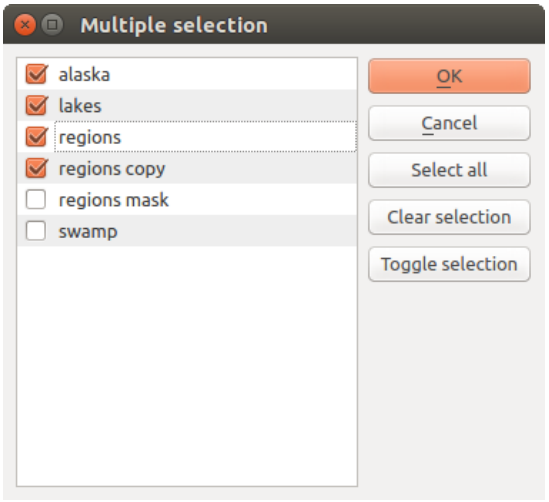


Abb. 24.12: Mehrfachauswahl

- A **small table** to be edited by the user. These are used to define parameters like lookup tables or convolution kernels, among others.

  Klicken Sie auf den Knopf auf der rechten Seite, um die Tabelle zu sehen und zu editieren.

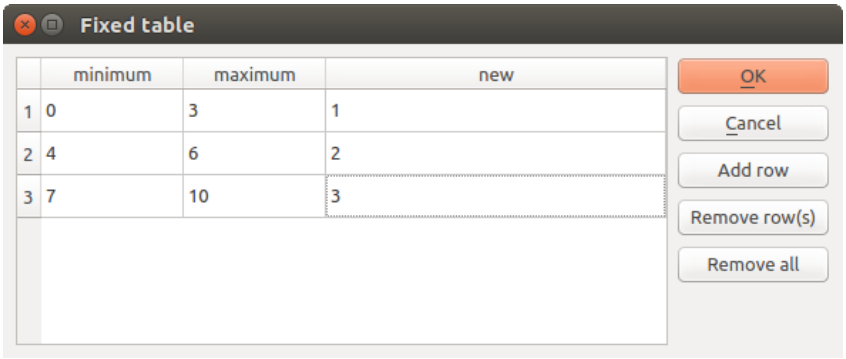


Abb. 24.13: Fixe Tabelle

  In Abhängigkeit vom Algorithmus kann die Anzahl der Zeilen verändert werden oder auch nicht, indem Sie auf den Knopf rechts neben dem Fenster klicken.

Bemerkung: Some algorithms require many parameters to run, e.g. in the *Raster calculator* you have to specify manually the cell size, the extent and the CRS. You can avoid to choose all the parameters manually when the algorithm has the `Reference layers` parameter. With this parameter you can choose the reference layer and all its properties (cell size, extent, CRS) will be used.

Along with the *Parameters* tab, there is another tab named *Log* (see Abb. 24.14 below). Information provided by the algorithm during its execution is written in this tab, and allow you to track the execution and be aware and have more details about the algorithm as it runs. Information on algorithm execution is also output in the *View* ► *Panels* ► *Log Messages Panel*.

Notice that not all algorithms write information to the *Log* tab, and many of them might run silently without producing any output other than the final files. Check the *Log Messages Panel* in that case.

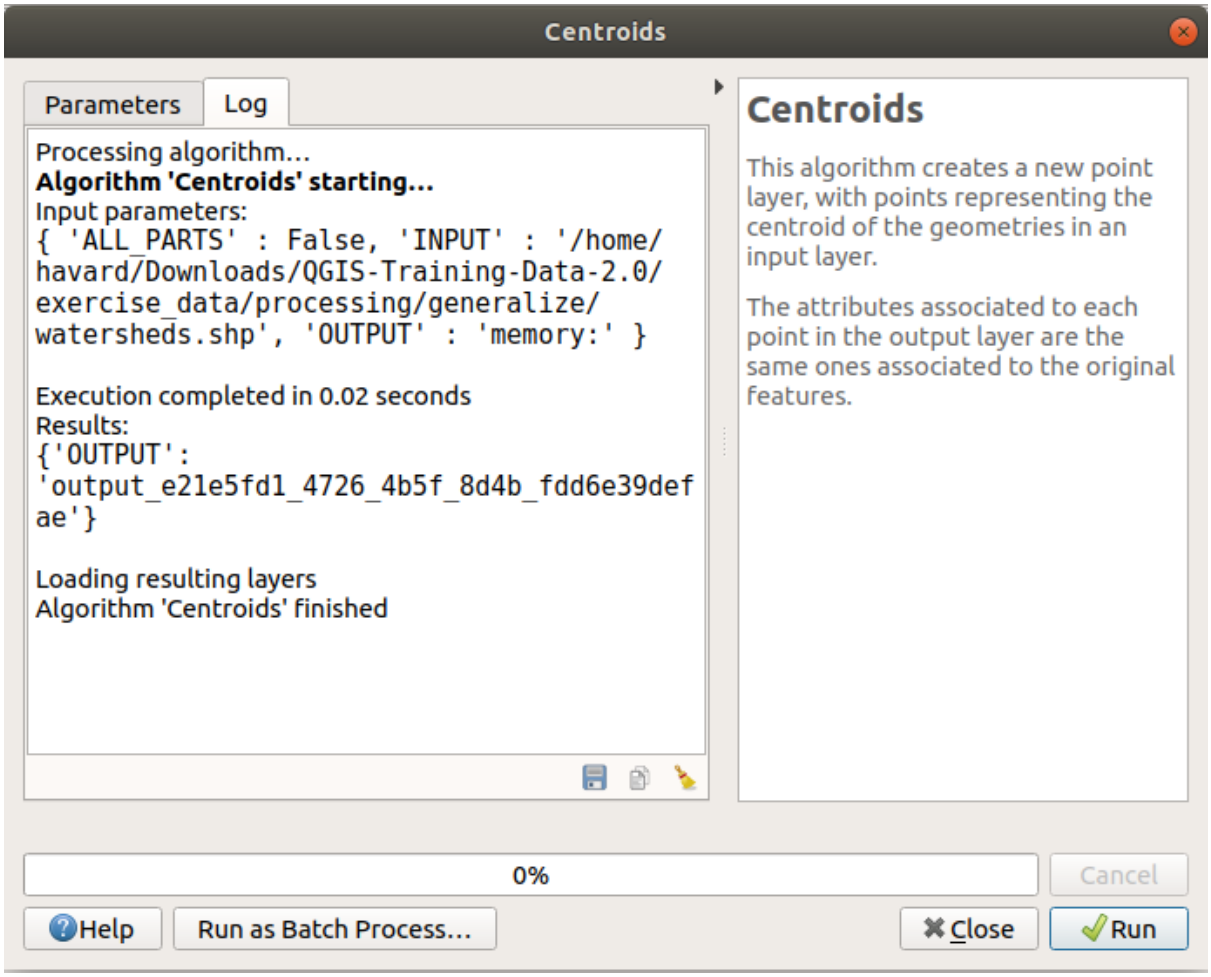


Abb. 24.14: Algorithm Dialog - Log

At the bottom of the *Log* tab you will find buttons to *Save Log to File*, *Copy Log to Clipboard* and *Clear Log*. These are particularly handy when you have checked the *Keep dialog open after running algorithm* in the *General* part of the Processing options.

On the right hand side of the dialog you will find a short description of the algorithm, which will help you understand its purpose and its basic ideas. If such a description is not available, the description panel will not be shown.

For a more detailed help file, which might include description of every parameter it uses, or examples, you will find a *Help* button at the bottom of the dialog bringing you to the *Processing algorithms documentation* or to the provider documentation (for some third-party providers).

The *Run as batch process* button triggers the *batch processing mode* allowing to configure and run multiple instances of the algorithm with a variety of parameters.

Bemerkung zum Thema Projektionen

Processing algorithm execution are always performed in the input layer coordinate reference system (CRS). Due to QGIS's on-the-fly reprojecting capabilities, although two layers might seem to overlap and match, that might not be true if their original coordinates are used without reprojecting them onto a common coordinate system. Whenever you use more than one layer as input to a *QGIS native algorithm*, whether vector or raster, the layers will all be reprojected to match the coordinate reference system of the first input layer.

This is however less true for most of the external applications whose algorithms are exposed through the processing framework as they assume that all of the layers are already in a common coordinate system and ready to be analyzed.

By default, the parameters dialog will show a description of the CRS of each layer along with its name, making it easy to select layers that share the same CRS to be used as input layers. If you do not want to see this additional information, you can disable this functionality in the Processing settings dialog, unchecking the *Show layer CRS definition in selection boxes* option.

If you try to execute an algorithm using as input two or more layers with unmatching CRSs, a warning dialog will be shown. This occurs thanks to the *Warn before executing if layer CRS's do not match* option.

Sie können den Algorithmus immer noch ausführen, seien Sie sich aber dessen bewusst dass dies in den meisten Fällen zu falschen Ergebnissen führt, so z.B. leere Layer aufgrunddessen dass Eingabelayer nicht überlappen.

Tipp: Use Processing algorithms to do intermediate reprojection

When an algorithm can not successfully perform on multiple input layers due to unmatching CRSs, use QGIS internal algorithm such as *Reproject layer* to perform layers' reprojection to the same CRS before executing the algorithm using these outputs.

24.3.2 Von Algorithmen erstellte Datenobjekte

Von Algorithmen erstellte Datenobjekte können jeder der folgenden Typen sein:

- Rasterlayer
- Vektorlayer
- Tabelle
- HTML-Datei (wird für Text und grafische Ausgabe verwendet)

These are all saved to disk, and the parameters table will contain a text box corresponding to each one of these outputs, where you can type the output channel to use for saving it. An output channel contains the information needed to save the resulting object somewhere. In the most usual case, you will save it to a file, but in the case of vector layers, and when they are generated by native algorithms (algorithms not using external applications) you can also save to a PostGIS, GeoPackage or SpatiaLite database, or a memory layer.

Um einen Ausgabekanal auszuwählen, klicken Sie einfach auf den Knopf auf der rechten Seite des Textfelds und Sie werden ein kleines Kontextmenü mit den verfügbaren Optionen sehen.

Im häufigsten Fall werden Sie Speichern in einer Datei auswählen. Wenn Sie diese Option auswählen, werden Sie in einem Datei speichern Dialog aufgefordert werden, den gewünschten Dateipfad auszuwählen. Unterstützte Dateierweiterungen werden in der Dateiformatauswahl des Dialogs gezeigt, abhängig von der Art der Ausgabe und des Algorithmus.

The format of the output is defined by the filename extension. The supported formats depend on what is supported by the algorithm itself. To select a format, just select the corresponding file extension (or add it, if you are directly typing the file path instead). If the extension of the file path you entered does not match any of the supported formats, a default extension will be appended to the file path, and the file format corresponding to that extension will be used to save the layer or table. Default extensions are `.dbf` for tables, `.tif` for raster layers and `.gpkg` for vector layers. These can be modified in the setting dialog, selecting any other of the formats supported by QGIS.

If you do not enter any filename in the output text box (or select the corresponding option in the context menu), the result will be saved as a *temporary file* in the corresponding default file format, and it will be deleted once you exit QGIS (take care with that, in case you save your project and it contains temporary layers).

You can set a default folder for output data objects. Go to the settings dialog (you can open it from the *Settings* ► *Options* ► *Processing* menu), and in the *General* group, you will find a parameter named *Output folder*. This output folder is used as the default path in case you type just a filename with no path (i.e., `myfile.shp`) when executing an algorithm.

Wenn Sie einen Algorithmus ausführen, der einen Vektorlayer im iterativen Modus verwendet, wird der eingegebene Dateipfad als Basispfad für alle erstellten Dateien, die mit Hilfe des Basisnamens benannt werden und an die eine Nummer, die den Index der Iteration darstellt, angehängt wird, verwendet. Die Dateierweiterung (und das Format) wird für alle so erstellten Dateien benutzt.

Apart from raster layers and tables, algorithms also generate graphics and text as HTML files. These results are shown at the end of the algorithm execution in a new dialog. This dialog will keep the results produced by any algorithm during the current session, and can be shown at any time by selecting *Processing* ► *Results Viewer* from the QGIS main menu.

Einige externe Anwendungen können Dateien (ohne besondere Einschränkungen bei der Dateinamen-Erweiterung haben) als Ausgabe erzeugen, die nicht zu einer der oben genannten Kategorien gehören. Diese Ausgabedateien werden nicht von QGIS verarbeitet (weder geöffnet noch in das aktuelle QGIS-Projekt integriert), da diese meistens nicht von QGIS unterstützt werden. Dies ist beispielsweise der Fall beim LAS-Format für LIDAR-Daten. Die Dateien werden erstellt, aber Sie werden nicht in QGIS angezeigt.

Für alle anderen Arten von Ausgaben finden Sie ein Kontrollkästchen, mit dem sie festlegen können, ob die Datei in **|qg|** geladen werden soll oder nicht, wenn sie durch den Algorithmus erzeugt wurde. Standardmäßig werden alle Dateien angezeigt.

Optionale Ausgaben werden nicht unterstützt, alle Ausgaben werden erstellt, aber Sie können über das entsprechende Kontrollkästchen definieren, wenn Sie an einer bestimmten Ausgabe nicht interessiert sind, was es im Wesentlichen zu einer Optionale Ausgabe macht (Der Layer wird zwar erstellt, aber nur temporär im Hintergrund, wenn Sie das Textfeld leer lassen, und wieder gelöscht, sobald Sie QGIS verlassen).

24.4 Das Protokoll

24.4.1 Das Verarbeitung Protokoll

Jedes Mal, wenn Sie einen Algorithmus ausführen, werden Informationen über den Prozess im Verlaufsmanager gespeichert. Datum und Uhrzeit der Ausführung werden zusammen mit den verwendeten Parametern gespeichert, was es einfach macht, alle Arbeiten, die mit dem Verarbeitungsframework entwickelt wurden, zu verfolgen, zu kontrollieren und zu reproduzieren.

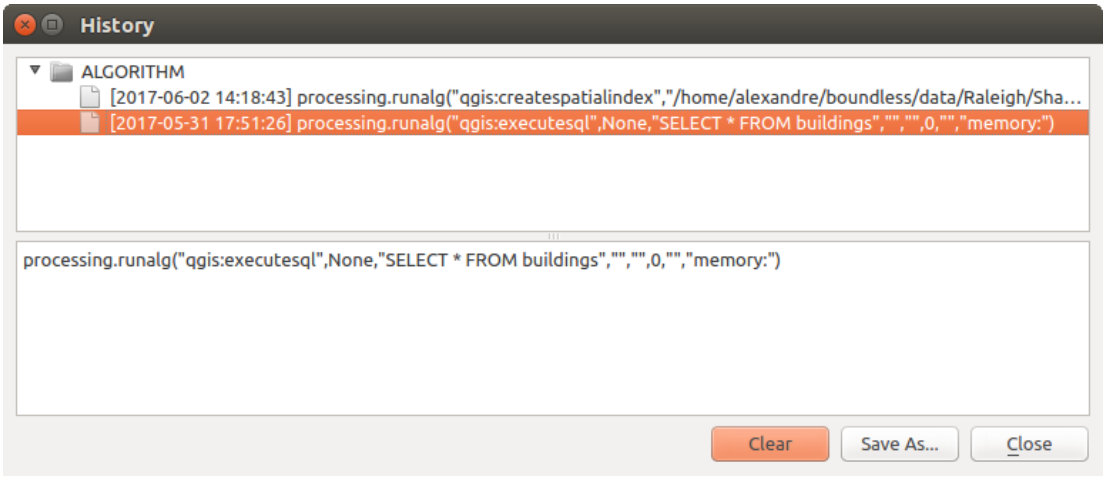


Abb. 24.15: Protokoll

Prozessinformationen werden als Befehlszeilenausdruck gespeichert, selbst wenn der Algorithmus aus der Toolbox gestartet wurde. Dies macht es nützlich für diejenigen, die lernen möchten, wie man die Befehlszeilenschnittstelle verwendet, da sie einen Algorithmus mit der Toolbox aufrufen und dann das Protokoll nutzen können, um zu sehen, wie er von der Befehlszeile aus aufgerufen werden könnte.

Neben dem Durchsuchen der Einträge in der Registrierung können Sie Prozesse auch erneut ausführen, indem Sie einfach auf den Eintrag doppelklicken. Das Algorithmus-Dialogfeld wird dann mit bereits festgelegten Parametern geöffnet, und Sie können jeden davon an Ihre Bedürfnisse anpassen und den Algorithmus erneut ausführen.

Der *History*-Dialog bietet auch eine bequeme Möglichkeit, zur Konsolidierung der Testinfrastruktur von QGIS-Verarbeitungsalgorithmen und -skripten beizutragen. Wenn Sie mit der rechten Maustaste auf einen Eintrag klicken, können Sie *Create Test…* unter Verwendung des betreffenden Algorithmus und der Parameter verwenden, indem Sie den Anweisungen unter https://github.com/qgis/QGIS/blob/release-3_22/python/plugins/processing/tests/README.md folgen.

24.4.2 Das Verarbeitung Log

Der Verlaufsdialog enthält nur die Ausführungsaufrufe, aber nicht die Informationen, die der Algorithmus bei der Ausführung erzeugt. Diese Informationen werden in das QGIS-Log geschrieben (*View* ► *Panels* ► *Log Messages Panel*).

Algorithmen von Drittanbietern werden normalerweise mithilfe ihrer Befehlszeilenschnittstellen ausgeführt, die über die Konsole mit dem Benutzer kommunizieren. Obwohl diese Konsole nicht angezeigt wird, wird normalerweise jedes Mal, wenn Sie einen dieser Algorithmen ausführen, ein vollständiger Dump davon in das Protokoll geschrieben. Um das Protokoll nicht mit diesen Informationen zu überladen, können Sie es für jeden Anbieter im Einstellungsdialog deaktivieren.

Einige Algorithmen geben, auch wenn sie mit den gegebenen Eingabedaten ein Ergebnis liefern können, Kommentare oder zusätzliche Informationen zum Protokollieren aus, wenn sie potenzielle Probleme mit den Daten erkennen, um Sie zu warnen. Stellen Sie sicher, dass Sie diese Meldungen im Protokoll überprüfen, wenn Sie unerwartete Ergebnisse erhalten.

24.5 Die Grafische Modellierung

Der *Grafische Modellierer* ermöglicht es Ihnen, komplexe Modelle über eine einfache und leicht zu bedienende Schnittstelle zu erstellen. Wenn Sie mit einem GIS arbeiten, sind die meisten Analyseoperationen nicht isoliert, sondern Teil einer Kette von Operationen. Mit dem grafischen Modellierer kann diese Kette von Operationen in einen einzigen Prozess verpackt werden, so dass sie später bequem mit einem anderen Satz von Eingaben ausgeführt werden kann. Unabhängig davon, wie viele Schritte und verschiedene Algorithmen es umfasst, wird ein Modell als ein einziger Algorithmus ausgeführt, was Zeit und Mühe spart.

Der grafische Modellierer kann über das Menü Verarbeitung geöffnet werden (*Verarbeitung* ► *Grafische Modellierung*).

24.5.1 The graphical modeler interface

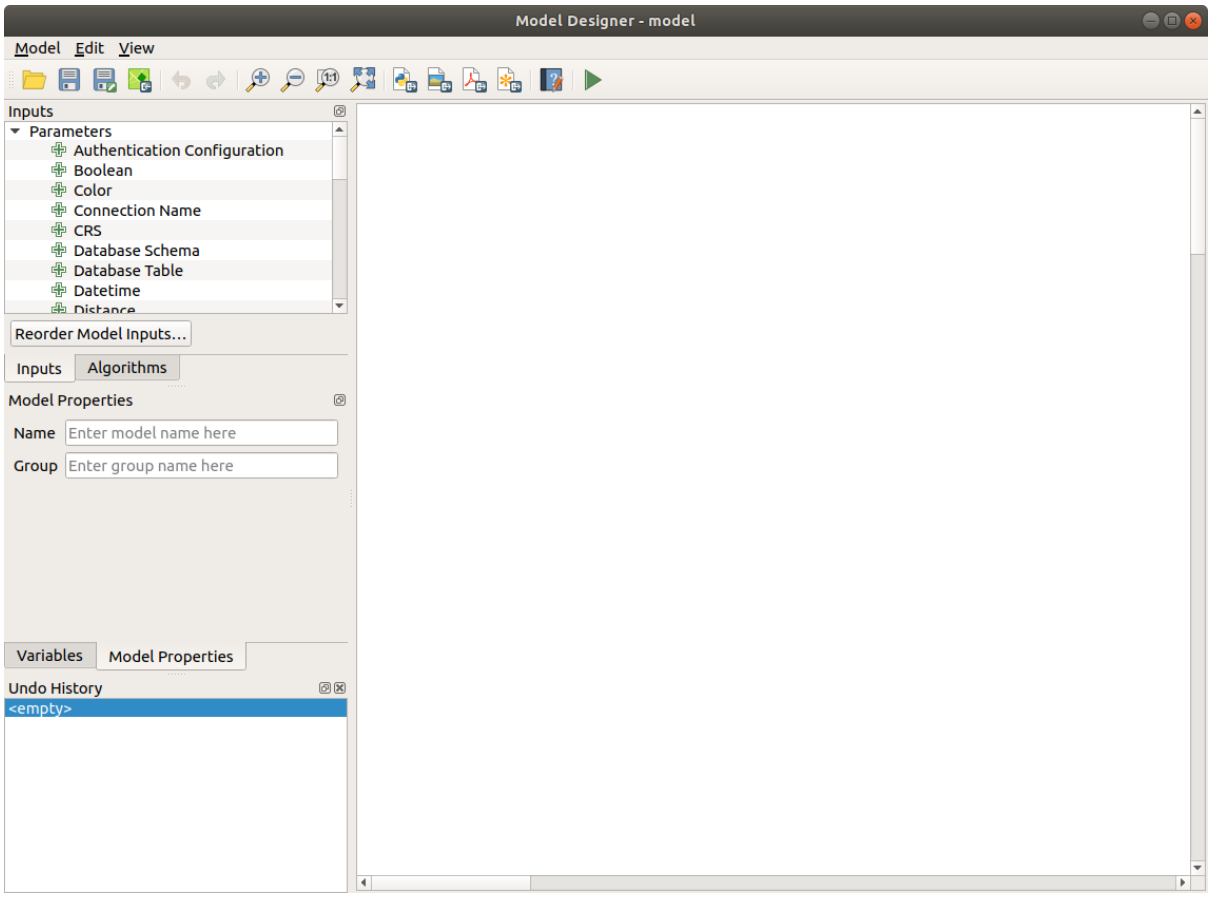


Abb. 24.16: Modellierung

In its main part, the modeler has a working canvas where the structure of the model and the workflow it represents can be constructed.

At the top of the dialog, different menus and the *Navigation* toolbar give access to a variety of tools.

Model menu

Label	Shortcut	Navigation Toolbar	Description
Validate Model			Checks whether the algorithms and inputs used in the model exist. Convenient before releasing a model.
Run Model…	F5	☑	Executes the model
Reorder Model Inputs…			Sets the order in which inputs are presented to the user in the algorithm dialog.
Open Model…	Ctrl+O	☑	Opens a .model3 file for edit or execution
Save Model	Ctrl+S	☑	Saves the model to disk as a .model3 file
Save Model as…	Ctrl+Shift+S	☑	Saves the model to disk as a new .model3 file
Save Model in project		☑	Embeds the model file in the project file, making it available when sharing the project file.
Edit Model Help…		☑	An interface to document the model, the algorithms, the parameters and outputs, as well as the author and versioning
Export ►			
► *Export as Image…*		☑	Saves the model's graphical design to an image file format (for illustration purpose)
► *Export as PDF…*			Saves the model's graphical design to a PDF file format (for illustration purpose)
► *Export as SVG…*			Saves the model's graphical design to an SVG file format (for illustration purpose)
► *Export as Script Algorithm…*		☑	Generates a python script file including the model's instructions

Edit menu

Label	Shortcut	Navigation Toolbar	Description
Select All	`Ctrl+A`		Selects all the model components in the designer
Snap selected components to Grid			snaps and aligns the elements into a grid
Redo	`Ctrl+Y`	☑	Rollback the latest canceled action. See also the *Undo/Redo* panel.
Undo	`Ctrl+Z`	☑	Cancel the previous change. See also the *Undo/Redo* panel.
Cut	`Ctrl+X`		Cuts a selection of components from the model.
Copy	`Ctrl+C`		Copies a selection of components from the model.
Paste	`Ctrl+V`		Pastes a cut or copied selection of components from a model to another or within the same model. The selected components keep their original properties and comments.
Delete selected components	`Del`		Removes a component from the model.
Add Group Box			Adds a box at the background of related components in order to visually group them. Particularly useful in big models to keep the workflow clean.

View menu

Label	Shortcut	Navigation Toolbar	Description
Zoom To ►			Zooms to the selected group box extent
Zoom In	`Ctrl++`	☑	
Zoom Out	`Ctrl+-`	☑	
Zoom to 100%	`Ctrl+1`	☑	
Zoom Full	`Ctrl+0`	☑	Displays all the components in the designer current canvas
Show Comments			Displays comments associated to every algorithm or input in the graphical designer
Enable Snapping			
Toggle Panel Visibility	`Ctrl+Tab`		Switches ON or OFF the *panels* in the designer

Panels

The left part of the window is a section with five panels that can be used to add new elements to the model:

1. *Model Properties*: specify the name (required) of the model and the group in which it will be displayed in the *Processing Toolbox*
2. *Inputs*: all the *input parameters* that could shape your model
3. *Algorithms*: the available *Processing algorithms*
4. *Variables*: Models can contain dedicated *variables* that are unique and only available to them. These variables can be accessed by any expression used within the model. They are useful to control algorithms within a model and control multiple aspects of the model by changing a single variable. The variables can be viewed and modified in the *Variables* panel.
5. *Undo History*: this panel will register everything that happens in the modeler, making it easy to cancel things you did wrong.

Zu den verfügbaren Algorithmen

Some algorithms that can be executed from the toolbox do not appear in the list of available algorithms when you are designing a model. To be included in a model, an algorithm must have the correct semantic. If an algorithm does not have such a well-defined semantic (for instance, if the number of output layers cannot be known in advance), then it is not possible to use it within a model, and it will not appear in the list of algorithms that you can find in the modeler dialog. On the other hand some algorithms are specific to the modeler. Those algorithms are located within the group ‚Modeler Tools'.

24.5.2 Creating a model

Das Erstellen eines Modells beinhaltet zwei grundlegende Schritte:

1. *Definition von erforderlichen Eingaben*. Diese Eingaben werden dem Paramterfenster hinzugefügt, so dass der Anwender Ihre Werte einstellen kann wenn er das Modell ausführt. Das Modell selber ist ein Algorithmus, also wird das Parameterfenster automatisch erstellt, so wie es mit allen Algorithmen, die in der Verarbeiten Umgebung zur Verfügung stehen, passiert.
2. *Definition des Arbeitsablaufs*. Der Arbeitsablauf wird definiert, indem Algorithmen hinzugefügt werden. In diesen wird festgelegt, wie sie die definierten Eingaben oder die von anderen Algorithmen im Modell erzeugten Ausgaben verwenden.

Definition von Eingaben

Der erste Schritt besteht darin, die Eingaben für das Modell zu definieren. Die folgenden Elemente befinden sich auf der Registerkarte :guilabel: *Eingaben* auf der linken Seite des Modellierfensters:

Tab. 24.1: List of parameter types for model building

Annotation Layer	Authentication Configuration	Boolean	Color
Coordinate Operation	CRS	Database Schema	Database Table
Distance	Duration	DXF Layers	Enum
Extent	Field Aggregates	Fields Mapper	File/Folder
Map Layer	Map Theme	Matrix	Mesh Dataset
Mesh Layer	Multiple Input	Number	Point
Print Layout	Print Layout Item	Range	Raster Band
Scale	String	TIN Creation Layers	Vector Feature
Vector Layer	Vector Tile Writer Layers		

Bemerkung: Wenn Sie mit der Maus über die Eingaben fahren, wird ein Tooltip mit zusätzlichen Informationen angezeigt.

Wenn Sie auf ein Element doppelklicken, wird ein Dialog angezeigt, in dem Sie seine Eigenschaften definieren können. Je nach Parameter enthält der Dialog mindestens ein Grundelement (die Beschreibung, die der Benutzer bei der Ausführung des Modells sieht). Wenn Sie einen numerischen Wert hinzufügen, wie in der nächsten Abbildung zu sehen ist, müssen Sie, zusätzlich zur Beschreibung des Parameters, einen Standardwert und den Bereich der gültigen Werte festlegen.

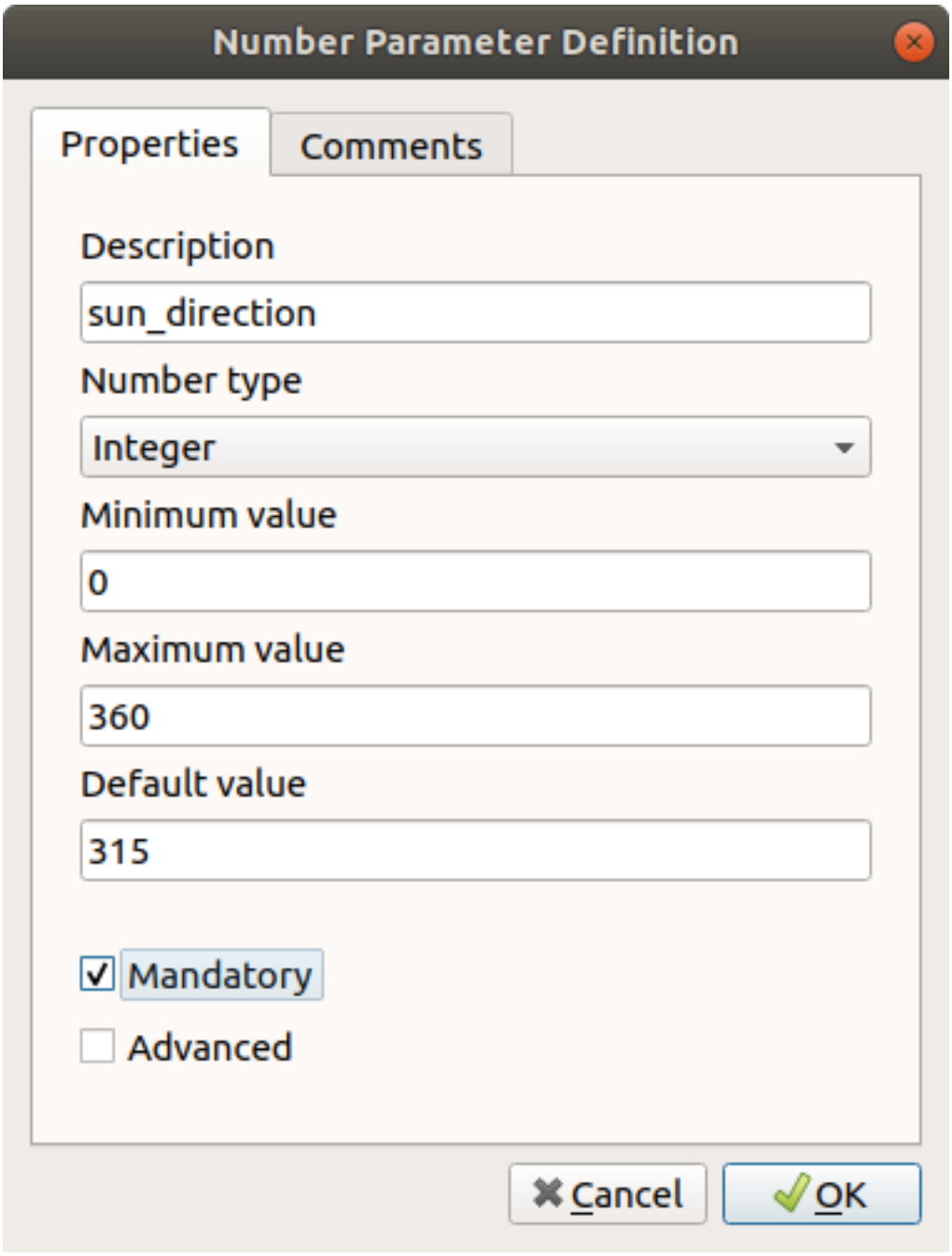


Abb. 24.17: Definition der Modellparameter

Sie können Ihre Eingabe als zwingend für Ihr Modell definieren, indem Sie das Kontrollkästchen Zwingend ankreuzen. Durch Ankreuzen des Kontrollkästchens :sup: *Erweitert* können Sie die Eingabe so einstellen, dass

sie sich im Abschnitt Erweitert befindet. Dies ist besonders nützlich, wenn das Modell viele Parameter hat und einige davon nicht trivial sind, Sie diese aber dennoch wählen möchten.

Für jede hinzugefügte Eingabe wird der Modellierungsebene ein neues Element hinzugefügt.



Abb. 24.18: Modellparameter

Sie können Eingaben auch hinzufügen, indem Sie den Eingabetyp aus der Liste an die gewünschten Stelle im Modellierungsfenster ziehen. Wenn Sie einen Parameter einer bestehenden Eingabe ändern möchten, doppelklicken Sie einfach darauf, und es erscheint der gleiche Dialog.

When using a model within another model, the inputs and outputs necessary will be displayed in the canvas.

Definition des Arbeitsablaufs

In the following example we will add two inputs and two algorithms. The aim of the model is to copy the elevation values from a DEM raster layer to a line layer using the `Drape` algorithm, and then calculate the total ascent of the line layer using the `Climb Along Line` algorithm.

In the *Inputs* tab, choose the two inputs as `Vector Layer` for the line and `Raster Layer` for the DEM. We are now ready to add the algorithms to the workflow.

Die Algorithmen finden Sie auf der Registerkarte *Algorithmen*, ähnlich gruppiert wie in der Verarbeitungs-Werkzeugkiste.

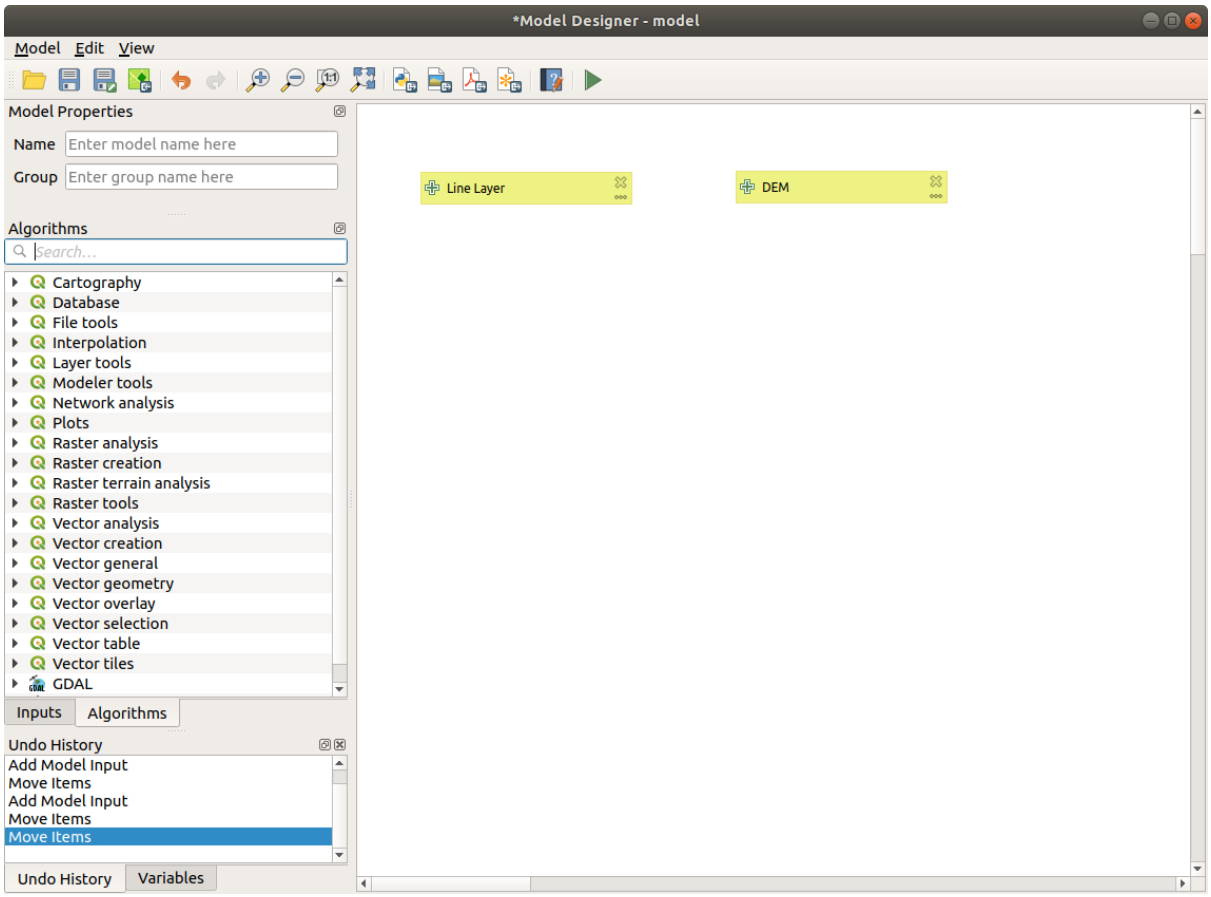


Abb. 24.19: Modell-Eingaben

To add an algorithm to a model, double-click on its name or drag and drop it, just like for inputs. As for the inputs you can change the description of the algorithm and add a comment. When adding an algorithm, an execution dialog will appear, with a content similar to the one found in the execution panel that is shown when executing the algorithm from the toolbox. The following picture shows both the `Drape (set Z value from raster)` and the `Climb along line` algorithm dialogs.

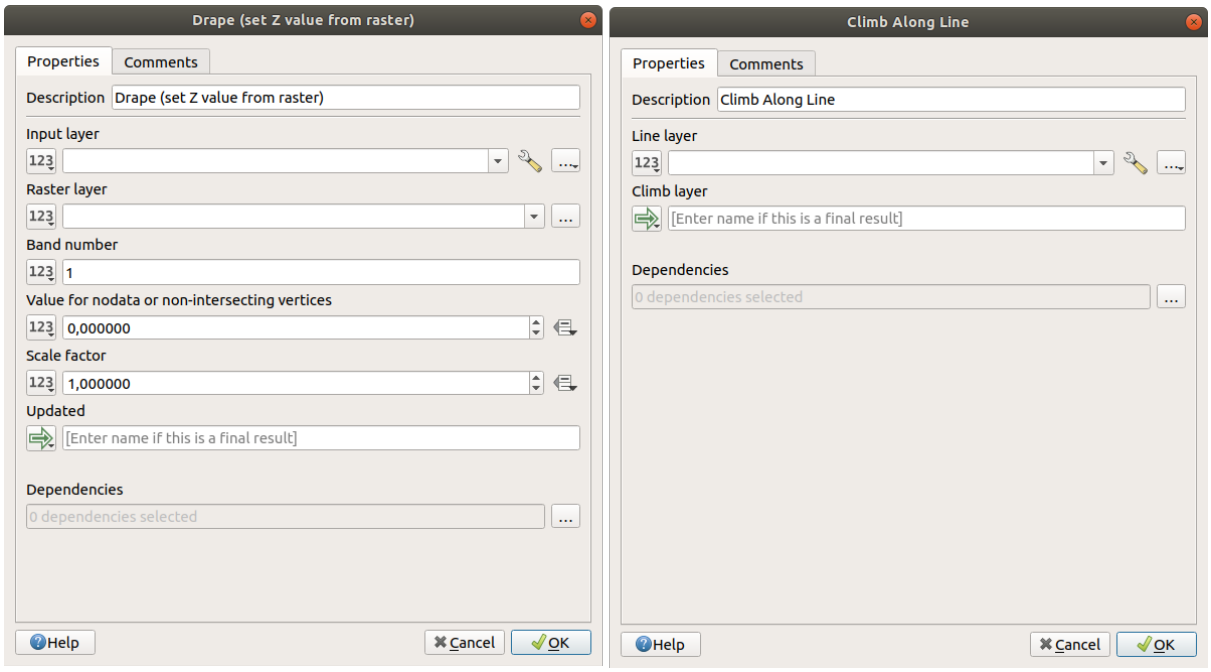


Abb. 24.20: Modell-Algorithmus-Parameter

As you can see, there are however some differences. Each parameter has a drop-down menu next to it allowing to control how it will be served during the workflow:

- `Value`: allows you to set the parameter from a loaded layer in the QGIS project or to browse a layer from a folder
- `Pre-calculated Value`: with this option you can open the Expression Builder and define your own expression to fill the parameter. Model inputs together with some other layer statistics are available as **variables** and are listed at the top of the Search dialog of the Expression Builder
- `Model Input`: choose this option if the parameter comes from an input of the model you have defined. Once clicked, this option will list all the suitable inputs for the parameter
- `Algorithm Output`: is useful when the input parameter of an algorithm is an output of another algorithm
- **outputs parameters** have the addditional `Model Output` option that makes the output of the algorithm available in the model. If a layer generated by the algorithm is only to be used as input to another algorithm, don't edit that text box.

  In the following picture you can see the two input parameters defined as `Model Input` and the temporary output layer:

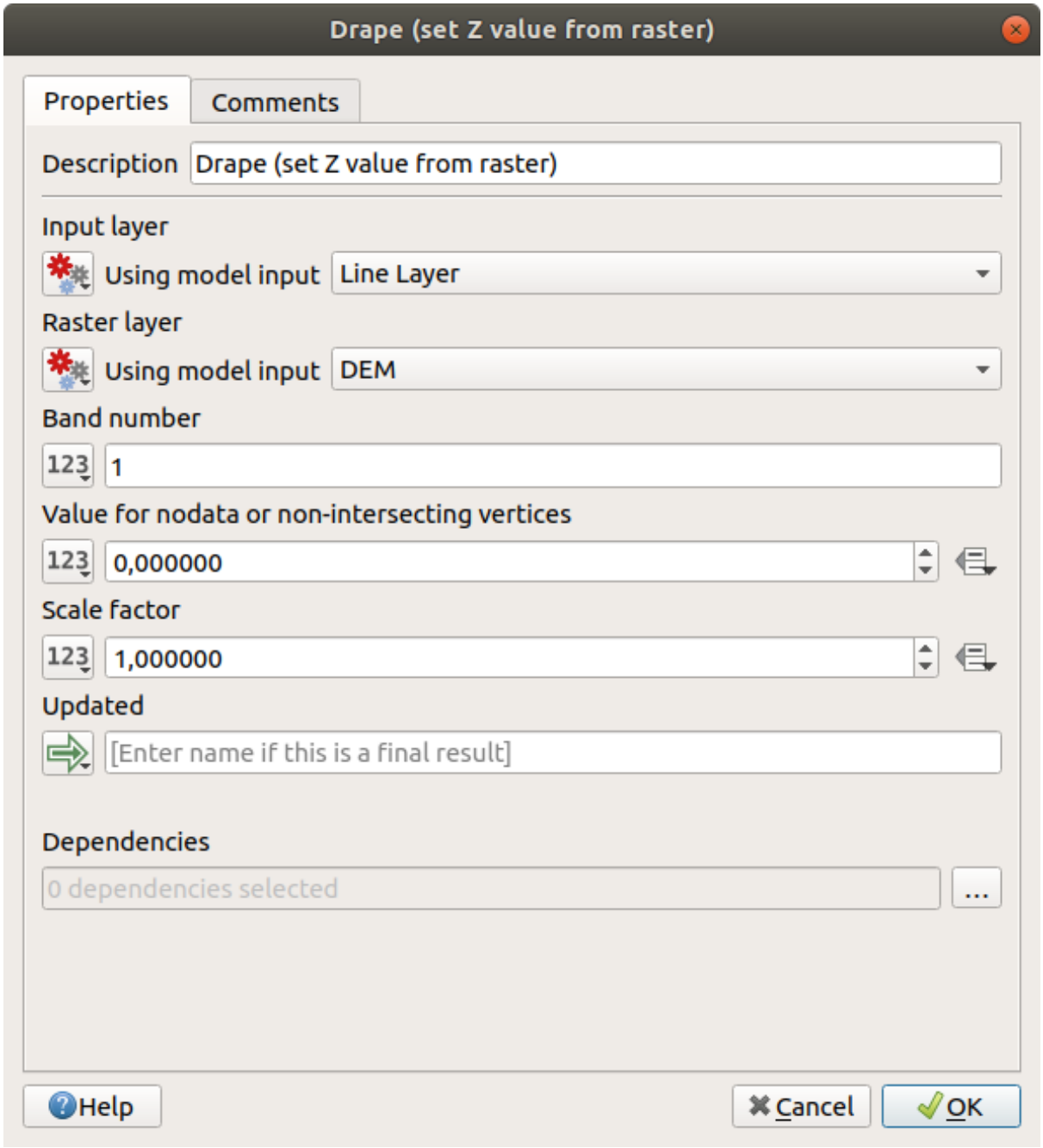


Abb. 24.21: Algorithm Input and Output parameters

You will also find an additional parameter named *Dependencies* that is not available when calling the algorithm from the toolbox. This parameter allows you to define the order in which algorithms are executed, by explicitly defining one algorithm as a *parent* of the current one. This will force the *parent* algorithm to be executed before the current one.

Wenn Sie die Ausgabe eines vorherigen Algorithmus als Eingabe Ihres Algorithmus verwenden, wird der vorherige Algorithmus implizit als übergeordneter Algorithmus des aktuellen festgelegt (und der entsprechende Pfeil im Modellierungsfenster platziert). In einigen Fällen kann ein Algorithmus jedoch von einem anderen Algorithmus abhängen, selbst wenn er kein Ausgabeobjekt von diesem verwendet (z.B. ein Algorithmus, der einen SQL-Satz auf einer PostGIS-Datenbank ausführt und ein anderer, der einen Layer in dieselbe Datenbank importiert). In diesem Fall wählen Sie einfach den vorherigen Algorithmus im Parameter *Dependencies* aus und sie werden in der richtigen Reihenfolge ausgeführt.

Sobald allen Parametern gültige Werte zugewiesen wurden, klicken Sie auf *OK* und der Algorithmus wird der

Oberfläche hinzugefügt. Er wird mit den Elementen auf der Oberfläche (Algorithmen oder Eingaben) verknüpft, die Objekte liefern, die als Eingaben für den Algorithmus verwendet werden.

Elements can be dragged to a different position on the canvas using the  Select/Move Item tool. This is useful to make the structure of the model clearer and more intuitive. You can also resize the elements, grasping their border. This is particularly useful if the description of the input or algorithm is long. With *View* ► *Enable snapping* option checked, items resizing or displacement can be bound to a virtual grid, for a more visually structured algorithm design.

Links between elements are updated automatically and you can see a + button at the top and at the bottom of each algorithm. Clicking the button will list all the inputs and outputs of the algorithm so you can have a quick overview.

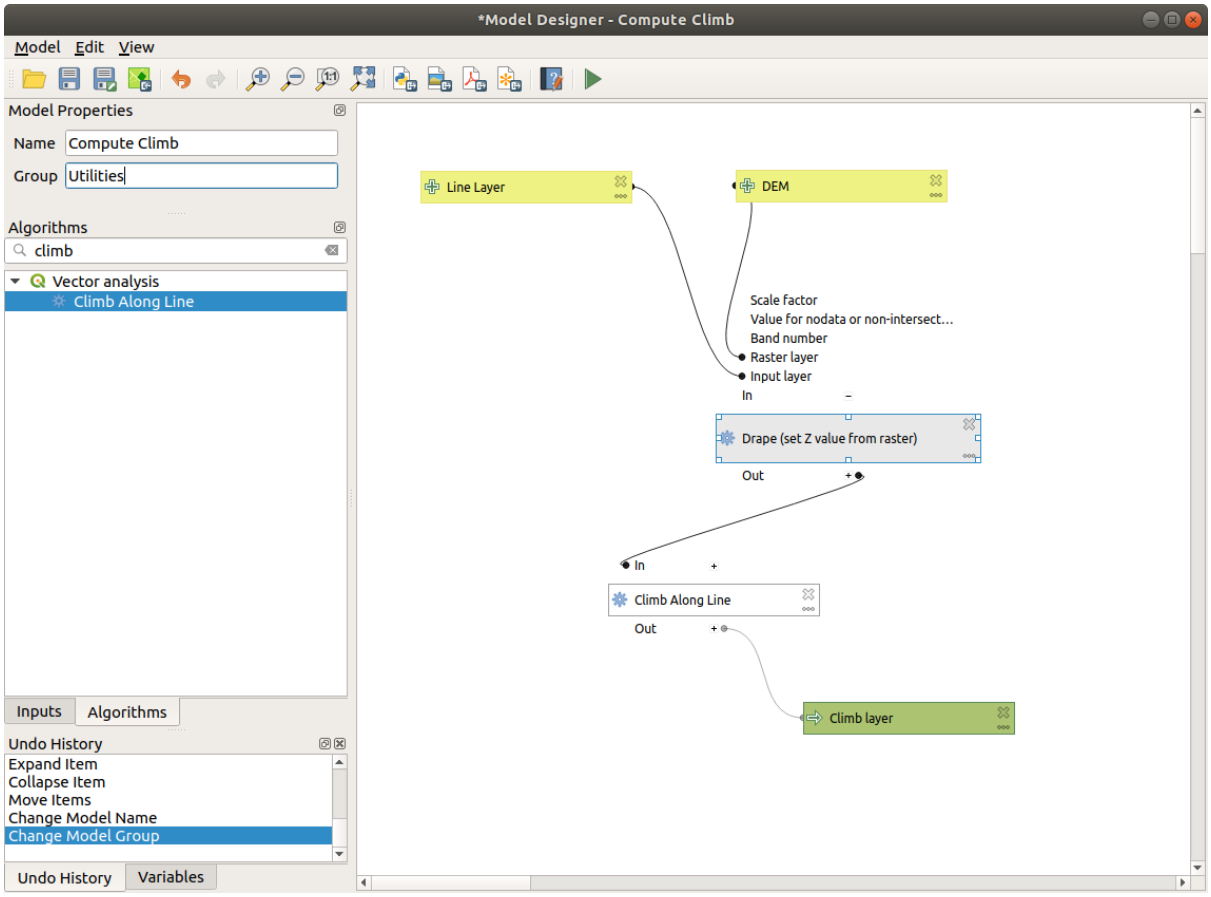


Abb. 24.22: Ein komplettes Modell

With the *Edit* ► *Add Group Box* tool, you can add a draggable *box* to the canvas. This feature is very useful in big models to group related elements in the modeler canvas and to keep the workflow clean. For example we might group together all the inputs of the example:

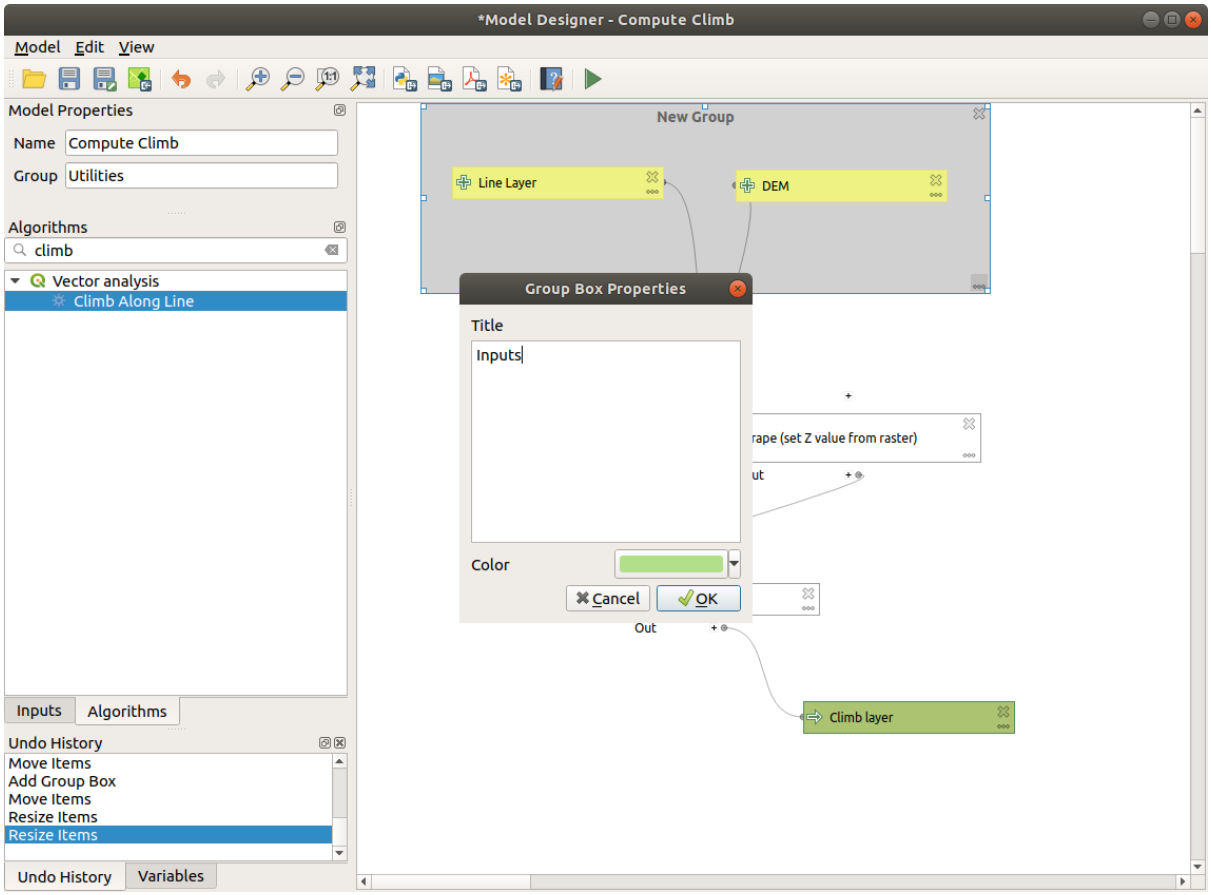


Abb. 24.23: Model Group Box

You can change the name and the color of the boxes. Group boxes are very useful when used together with *View* ► *Zoom To* ► tool, allowing you to zoom to a specific part of the model. You can also zoom in and out by using the mouse wheel.

You might want to change the order of the inputs and how they are listed in the main model dialog. At the bottom of the `Input` panel you will find the `Reorder Model Inputs...` button and by clicking on it a new dialog pops up allowing you to change the order of the inputs:

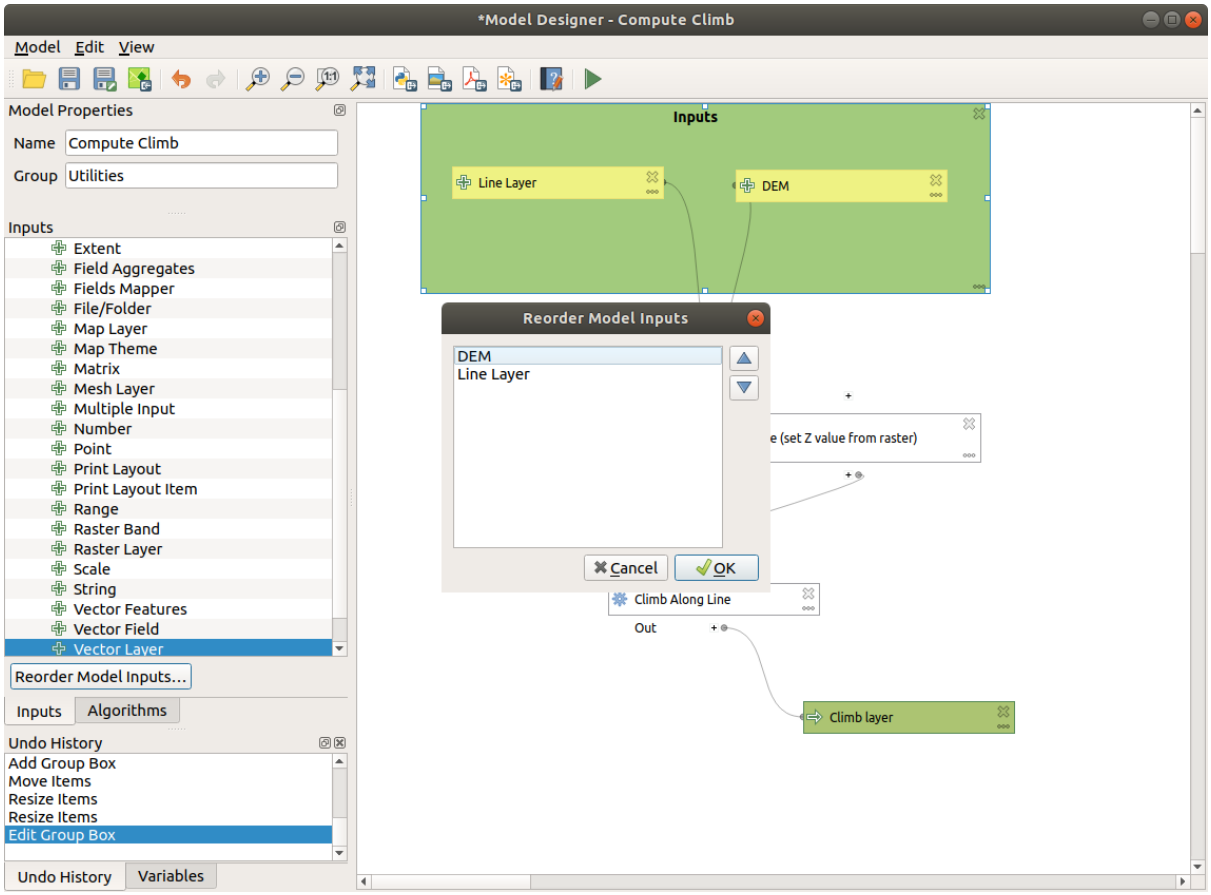


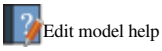
Abb. 24.24: Reorder Model Inputs

Comments can also be added to inputs or algorithms present in the modeler. This can be done by going in the *Comment* tab of the item or with a right-click. In the same tab a color can be set manual for individual model comments. Comments are visible only in the modeler canvas and not in the final algorithm dialog; they can be hidden by deactivating *View* ► *Show Comments*.

You can run your algorithm any time by clicking on the Run model button. When using the editor to execute a model, any non-default values will be saved in the inputs. This means that executing the model at a later time from the editor will have the dialog prefilled with those values on any subsequent run.

In order to use the algorithm from the toolbox, it has to be saved and the modeler dialog closed, to allow the toolbox to refresh its contents.

Documenting your model

You need to document your model, and this can be done from the modeler itself. Click on the 

button, and a dialog like the one shown next will appear.

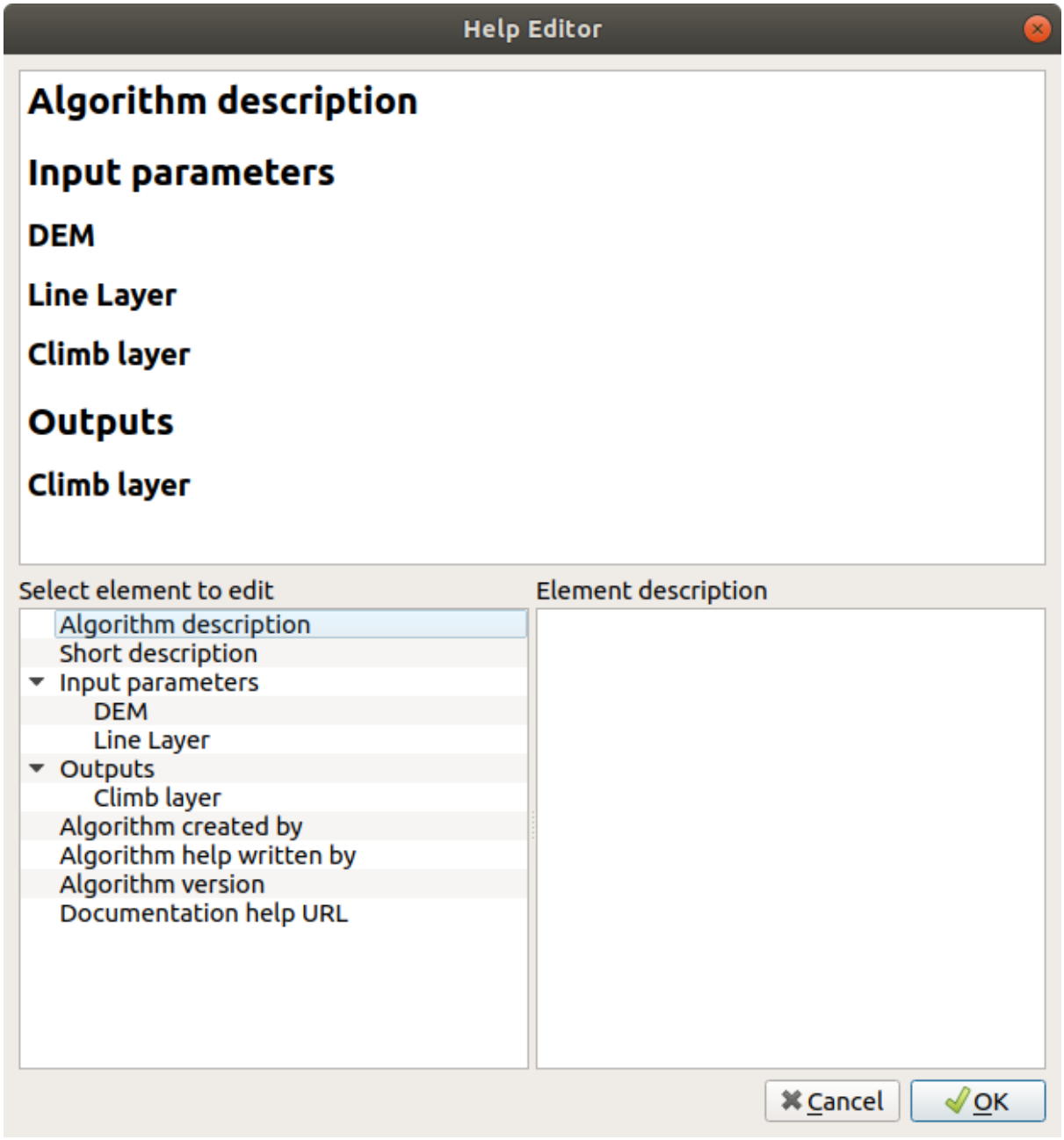


Abb. 24.25: Hilfe bearbeiten

Auf der rechten Seite finden Sie eine einfache HTML-Seite, die anhand der Eingabeparameter und Ausgaben des Algorithmus erstellt wurde, zusammen mit einigen zusätzlichen Einträgen wie eine allgemeine Beschreibung des Modells und seines Autors. Wenn Sie den Hilfeeditor das erste Mal öffnen, sind alle diese Beschreibungen leer, Sie können Sie aber mit Hilfe der Elemente auf der linken Seite des Dialogs bearbeiten. Wählen Sie ein Element im oberen Teil aus und schreiben Sie seine Beschreibung in das Textfeld unten.

Modell-Hilfe wird als Teil des Modells selbst gespeichert.

24.5.3 Speichern und laden von Modellen

Saving models

Use the  Save model button to save the current model and the  Open Model button to open a previously saved model. Models are saved with the `.model3` extension. If the model has already been saved from the modeler window, you will not be prompted for a filename. Since there is already a file associated with the model, that file will be used for subsequent saves.

Bevor Sie ein Modell speichern, müssen Sie in den Textfeldern im oberen Teil des Fensters einen Namen und eine Gruppe für das Modell eingeben.

Modelle, die im Ordner `models` gespeichert sind (der Standardordner, wenn Sie zur Eingabe eines Dateinamens zum Speichern des Modells aufgefordert werden), erscheinen in der Toolbox in der entsprechenden Rubrik. Wenn die Toolbox aufgerufen wird, durchsucht sie den Ordner `models` nach Dateien mit der Erweiterung `.model3` und lädt die darin enthaltenen Modelle. Da ein Modell selbst ein Algorithmus ist, kann es wie jeder andere Algorithmus zur Toolbox hinzugefügt werden.

Modelle können auch innerhalb der Projektdatei mit der Schaltfläche  Modell im Projekt speichern gespeichert werden. Modelle, die mit dieser Methode gespeichert werden, werden nicht als :file:``.model3` Dateien auf die Platte geschrieben, sondern in die Projektdatei eingebettet.

Projektmodelle sind im Menü  *Projektmodelle* der Toolbox verfügbar.

Die Verarbeitungsmodellierung kann im Verarbeitungskonfigurationsdialog in der *Models* Gruppe eingestellt werden.

Modelle, die aus dem Ordner `models` geladen wurden, erscheinen nicht nur in der Toolbox, sondern auch in der Algorithmenliste im Reiter *Algorithms* des Modellierfensters. Das bedeutet, dass Sie ein Modell als Teil eines größeren Modells einbinden können, genau wie andere Algorithmen.

Die Modelle werden im Panel *Browser* angezeigt und können von dort aus gestartet werden.

Exportieren eines Modells als Python Skript

As we will see in a later chapter, Processing algorithms can be called from the QGIS Python console, and new Processing algorithms can be created using Python. A quick way to create such a Python script is to create a model and then export it as a Python file.

To do so, click on the  Export as Script Algorithm… in the modeler canvas or right click on the name of the model in the Processing Toolbox and choose  Export Model as Python Algorithm….

Exportieren eines Modells als Bild, PDF oder SVG

A model can also be exported as an image, SVG or PDF (for illustration purposes) by clicking  Export as image,  Export as PDF or  Export as SVG.

24.5.4 Ein Modell editieren

Sie können das Modell, das Sie gerade erstellen, bearbeiten und dabei den Workflow und die Beziehungen zwischen den Algorithmen und Eingaben, die das Modell definieren, ändern.

Wenn Sie mit der rechten Maustaste auf einen Algorithmus in der Leinwand klicken, sehen Sie ein Kontextmenü wie das folgende:

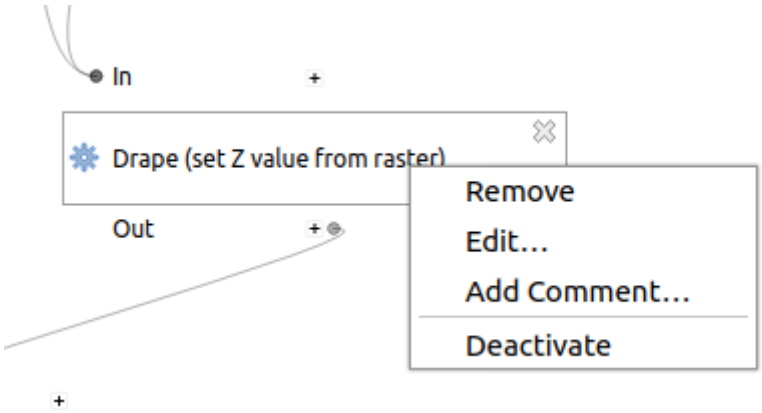


Abb. 24.26: Rechtsklick auf den Modeler

Wird die *Remove* Option gewählt, bewirkt dies, dass der ausgewählte Algorithmus entfernt wird. Ein Algorithmus kann nur entfernt werden wenn keine weiteren Algorithmen von ihm abhängen. Das heißt, wenn keine Ausgabe des Algorithmus in einem anderen als Eingabe verwendet wird. Wenn Sie versuchen einen Algorithmus, von dem andere abhängen, zu entfernen, wird eine Warnmeldung wie die, die Sie unten sehen können, gezeigt:

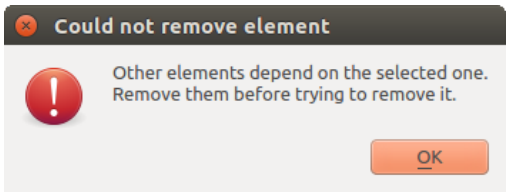


Abb. 24.27: Kann Algorithmus nicht entfernen

Wenn Sie die Option :guilabel: *Bearbeiten* wählen, wird der Parameterdialog des Algorithmus angezeigt, so dass Sie die Eingaben und Parameterwerte ändern können. Es werden nicht alle im Modell verfügbaren Eingabeelemente als verfügbare Eingaben angezeigt. Layer oder Werte, die bei einem weiter entwickelten Schritt des Arbeitsablaufes erzeugt wurden, sind nicht verfügbar, wenn sie zirkuläre Abhängigkeiten verursachen.

Wählen Sie die neuen Werte aus und klicken Sie wie gewohnt auf die Schaltfläche *OK*. Die Verbindungen zwischen den Modellelementen ändern sich in der Modellierungsarbeitsfläche entsprechend.

The *Add comment…* allows you to add a comment to the algorithm to better describe the behavior.

A model can be run partially by deactivating some of its algorithms. To do it, select the *Deactivate* option in the context menu that appears when right-clicking on an algorithm element. The selected algorithm, and all the ones in the model that depend on it will be displayed in grey and will not be executed as part of the model.

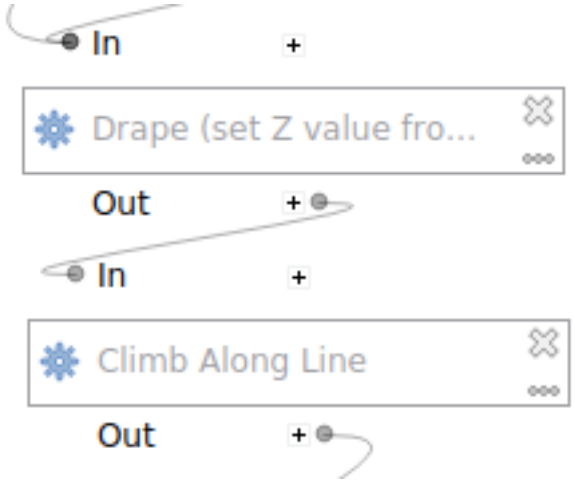


Abb. 24.28: Modell mit deaktivierten Algorithmen

Wenn Sie mit der rechten Maustaste auf einen Algorithmus klicken, der nicht aktiv ist, sehen Sie die Menüoption :guilabel: *Aktivieren*, mit der Sie den Algorithmus reaktivieren können.

24.6 Die Batch Processing Schnittstelle

24.6.1 Einführung

All algorithms (including models) can be executed as a batch process. That is, they can be executed using not just a single set of inputs, but several of them, executing the algorithm as many times as needed. This is useful when processing large amounts of data, since it is not necessary to launch the algorithm many times from the toolbox.

Um einen Algorithmus als Batch-Prozess ausführen, klicken Sie mit der rechten Maustaste auf seinen Namen in der Toolbox und wählen Sie die Option *Ausführen als Batch-Prozess*.

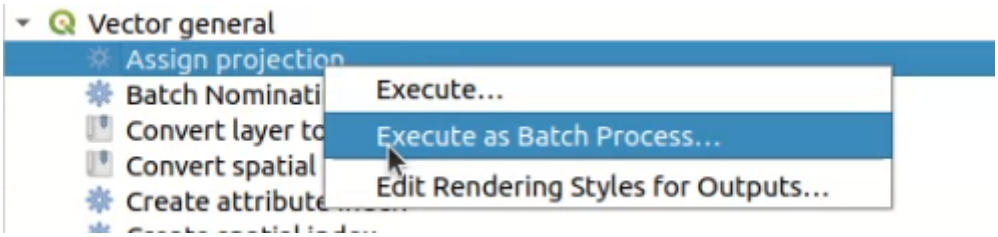


Abb. 24.29: Batch Processing from right-click

Wenn Sie den Ausführungsdialog des Algorithmus geöffnet haben, können Sie die Stapelverarbeitung auch von dort starten, drücken Sie auf den *Als Batch-Prozess ausführen…* Knopf.

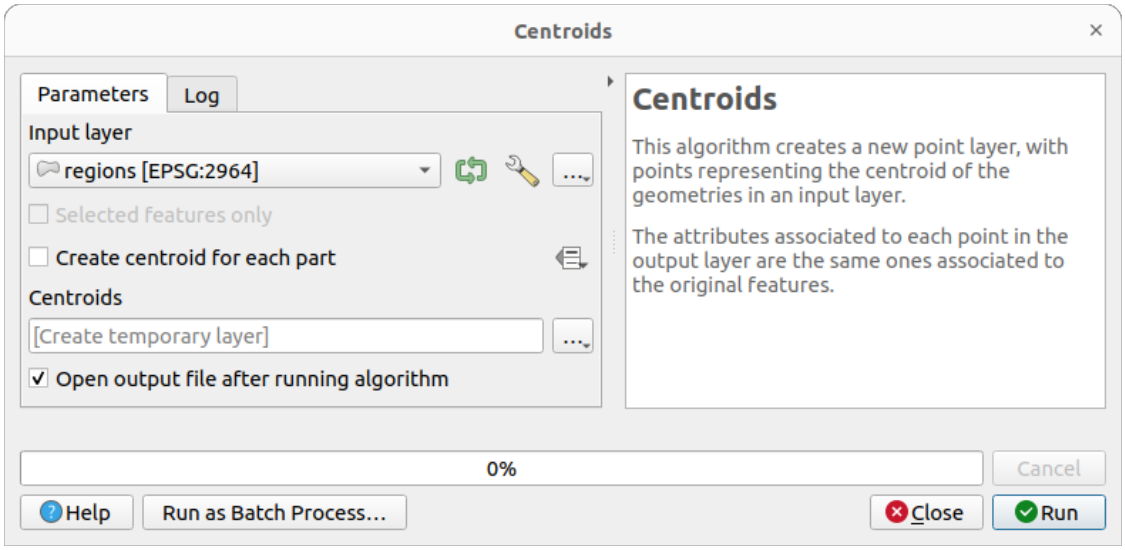


Abb. 24.30: Batch-Prozess vom Algorithmus Dialog

24.6.2 Die Parameter-Tabelle

Executing a batch process is similar to performing a single execution of an algorithm. Parameter values have to be defined, but in this case we need not just a single value for each parameter, but a set of them instead, one for each time the algorithm has to be executed. Values are introduced using a table like the one shown next, where each row is an iteration and columns are the parameters of the algorithm.

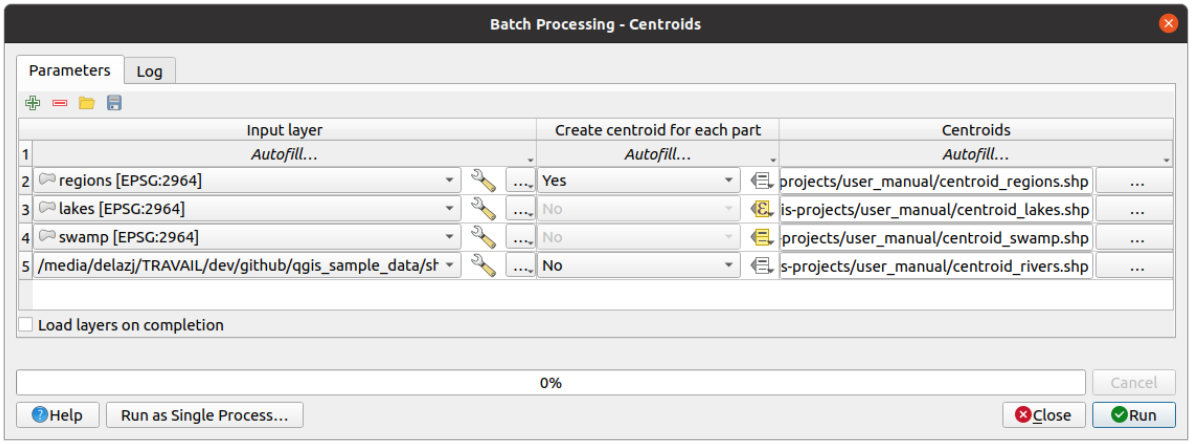


Abb. 24.31: Batch Processing

From the top toolbar, you can:

- Add row: adds a new processing entry for configuration
- Remove row(s): remove selected rows from the table. Row selection is done by clicking the number at the left and allows *keyboard combination* for multi selection.
- Open a batch processing configuration file
- Save the batch processing configuration to a `.JSON` file that can be run afterwards

By default, the table contains just two rows:

- The first row displays in each cell an *Autofill…* ► drop-down menu with *options* to quickly fill the cells below. Available options depend on the parameter type.
- The second row (as well as each subsequent one) represents a single execution of the algorithm, and each cell contains the value of one of the parameters. It is similar to the parameters dialog that you see when executing an algorithm from the toolbox, but with a different arrangement.

At the bottom of the table, you can set whether to *Load layers on completion*.

Sobald die Größe der Tabelle gesetzt ist, muss sie mit den gewünschten Werten gefüllt werden.

24.6.3 Füllen der Parameter-Tabelle

For most parameters, setting the value is trivial. The appropriate widget, same as in the *single process dialog*, is provided, allowing to just type the value, or select it from a list of possible values, depending on the parameter type. This also includes data-define widget, when compatible.

To automate the batch process definition and avoid filling the table cell by cell, you may want to press down the *Autofill…* menu of a parameter and select any of the following options to replace values in the column:

- *Fill Down* will take the input for the first process and enter it for all other processes.
- *Calculate by Expression…* will allow you to create a new QGIS expression to use to update all existing values within that column. Existing parameter values (including those from other columns) are available for use inside the expression via *variables*. E.g. setting the number of segments based on the buffer distance of each layer:

```
CASE WHEN @DISTANCE > 20 THEN 12 ELSE 8 END
```

- *Add Values by Expression…* will add new rows using the values from an expression which returns an array (as opposed to *Calculate by Expression…*, which works only on existing rows). The intended use case is to allow populating the batch dialog using complex numeric series. For example adding rows for a batch buffer using the expression `generate_series(100, 1000, 50)` for distance parameter results in new rows with values 100, 150, 200, …. 1000.
- When setting a file or layer parameter, more options are provided:
  - *Add Files by Pattern…* adds new rows to the table for matching files found using a file pattern and folder, with the option to *Search recursively*. E.g. *.shp.
  - *Select files*
  - *Add all files from a directory*
  - *Select from open layers*

Output data parameter exposes the same capabilities as when executing the algorithm as a single process. Depending on the algorithm, the output can be:

- skipped, if the cell is left empty
- saved as a temporary layer: fill the cell with `TEMPORARY_OUTPUT` and remember to tick the *Load layers on completion* checkbox.
- saved as a plain file (`.SHP`, `.GPKG`, `.XML`, `.PDF`, `.JPG`,…) whose path could be set with the *Autofill* options exposed beforehand. E.g. use *Calculate by Expression…* to set output file names to complex expressions like:

```
'/home/me/stuff/buffer_' || left(@INPUT, 30) || '_' || @DISTANCE || '.shp'
```

  You can also type the file path directly or use the file chooser dialog that appears when clicking on the accompanying … button. Once you select the file, a new dialog is shown to allow for auto-completion of other cells in the same column (same parameter).

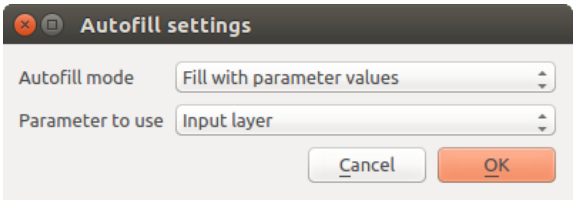


Abb. 24.32: Batch Processing Save

If the default value (*Do not autofill*) is selected, it will just put the selected filename in the selected cell from the parameters table. If any of the other options is selected, all the cells **below** the selected one will be automatically filled based on a defined criteria:

- *Fill with numbers*: incrementally appends a number to the file name
- *Fill with parameter values*: you can select a parameter whose value in the same row is appended to the file name. This is particularly useful for naming output data objects according to input ones.

- saved as a layer within a database container:

```
# Indicate a layer within a GeoPackage file
ogr:dbname='C:/Path/To/Geopackage.gpkg' table="New_Table" (geom)

# Use the "Calculate By Expression" to output to different layers in a␣
↪GeoPackage
'ogr:dbname=\'' || @project_folder || '/Buffers.gpkg\' table="' || @INPUT || '_
↪' || @DISTANCE || '" (geom)'
```

24.6.4 Ausführen eines Batch-Prozesses

To execute the batch process once you have introduced all the necessary values, just click on *Run*. The *Log* panel is activated and displays details and steps of the execution process. Progress of the global batch task will be shown in the progress bar in the lower part of the dialog.

24.7 Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden

Die Konsole ermöglicht es fortgeschrittenen Anwendern ihre Produktivität zu erhöhen und komplexe Operationen, die nicht anhand eines der GUI Elemente der Verarbeitung Umgebung ausgeführt werden können, durchzuführen. Modelle mit mehreren Algorithmen können anhand der Kommandozeilenssschnittstelle definiert werden und zusätzliche Operationen wie Schleifen und Bedingungssätze können hinzugefügt werden, um flexiblere und leistungsfähigere Workflows zu erstellen.

There is not a processing console in QGIS, but all processing commands are available instead from the QGIS built-in *Python console*. That means that you can incorporate those commands into your console work and connect processing algorithms to all the other features (including methods from the QGIS API) available from there.

Der Code den Sie von der Python Konsole aus ausführen können, auch wenn er keine spezifische Verarbeitung Methode aufruft, kann in einen neuen Algorithmus überführt werden den Sie später aus der Werkzeugkiste, der Grafischen Modellierung oder jeder anderen Komponente aufrufen können, so wie Sie es mit jedem anderen Algorithmus tun würden. In der Tat sind einige Algorithmen, die Sie in der Werkzeugkiste finden können einfache Scripte.

In diesem Abschnitt werden wir uns angucken wie man Verarbeitung Algorithmen aus der QGIS Python Konsole heraus verwendet und auch wie man Algorithmen in Python schreibt.

24.7.1 Algorithmen von der Python Konsole aus aufrufen

Das erste, was Sie machen müssen, ist die Verarbeitung Funktionen mit der folgenden Zeile importieren:

```
>>> from qgis import processing
```

Now, there is basically just one (interesting) thing you can do with that from the console: execute an algorithm. That is done using the `run()` method, which takes the name of the algorithm to execute as its first parameter, and then a variable number of additional parameters depending on the requirements of the algorithm. So the first thing you need to know is the name of the algorithm to execute. That is not the name you see in the toolbox, but rather a unique command–line name. To find the right name for your algorithm, you can use the `processingRegistry`. Type the following line in your console:

```
>>> for alg in QgsApplication.processingRegistry().algorithms():
        print(alg.id(), "->", alg.displayName())
```

You will see something like this (with some extra dashes added to improve readability).

```
3d:tessellate --------------> Tessellate
gdal:aspect ----------------> Aspect
gdal:assignprojection ------> Assign projection
gdal:buffervectors ---------> Buffer vectors
gdal:buildvirtualraster ----> Build Virtual Raster
gdal:cliprasterbyextent ----> Clip raster by extent
gdal:cliprasterbymasklayer -> Clip raster by mask layer
gdal:clipvectorbyextent ----> Clip vector by extent
gdal:clipvectorbypolygon ---> Clip vector by mask layer
gdal:colorrelief -----------> Color relief
gdal:contour ---------------> Contour
gdal:convertformat ---------> Convert format
gdal:dissolve --------------> Dissolve
...
```

That's a list of all the available algorithm IDs, sorted by provider name and algorithm name, along with their corresponding names.

Once you know the command-line name of the algorithm, the next thing to do is to determine the right syntax to execute it. That means knowing which parameters are needed when calling the `run()` method.

There is a method to describe an algorithm in detail, which can be used to get a list of the parameters that an algorithm requires and the outputs that it will generate. To get this information, you can use the `algorithmHelp(id_of_the_algorithm)` method. Use the ID of the algorithm, not the full descriptive name.

Calling the method with `native:buffer` as parameter (`qgis:buffer` is an alias for `native:buffer` and will also work), you get the following description:

```
>>> processing.algorithmHelp("native:buffer")
Buffer (native:buffer)

This algorithm computes a buffer area for all the features in an
input layer, using a fixed or dynamic distance.

The segments parameter controls the number of line segments to
use to approximate a quarter circle when creating rounded
offsets.

The end cap style parameter controls how line endings are handled
in the buffer.

The join style parameter specifies whether round, miter or
beveled joins should be used when offsetting corners in a line.
```

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```
The miter limit parameter is only applicable for miter join
styles, and controls the maximum distance from the offset curve
to use when creating a mitered join.


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Input parameters
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INPUT: Input layer

   Parameter type: QgsProcessingParameterFeatureSource

   Accepted data types:
           - str: layer ID
           - str: layer name
           - str: layer source
           - QgsProcessingFeatureSourceDefinition
           - QgsProperty
           - QgsVectorLayer

DISTANCE: Distance

   Parameter type: QgsProcessingParameterDistance

   Accepted data types:
           - int
           - float
           - QgsProperty

SEGMENTS: Segments

   Parameter type: QgsProcessingParameterNumber

   Accepted data types:
           - int
           - float
           - QgsProperty

END_CAP_STYLE: End cap style

   Parameter type: QgsProcessingParameterEnum

   Available values:
           - 0: Round
           - 1: Flat
           - 2: Square

   Accepted data types:
           - int
           - str: as string representation of int, e.g. '1'
           - QgsProperty

JOIN_STYLE: Join style

   Parameter type: QgsProcessingParameterEnum

   Available values:
           - 0: Round
           - 1: Miter
```

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```
            - 2: Bevel

   Accepted data types:
            - int
            - str: as string representation of int, e.g. '1'
            - QgsProperty

MITER_LIMIT: Miter limit

   Parameter type: QgsProcessingParameterNumber

   Accepted data types:
            - int
            - float
            - QgsProperty

DISSOLVE: Dissolve result

   Parameter type: QgsProcessingParameterBoolean

   Accepted data types:
            - bool
            - int
            - str
            - QgsProperty

OUTPUT: Buffered

   Parameter type: QgsProcessingParameterFeatureSink

   Accepted data types:
            - str: destination vector file, e.g. 'd:/test.shp'
            - str: 'memory:' to store result in temporary memory layer
            - str: using vector provider ID prefix and destination URI,
                   e.g. 'postgres:...' to store result in PostGIS table
            - QgsProcessingOutputLayerDefinition
            - QgsProperty

----------------
Outputs
----------------

OUTPUT:  <QgsProcessingOutputVectorLayer>
   Buffered
```

Now you have everything you need to run any algorithm. As we have already mentioned, algorithms can be run using: `run()`. Its syntax is as follows:

```
>>> processing.run(name_of_the_algorithm, parameters)
```

Where parameters is a dictionary of parameters that depend on the algorithm you want to run, and is exactly the list that the `algorithmHelp()` method gives you.

```
>>> processing.run("native:buffer", {'INPUT': '/data/lines.shp',
                'DISTANCE': 100.0,
                'SEGMENTS': 10,
                'DISSOLVE': True,
                'END_CAP_STYLE': 0,
                'JOIN_STYLE': 0,
                'MITER_LIMIT': 10,
                'OUTPUT': '/data/buffers.shp'})
```

If a parameter is optional and you do not want to use it, then don't include it in the dictionary.

If a parameter is not specified, the default value will be used.

Abhängig vom Parametertyp werden Werte verschieden eingeführt. Die nächste Liste gibt einen kurzen Überblick darüber wie man Werte für jeden Typ von Eingabeparameter einführt:

- Raster Layer, Vector Layer or Table. Simply use a string with the name that identifies the data object to use (the name it has in the QGIS Table of Contents) or a filename (if the corresponding layer is not opened, it will be opened but not added to the map canvas). If you have an instance of a QGIS object representing the layer, you can also pass it as parameter.
- Enumeration. If an algorithm has an enumeration parameter, the value of that parameter should be entered using an integer value. To know the available options, you can use the `algorithmHelp()` command, as above. For instance, the `native:buffer` algorithm has an enumeration called JOIN_STYLE:

```
JOIN_STYLE: Join style

   Parameter type: QgsProcessingParameterEnum

   Available values:
           - 0: Round
           - 1: Miter
           - 2: Bevel

   Accepted data types:
           - int
           - str: as string representation of int, e.g. '1'
           - QgsProperty
```

  In this case, the parameter has three options. Notice that ordering is zero-based.

- Boolean. Use `True` or `False`.
- Multiple input. Der Wert ist ein String mit Eingabebeschreibungen getrennt durch Semikolons (`;`). Wie im Fall von einfachen Layern oder Tabellen kann jede Eingabebeschreibung der Datenobjektname oder sein Dateipfad sein.
- Tabellen Feld von XXX. Verwenden Sie einen String mit dem Namen des Feldes, das benutzt werden soll. Dieser Parameter unterscheidet zwischen Groß- und Kleinschreibung.
- Fixed Table. Geben Sie die Liste aller Tabellenwerte, die durch Kommas (`,`) getrennt sind und zwischen Anführungsstrichen (`"`) eingeschlossen sind. Die Werte beginnen in der oberen Zeile und gehen von links nach rechts. Sie können auch einen 2D-Array von Werten, die die Tabelle repräsentieren, verwenden.
- CRS. Geben Sie den EPSG Code des gewünschten KBS ein.
- Extent. Sie müssen einen String mit `xmin`, `xmax`, `ymin` und `ymax` Werten getrennt durch Kommas (`,`) eingeben.

Boolean, file, string und numerical parameters brauchen keien zusätzlichen Erläuterungen.

Input parameters such as strings, booleans, or numerical values have default values. The default value is used if the corresponding parameter entry is missing.

For output data objects, type the file path to be used to save it, just as it is done from the toolbox. If the output object is not specified, the result is saved to a temporary file (or skipped if it is an optional output). The extension of the file determines the file format. If you enter a file extension not supported by the algorithm, the default file format for that output type will be used, and its corresponding extension appended to the given file path.

Unlike when an algorithm is executed from the toolbox, outputs are not added to the map canvas if you execute that same algorithm from the Python console using `run()`, but `runAndLoadResults()` will do that.

The `run()` method returns a dictionary with one or more output names (the ones shown in the algorithm description) as keys and the file paths of those outputs as values:

```
>>> myresult = processing.run("native:buffer", {'INPUT': '/data/lines.shp',
                'DISTANCE': 100.0,
                'SEGMENTS': 10,
                'DISSOLVE': True,
                'END_CAP_STYLE': 0,
                'JOIN_STYLE': 0,
                'MITER_LIMIT': 10,
                'OUTPUT': '/data/buffers.shp'})
>>> myresult['OUTPUT']
/data/buffers.shp
```

You can load feature output by passing the corresponding file paths to the `load()` method. Or you could use `runAndLoadResults()` instead of `run()` to load them immediately.

If you want to open an algorithm dialog from the console you can use the `createAlgorithmDialog` method. The only mandatory parameter is the algorithm name, but you can also define the dictionary of parameters so that the dialog will be filled automatically:

```
>>> my_dialog = processing.createAlgorithmDialog("native:buffer", {
                'INPUT': '/data/lines.shp',
                'DISTANCE': 100.0,
                'SEGMENTS': 10,
                'DISSOLVE': True,
                'END_CAP_STYLE': 0,
                'JOIN_STYLE': 0,
                'MITER_LIMIT': 10,
                'OUTPUT': '/data/buffers.shp'})
>>> my_dialog.show()
```

The `execAlgorithmDialog` method opens the dialog immediately:

```
>>> processing.execAlgorithmDialog("native:buffer", {
                'INPUT': '/data/lines.shp',
                'DISTANCE': 100.0,
                'SEGMENTS': 10,
                'DISSOLVE': True,
                'END_CAP_STYLE': 0,
                'JOIN_STYLE': 0,
                'MITER_LIMIT': 10,
                'OUTPUT': '/data/buffers.shp'})
```

24.7.2 Scripte erstellen und diese aus der Werkzeugkiste starten.

You can create your own algorithms by writing Python code. Processing scripts extend `QgsProcessingAlgorithm`, so you need to add some extra lines of code to implement mandatory functions. You can find *Create new script* (clean sheet) and *Create New Script from Template* (template that includes code for mandatory functions of `QgsProcessingAlgorithm`) under the *Scripts* dropdown menu on the top of the Processing toolbox. The Processing Script Editor will open, and that's where you should type your code. Saving the script from there in the `scripts` folder (the default folder when you open the save file dialog) with a `.py` extension should create the corresponding algorithm.

The name of the algorithm (the one you will see in the toolbox) is defined within the code.

Let's have a look at the following code, which defines a Processing algorithm that performs a buffer operation with a user defined buffer distance on a vector layer that is specified by the user, after first smoothing the layer.

```
from qgis.core import (QgsProcessingAlgorithm,
       QgsProcessingParameterNumber,
       QgsProcessingParameterFeatureSource,
       QgsProcessingParameterFeatureSink)
```

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```
5
6  from qgis import processing
7
8  class algTest(QgsProcessingAlgorithm):
9      INPUT_BUFFERDIST = 'BUFFERDIST'
10     OUTPUT_BUFFER = 'OUTPUT_BUFFER'
11     INPUT_VECTOR = 'INPUT_VECTOR'
12
13     def __init__(self):
14         super().__init__()
15
16     def name(self):
17         return "algTest"
18
19     def displayName(self):
20         return "algTest script"
21
22     def createInstance(self):
23         return type(self)()
24
25     def initAlgorithm(self, config=None):
26         self.addParameter(QgsProcessingParameterFeatureSource(
27             self.INPUT_VECTOR, "Input vector"))
28         self.addParameter(QgsProcessingParameterNumber(
29             self.INPUT_BUFFERDIST, "Buffer distance",
30             QgsProcessingParameterNumber.Double,
31             100.0))
32         self.addParameter(QgsProcessingParameterFeatureSink(
33             self.OUTPUT_BUFFER, "Output buffer"))
34
35     def processAlgorithm(self, parameters, context, feedback):
36         #DO SOMETHING
37         algresult = processing.run("native:smoothgeometry",
38             {'INPUT': parameters[self.INPUT_VECTOR],
39              'ITERATIONS':2,
40              'OFFSET':0.25,
41              'MAX_ANGLE':180,
42              'OUTPUT': 'memory:'},
43             context=context, feedback=feedback, is_child_algorithm=True)
44         smoothed = algresult['OUTPUT']
45         algresult = processing.run('native:buffer',
46             {'INPUT': smoothed,
47             'DISTANCE': parameters[self.INPUT_BUFFERDIST],
48             'SEGMENTS': 5,
49             'END_CAP_STYLE': 0,
50             'JOIN_STYLE': 0,
51             'MITER_LIMIT': 10,
52             'DISSOLVE': True,
53             'OUTPUT': parameters[self.OUTPUT_BUFFER]},
54             context=context, feedback=feedback, is_child_algorithm=True)
55         buffered = algresult['OUTPUT']
56         return {self.OUTPUT_BUFFER: buffered}
```

After doing the necessary imports, the following `QgsProcessingAlgorithm` functions are specified:

- `name()`: The id of the algorithm (lowercase).
- `displayName()`: A human readable name for the algorithm.
- `createInstance()`: Create a new instance of the algorithm class.
- `initAlgorithm()`: Configure the parameterDefinitions and outputDefinitions.

  Here you describe the parameters and output of the algorithm. In this case, a feature source for the input, a

feature sink for the result and a number for the buffer distance.

- `processAlgorithm()`: Do the work.

  Here we first run the `smoothgeometry` algorithm to smooth the geometry, and then we run the `buffer` algorithm on the smoothed output. To be able to run algorithms from within another algorithm we have to set the `is_child_algorithm` argument to `True`. You can see how input and output parameters are used as parameters to the `smoothgeometry` and `buffer` algorithms.

There are a number of different parameter types available for input and output. Below is an alphabetically sorted list:

Tab. 24.2: List of input and output

QgsProcessingParameterAggregate	QgsProcessingParameterAnnotationLayer	Qg
QgsProcessingParameterBoolean	QgsProcessingParameterColor	Qg
QgsProcessingParameterDatabaseSchema	QgsProcessingParameterDatabaseTable	Qg
QgsProcessingParameterEnum	QgsProcessingParameterExpression	Qg
QgsProcessingParameterFeatureSource	QgsProcessingParameterField	Qg
QgsProcessingParameterFileDestination	QgsProcessingParameterFolderDestination	Qg
QgsProcessingParameterLayoutItem	QgsProcessingParameterMapLayer	Qg
QgsProcessingParameterMeshLayer	QgsProcessingParameterMultipleLayers	Qg
QgsProcessingParameterPointCloudLayer	QgsProcessingParameterProviderConnection	Qg
QgsProcessingParameterRasterLayer	QgsProcessingParameterScale	Qg
QgsProcessingParameterVectorLayer	QgsProcessingParameterVectorTileWriterLayers	

The first parameter to the constructors is the name of the parameter, and the second is the description of the parameter (for the user interface). The rest of the constructor parameters are parameter type specific.

The input can be turned into QGIS classes using the `parameterAs` functions of `QgsProcessingAlgorithm`. For instance to get the number provided for the buffer distance as a double:

```
self.parameterAsDouble(parameters, self.INPUT_BUFFERDIST, context)).
```

The `processAlgorithm` function should return a dictionary containing values for every output defined by the algorithm. This allows access to these outputs from other algorithms, including other algorithms contained within the same model.

Well behaved algorithms should define and return as many outputs as makes sense. Non-feature outputs, such as numbers and strings, are very useful when running your algorithm as part of a larger model, as these values can be used as input parameters for subsequent algorithms within the model. Consider adding numeric outputs for things like the number of features processed, the number of invalid features encountered, the number of features output, etc. The more outputs you return, the more useful your algorithm becomes!

Feedback

The `feedback` object passed to `processAlgorithm()` should be used for user feedback / interaction. You can use the `setProgress()` function of the `feedback` object to update the progress bar (0 to 100) to inform the user about the progress of the algorithm. This is very useful if your algorithm takes a long time to complete.

The `feedback` object provides an `isCanceled()` method that should be monitored to enable cancelation of the algorithm by the user. The `pushInfo()` method of `feedback` can be used to send information to the user, and `reportError()` is handy for pushing non-fatal errors to users.

Algorithms should avoid using other forms of providing feedback to users, such as print statements or logging to `QgsMessageLog`, and should always use the feedback object instead. This allows verbose logging for the algorithm, and is also thread-safe (which is important, given that algorithms are typically run in a background thread).

Handling errors

If your algorithm encounters an error which prevents it from executing, such as invalid input values or some other condition from which it cannot or should not recover, then you should raise a `QgsProcessingException`. E.g.:

```
if feature['value'] < 20:
  raise QgsProcessingException('Invalid input value {}, must be >= 20'.
↪format(feature['value']))
```

Try to avoid raising `QgsProcessingException` for non-fatal errors (e.g. when a feature has a null geometry), and instead just report these errors via `feedback.reportError()` and skip the feature. This helps make your algorithm „model-friendly“, as it avoids halting the execution of an entire algorithm when a non-fatal error is encountered.

Ihre Scripte dokumentieren

As in the case of models, you can create additional documentation for your scripts, to explain what they do and how to use them.

`QgsProcessingAlgorithm` provides the `helpString()`, `shortHelpString()` and `helpUrl()` functions for that purpose. Specify / override these to provide more help to the user.

`shortDescription()` is used in the tooltip when hovering over the algorithm in the toolbox.

24.7.3 Pre- und Post-execution Script Hooks

Scripts can also be used as pre- and post-execution hooks that are run before and after an algorithm is run, respectively. This can be used to automate tasks that should be performed whenever an algorithm is executed.

Die Syntax ist identisch zu der oben erklärten Syntax, es steht aber eine zusätzliche Globalvariable genannt `alg` zur Verfügung, die den Algorithmus, der gerade ausgeführt wurde (oder ausgeführt wird), repräsentiert.

In the *General* group of the processing options dialog, you will find two entries named *Pre-execution script* and *Post-execution script* where the filenames of the scripts to be run in each case can be entered.

24.8 Using processing from the command line

QGIS comes with a tool called `QGIS Processing Executor` which allows you to run Processing algorithms and models (built-in or provided by plugins) directly from the command line without starting QGIS Desktop itself.

From a command line tool, run `qgis_process` and you should get:

```
QGIS Processing Executor - 3.21.0-Master 'Master' (3.21.0-Master)
Usage: C:\OSGeo4W\apps\qgis-dev\bin\qgis_process.exe [--json] [--verbose]␣
↪[command] [algorithm id or path to model file] [parameters]

Options:

  --json          Output results as JSON objects
  --verbose       Output verbose logs

Available commands:

  plugins          list available and active plugins
  plugins enable   enables an installed plugin. The plugin name must be specified,␣
↪e.g. "plugins enable cartography_tools"
  plugins disable  disables an installed plugin. The plugin name must be specified,
↪ e.g. "plugins disable cartography_tools"
```

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```
  list              list all available processing algorithms
  help              show help for an algorithm. The algorithm id or a path to a␣
↪model file must be specified.
  run               runs an algorithm. The algorithm id or a path to a model file␣
↪and parameter values must be specified.
                    Parameter values are specified after -- with PARAMETER=VALUE␣
↪syntax.
                    Ordered list values for a parameter can be created by␣
↪specifying the parameter multiple times,
                    e.g. --LAYERS=layer1.shp --LAYERS=layer2.shp
                    If required, the ellipsoid to use for distance and area␣
↪calculations can be specified via the "--ELLIPSOID=name" argument.
                    If required, an existing QGIS project to use during the␣
↪algorithm execution can be specified via the "--PROJECT_PATH=path" argument.
```

Bemerkung: Only installed plugins that advertize `hasProcessingProvider=yes` in their `metadata.txt` file are recognized and can be activated or loaded by qgis_process tool.

The command `list` can be used to get a list of all available providers and algorithms.

```
qgis_process list
```

The command `help` can be used to get further information about commands or algorithms.

```
qgis_process help qgis:regularpoints
```

The command `run` can be used to run an algorithm or model. Specify the name of the algorithm or a path to a model as first parameter.

```
qgis_process run qgis:buffer -- INPUT=source.shp DISTANCE=2 OUTPUT=buffered.shp
```

Where a parameter accepts a list of values, set the same variable multiple times.

```
qgis_process run native:mergevectorlayers -- LAYERS=input1.shp LAYERS=input2.shp␣
↪OUTPUT=merged.shp
```

While running an algorithm a text-based feedback bar is shown, and the operation can be cancelled via `CTRL+C`. The `run` command also supports further parameters.

- `--json` will format stdout output in a JSON structured way.
- `--ellipsoid` will set the ellipsoid to the specified one.
- `--distance_units` will use the specified distance units.
- `--area_units` will use the specified area units.
- `--project_path` will load the specified project for running the algorithm.

24.9 Writing new Processing algorithms as Python scripts

There are two options for writing Processing algorithms using Python.

- *Extending* `QgsProcessingAlgorithm`
- *Using the @alg decorator*

Within QGIS, you can use *Create new script* in the *Scripts* menu at the top of the *Processing Toolbox* to open the *Processing Script Editor* where you can write your code. To simplify the task, you can start with a script template by using *Create new script from template* from the same menu. This opens a template that extends `QgsProcessingAlgorithm`.

If you save the script in the `scripts` folder (the default location) with a `.py` extension, the algorithm will become available in the *Processing Toolbox*.

24.9.1 Extending QgsProcessingAlgorithm

The following code

1. takes a vector layer as input
2. counts the number of features
3. does a buffer operation
4. creates a raster layer from the result of the buffer operation
5. returns the buffer layer, raster layer and number of features

```
from qgis.PyQt.QtCore import QCoreApplication
from qgis.core import (QgsProcessing,
                       QgsProcessingAlgorithm,
                       QgsProcessingException,
                       QgsProcessingOutputNumber,
                       QgsProcessingParameterDistance,
                       QgsProcessingParameterFeatureSource,
                       QgsProcessingParameterVectorDestination,
                       QgsProcessingParameterRasterDestination)
from qgis import processing


class ExampleProcessingAlgorithm(QgsProcessingAlgorithm):
    """
    This is an example algorithm that takes a vector layer,
    creates some new layers and returns some results.
    """

    def tr(self, string):
        """
        Returns a translatable string with the self.tr() function.
        """
        return QCoreApplication.translate('Processing', string)

    def createInstance(self):
        # Must return a new copy of your algorithm.
        return ExampleProcessingAlgorithm()

    def name(self):
        """
        Returns the unique algorithm name.
        """
        return 'bufferrasterextend'
```

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```
    def displayName(self):
        """
        Returns the translated algorithm name.
        """
        return self.tr('Buffer and export to raster (extend)')

    def group(self):
        """
        Returns the name of the group this algorithm belongs to.
        """
        return self.tr('Example scripts')

    def groupId(self):
        """
        Returns the unique ID of the group this algorithm belongs
        to.
        """
        return 'examplescripts'

    def shortHelpString(self):
        """
        Returns a localised short help string for the algorithm.
        """
        return self.tr('Example algorithm short description')

    def initAlgorithm(self, config=None):
        """
        Here we define the inputs and outputs of the algorithm.
        """
        # 'INPUT' is the recommended name for the main input
        # parameter.
        self.addParameter(
            QgsProcessingParameterFeatureSource(
                'INPUT',
                self.tr('Input vector layer'),
                types=[QgsProcessing.TypeVectorAnyGeometry]
            )
        )
        self.addParameter(
            QgsProcessingParameterVectorDestination(
                'BUFFER_OUTPUT',
                self.tr('Buffer output'),
            )
        )
        # 'OUTPUT' is the recommended name for the main output
        # parameter.
        self.addParameter(
            QgsProcessingParameterRasterDestination(
                'OUTPUT',
                self.tr('Raster output')
            )
        )
        self.addParameter(
            QgsProcessingParameterDistance(
                'BUFFERDIST',
                self.tr('BUFFERDIST'),
                defaultValue = 1.0,
                # Make distance units match the INPUT layer units:
                parentParameterName='INPUT'
            )
```

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```
        )
        self.addParameter(
            QgsProcessingParameterDistance(
                'CELLSIZE',
                self.tr('CELLSIZE'),
                defaultValue = 10.0,
                parentParameterName='INPUT'
            )
        )
        self.addOutput(
            QgsProcessingOutputNumber(
                'NUMBEROFFEATURES',
                self.tr('Number of features processed')
            )
        )

    def processAlgorithm(self, parameters, context, feedback):
        """
        Here is where the processing itself takes place.
        """
        # First, we get the count of features from the INPUT layer.
        # This layer is defined as a QgsProcessingParameterFeatureSource
        # parameter, so it is retrieved by calling
        # self.parameterAsSource.
        input_featuresource = self.parameterAsSource(parameters,
                                                     'INPUT',
                                                     context)
        numfeatures = input_featuresource.featureCount()

        # Retrieve the buffer distance and raster cell size numeric
        # values. Since these are numeric values, they are retrieved
        # using self.parameterAsDouble.
        bufferdist = self.parameterAsDouble(parameters, 'BUFFERDIST',
                                            context)
        rastercellsize = self.parameterAsDouble(parameters, 'CELLSIZE',
                                                context)
        if feedback.isCanceled():
            return {}
        buffer_result = processing.run(
            'native:buffer',
            {
                # Here we pass on the original parameter values of INPUT
                # and BUFFER_OUTPUT to the buffer algorithm.
                'INPUT': parameters['INPUT'],
                'OUTPUT': parameters['BUFFER_OUTPUT'],
                'DISTANCE': bufferdist,
                'SEGMENTS': 10,
                'DISSOLVE': True,
                'END_CAP_STYLE': 0,
                'JOIN_STYLE': 0,
                'MITER_LIMIT': 10
            },
            # Because the buffer algorithm is being run as a step in
            # another larger algorithm, the is_child_algorithm option
            # should be set to True
            is_child_algorithm=True,
            #
            # It's important to pass on the context and feedback objects to
            # child algorithms, so that they can properly give feedback to
            # users and handle cancelation requests.
            context=context,
```

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```
            feedback=feedback)

        # Check for cancelation
        if feedback.isCanceled():
            return {}

        # Run the separate rasterization algorithm using the buffer result
        # as an input.
        rasterized_result = processing.run(
            'qgis:rasterize',
            {
                # Here we pass the 'OUTPUT' value from the buffer's result
                # dictionary off to the rasterize child algorithm.
                'LAYER': buffer_result['OUTPUT'],
                'EXTENT': buffer_result['OUTPUT'],
                'MAP_UNITS_PER_PIXEL': rastercellsize,
                # Use the original parameter value.
                'OUTPUT': parameters['OUTPUT']
            },
            is_child_algorithm=True,
            context=context,
            feedback=feedback)

        if feedback.isCanceled():
            return {}

        # Return the results
        return {'OUTPUT': rasterized_result['OUTPUT'],
                'BUFFER_OUTPUT': buffer_result['OUTPUT'],
                'NUMBEROFFEATURES': numfeatures}
```

Processing algorithm standard functions:

- **createInstance (mandatory)** Must return a new copy of your algorithm. If you change the name of the class, make sure you also update the value returned here to match!
- **name (mandatory)** Returns the unique algorithm name, used for identifying the algorithm.
- **displayName (mandatory)** Returns the translated algorithm name.
- **group** Returns the name of the group this algorithm belongs to.
- **groupId** Returns the unique ID of the group this algorithm belongs to.
- **shortHelpString** Returns a localised short help string for the algorithm.
- **initAlgorithm (mandatory)** Here we define the inputs and outputs of the algorithm.

  `INPUT` and `OUTPUT` are recommended names for the main input and main output parameters, respectively.

  If a parameter depends on another parameter, `parentParameterName` is used to specify this relationship (could be the field / band of a layer or the distance units of a layer).

- **processAlgorithm (mandatory)** This is where the processing takes place.

  Parameters are retrieved using special purpose functions, for instance `parameterAsSource` and `parameterAsDouble`.

  `processing.run` can be used to run other processing algorithms from a processing algorithm. The first parameter is the name of the algorithm, the second is a dictionary of the parameters to the algorithm. `is_child_algorithm` is normally set to `True` when running an algorithm from within another algorithm. `context` and `feedback` inform the algorithm about the environment to run in and the channel for communicating with the user (catching cancel request, reporting progress, providing textual

feedback). When using the (parent) algorithm's parameters as parameters to „child“ algorithms, the original parameter values should be used (e.g. `parameters['OUTPUT']`).

It is good practice to check the feedback object for cancelation as much as is sensibly possible! Doing so allows for responsive cancelation, instead of forcing users to wait for unwanted processing to occur.

The algorithm should return values for all the output parameters it has defined as a dictionary. In this case, that's the buffer and rasterized output layers, and the count of features processed. The dictionary keys must match the original parameter/output names.

24.9.2 The @alg decorator

Using the @alg decorator, you can create your own algorithms by writing the Python code and adding a few extra lines to supply additional information needed to make it a proper Processing algorithm. This simplifies the creation of algorithms and the specification of inputs and outputs.

One important limitation with the decorator approach is that algorithms created in this way will always be added to a user's Processing Scripts provider – it is not possible to add these algorithms to a custom provider, e.g. for use in plugins.

The following code uses the @alg decorator to

1. use a vector layer as input
2. count the number of features
3. do a buffer operation
4. create a raster layer from the result of the buffer operation
5. returns the buffer layer, raster layer and number of features

```
from qgis import processing
from qgis.processing import alg
from qgis.core import QgsProject

@alg(name='bufferrasteralg', label='Buffer and export to raster (alg)',
     group='examplescripts', group_label='Example scripts')
# 'INPUT' is the recommended name for the main input parameter
@alg.input(type=alg.SOURCE, name='INPUT', label='Input vector layer')
# 'OUTPUT' is the recommended name for the main output parameter
@alg.input(type=alg.RASTER_LAYER_DEST, name='OUTPUT',
           label='Raster output')
@alg.input(type=alg.VECTOR_LAYER_DEST, name='BUFFER_OUTPUT',
           label='Buffer output')
@alg.input(type=alg.DISTANCE, name='BUFFERDIST', label='BUFFER DISTANCE',
           default=1.0)
@alg.input(type=alg.DISTANCE, name='CELLSIZE', label='RASTER CELL SIZE',
           default=10.0)
@alg.output(type=alg.NUMBER, name='NUMBEROFFEATURES',
            label='Number of features processed')

def bufferrasteralg(instance, parameters, context, feedback, inputs):
    """
    Description of the algorithm.
    (If there is no comment here, you will get an error)
    """
    input_featuresource = instance.parameterAsSource(parameters,
                                                     'INPUT', context)
    numfeatures = input_featuresource.featureCount()
    bufferdist = instance.parameterAsDouble(parameters, 'BUFFERDIST',
                                            context)
    rastercellsize = instance.parameterAsDouble(parameters, 'CELLSIZE',
                                                context)
```

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```
    if feedback.isCanceled():
        return {}
    buffer_result = processing.run('native:buffer',
                                   {'INPUT': parameters['INPUT'],
                                    'OUTPUT': parameters['BUFFER_OUTPUT'],
                                    'DISTANCE': bufferdist,
                                    'SEGMENTS': 10,
                                    'DISSOLVE': True,
                                    'END_CAP_STYLE': 0,
                                    'JOIN_STYLE': 0,
                                    'MITER_LIMIT': 10
                                    },
                                   is_child_algorithm=True,
                                   context=context,
                                   feedback=feedback)
    if feedback.isCanceled():
        return {}
    rasterized_result = processing.run('qgis:rasterize',
                                   {'LAYER': buffer_result['OUTPUT'],
                                    'EXTENT': buffer_result['OUTPUT'],
                                    'MAP_UNITS_PER_PIXEL': rastercellsize,
                                    'OUTPUT': parameters['OUTPUT']
                                   },
                                   is_child_algorithm=True, context=context,
                                   feedback=feedback)
    if feedback.isCanceled():
        return {}
    return {'OUTPUT': rasterized_result['OUTPUT'],
            'BUFFER_OUTPUT': buffer_result['OUTPUT'],
            'NUMBEROFFEATURES': numfeatures}
```

As you can see, it involves two algorithms (‚native:buffer' and ‚qgis:rasterize'). The last one (‚qgis:rasterize') creates a raster layer from the buffer layer that was generated by the first one (‚native:buffer').

The part of the code where this processing takes place is not difficult to understand if you have read the previous chapter. The first lines, however, need some additional explanation. They provide the information that is needed to turn your code into an algorithm that can be run from any of the GUI components, like the toolbox or the graphical modeler.

These lines are all calls to the `@alg` decorator functions that help simplify the coding of the algorithm.

- The @alg decorator is used to define the name and location of the algorithm in the Toolbox.
- The @alg.input decorator is used to define the inputs of the algorithm.
- The @alg.output decorator is used to define the outputs of the algorithm.

24.9.3 Input and output types for Processing Algorithms

Here is the list of input and output types that are supported in Processing with their corresponding alg decorator constants (the algfactory.py file contains the complete list of alg constants). Sorted on class name.

Input types

Class	Alg constant	Beschreibung
QgsProcessingParameterAnnotationLayer	alg.ANNOTATION_LAYER	An annotation layer
QgsProcessingParameterAuthConfig	alg.AUTH_CFG	Allows users to select from available authentication configurations or create new authentication configurations
QgsProcessingParameterBand	alg.BAND	A band of a raster layer
QgsProcessingParameterBoolean	alg.BOOL	A boolean value
QgsProcessingParameterColor	alg.COLOR	A color
QgsProcessingParameterCoordinateOperation	alg.COORDINATE_OPERATION	A coordinate operation (for CRS transformations)
QgsProcessingParameterCrs	alg.CRS	A Coordinate Reference System
QgsProcessingParameterDatabaseSchema	alg.DATABASE_SCHEMA	A database schema
QgsProcessingParameterDatabaseTable	alg.DATABASE_TABLE	A database table
QgsProcessingParameterDateTime	alg.DATETIME	A datetime (or a pure date or time)
QgsProcessingParameterDistance	alg.DISTANCE	A double numeric parameter for distance values
QgsProcessingParameterEnum	alg.ENUM	An enumeration, allowing for selection from a set of predefined values
QgsProcessingParameterExpression	alg.EXPRESSION	An expression
QgsProcessingParameterExtent	alg.EXTENT	A spatial extent defined by xmin, xmax, ymin, ymax
QgsProcessingParameterField	alg.FIELD	A field in the attribute table of a vector layer
QgsProcessingParameterFile	alg.FILE	A filename of an existing file
QgsProcessingParameterFileDestination	alg.FILE_DEST	A filename for a newly created output file
QgsProcessingParameterFolderDestination	alg.FOLDER_DEST	A folder (destination folder)
QgsProcessingParameterGeometry	alg.GEOMETRY	A geometry
QgsProcessingParameterNumber	alg.INT	An integer
QgsProcessingParameterLayout	alg.LAYOUT	A layout
QgsProcessingParameterLayoutItem	alg.LAYOUT_ITEM	A layout item
QgsProcessingParameterMapLayer	alg.MAPLAYER	A map layer
QgsProcessingParameterMapTheme	alg.MAP_THEME	A project map theme
QgsProcessingParameterMatrix	alg.MATRIX	A matrix
QgsProcessingParameterMeshLayer	alg.MESH_LAYER	A mesh layer
QgsProcessingParameterMultipleLayers	alg.MULTILAYER	A set of layers

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Class	Alg constant	Beschreibung
QgsProcessingParameterNumber	alg.NUMBER	A numerical value
QgsProcessingParameterPoint	alg.POINT	A point
QgsProcessingParameterPointCloudLayer	alg.POINT_CLOUD_LAYER	A point cloud layer
QgsProcessingParameterProviderConnection	alg.PROVIDER_CONNECTION	An available connection for a database provider
QgsProcessingParameterRange	alg.RANGE	A number range
QgsProcessingParameterRasterLayer	alg.RASTER_LAYER	Rasterlayer
QgsProcessingParameterRasterDestination	alg.RASTER_LAYER_DEST	Rasterlayer
QgsProcessingParameterScale	alg.SCALE	A map scale
QgsProcessingParameterFeatureSink	alg.SINK	A feature sink
QgsProcessingParameterFeatureSource	alg.SOURCE	A feature source
QgsProcessingParameterString	alg.STRING	A text string
QgsProcessingParameterVectorLayer	alg.VECTOR_LAYER	Vektorlayer
QgsProcessingParameterVectorDestination	alg.VECTOR_LAYER_DEST	Vektorlayer

Output types

Class	Alg constant	Beschreibung
QgsProcessingOutputBoolean	alg.BOOL	A boolean value
QgsProcessingOutputNumber	alg.DISTANCE	A double numeric parameter for distance values
QgsProcessingOutputFile	alg.FILE	A filename of an existing file
QgsProcessingOutputFolder	alg.FOLDER	A folder
QgsProcessingOutputHtml	alg.HTML	HTML
QgsProcessingOutputNumber	alg.INT	A integer
QgsProcessingOutputLayerDefinition	alg.LAYERDEF	A layer definition
QgsProcessingOutputMapLayer	alg.MAPLAYER	A map layer
QgsProcessingOutputMultipleLayers	alg.MULTILAYER	A set of layers
QgsProcessingOutputNumber	alg.NUMBER	A numerical value
QgsProcessingOutputRasterLayer	alg.RASTER_LAYER	Rasterlayer
QgsProcessingOutputString	alg.STRING	A text string
QgsProcessingOutputVectorLayer	alg.VECTOR_LAYER	Vektorlayer

24.9.4 Handing algorithm output

When you declare an output representing a layer (raster or vector), the algorithm will try to add it to QGIS once it is finished.

- Raster layer output: QgsProcessingParameterRasterDestination / alg.RASTER_LAYER_DEST.
- Vector layer output: QgsProcessingParameterVectorDestination / alg.VECTOR_LAYER_DEST.

So even if the `processing.run()` method does not add the layers it creates to the user's current project, the two output layers (buffer and raster buffer) will be loaded, since they are saved to the destinations entered by the user (or to temporary destinations if the user does not specify destinations).

If a layer is created as output of an algorithm, it should be declared as such. Otherwise, you will not be able to properly use the algorithm in the modeler, since what is declared will not match what the algorithm really creates.

You can return strings, numbers and more by specifying them in the result dictionary (as demonstrated for „NUMBEROFFEATURES"), but they should always be explicitly defined as outputs from your algorithm. We encourage algorithms to output as many useful values as possible, since these can be valuable for use in later algorithms when your algorithm is used as part of a model.

24.9.5 Die Kommunikation mit dem Benutzer

If your algorithm takes a long time to process, it is a good idea to inform the user about the progress. You can use `feedback` (`QgsProcessingFeedback`) for this.

The progress text and progressbar can be updated using two methods: `setProgressText(text)` and `setProgress(percent)`.

You can provide more information by using `pushCommandInfo(text)`, `pushDebugInfo(text)`, `pushInfo(text)` and `reportError(text)`.

If your script has a problem, the correct way of handling it is to raise a `QgsProcessingException`. You can pass a message as an argument to the constructor of the exception. Processing will take care of handling it and communicating with the user, depending on where the algorithm is being executed from (toolbox, modeler, Python console, …)

24.9.6 Ihre Scripte dokumentieren

You can document your scripts by overloading the `helpString()` and `helpUrl()` methods of `QgsProcessingAlgorithm`.

24.9.7 Flags

You can override the `flags()` method of `QgsProcessingAlgorithm` to tell QGIS more about your algorithm. You can for instance tell QGIS that the script shall be hidden from the modeler, that it can be canceled, that it is not thread safe, and more.

Tipp: By default, Processing runs algorithms in a separate thread in order to keep QGIS responsive while the processing task runs. If your algorithm is regularly crashing, you are probably using API calls which are not safe to do in a background thread. Try returning the QgsProcessingAlgorithm.FlagNoThreading flag from your algorithm's flags() method to force Processing to run your algorithm in the main thread instead.

24.9.8 Bewährte Verfahren für das Schreiben von Skript-Algorithmen

Here's a quick summary of ideas to consider when creating your script algorithms and, especially, if you want to share them with other QGIS users. Following these simple rules will ensure consistency across the different Processing elements such as the toolbox, the modeler or the batch processing interface.

- Laden Sie keine Ergebnislayer. Lassen Sie die Verarbeitung Ihrer Ergebnisse abarbeiten und laden Sie Ihre Layer, wenn nötig.
- Always declare the outputs your algorithm creates.
- Do not show message boxes or use any GUI element from the script. If you want to communicate with the user, use the methods of the feedback object (`QgsProcessingFeedback`) or throw a `QgsProcessingException`.

There are already many processing algorithms available in QGIS. You can find code on https://github.com/qgis/QGIS/blob/release-3_22/python/plugins/processing/algs/qgis.

24.10 Konfiguration externer Anwendungen

The processing framework can be extended using additional applications. Algorithms that rely on external applications are managed by their own algorithm providers. Additional providers can be found as separate plugins, and installed using the QGIS Plugin Manager.

This section will show you how to configure the Processing framework to include these additional applications, and it will explain some particular features of the algorithms based on them. Once you have correctly configured the system, you will be able to execute external algorithms from any component like the toolbox or the graphical modeler, just like you do with any other algorithm.

By default, algorithms that rely on an external application not shipped with QGIS are not enabled. You can enable them in the Processing settings dialog if they are installed on your system.

24.10.1 Ein Hinweis für Windows Anwender

If you are not an advanced user and you are running QGIS on Windows, you might not be interested in reading the rest of this chapter. Make sure you install QGIS in your system using the standalone installer. That will automatically install SAGA and GRASS in your system and configure them so they can be run from QGIS. All the algorithms from these providers will be ready to be run without needing any further configuration. If installing with the OSGeo4W application, make sure that you also select SAGA and GRASS for installation.

24.10.2 Eine Bemwerkung zu den Datenformaten

When using external software, opening a file in QGIS does not mean that it can be opened and processed in that other software. In most cases, other software can read what you have opened in QGIS, but in some cases, that might not be true. When using databases or uncommon file formats, whether for raster or vector layers, problems might arise. If that happens, try to use well-known file formats that you are sure are understood by both programs, and check the console output (in the log panel) to find out what is going wrong.

You might for instance get trouble and not be able to complete your work if you call an external algorithm with a GRASS raster layers as input. For this reason, such layers will not appear as available to algorithms.

You should, however, not have problems with vector layers, since QGIS automatically converts from the original file format to one accepted by the external application before passing the layer to it. This adds extra processing time, which might be significant for large layers, so do not be surprised if it takes more time to process a layer from a DB connection than a layer from a Shapefile format dataset of similar size.

Provider, die keine externe Anwendung verwenden können jeden beliebigen Layer, den Sie in QGIS öffnen können, prozessieren, da Sie ihn für Analysen anhand von QGIS öffnen.

All raster and vector output formats produced by QGIS can be used as input layers. Some providers do not support certain formats, but all can export to common formats that can later be transformed by QGIS automatically. As for input layers, if a conversion is needed, that might increase the processing time.

24.10.3 Eine Bemerkung zu Vektorlayern mit ausgewählten Objekten

Externe Anwendungen können auch über die Auswahl die in Vektorlayern innerhalb von QGIS vorliegt unterrichtet werden. Das jedoch erfordert das Umschreiben aller Eingabevektorlayer, so als würden Sie ursprünglich in einem Format, das nicht von der externen Anwendung unterstützt wird, vorliegen. Nur wenn eine Auswahl besteht, oder die *Use only selected features* Option in den Verarbeitungsoptionen nicht aktiviert ist, kann ein Layer direkt an eine externe Anwendung übergeben werden.

In other cases, exporting only selected features is needed, which causes longer execution times.

24.10.4 SAGA

SAGA algorithms can be run from QGIS if SAGA is included with the QGIS installation.

If you are running Windows, both the stand-alone installer and the OSGeo4W installer include SAGA.

Über die SAGA KBS Einschränkungen

Die meisten SAGA Algorithmen, die mehrere Eingaberasterlayer benötigen, haben die Anforderung, dass diese das gleiche Grid-System haben. Das heißt, dass Sie das gleiche geografische Gebiet abdecken und die gleiche Zellgröße besitzen müssen, so dass Ihre korrespondierenden Grids zueinander passen. Wenn SAGA Algorithmen von QGIS aus aufgerufen werden, können Sie jeden Layer unabhängig von Zellgröße und Ausdehnung benutzen. Wenn Mahrfachrasterlayer als Eingabe für einen SAGA Algorithmus verwendet werden, resampled QGIS sie zu einem gemeinsamen Grid-System und übergibt diese dann an SAGA (es sei denn der SAGA Algorithmus kann mit Layern aus verschiedenen Grid-Systemen operieren).

Die Definition dieses gemeinsamen Grid-Systems wird durch den Anwender kontrolliert und Sie werden dafür mehrere Parameter in der SAGA Gruppe im Einstellungen Fenster finden. Es gibt zwei Wege das Ziel-Grid-System einzustellen:

- Manuelles Einstellen. Sie definieren das Ausmaß indem Sie die Werte der folgenden Parameter setzen:
  - *Resampling min X*
  - *Resampling max X*
  - *Resampling min Y*
  - *Resampling max Y*
  - *Resampling cellsize*

  Beachten Sie, dass QGIS alle Eingabelayer bis zu diesem Ausmaß resampled, auch wenn sie sich nicht damit überschneiden.
- Automatisches Einstellen aus Eingabelayern. Um diese Option auszuwählen, überprüfen Sie einfach die *Use min covering grid system for resampling* Option. Alle anderen Einstellungen werden ignoriert und das minimale Ausmaß, das alle Eingabelayer abdeckt, wird benutzt. Die Zellgröße des Ziellayers ist das Maximum aller Zellgrößen des Eingabelayers.

Für Algorithmen, die nicht mit mehreren Rasterlayern arbeiten, oder für diejenigen, die kein eindeutiges KBS bauchen, wird kein Resampling vor dem Aufruf von SAGA durchgeführt, und die Parameter werden nicht verwendet.

Einschränkungen für Multi-Band-Layer

Im Gegensatz zu QGIS hat SAGA keine Unterstützung für Multikanallayer. Wenn Sie einen Multikanallayer benutzen wollen (so wie ein RGB oder ein Multispektralbild), müssen Sie ihn erst in Einkanalbilder aufspalten. Um das zu tun, können Sie den ‚SAGA/Grid - Tools/Split RGB image' Algorithmus (der drei Bilder aus einem RGB Bild erstellt) oder den ‚SAGA/Grid - Tools/Extract band' Algorithmus (um einen einzelnen Kanal zu extrahieren) verwenden.

Einschränkungen in der Zellgröße

SAGA geht davon aus, dass Rasterlayer die selbe Pixelgröße in X- und Y-Richtung haben. Wenn Sie mit einem Layer mit unterschiedlichen Werten für die horizontale und vertikale Pixelgöße arbeiten, erhalten Sie möglicherweise unerwartete Ergebnisse. In diesem Fall wird eine Warnung im Verarbeitung Protokoll hinzugefügt, das anzeigt, dass ein Layer möglicherweise nicht geeignet ist, von SAGA verarbeitet zu werden.

Logging

Wenn QGIS SAGA aufruft, findet das über die Kommandozeilen-Schnittstelle statt mit einer Reihe von Befehlen, um alle erforderlichen Operation durchzuführen. SAGA zeigt den Fortschritt, indem es Informationen an die Konsole übergibt, die den Prozentsatz der Verarbeitung beinhaltet, zusammen mit zusätzlichen Inhalten. Diese Ausgabe wird gefiltert und verwendet, um die Fortschrittsanzeige zu aktualisieren, während der Algorithmus läuft.

Both the commands sent by QGIS and the additional information printed by SAGA can be logged along with other processing log messages, and you might find them useful to track what is going on when QGIS runs a SAGA algorithm. You will find two settings, namely *Log console output* and *Log execution commands*, to activate that logging mechanism.

Most other providers that use external applications and call them through the command-line have similar options, so you will find them as well in other places in the processing settings list.

24.10.5 R scripts

To enable R in Processing you need to install the **Processing R Provider** plugin and configure R for QGIS.

Configuration is done in *Provider* ► *R* in the *Processing* tab of *Settings* ► *Options*.

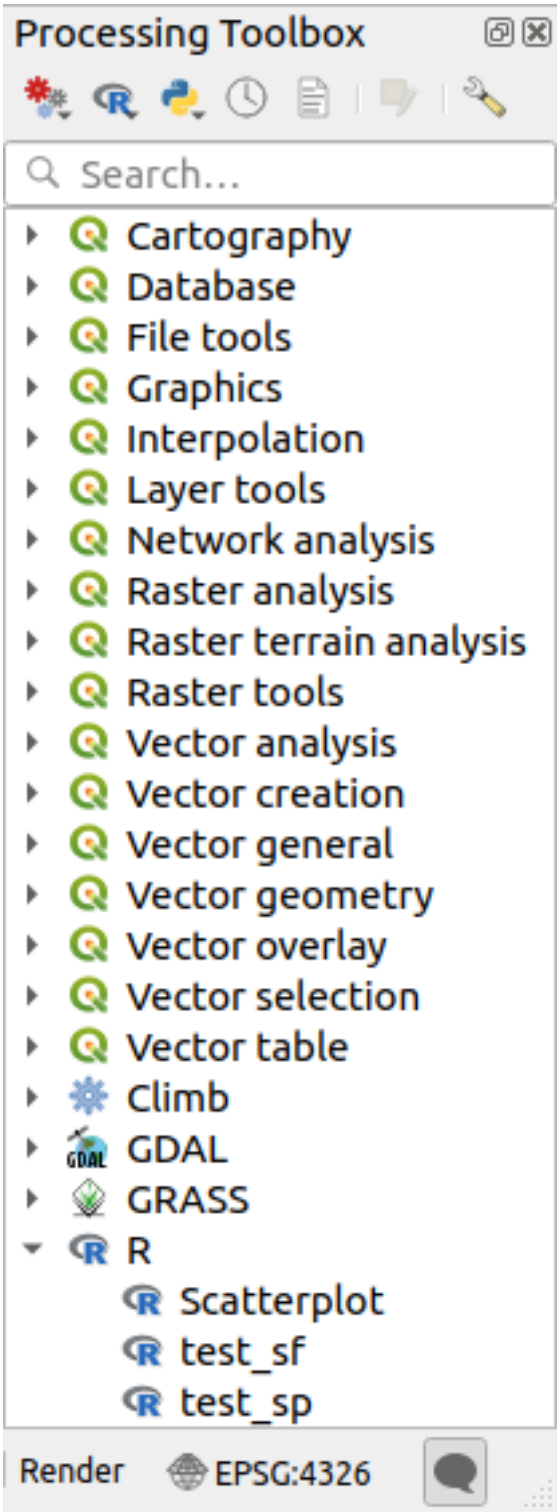
Depending on your operating system, you may have to use *R folder* to specify where your R binaries are located.

Bemerkung: On **Windows** the R executable file is normally in a folder (`R-<version>`) under `C:\Program Files\R\`. Specify the folder and **NOT** the binary!

On **Linux** you just have to make sure that the R folder is in the PATH environment variable. If `R` in a terminal window starts R, then you are ready to go.

After installing the **Processing R Provider** plugin, you will find some example scripts in the *Processing Toolbox*:

- *Scatterplot* runs an R function that produces a scatter plot from two numerical fields of the provided vector layer.
- *test_sf* does some operations that depend on the `sf` package and can be used to check if the R package `sf` is installed. If the package is not installed, R will try to install it (and all the packages it depends on) for you, using the *Package repository* specified in *Provider* ► *R* in the Processing options. The default is https://cran.r-project.org/. Installing may take some time…
- *test_sp* can be used to check if the R package `sp` is installed. If the package is not installed, R will try to install it for you.



If you have R configured correctly for QGIS, you should be able to run these scripts.

Adding R scripts from the QGIS collection

R integration in QGIS is different from that of SAGA in that there is not a predefined set of algorithms you can run (except for some example script that come with the *Processing R Provider* plugin).

A set of example R scripts is available in the QGIS Repository. Perform the following steps to load and enable them using the *QGIS Resource Sharing* plugin.

1. Add the *QGIS Resource Sharing* plugin (you may have to enable *Show also experimental plugins* in the Plugin Manager *Settings*)
2. Open it (Plugins –> Resource Sharing –> Resource Sharing)
3. Choose the *Settings* tab
4. Click *Reload repositories*
5. Choose the *All* tab
6. Select *QGIS R script collection* in the list and click on the *Install* button
7. The collection should now be listed in the *Installed* tab
8. Close the plugin
9. Open the *Processing Toolbox*, and if everything is OK, the example scripts will be present under R, in various groups (only some of the groups are expanded in the screenshot below).

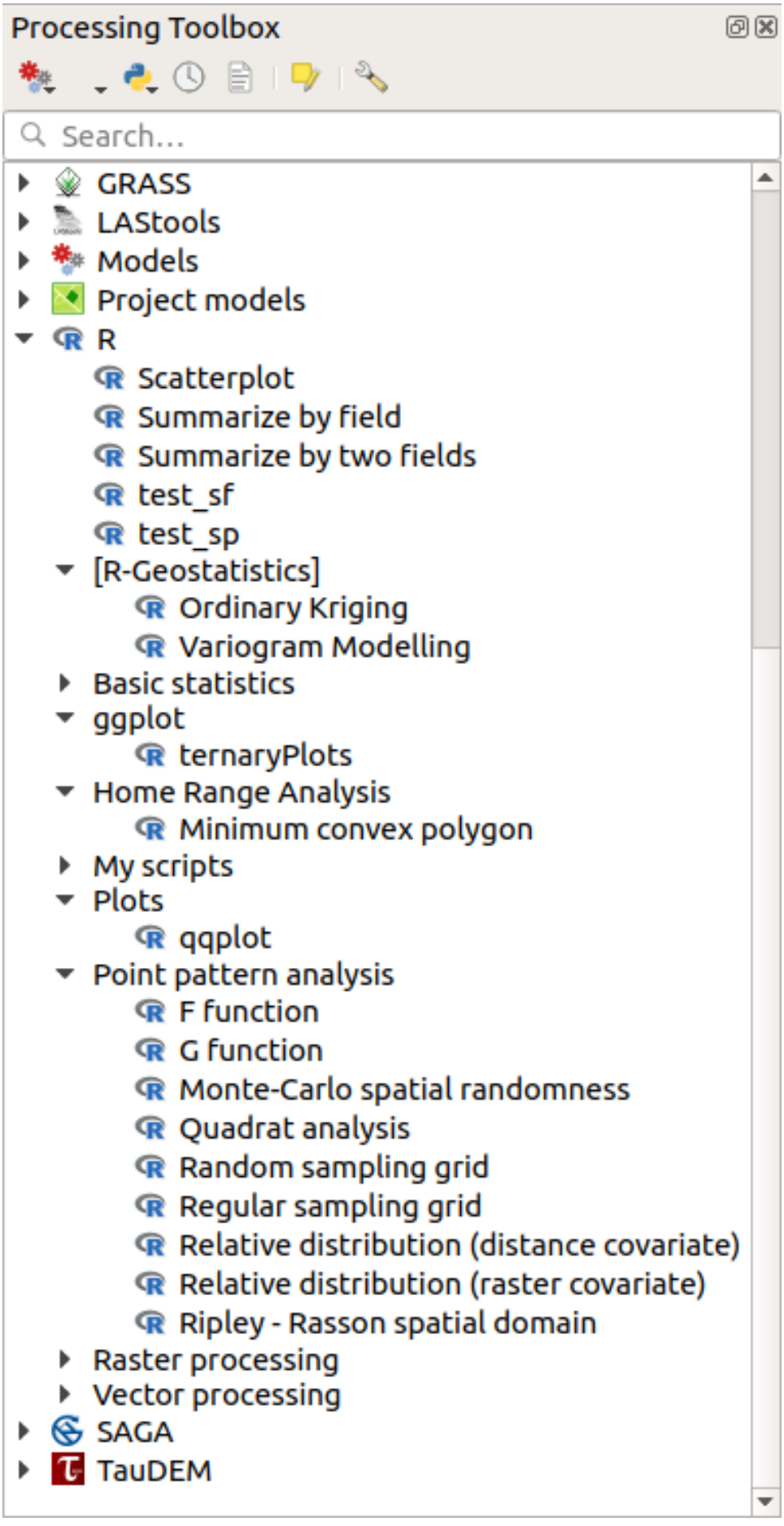
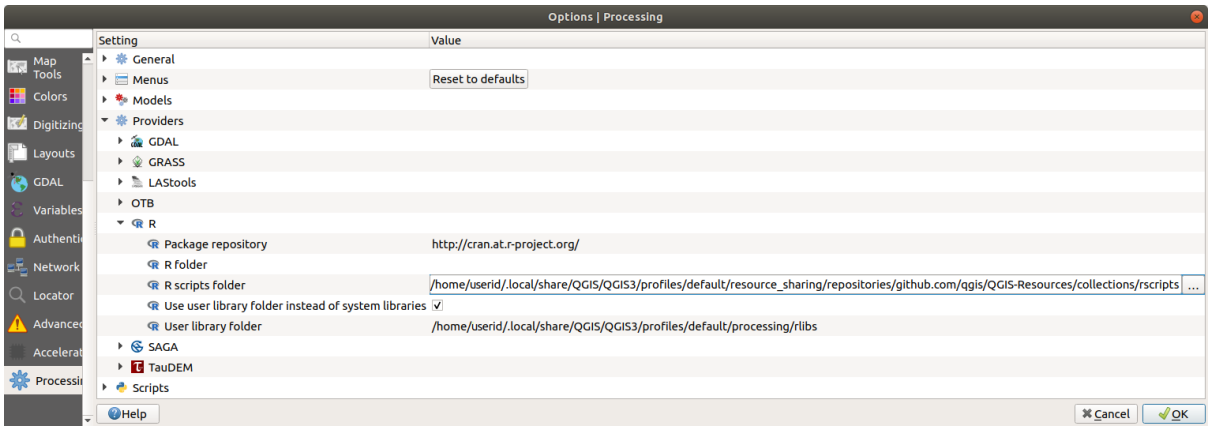


Abb. 24.33: The *Processing Toolbox* with some R scripts shown

The scripts at the top are the example scripts from the *Processing R Provider* plugin.

10. If, for some reason, the scripts are not available in the *Processing Toolbox*, you can try to:
    1. Open the Processing settings (*Settings* ► *Options* ► *Processing* tab)
    2. Go to *Providers* ► *R* ► *R scripts folder*
       - On Ubuntu, set the path to (or, better, include in the path):

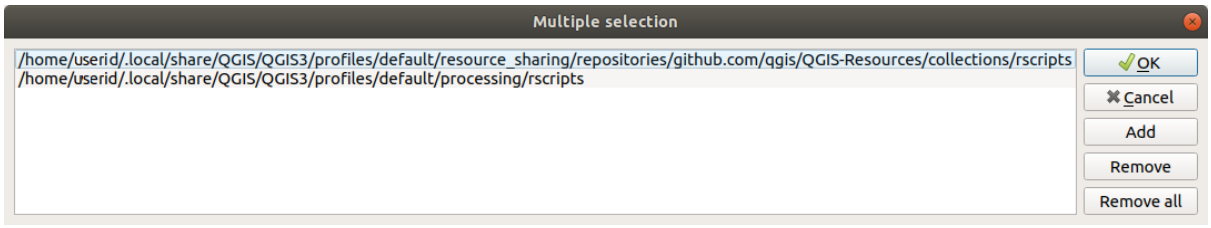
         /home/<user>/.local/share/QGIS/QGIS3/profiles/default/resource_sharing/repositories/github.com/qgis/QGIS-Resources/collections/rscripts



       - On Windows, set the path to (or, better, include in the path):

         C:\Users\<user>\AppData\Roaming\QGIS\QGIS3\profiles\default\resource_sharing\repositories\github.com\qgis\QGIS-Resources\collections\rscripts

    To edit, double-click. You can then choose to just paste / type the path, or you can navigate to the directory by using the … button and press the *Add* button in the dialog that opens. It is possible to provide several directories here. They will be separated by a semicolon („;“).



If you would like to get all the R scrips from the QGIS 2 on-line collection, you can select *QGIS R script collection (from QGIS 2)* instead of *QGIS R script collection*. You will probably find that scripts that depend on vector data input or output will not work.

Creating R scripts

You can write scripts and call R commands, as you would do from R. This section shows you the syntax for using R commands in QGIS, and how to use QGIS objects (layers, tables) in them.

To add an algorithm that calls an R function (or a more complex R script that you have developed and you would like to have available from QGIS), you have to create a script file that performs the R commands.

R script files have the extension `.rsx`, and creating them is pretty easy if you just have a basic knowledge of R syntax and R scripting. They should be stored in the R scripts folder. You can specify the folder (*R scripts folder*) in the *R* settings group in Processing settings dialog).

Let's have a look at a very simple script file, which calls the R method `spsample` to create a random grid within the boundary of the polygons in a given polygon layer. This method belongs to the `maptools` package. Since almost all the algorithms that you might like to incorporate into QGIS will use or generate spatial data, knowledge of spatial packages like `maptools` and `sp`/`sf`, is very useful.

```
##Random points within layer extent=name
##Point pattern analysis=group
##Vector_layer=vector
##Number_of_points=number 10
##Output=output vector
library(sp)
spatpoly = as(Vector_layer, "Spatial")
pts=spsample(spatpoly,Number_of_points,type="random")
spdf=SpatialPointsDataFrame(pts, as.data.frame(pts))
Output=st_as_sf(spdf)
```

The first lines, which start with a double Python comment sign (`##`), define the display name and group of the script, and tell QGIS about its inputs and outputs.

Bemerkung: To find out more about how to write your own R scripts, have a look at the R Intro section in the training manual and consult the *QGIS R Syntax* section.

When you declare an input parameter, QGIS uses that information for two things: creating the user interface to ask the user for the value of that parameter, and creating a corresponding R variable that can be used as R function input.

In the above example, we have declared an input of type `vector`, named `Vector_layer`. When executing the algorithm, QGIS will open the layer selected by the user and store it in a variable named `Vector_layer`. So, the name of a parameter is the name of the variable that you use in R for accessing the value of that parameter (you should therefore avoid using reserved R words as parameter names).

Spatial parameters such as vector and raster layers are read using the `st_read()` (or `readOGR`) and `brick()` (or `readGDAL`) commands (you do not have to worry about adding those commands to your description file – QGIS will do it), and they are stored as `sf` (or `Spatial*DataFrame`) objects.

Table fields are stored as strings containing the name of the selected field.

Vector files can be read using the `readOGR()` command instead of `st_read()` by specifying `##load_vector_using_rgdal`. This will produce a `Spatial*DataFrame` object instead of an `sf` object.

Raster files can be read using the `readGDAL()` command instead of `brick()` by specifying `##load_raster_using_rgdal`.

If you are an advanced user and do not want QGIS to create the object for the layer, you can use `##pass_filenames` to indicate that you prefer a string with the filename. In this case, it is up to you to open the file before performing any operation on the data it contains.

With the above information, it is possible to understand the first lines of the R script (the first line not starting with a Python comment character).

```
library(sp)
spatpoly = as(Vector_layer, "Spatial")
pts=spsample(polyg,numpoints,type="random")
```

The `spsample` function is provided by the *sp* library, so the first thing we do is to load that library. The variable `Vector_layer` contains an `sf` object. Since we are going to use a function (`spsample`) from the *sp* library, we must convert the `sf` object to a `SpatialPolygonsDataFrame` object using the `as` function.

Then we call the `spsample` function with this object and the `numpoints` input parameter (which specifies the number of points to generate).

Since we have declared a vector output named `Output`, we have to create a variable named `Output` containing an `sf` object.

We do this in two steps. First we create a `SpatialPolygonsDataFrame` object from the result of the function, using the *SpatialPointsDataFrame* function, and then we convert that object to an `sf` object using the `st_as_sf` function (of the *sf* library).

You can use whatever names you like for your intermediate variables. Just make sure that the variable storing your final result has the defined name (in this case `Output`), and that it contains a suitable value (an `sf` object for vector layer output).

In this case, the result obtained from the `spsample` method had to be converted explicitly into an `sf` object via a `SpatialPointsDataFrame` object, since it is itself an object of class `ppp`, which can not be returned to QGIS.

If your algorithm generates raster layers, the way they are saved will depend on whether or not you have used the `##dontuserasterpackage` option. If you have used it, layers are saved using the `writeGDAL()` method. If not, the `writeRaster()` method from the `raster` package will be used.

If you have used the `##pass_filenames` option, outputs are generated using the `raster` package (with `writeRaster()`).

If your algorithm does not generate a layer, but a text result in the console instead, you have to indicate that you want the console to be shown once the execution is finished. To do so, just start the command lines that produce the results you want to print with the > (‚greater than') sign. Only output from lines prefixed with > are shown. For instance, here is the description file of an algorithm that performs a normality test on a given field (column) of the attributes of a vector layer:

```
##layer=vector
##field=field layer
##nortest=group
library(nortest)
>lillie.test(layer[[field]])
```

Die Ausgabe der letzten Zeile wird gedruckt, die Ausgabe der ersten aber nicht (und auch nicht die Ausgaben von anderen Kommandozeilen, die automatisch von QGIS hinzugefügt werden).

If your algorithm creates any kind of graphics (using the `plot()` method), add the following line (`output_plots_to_html` used to be `showplots`):

```
##output_plots_to_html
```

Dies bewirkt, dass QGIS alle grafischen Ausgaben von R in eine temporäre Datei, die geöffnet wird nachdem die Ausführung von R beendet wurde, umleitet.

Both graphics and console results will be available through the processing results manager.

For more information, please check the R scripts in the official QGIS collection (you download and install them using the *QGIS Resource Sharing* plugin, as explained elsewhere). Most of them are rather simple and will greatly help you understand how to create your own scripts.

Bemerkung: The `sf`, `rgdal` and `raster` libraries are loaded by default, so you do not have to add the corresponding `library()` commands. However, other libraries that you might need have to be explicitly loaded by typing: `library(ggplot2)` (to load the `ggplot2` library). If the package is not already installed on your machine, Processing will try to download and install it. In this way the package will also become available in R Standalone. **Be aware** that if the package has to be downloaded, the script may take a long time to run the first time.

24.10.6 R libraries

The R script `sp_test` tries to load the R packages `sp` and `raster`.

R libraries installed when running sf_test

The R script *sf_test* tries to load `sf` and `raster`. If these two packages are not installed, R may try to load and install them (and all the libraries that they depend on).

The following R libraries end up in `~/.local/share/QGIS/QGIS3/profiles/default/processing/rscripts` after `sf_test` has been run from the Processing Toolbox on Ubuntu with version 2.0 of the *Processing R Provider* plugin and a fresh install of *R* 3.4.4 (*apt* package `r-base-core` only):

```
abind, askpass, assertthat, backports, base64enc, BH, bit, bit64, blob, brew,␣
↪callr, classInt, cli, colorspace, covr, crayon, crosstalk, curl, DBI, deldir,
desc, dichromat, digest, dplyr, e1071, ellipsis, evaluate, fansi, farver, fastmap,␣
↪gdtools, ggplot2, glue, goftest, gridExtra, gtable, highr, hms,
htmltools, htmlwidgets, httpuv, httr, jsonlite, knitr, labeling, later, lazyeval,␣
↪leafem, leaflet, leaflet.providers, leafpop, leafsync, lifecycle, lwgeom,
magrittr, maps, mapview, markdown, memoise, microbenchmark, mime, munsell, odbc,␣
↪openssl, pillar, pkgbuild, pkgconfig, pkgload, plogr, plyr, png, polyclip,
praise, prettyunits, processx, promises, ps, purrr, R6, raster, RColorBrewer, Rcpp,
↪ reshape2, rex, rgeos, rlang, rmarkdown, RPostgres, RPostgreSQL,
rprojroot, RSQLite, rstudioapi, satellite, scales, sf, shiny, sourcetools, sp,␣
↪spatstat, spatstat.data, spatstat.utils, stars, stringi, stringr, svglite,
sys, systemfonts, tensor, testthat, tibble, tidyselect, tinytex, units, utf8, uuid,
↪ vctrs, viridis, viridisLite, webshot, withr, xfun, XML, xtable
```

24.10.7 GRASS

Configuring GRASS is not much different from configuring SAGA. First, the path to the GRASS folder has to be defined, but only if you are running Windows.

By default, the Processing framework tries to configure its GRASS connector to use the GRASS distribution that ships along with QGIS. This should work without problems for most systems, but if you experience problems, you might have to configure the GRASS connector manually. Also, if you want to use a different GRASS installation, you can change the setting to point to the folder where the other version is installed. GRASS 7 is needed for algorithms to work correctly.

If you are running Linux, you just have to make sure that GRASS is correctly installed, and that it can be run without problem from a terminal window.

GRASS Algorithmen verwenden eine Region für die Berechnungen. Diese Region kann manuell definiert werden unter Verwendung von Werten ähnlich denen, die in der SAGA Konfiguration stehen oder automatisch, wobei die minimale Ausdehnung aller Eingangslayer verwendet werden, wenn der Algorithmus ausgeführt wird. Wenn dies das Verhalten ist, das Sie bevorzugen, können Sie es über die Option *Verwende min abdecken Region* in den GRASS Konfigurationsparametern definieren.

24.10.8 LAStools

To use LAStools in QGIS, you need to download and install LAStools on your computer and install the LAStools plugin (available from the official repository) in QGIS.

On Linux platforms, you will need Wine to be able to run some of the tools.

LAStools is activated and configured in the Processing options (*Settings* ► *Options*, *Processing* tab, *Providers* ► *LAStools*), where you can specify the location of LAStools (*LAStools folder*) and Wine (*Wine folder*). On Ubuntu, the default Wine folder is `/usr/bin`.

24.10.9 OTB Applications

OTB applications are fully supported within the QGIS Processing framework.

OTB (Orfeo ToolBox) ist eine Bildverarbeitungsbibliothek für Fernerkundungsdaten. Sie stellt auch Anwendungen zur Verfügung, die Bildverarbeitungsfunktionen bereitstellen. Die Liste der Anwendungen und ihre Dokumentation sind im OTB CookBook verfügbar.

Bemerkung: Note that OTB is not distributed with QGIS and needs to be installed separately. Binary packages for OTB can be found on the download page.

To configure QGIS processing to find the OTB library:

1. Open the processing settings: *Settings* ► *Options* ► *Processing* (left panel)*
2. You can see OTB under „Providers“:
    1. Expand the *OTB* tab
    2. Tick the *Activate* option
    3. Set the *OTB folder*. This is the location of your OTB installation.
    4. Set the *OTB application folder*. This is the location of your OTB applications (`<PATH_TO_OTB_INSTALLATION>/lib/otb/applications`)
    5. Click „ok“ to save the settings and close the dialog.

If settings are correct, OTB algorithms will be available in the *Processing Toolbox*.

Documentation of OTB settings available in QGIS Processing

- **Activate**: This is a checkbox to activate or deactivate the OTB provider. An invalid OTB setting will uncheck this when saved.
- **OTB folder**: This is the directory where OTB is available.
- **OTB application folder**: This is the location(s) of OTB applications.

  Multiple paths are allowed.
- **Logger level** (optional): Level of logger to use by OTB applications.

  The level of logging controls the amount of detail printed during algorithm execution. Possible values for logger level are `INFO`, `WARNING`, `CRITICAL`, `DEBUG`. This value is `INFO` by default. This is an advanced user configuration.
- **Maximum RAM to use** (optional): by default, OTB applications use all available system RAM.

  You can, however, instruct OTB to use a specific amount of RAM (in MB) using this option. A value of 256 is ignored by the OTB processing provider. This is an advanced user configuration.

- **Geoid file** (optional): Path to the geoid file.

  This option sets the value of the elev.dem.geoid and elev.geoid parameters in OTB applications. Setting this value globally enables users to share it across multiple processing algorithms. Empty by default.

- **SRTM tiles folder** (optional): Directory where SRTM tiles are available.

  SRTM data can be stored locally to avoid downloading of files during processing. This option sets the value of elev.dem.path and elev.dem parameters in OTB applications. Setting this value globally enables users to share it across multiple processing algorithms. Empty by default.

Compatibility between QGIS and OTB versions

All OTB versions (from OTB 6.6.1) are compatible with the latest QGIS version.

Troubleshoot

If you have issues with OTB applications in QGIS Processing, please open an issue on the OTB bug tracker, using the `qgis` label.

Additional information about OTB and QGIS can be found here

KAPITEL 25

Datenanbieter und Algorithmen in Verarbeitung

Im Folgenden werden die Algorithmen und ihre Parameter beschrieben (wie sie in der Benutzeroberfläche dargestellt werden).

25.1 GDAL Algorithmus-Anbieter

QGIS algorithm provider implements various analysis and geoprocessing operations using mostly only QGIS API. So almost all algorithms from this provider will work „out of the box“ without any additional configuration.

This provider incorporates some algorithms from plugins and also adds its own algorithms.

25.1.1 Cartography

Align points to features

Calculates the rotation required to align point features with their nearest feature from another reference layer. A new field is added to the output layer which is filled with the angle (in degrees, clockwise) to the nearest reference feature.

Optionally, the output layer's symbology can be set to automatically use the calculated rotation field to rotate marker symbols. If desired, a maximum distance to use when aligning points can be set, to avoid aligning isolated points to distant features.

Hinweis: This algorithm is designed for use cases like aligning building point symbols to follow the nearest road direction.

 Allows *features in-place modification*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: point]	Point features to calculate the rotation for
Reference layer	`REFERENCE_LAYER`	[vector: any]	Layer to find the closest feature from for rotation calculation
Maximum distance to consider Optional	`MAX_DISTANCE`	[number] Default: Not set	If no reference feature is found within this distance, no rotation is assigned to the point feature.
Angle field name	`FIELD_NAME`	[string] Default: ‚rotation‘	Field in which to store the rotation value.
Automatically apply symbology	`APPLY_SYMBOLOGY`	[boolean] Default: True	Rotates the symbol marker of the features using the angle field value
Aligned layer	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specify the rotated output vector layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

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Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Aligned layer	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point]	The point layer appended with a rotation field. If loaded to QGIS, it is applied by default the input layer symbology, with a data-defined rotation of its marker symbol.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:angletonearest`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Combine style databases

Combines multiple QGIS style databases into a single style database. If items of the same type with the same name exist in different source databases these will be renamed to have unique names in the output combined database.

Siehe auch:

Create style database from project

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input databases	`INPUT`	[file] [list]	Files containing QGIS style items
Objects to combine	`OBJECTS`	[enumeration] [list]	Types of style items in the input databases you would like to put in the new database. These can be: • 0 — *Symbols* • 1 — *Color ramps* • 2 — *Text formats* • 3 — *Label settings*
Output style database	`OUTPUT`	[file] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Output `.XML` file combining the selected style items. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Color ramp count	`COLORRAMPS`	[number]	
Label settings count	`LABELSETTINGS`	[number]	
Output style database	`OUTPUT`	[file]	Output `.XML` file combining the selected style items
Symbol count	`SYMBOLS`	[number]	
Text format count	`TEXTFORMATS`	[number]	

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:combinestyles`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Create categorized renderer from styles

Sets a vector layer's renderer to a categorized renderer using matching symbols from a style database. If no style file is specified, symbols from the user's current *symbol library* are used instead.

A specified expression or field is used to create categories for the renderer. Each category is individually matched to the symbols which exist within the specified QGIS XML style database. Whenever a matching symbol name is found, the category's symbol will be set to this matched symbol.

If desired, outputs can also be tables containing lists of the categories which could not be matched to symbols, and symbols which were not matched to categories.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Vector layer to apply a categorized style to
Categorize using expression	`FIELD`	[expression]	Field or expression to categorize the features
Style database (leave blank to use saved symbols)	`STYLE`	[file]	File (`.XML`) containing the symbols to apply to the input layer categories. The file can be obtained from the Style Manager *Share symbols* tool. If no file is specified, QGIS local symbols library is used.
Use case-sensitive match to symbol names	`CASE_SENSITIVE`	[boolean] Default: False	If True (checked), applies a case sensitive comparison between the categories and symbols names
Ignore non-alphanumeric characters while matching	`TOLERANT`	[boolean] Default: False	If True (checked), non-alphanumeric characters in the categories and symbols names will be ignored, allowing greater tolerance during the match.
Non-matching categories Optional	`NON_MATCHING_CATEGORIES`	[table] Default: `[Skip output]`	Output table for categories which do not match any symbol in the database. One of: • Skip Output • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.
Non-matching symbol names Optional	`NON_MATCHING_SYMBOLS`	[table] Default: `[Skip output]`	Output table for symbols from the provided style database which do not match any category. One of: • Skip Output • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Non-matching categories	`NON_MATCHING_CATEGORIES`	[table]	Lists categories which could not be matched to any symbol in the provided style database
Non-matching symbol names	`NON_MATCHING_SYMBOLS`	[table]	Lists symbols from the provided style database which could not match any category
Categorized layer	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	The input vector layer with the categorized style applied. No new layer is output.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:categorizeusingstyle`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Create style database from project

Extracts all style objects (symbols, color ramps, text formats and label settings) from a QGIS project.

The extracted symbols are saved to a QGIS style database (`XML` format), which can be managed and imported via the *Style Manager* dialog.

Siehe auch:

Combine style databases

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input project (leave blank to use current) Optional	`INPUT`	[file]	A QGIS project file to extract the style items from
Objects to extract	`OBJECTS`	[enumeration] [list]	Types of style items in the input project you would like to put in the new database. These can be: • 0 — *Symbols* • 1 — *Color ramps* • 2 — *Text formats* • 3 — *Label settings*
Output style database	`OUTPUT`	[file] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specify the output `.XML` file for the selected style items. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Color ramp count	`COLORRAMPS`	[number]	Number of color ramps
Label settings count	`LABELSETTINGS`	[number]	Number of label settings
Output style database	`OUTPUT`	[file]	Output `.XML` file for the selected style items
Symbol count	`SYMBOLS`	[number]	Number of symbols
Text format count	`TEXTFORMATS`	[number]	Number of text formats

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:stylefromproject`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Export atlas layout as image

Exports the atlas of a print layout as image files (e.g. PNG or JPEG images).

If a coverage layer is set, the selected layout's atlas settings exposed in this algorithm will be overwritten. In this case, an empty filter or sort by expression will turn those settings off.

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Atlas layout	`LAYOUT`	[layout]	Layout to export
Coverage layer Optional	`COVERAGE_LAYER`	[vector: any]	Layer to use to generate the atlas
Filter expression	`FILTER_EXPRESSION`	[expression]	Expression to use to filter out atlas features
Sort expression Optional	`SORTBY_EXPRESSION`	[expression]	Expression to use to sort the atlas features
Reverse sort order Optional	`SORTBY_REVERSE`	[boolean]	Determines if sorting should be inverted. Used when a sort expression is provided.
Output filename expression	`FILENAME_EXPRESSION`	[expression] Default: ‚output_'‖@atlas_featurenumber	Expression for use to generate filenames
Output folder	`FOLDER`	[folder]	Destination folder where the images will be generated

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Map layers to assign to unlocked map item(s) Optional	`LAYERS`	[enumeration] [layer]	Layers to display in the map item(s) whose contents are not locked
Image format	`EXTENSION`	[list] Default: png	File format of the generated output(s). The list of available formats varies depending on OS and installed drivers.
DPI Optional	`DPI` Default: Not set	[number]	DPI of the output file(s). If not set, the value in the print layout settings will be used.
Generate world file	`GEOREFERENCE`	[boolean] Default: True	Determines if a world file should be generated
Export RDF metadata	`INCLUDE_METADATA`	[boolean] Default: True	Determines if RDF metadata (title, author, …) should be generated
Enable antialiasing	`ANTIALIAS`	[boolean] Default: True	Determines if antialiasing should be enabled

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Image file	`OUTPUT`	[file]	Image files generated by the atlas layout

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:atlaslayouttoimage`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Export atlas layout as PDF

Exports the atlas of a print layout as a PDF file(s).

If a coverage layer is set, the selected layout's atlas settings exposed in this algorithm will be overwritten. In this case, an empty filter or sort by expression will turn those settings off.

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Atlas layout	`LAYOUT`	[layout]	Layout to export
Coverage layer Optional	`COVERAGE_LAYER`	[vector: any]	Layer to use to generate the atlas
Filter expression	`FILTER_EXPRESSION`	[expression]	Expression to use to filter out atlas features
Sort expression Optional	`SORTBY_EXPRESSION`	[expression]	Expression to use to sort the atlas features
Reverse sort order Optional	`SORTBY_REVERSE`	[boolean]	Determines if sorting should be inverted. Used when a sort expression is provided.

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Map layers to assign to unlocked map item(s) Optional	`LAYERS`	[enumeration] [layer]	Layers to display in the map item(s) whose contents are not locked
DPI Optional	`DPI` Default: Not set	[number]	DPI of the output file(s). If not set, the value in the print layout settings will be used.
Always export as vectors	`FORCE_VECTOR`	[boolean] Default: False	Determines if vectorial data should be left as vectors
Append georeference information	`GEOREFERENCE`	[boolean] Default: True	Determines if a world file should be generated
Export RDF metadata	`INCLUDE_METADATA`	[boolean] Default: True	Determines if RDF metadata (title, author, …) should be generated
Disable tiled raster layer exports	`DISABLE_TILED`	[boolean] Default: False	Determines if raster should be tiled
Simplify geometries to reduce output file size	`SIMPLIFY`	[boolean] Default: True	Determines if geometries should be simplified to reduce output file size
Text export	`TEXT_FORMAT`	[list] Default: 0	Determines if text should be exported as path or text objects. Possible options are: • 0 - Always export text as paths (recommended) • 1 - Always export texts as text objects
PDF file	`OUTPUT`	[file] Default: [Save to temporary file]	Name (including path) of the output file. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
PDF file	`OUTPUT`	[file]	PDF file corresponding to the exported atlas layout

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:atlaslayouttopdf`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Export print layout as image

Exports a print layout as an image file (e.g. PNG or JPEG images)

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Print layout	`LAYOUT`	[layout]	Layout to export
Image file	`OUTPUT`	[file] Default: [Save to temporary file]	Name (including path) of the output file. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Map layers to assign to unlocked map item(s) Optional	`LAYERS`	[enumeration] [layer]	Layers to display in the map item(s) whose contents are not locked
DPI Optional	`DPI` Default: Not set	[number]	DPI of the output file(s). If not set, the value in the print layout settings will be used.
Generate world file	`GEOREFERENCE`	[boolean] Default: True	Determines if a world file should be generated
Export RDF metadata	`INCLUDE_METADATA`	[boolean] Default: True	Determines if RDF metadata (title, author, …) should be generated
Enable antialiasing	`ANTIALIAS`	[boolean] Default: True	Determines if antialiasing should be enabled

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Image file	`OUTPUT`	[file]	Image file corresponding to the exported print layout

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:printlayouttoimage`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Export print layout as PDF

Exports a print layout as a PDF file.

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Print Layout	`LAYOUT`	[layout]	Layout to export
PDF file	`OUTPUT`	[file] Default: [Save to temporary file]	Name (including path) of the output file. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Map layers to assign to unlocked map item(s) Optional	`LAYERS`	[enumeration] [layer]	Layers to display in the map item(s) whose contents are not locked
DPI Optional	`DPI` Default: Not set	[number]	DPI of the output file(s). If not set, the value in the print layout settings will be used.
Always export as vectors	`FORCE_VECTOR`	[boolean] Default: False	Determines if vectorial data should be left as vectors
Append georeference information	`GEOREFERENCE`	[boolean] Default: True	Determines if a world file should be generated
Export RDF metadata	`INCLUDE_METADATA`	[boolean] Default: True	Determines if RDF metadata (title, author, …) should be generated
Disable tiled raster layer exports	`DISABLE_TILED`	[boolean] Default: False	Determines if raster should be tiled
Simplify geometries to reduce output file size	`SIMPLIFY`	[boolean] Default: True	Determines if geometries should be simplified to reduce output file size
Text export	`TEXT_FORMAT`	[list] Default: 0	Determines if text should be exported as path or text objects. Possible options are: • 0 - Always export text as paths (recommended) • 1 - Always export texts as text objects
Export layers as separate PDF files	`SEPARATE_LAYERS`	[boolean] Default: False	If True, then a separate PDF file will be created per layer per map item in the layout. Additionally, separate PDF files may be created for other complex layout items, resulting in a set of PDF files which contain logical atomic components of the layout.

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Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
PDF file	`OUTPUT`	[file]	PDF file(s) corresponding to the exported print layout

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:printlayouttopdf`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Print layout map extent to layer

Creates a polygon layer containing the extent of a print layout map item (or items), with attributes specifying the map size (in layout units, i.e. the *reference map* units), scale and rotation.

If the map item parameter is specified, then only the matching map extent will be exported. If it is not specified, all map extents from the layout will be exported.

Optionally, a specific output CRS can be specified. If it is not specified, the original map item CRS will be used.

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Print layout	`LAYOUT`	[enumeration]	A print layout in the current project
Map item Optional	`MAP`	[enumeration] Default: *All the map items*	The map item(s) whose information you want to extract. If none is provided then all the map items are processed.
Extent	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output vector layer for the extent(s). One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Overrride CRS Optional	`CRS`	[crs] Default: *The layout CRS*	Select the CRS for the layer in which the information will be reported.

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Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Map height	`HEIGHT`	[number]	
Extent	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon]	Output polygon vector layer containing extents of all the input layout map item(s)
Map rotation	`ROTATION`	[number]	
Map scale	`SCALE`	[number]	
Map width	`WIDTH`	[number]	

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:printlayoutmapextenttolayer`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Set layer style

Applies a provided style to a layer. The style must be defined in a `QML` file.

No new output are created: the style is immediately assigned to the layer.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input Layer	`INPUT`	[layer]	Input layer you want to apply the style to
Style file	`STYLE`	[file]	Path to the `.qml` file of the style

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	The input layer with the new style assigned. No new layer is created.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:setlayerstyle`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Topological coloring

Assigns a color index to polygon features in such a way that no adjacent polygons share the same color index, whilst minimizing the number of colors required.

The algorithm allows choice of method to use when assigning colors.

A minimum number of colors can be specified if desired. The color index is saved to a new attribute named **color_id**.

The following example shows the algorithm with four different colors chosen; as you can see each color class has the same amount of features.

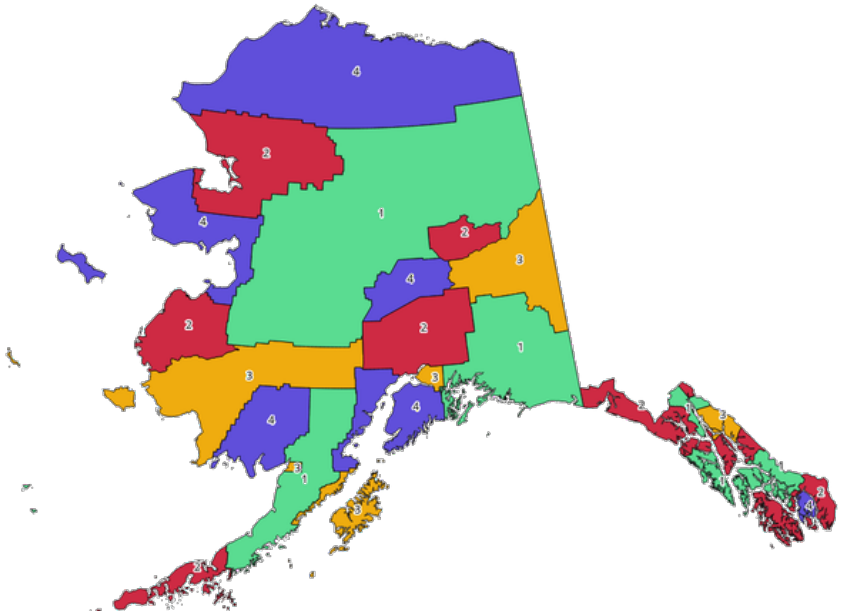


Abb. 25.1: Topological colors example

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: polygon]	The input polygon layer
Minimum number of colors	`MIN_COLORS`	[number] Default: 4	The minimum number of colors to assign. Minimum 1, maximum 1000.
Minimum distance between features	`MIN_DISTANCE`	[number] Default: 0.0	Prevent nearby (but non-touching) features from being assigned equal colors. Minimum 0.0.
Balance color assignment	`BALANCE`	[enumeration] Default: 0	Options are: • 0 — By feature count Attempts to assign colors so that the count of features assigned to each individual color index is balanced. • 1 — By assigned area Assigns colors so that the total area of features assigned to each color is balanced. This mode can be useful to help avoid large features resulting in one of the colors appearing more dominant on a colored map. • 2 — By distance between colors Assigns colors in order to maximize the distance between features of the same color. This mode helps to create a more uniform distribution of colors across a map.

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Tab. 25.2 – Fortsetzung der vorherigen Seite

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Colored	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Colored	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon]	Polygon vector layer with an added `color_id` column

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:topologicalcoloring`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Transfer annotations from main layer

Transfers all annotations from the main annotation layer in a project to a new annotation layer. Items placement can then be adjusted within the layer stack.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
New layer name	`LAYER_NAME`	[string] Default: ‚Annotations‘	Name of the annotations layer to create

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Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
New layer name	`OUTPUT`	[layer]	A layer with items from the main annotation layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:transferannotationsfrommain`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

25.1.2 Datenbank

Export to PostgreSQL

Exports a vector layer to a PostgreSQL database, creating a new relation. If a relation with the same name exists, it can be removed before the new relation is created. Prior to this a connection between QGIS and the PostgreSQL database has to be created (see eg *Creating a stored Connection*).

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Layer to import	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Vector layer to add to the database
Database (connection name)	`DATABASE`	[string]	Name of the database connection (not the database name). Existing connections will be shown in the combobox.
Schema (schema name) Optional	`SCHEMA`	[string] Default: ‚public‘	Name of the schema to store the data. It can be a new one or already exist.
Table to import to (leave blank to use layer name) Optional	`TABLENAME`	[string] Default: ‚‘	Defines a table name for the imported vector file. If nothing is added, the layer name will be used.
Primary key field Optional	`PRIMARY_KEY`	[tablefield: any]	Sets the primary key field from an existing field in the vector layer. A column with **unique** values can be used as Primary key for the database.
Geometry column	`GEOMETRY_COLUMN`	[string] Default: ‚geom‘	Defines the name of the geometry column in the new PostGIS table. Geometry information for the features is stored in this column.
Encoding Optional	`ENCODING`	[string] Default: ‚UTF-8‘	Defines the encoding of the output layer

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Tab. 25.4 – Fortsetzung der vorherigen Seite

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Overwrite	`OVERWRITE`	[boolean] Default: True	If the specified table exists, setting this option to `True` will make sure that it is deleted and a new table will be created before the features are added. If this option is `False` and the table exists, the algorithm will throw an exception („relation already exists“).
Create spatial index	`CREATEINDEX`	[boolean] Default: True	Specifies whether to create a spatial index or not
Convert field names to lowercase	`LOWERCASE_NAMES`	[boolean] Default: True	Converts the field names of the input vector layer to lowercase
Drop length constraint on character fields	`DROP_STRING_LENGTH`	[boolean] Default: False	Should length constraints on character fields be dropped or not
Create single-part geometries instead of multi-part	`FORCE_SINGLEPART`	[boolean] Default: False	Should the features of the output layer be single-part instead of multi-part. By default the existing geometries information are preserved.

Ausgaben

The algorithm has no output.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:importintopostgis`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Export to SpatiaLite

Exports a vector layer to a SpatiaLite database. Prior to this a connection between QGIS and the SpatiaLite database has to be created (see eg *SpatiaLite Layers*).

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Layer to import	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Vector layer to add to the database
File database	`DATABASE`	[vector: any]	The SQLite/SpatiaLite database file to connect to
Table to import to (leave blank to use layer name) Optional	`TABLENAME`	[string] Default: ‚‘	Defines the table name for the imported vector file. If nothing is specified, the layer name will be used.

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Tab. 25.5 – Fortsetzung der vorherigen Seite

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Primary key field Optional	`PRIMARY_KEY`	[tablefield: any]	Use a field in the input vector layer as the primary key
Geometry column	`GEOMETRY_COLUMN`	[string] Default: ‚geom‘	Defines the name of the geometry column in the new SpatiaLite table. Geometry information for the features is stored in this column.
Encoding Optional	`ENCODING`	[string] Default: ‚UTF-8‘	Defines the encoding of the output layer
Overwrite	`OVERWRITE`	[boolean] Default: True	If the specified table exists, setting this option to `True` will make sure that it is deleted and a new table will be created before the features of the layer is added. If this option is `False` and the table exists, the algorithm will throw an exception („table already exists“).
Create spatial index	`CREATEINDEX`	[boolean] Default: True	Specifies whether to create a spatial index or not
Convert field names to lowercase	`LOWERCASE_NAMES`	[boolean] Default: True	Convert the field names of the input vector layer to lowercase
Drop length constraint on character fields	`DROP_STRING_LENGTH`	[boolean] Default: False	Should length constraints on character fields be dropped or not
Create single-part geometries instead of multi-part	`FORCE_SINGLEPART`	[boolean] Default: False	Should the features of the output layer be single-part instead of multi-part. By default the existing geometries information are preserved.

Ausgaben

The algorithm has no output.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:importintospatialite`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Package layers

Adds layers to a GeoPackage.

If the GeoPackage exists and `Overwrite existing GeoPackage` is checked, it will be overwritten (removed and recreated). If the GeoPackage exists and `Overwrite existing GeoPackage` is not checked, the layer will be appended.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layers	`LAYERS`	[vector: any] [list]	The (vector) layers to import into the GeoPackage. Raster layers are not supported. If a raster layer is added, a `QgsProcessingException` will be thrown.
Overwrite existing GeoPackage	`OVERWRITE`	[boolean] Default: False	If the specified GeoPackage exists, setting this option to `True` will make sure that it is deleted and a new one will be created before the layers are added. If set to `False`, layers will be appended.
Save layer styles into GeoPackage	`SAVE_STYLES`	[boolean] Default: True	Save the layer styles
Save only selected features	`SELECTED_FEATURES_ONLY`	[boolean] Default: False	If a layer has a selection, setting this option to `True` will result in only selected features being saved. For layers without a selection all features will be saved.
Destination GeoPackage	`OUTPUT`	[file] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specify where to store the GeoPackage file. One of • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Layers within new package	`OUTPUT_LAYERS`	[string] [list]	The list of layers added to the GeoPackage.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:package`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

PostgreSQL execute and load SQL

Allows a SQL database query to be performed on a PostgreSQL database connected to QGIS and loads the result. The algorithm **won't** create a new layer: it is designed to run queries on the layer itself.

Example

1. Set all the values of an existing field to a fixed value. The SQL query string will be:

```
UPDATE your_table SET field_to_update=20;
```

   In the example above, the values of the field `field_to_update` of the table `your_table` will be all set to `20`.

2. Create a new `area` column and calculate the area of each feature with the `ST_AREA` PostGIS function.

```
-- Create the new column "area" on the table your_table"
ALTER TABLE your_table ADD COLUMN area double precision;
-- Update the "area" column and calculate the area of each feature:
UPDATE your_table SET area=ST_AREA(geom);
```

Siehe auch:

PostgreSQL execute SQL, *Execute SQL*, *SpatiaLite execute SQL*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Database (connection name)	`DATABASE`	[string]	The database connection (not the database name). Existing connections will be shown in the combobox.
SQL query	`SQL`	[string]	Defines the SQL query, for example `'UPDATE my_table SET field=10'`.
Unique ID field name	`ID_FIELD`	[string] Default: id	Sets the primary key field (a column in the result table)
Geometry field name Optional	`GEOMETRY_FIELD`	[string] Default: ‚geom‘	Name of the geometry column (a column in the result table)

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
SQL layer	`OUTPUT`	[vector: any]	The resulting vector layer to be loaded into QGIS.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:postgisexecuteandloadsql`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

PostgreSQL execute SQL

Allows a SQL database query to be performed on a PostgreSQL database connected to QGIS. The algorithm **won't** create a new layer: it is designed to run queries on the layer itself.

Example

1. Set all the values of an existing field to a fixed value. The SQL query string will be:

   ```
   UPDATE your_table SET field_to_update=20;
   ```

   In the example above, the values of the field `field_to_update` of the table `your_table` will be all set to `20`.

2. Create a new `area` column and calculate the area of each feature with the `ST_AREA` PostGIS function.

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   -- Create the new column "area" on the table your_table"
   ALTER TABLE your_table ADD COLUMN area double precision;
   -- Update the "area" column and calculate the area of each feature:
   UPDATE your_table SET area=ST_AREA(geom);
   ```

Siehe auch:

PostgreSQL execute and load SQL, *Execute SQL*, *SpatiaLite execute SQL*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Database (connection name)	`DATABASE`	[string]	The database connection (not the database name). Existing connections will be shown in the combobox.
SQL query	`SQL`	[string]	Defines the SQL query, for example `'UPDATE my_table SET field=10'`.

Ausgaben

No output is created. The SQL query is executed in place.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:postgisexecutesql`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

SpatiaLite execute SQL

Allows a SQL database query to be performed on a SpatiaLite database. The algorithm **won't** create a new layer: it is designed to run queries on the layer itself.

Siehe auch:

PostgreSQL execute SQL, *Execute SQL*

For some SQL query examples see *PostGIS SQL Query Examples*.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
File Database	`DATABASE`	[vector]	The SQLite/SpatiaLite database file to connect to
SQL query	`SQL`	[string] Default: ‚‘	Defines the SQL query, for example `'UPDATE my_table SET field=10'`.

Ausgaben

No output is created. The SQL query is executed in place.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:spatialiteexecutesql`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

SpatiaLite execute SQL (registered DB)

Allows a SQL database query to be performed on a SpatiaLite database connected to QGIS. The algorithm **won't** create a new layer: it is designed to run queries on the layer itself.

Siehe auch:

PostgreSQL execute SQL, *Execute SQL*

For some SQL query examples see *PostGIS SQL Query Examples*.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Database	`DATABASE`	[enumeration] Default: not set	Select a SQLite/SpatiaLite database connected to the current session
SQL query	`SQL`	[string] Default: ‚‘	Defines the SQL query, for example `'UPDATE my_table SET field=10'`.

Ausgaben

No output is created. The SQL query is executed in place.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:spatialiteexecutesqlregistered`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

25.1.3 File tools

Download file

Downloads a file specified using a URL (using for instance `http:` or `file:`). In other words you can copy/paste a URL and download the file.

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
URL	`URL`	[string]	The URL of the file to download.
File destination Optional	`OUTPUT`	[string] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specification of the file destination. One of: • Skip Output • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Method	METHOD	[enumeration] Default: 0	The HTTP method to use for the request. Options are: • 0 — GET • 1 — POST
Data Optional	DATA	[string]	The data to add in the body if the request is a POST.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
File destination	OUTPUT	[string]	The location of the downloaded file

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:filedownloader`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

25.1.4 GPS

Convert GPS data

Uses the GPSBabel tool to convert a GPS data file from a range of formats to the GPX standard format.

Parameters

Label	Name	Type	Description
Input file	INPUT	[file]	File containing the data to convert
Format	FORMAT	[enumeration]	Format of the file to convert, from this list.
Feature type	FEATURE_TYPE	[enumeration] Default: 0	The type of data to convert • 0 — Waypoints • 1 — Routes • 2 — Tracks
Output	OUTPUT	[vector: any] Default: [Save to temporary file]	Specification of the output GPX file. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Outputs

Label	Name	Type	Description
Output layer	`OUTPUT_LAYER`	[vector: any]	Output layer with data in GPX standard format

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:convertgpsdata`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Convert GPX feature type

Uses the GPSBabel tool to convert GPX features from one type to another (e.g. converting all waypoint features to a route).

Parameters

Label	Name	Type	Description
Input file	`INPUT`	[file]	File containing the data to convert
Conversion	`CONVERSION`	[enumeration] Default: 0	The type of conversion to apply • 0 — Waypoints from a route • 1 — Waypoints from a track • 2 — Routes from waypoints • 3 — Tracks from waypoints
Output	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point or line] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specification of the output file. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Outputs

Label	Name	Type	Description
Output	`OUTPUT`	[vector: any]	Output layer with converted GPX features

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:convertgpxfeaturetype`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Download GPS data from device

Uses the GPSBabel tool to download data from a GPS device into the GPX standard format.

Parameters

Label	Name	Type	Description
Device	`DEVICE`	[file]	The GPS device used to create the data
Port	`PORT`	[enumeration]	The port the device is connected to.
Feature type	`FEATURE_TYPE`	[enumeration] Default: 0	The type of data to convert • 0 — Waypoints • 1 — Routes • 2 — Tracks
Output	`OUTPUT`	[vector: any] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specification of the output file. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Outputs

Label	Name	Type	Description
Output layer	`OUTPUT_LAYER`	[vector: any]	Output layer with data in GPX standard format

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:downloadgpsdata`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Upload GPS data to device

Uses the GPSBabel tool to upload data to a GPS device from the GPX standard format.

Parameters

Label	Name	Type	Description
Input file	`INPUT`	[file]	`.GPX` file containing the data to upload
Device	`DEVICE`	[file]	The GPS device to upload the data to
Port	`PORT`	[enumeration]	The port the device is connected to.
Feature type	`FEATURE_TYPE`	[enumeration] Default: 0	The type of data to upload • 0 — Waypoints • 1 — Routes • 2 — Tracks

Outputs

No output is provided. If successful, data are loaded to the device.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:uploadgpsdata`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

25.1.5 Interpolation

Heatmap (kernel density estimation)

Creates a density (heatmap) raster of an input point vector layer using kernel density estimation.

The density is calculated based on the number of points in a location, with larger numbers of clustered points resulting in larger values. Heatmaps allow easy identification of *hotspots* and clustering of points.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Point layer	`INPUT`	[vector: point]	Point vector layer to use for the heatmap
Radius	`RADIUS`	[number] Default: 100.0	Heatmap search radius (or kernel bandwidth) in map units. The radius specifies the distance around a point at which the influence of the point will be felt. Larger values result in greater smoothing, but smaller values may show finer details and variation in point density.

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Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Output raster size	`PIXEL_SIZE`	[number] Default: 0.1	Pixel size of the output raster layer in layer units. In the GUI, the size can be specified by the number of rows (`Number of rows`) / columns (`Number of columns`) **or** the pixel size(`Pixel Size X` / `Pixel Size Y`). Increasing the number of rows or columns will decrease the cell size and increase the file size of the output raster. The values in `Rows`, `Columns`, `Pixel Size X` and `Pixel Size Y` will be updated simultaneously - doubling the number of rows will double the number of columns, and the cell size will be halved. The extent of the output raster will remain the same (approximately).
Radius from field Optional	`RADIUS_FIELD`	[tablefield: numeric]	Sets the search radius for each feature from an attribute field in the input layer.
Weight from field Optional	`WEIGHT_FIELD`	[tablefield: numeric]	Allows input features to be weighted by an attribute field. This can be used to increase the influence certain features have on the resultant heatmap.
Kernel shape	`KERNEL`	[enumeration] Vorgabe: *0*	Controls the rate at which the influence of a point decreases as the distance from the point increases. Different kernels decay at different rates, so a triweight kernel gives features greater weight for distances closer to the point then the Epanechnikov kernel does. Consequently, triweight results in “sharper” hotspots and Epanechnikov results in “smoother” hotspots. There are many shapes available (please see the Wikipedia page for further information): • 0 — Quartic • 1 — Triangular • 2 — Uniform • 3 — Triweight • 4 — Epanechnikov

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Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Decay ratio (Triangular kernels only) Optional	`DECAY`	[number] Default: *0.0*	Can be used with Triangular kernels to further control how heat from a feature decreases with distance from the feature. • A value of 0 (=minimum) indicates that the heat will be concentrated in the center of the given radius and completely extinguished at the edge. • A value of 0.5 indicates that pixels at the edge of the radius will be given half the heat as pixels at the center of the search radius. • A value of 1 means the heat is spread evenly over the whole search radius circle. (This is equivalent to the 'Uniform' kernel.) • A value greater than 1 indicates that the heat is higher towards the edge of the search radius than at the center.
Output value scaling	`OUTPUT_VALUE`	[enumeration] Default: *Raw*	Allow to change the values of the output heatmap raster. One of: • 0 — Raw • 1 — Scaled
Heatmap	`OUTPUT`	[raster] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specify the output raster layer with kernel density values. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Heatmap	`OUTPUT`	[raster]	Raster layer with kernel density values

Example: Creating a Heatmap

For the following example, we will use the `airports` vector point layer from the QGIS sample dataset (see *Beispieldaten herunterladen*). Another excellent QGIS tutorial on making heatmaps can be found at http://qgistutorials.com.

In Abb. 25.2, the airports of Alaska are shown.

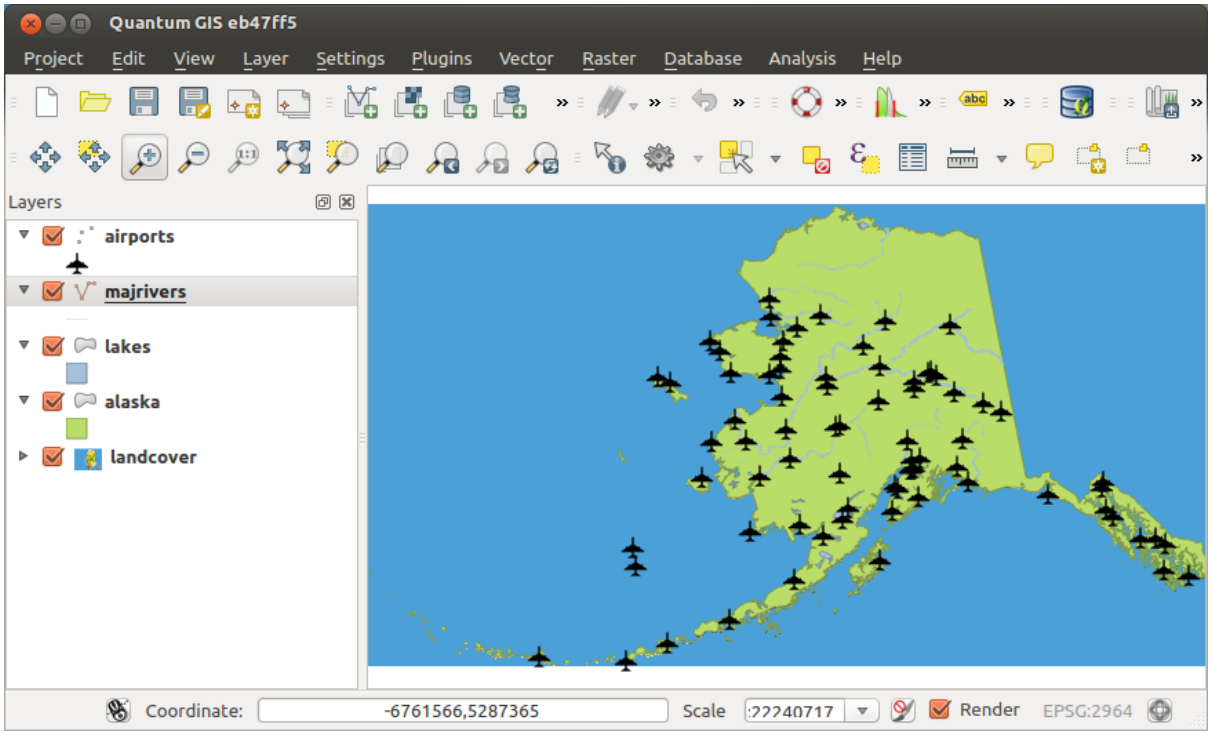


Abb. 25.2: Airports of Alaska

1. Open the *Heatmap (Kernel Density Estimation)* algorithm from the QGIS *Interpolation* group
2. In the *Point layer* field, select `airports` from the list of point layers loaded in the current project.
3. Change the *Radius* to `1000000` meters.
4. Change the *Pixel size X* to `1000`. The *Pixel size Y*, *Rows* and *Columns* will be automatically updated.
5. Click on *Run* to create and load the airports heatmap (see Abb. 25.4).

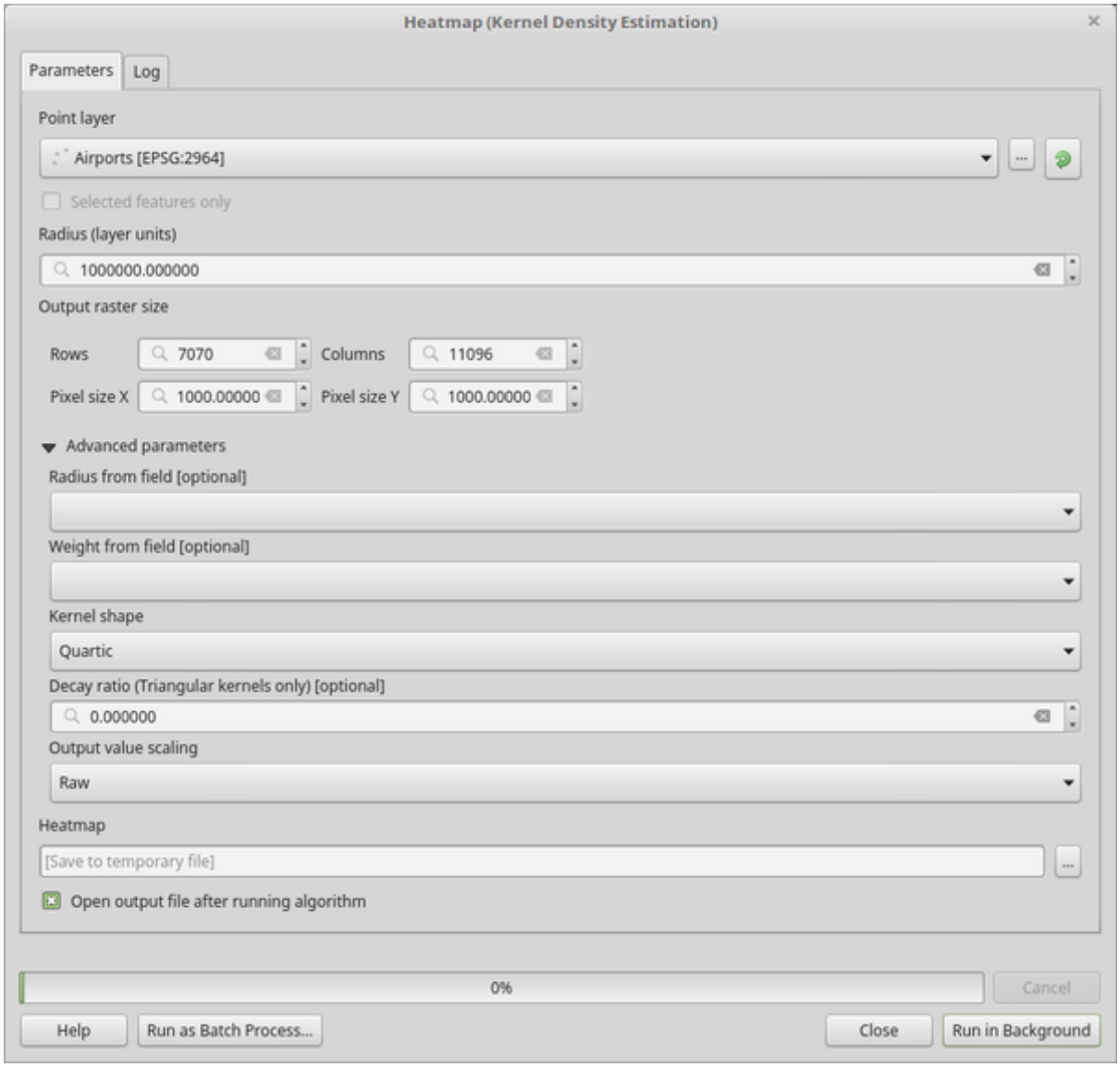


Abb. 25.3: The Heatmap Dialog

QGIS will generate the heatmap and add it to your map window. By default, the heatmap is shaded in greyscale, with lighter areas showing higher concentrations of airports. The heatmap can now be styled in QGIS to improve its appearance.

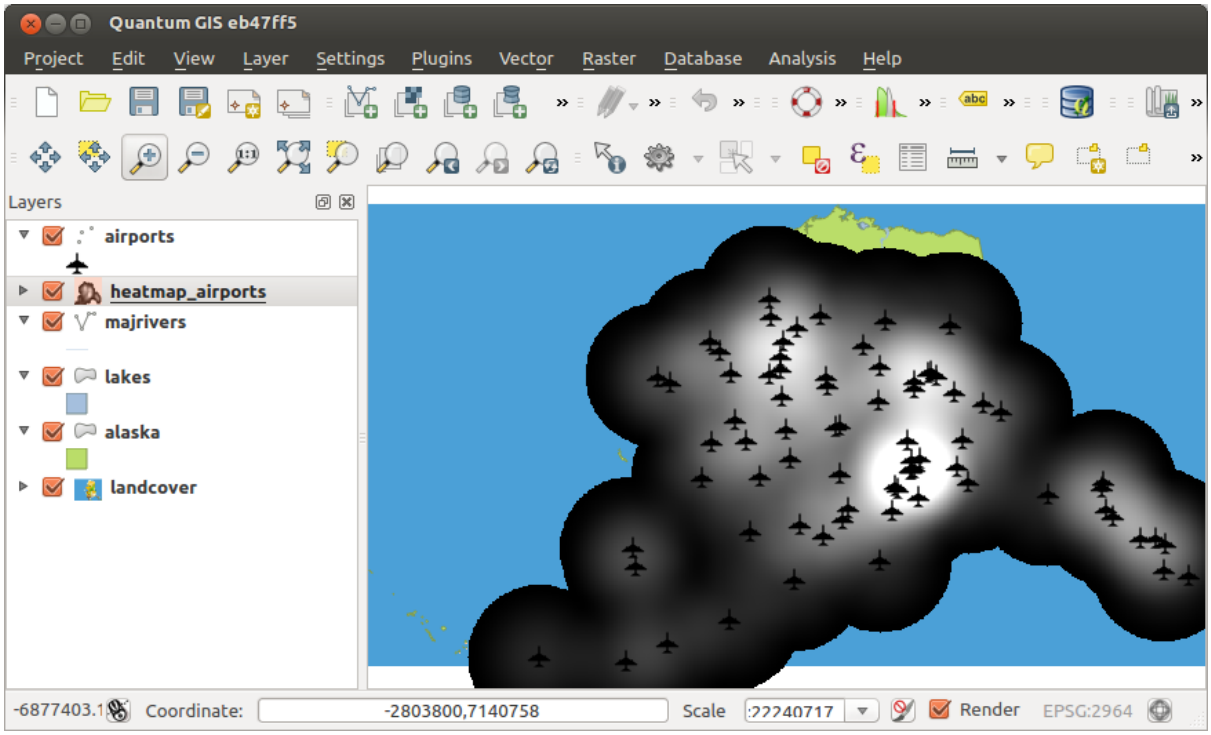


Abb. 25.4: The heatmap after loading looks like a grey surface

1. Open the properties dialog of the `heatmap_airports` layer (select the layer `heatmap_airports`, open the context menu with the right mouse button and select *Properties*).
2. Select the *Symbology* tab.
3. Change the *Render type* to ‚Singleband pseudocolor‘.
4. Select a suitable *Color ramp* , for instance `YlOrRd`.
5. Click the *Classify* button.
6. Press *OK* to update the layer.

The final result is shown in Abb. 25.5.

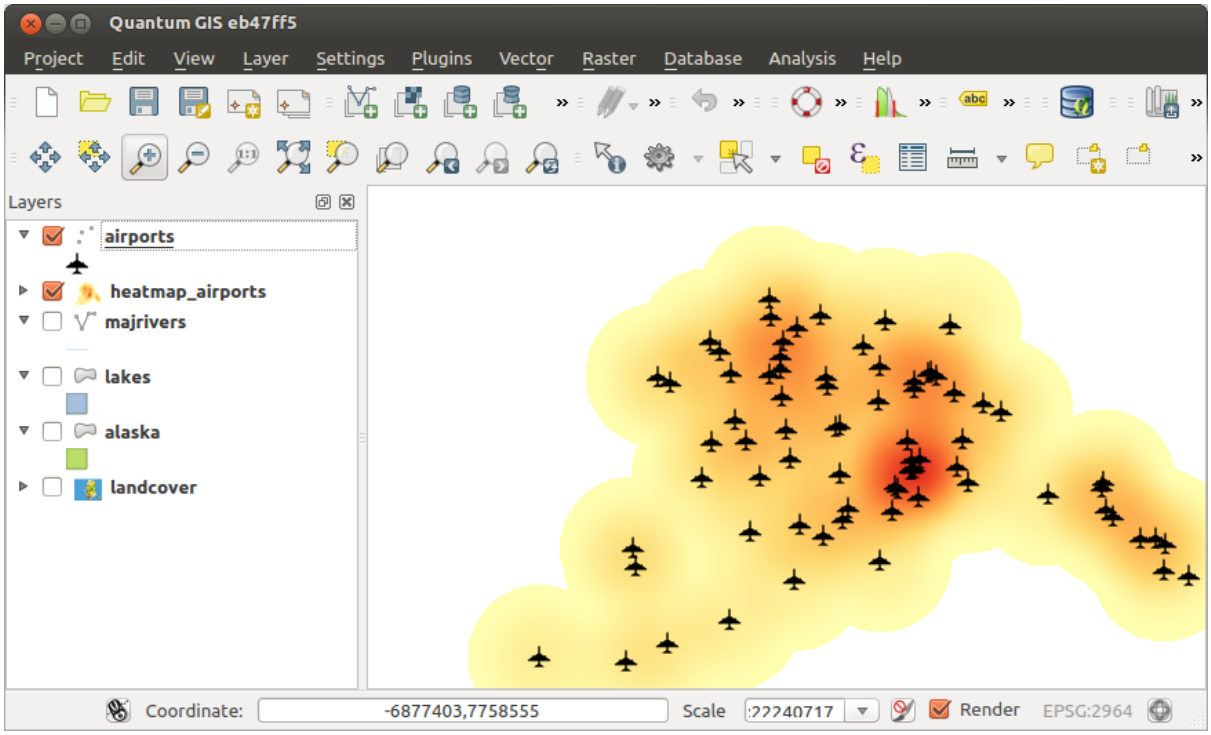


Abb. 25.5: Styled heatmap of airports of Alaska

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:heatmapkerneldensityestimation`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

IDW Interpolation

Generates an Inverse Distance Weighted (IDW) interpolation of a point vector layer.

Sample points are weighted during interpolation such that the influence of one point relative to another declines with distance from the unknown point you want to create.

The IDW interpolation method also has some disadvantages: the quality of the interpolation result can decrease, if the distribution of sample data points is uneven.

Furthermore, maximum and minimum values in the interpolated surface can only occur at sample data points.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer(s)	`INTERPOLATION_DATA`	[string]	Vector layer(s) and field(s) to use for the interpolation, coded in a string (see the `ParameterInterpolationData` class in InterpolationWidgets for more details). The following GUI elements are provided to compose the interpolation data string: • **Vector layer** [vector: any] • **Interpolation attribute** [tablefield: numeric]: Attribute to use in the interpolation • **Use Z-coordinate for interpolation** [boolean]: Uses the layer's stored Z values (Default: False) For each of the added layer-field combinations, a type can be chosen: • *Points* • *Structured lines* • *Break lines* In the string, the layer-field elements are separated by `'::|::'`. The sub-elements of the layer-field elements are separated by `'::~::'`.
Distance coefficient P	`DISTANCE_COEFFICIENT`	[number] Default: 2.0	Sets the distance coefficient for the interpolation. Minimum: 0.0, maximum: 100.0.
Extent (xmin, xmax, ymin, ymax)	`EXTENT`	[extent]	Extent of the output raster layer. Available methods are: • Calculate from layer…: uses extent of a layer loaded in the current project • Use map canvas extent • Draw on canvas • Enter the coordinates as `xmin, xmax, ymin, ymax`
Output raster size	`PIXEL_SIZE`	[number] Default: 0.1	Pixel size of the output raster layer in layer units. In the GUI, the size can be specified by the number of rows (`Number of rows`) / columns (`Number of columns`) **or** the pixel size(`Pixel Size X` / `Pixel Size Y`). Increasing the number of rows or columns will decrease the cell size and increase the file size of the output raster. The values in `Rows`, `Columns`, `Pixel Size X` and `Pixel Size Y` will be updated simultaneously - doubling the number of rows will double the number of columns, and the cell size will be halved. The extent of the output raster will remain the same (approximately).

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Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Interpolated	`OUTPUT`	[raster] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Raster layer of interpolated values. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Interpolated	`OUTPUT`	[raster]	Raster layer of interpolated values

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:idwinterpolation`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Line Density

Calculates for each raster cell, the density measure of linear features within a circular neighbourhood. This measure is obtained by summing all the line segments intersecting the circular neighbourhood and dividing this sum by the area of such neighbourhood. A weighting factor can be applied to the line segments.

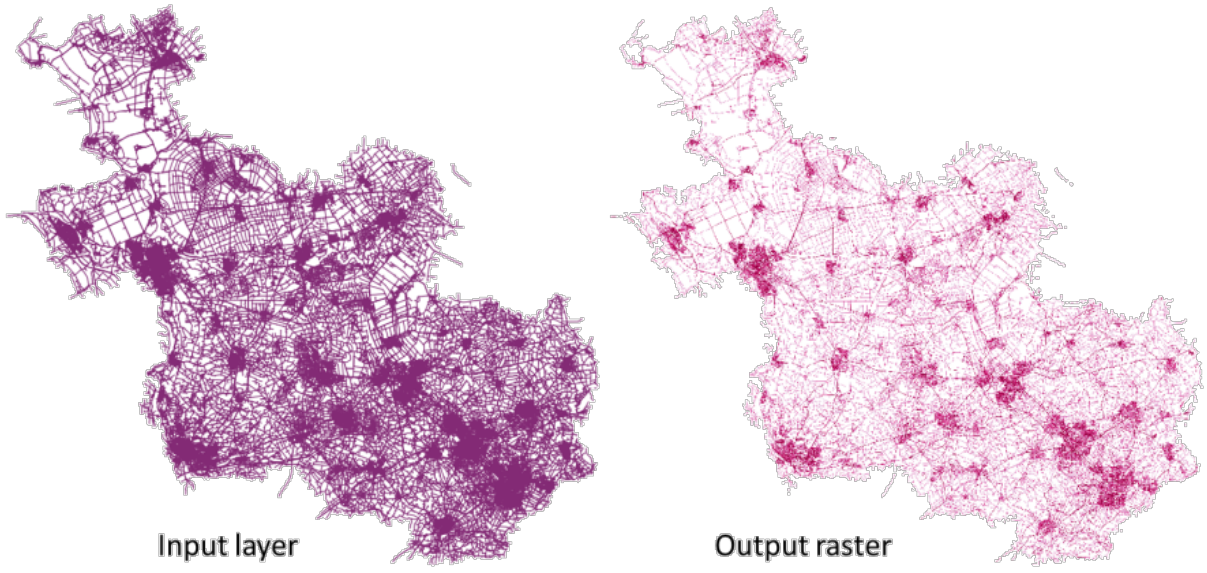


Abb. 25.6: Line density example. Input layer source: Roads Overijssel - The Netherlands (OSM).

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input line layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Input vector layer containing line features
Weight field	`WEIGHT`	[number]	Field of the layer containing the weight factor to use during the calculation
Search Radius	`RADIUS`	[number] Default: 10	Radius of the circular neighbourhood. Units can be specified here.
Pixel size	`PIXEL_SIZE`	[number] Default: 10	Pixel size of the output raster layer in layer units. The raster has square pixels.
Line density raster	`OUTPUT`	[raster] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	The output as a raster layer. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Line density raster	`OUTPUT`	[raster]	The output line density raster layer.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:linedensity`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

TIN Interpolation

Generates a Triangulated Irregular Network (TIN) interpolation of a point vector layer.

With the TIN method you can create a surface formed by triangles of nearest neighbor points. To do this, circumcircles around selected sample points are created and their intersections are connected to a network of non overlapping and as compact as possible triangles. The resulting surfaces are not smooth.

The algorithm creates both the raster layer of the interpolated values and the vector line layer with the triangulation boundaries.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer(s)	`INTERPOLATION_DATA`	[string]	Vector layer(s) and field(s) to use for the interpolation, coded in a string (see the `ParameterInterpolationData` class in InterpolationWidgets for more details). The following GUI elements are provided to compose the interpolation data string: • **Vector layer** [vector: any] • **Interpolation attribute** [tablefield: numeric]: Attribute to use in the interpolation • **Use Z-coordinate for interpolation** [boolean]: Uses the layer's stored Z values (Default: False) For each of the added layer-field combinations, a type can be chosen: • *Points* • *Structured lines* • *Break lines* In the string, the layer-field elements are separated by `'::|::'`. The sub-elements of the layer-field elements are separated by `'::~::'`.
Interpolation method	`METHOD`	[enumeration] Default: 0	Set the interpolation method to be used. One of: • *Linear* • *Clough-Toucher (cubic)*
Extent (xmin, xmax, ymin, ymax)	`EXTENT`	[extent]	Extent of the output raster layer. Available methods are: • Calculate from layer…: uses extent of a layer loaded in the current project • Use map canvas extent • Draw on canvas • Enter the coordinates as `xmin, xmax, ymin, ymax`
Output raster size	`PIXEL_SIZE`	[number] Default: 0.1	Pixel size of the output raster layer in layer units. In the GUI, the size can be specified by the number of rows (`Number of rows`) / columns (`Number of columns`) **or** the pixel size(`Pixel Size X` / `Pixel Size Y`). Increasing the number of rows or columns will decrease the cell size and increase the file size of the output raster. The values in `Rows`, `Columns`, `Pixel Size X` and `Pixel Size Y` will be updated simultaneously - doubling the number of rows will double the number of columns, and the cell size will be halved. The extent of the output raster will remain the same (approximately).

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Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Interpolated	`OUTPUT`	[raster] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	The output TIN interpolation as a raster layer. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…
Triangulation	`TRIANGULATION`	[vector: line] Default: `[Skip output]`	The output TIN as a vector layer. One of: • Skip Output • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Interpolated	`OUTPUT`	[raster]	The output TIN interpolation as a raster layer
Triangulation	`TRIANGULATION`	[vector: line]	The output TIN as a vector layer.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:tininterpolation`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

25.1.6 Layer tools

Export layer(s) information

`NEW in 3.18`

Creates a polygon layer with features corresponding to the extent of selected layer(s).

Additional layer details (CRS, provider name, file path, layer name, subset filter, abstract and attribution) are attached as attributes to each feature.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layers	`LAYERS`	[vector: any][list]	Input vector layers to get information on.
Output	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specification of the output layer with information. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Output	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon]	Polygon vector layer showing extent of input layers and associated information in attributes.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:exportlayersinformation`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Export to spreadsheet

Exports the attributes of a selection of vector layers into a spreadsheet document or optionally appends them to an existing spreadsheet as additional sheets.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layers	`LAYERS`	[vector: any][list]	Input vector layers. The output spreadsheet will consist of a sheet, for each layer, that contains the attributes of this layer.
Use field aliases as column headings	`USE_ALIAS`	[boolean] Default: False	Use the field aliases from the attribute table for the spreadsheet.
Export formatted values instead of raw values	`FORMATTED_VALUES`	[boolean] Default: False	If `True`, exports the formatted, human readable values (e.g., from a *value map or value relation*) to the spreadsheet.
Overwrite existing spreadsheet	`OVERWRITE`	[boolean] Default: True	If the specified spreadsheet exists, setting this option to `True` will overwrite the existing spreadsheet. If this option is `False` and the spreadsheet exists, the layers will be appended as additional sheets.
Destination spreadsheet	`OUTPUT`	[file] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Output spreadsheet with a sheet for every layer. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Destination spreadsheet	`OUTPUT`	[file]	Spreadsheet with a sheet for every layer.
Layers within spreadsheet	`OUTPUT_LAYERS`	[list]	The list of sheets added to the spreadsheet.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:exporttospreadsheet`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Extract layer extent

Generates a vector layer with the minimum bounding box (rectangle with N-S orientation) that covers all the input features.

The output layer contains a single bounding box for the whole input layer.

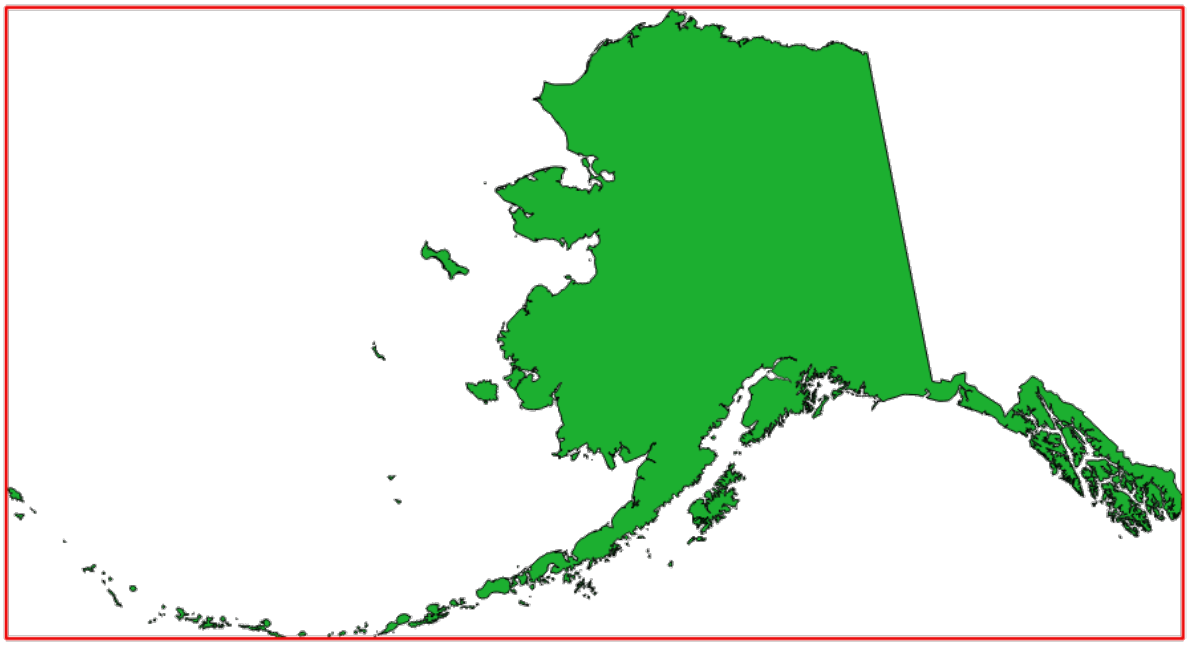


Abb. 25.7: In red the bounding box of the source layer

Default menu: *Vector* ► *Research Tools*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Layer	`INPUT`	[layer]	Input layer
Extent	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the polygon vector layer for the output extent. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Extent	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon]	Output (polygon) vector layer with the extent (minimum bounding box)

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:polygonfromlayerextent`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

25.1.7 Mesh

Export contours

Creates contours as a vector layer from a mesh scalar dataset.

Parameters

Label	Name	Type	Description
Input mesh layer	`INPUT`	[mesh]	The mesh layer to export data from
Dataset groups	`DATASET_GROUPS`	[layer][list]	The dataset groups
Dataset time	`DATASET_TIME`	[datetime]	The time range to take into account • 0 — Current canvas time • 1 — Defined date/time • 2 — Dataset group time step
Increment between contour levels Optional	`INCREMENT`	[number] Default: *Not set*	Interval between generated levels.
Minimum contour level Optional	`MINIMUM`	[number] Default: *Not set*	Starting level values of contours.
Maximum contour level Optional	`MAXIMUM`	[number] Default: *Not set*	Maximum values of contours, i.e. no generated levels will be greater than this value.
List of contours level Optional	`CONTOUR_LEVEL_LIST`	[number] Default: *Not set*	List of wanted levels of contours (separated by commas). If filled, the increment, minimum, and maximum fields will not be considered.
Output coordinate system Optional	`CRS_OUTPUT`	[crs]	Coordinate Reference System to assign to the output

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Label	Name	Type	Description
Exported contour lines	`OUTPUT_LINES`	[vector: line] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output line layer representing the contours of the mesh layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.
Exported contour polygons	`OUTPUT_POLYGONS`	[vector: polygon] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output polygon layer representing the contours of the mesh layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Outputs

Label	Name	Type	Description
Exported contour lines	`OUTPUT_LINES`	[vector: line]	Line layer representing the contours of the mesh layer.
Exported contour polygons	`OUTPUT_POLYGONS`	[vector: polygon]	Polygon layer representing the contours of the mesh layer.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:meshcontours`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Export cross section dataset values on lines from mesh

Extracts a mesh dataset's values from lines contained in a vector layer.

Each line is discretized with a resolution distance parameter for extraction of values on its vertices.

Parameters

Label	Name	Type	Description
Input mesh layer	`INPUT`	[mesh]	The mesh layer to export data from
Dataset groups	`DATASET_GROUPS`	[layer][list]	The dataset groups
Dataset time	`DATASET_TIME`	[datetime]	The time range to take into account • 0 — Current canvas time • 1 — Defined date/time • 2 — Dataset group time step
Lines for data export	`INPUT_LINES`	[vector: line]	Lines where the data will be extracted from the dataset mesh
Line segmentation resolution	`RESOLUTION`	[number] Default: 10.0	The distance between points on the lines where the data will be extracted from the dataset mesh.
Digits count for dataset value	`DATASET_DIGITS`	[number] Default: 2	Number of digits to round dataset values
Exported data CSV file	`OUTPUT`	[file] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specification of the output file. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Outputs

Label	Name	Type	Description
Exported data CSV file	`OUTPUT`	[file]	

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:meshexportcrosssection`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Export mesh edges

Exports a mesh layer's edges to a line vector layer, with the dataset values on edges as attribute values.

Parameters

Label	Name	Type	Description
Input mesh layer	`INPUT`	[mesh]	The mesh layer to export data from
Dataset groups	`DATASET_GROUPS`	[layer][list]	The dataset groups
Dataset time	`DATASET_TIME`	[datetime]	The time range to take into account • 0 — Current canvas time • 1 — Defined date/time • 2 — Dataset group time step
Output coordinate system Optional	`CRS_OUTPUT`	[crs]	Coordinate Reference System to assign to the output
Export vector option	`VECTOR_OPTION`	[enumeration]	Coordinate type of vector value exportation. • 0 — Cartesian (x,y) • 1 — Polar (magnitude, degree) • 2 — Cartesian and polar
Output vector layer	`OUTPUT`	[vector: line] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specification of the output file. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Outputs

Label	Name	Type	Description
Output vector layer	`OUTPUT`	[vector: line]	Output vector line layer containing the edges of the input mesh layer with associated dataset values

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:exportmeshedges`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Export mesh faces

Exports a mesh layer's faces to a polygon vector layer, with the dataset values on faces as attribute values.

Parameters

Label	Name	Type	Description
Input mesh layer	`INPUT`	[mesh]	The mesh layer to export data from
Dataset groups	`DATASET_GROUPS`	[layer][list]	The dataset groups
Dataset time	`DATASET_TIME`	[datetime]	The time range to take into account • 0 — Current canvas time • 1 — Defined date/time • 2 — Dataset group time step
Output coordinate system Optional	`CRS_OUTPUT`	[crs]	Coordinate Reference System to assign to the output
Export vector option	`VECTOR_OPTION`	[enumeration]	Coordinate type of vector value exportation. • 0 — Cartesian (x,y) • 1 — Polar (magnitude, degree) • 2 — Cartesian and polar
Output vector layer	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specification of the output file. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Outputs

Label	Name	Type	Description
Output vector layer	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon]	Output vector polygon layer containing the faces of the input mesh layer with associated dataset values

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:exportmeshfaces`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Export mesh on grid

Exports a mesh layer's dataset values to a gridded point vector layer, with the dataset values on this point as attribute values.

For data on volume (3D stacked dataset values), the exported dataset values are averaged on faces using the method defined in *the mesh layer properties* (default is Multi level averaging method). 1D meshes are not supported.

Parameters

Label	Name	Type	Description
Input mesh layer	`INPUT`	[mesh]	The mesh layer to export data from
Dataset groups	`DATASET_GROUPS`	[layer][list]	The dataset groups
Dataset time	`DATASET_TIME`	[datetime]	The time range to take into account • 0 — Current canvas time • 1 — Defined date/time • 2 — Dataset group time step
Extent Optional	`EXTENT`	[extent]	Specify the spatial extent on which to process the data. Available methods are: • Calculate from layer…: uses extent of a layer loaded in the current project • Use map canvas extent • Draw on canvas • Enter the coordinates as `xmin, xmax, ymin, ymax`
Grid spacing Optional	`GRID_SPACING`	[number] Default: 10.0	Spacing between the sample points to use
Output coordinate system Optional	`CRS_OUTPUT`	[crs]	Coordinate Reference System to assign to the output
Export vector option	`VECTOR_OPTION`	[enumeration]	Coordinate type of vector value exportation. • 0 — Cartesian (x,y) • 1 — Polar (magnitude, degree) • 2 — Cartesian and polar
Output vector layer	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specification of the output file. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Outputs

Label	Name	Type	Description
Output vector layer	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point]	Output vector point layer with dataset values computed from the overlaid face.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:exportmeshongrid`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Export mesh vertices

Exports a mesh layer's vertices to a point vector layer, with the dataset values on vertices as attribute values.

Parameters

Label	Name	Type	Description
Input mesh layer	`INPUT`	[mesh]	The mesh layer to export data from
Dataset groups	`DATASET_GROUPS`	[layer][list]	The dataset groups
Dataset time	`DATASET_TIME`	[datetime]	The time range to take into account • 0 — Current canvas time • 1 — Defined date/time • 2 — Dataset group time step
Output coordinate system Optional	`CRS_OUTPUT`	[crs]	Coordinate Reference System to assign to the output
Export vector option	`VECTOR_OPTION`	[enumeration]	Coordinate type of vector value exportation. • 0 — Cartesian (x,y) • 1 — Polar (magnitude, degree) • 2 — Cartesian and polar
Output vector layer	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specification of the output file. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Outputs

Label	Name	Type	Description
Output vector layer	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point]	Output vector point layer containing the vertices of the input mesh layer with associated dataset values

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:exportmeshvertices`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Export time series values from points of a mesh dataset

Extracts a mesh dataset's time series values from points contained in a vector layer.

If the time step is kept to its default value (0 hours), the time step used is the one of the two first datasets of the first selected dataset group.

Parameters

Label	Name	Type	Description
Input mesh layer	`INPUT`	[mesh]	The mesh layer to extract data from
Dataset groups	`DATASET_GROUPS`	[layer][list]	The dataset groups
Starting time	`STARTING_TIME`	[datetime]	The start of the time range to take into account • 0 — Current canvas time • 1 — Defined date/time • 2 — Dataset group time step
Finishing time	`FINISHING_TIME`	[datetime]	The end of the time range to take into account • 0 — Current canvas time • 1 — Defined date/time • 2 — Dataset group time step
Time step (hours) Optional	`TIME_STEP`	[number] Default: 0	Time between two consecutive steps to extract. Keep `0` to use time step of the first selected dataset group.
Points for data export	`INPUT_POINTS`	[vector: point]	Vector layer containing points where the data will be extracted from the dataset mesh
Digits count for coordinates	`COORDINATES_DIGITS`	[number]	Number of digits to round coordinate values Default: 2
Digits count for dataset value	`DATASET_DIGITS`	[number] Default: 2	Number of digits to round dataset values

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Label	Name	Type	Description
Exported data CSV file	`OUTPUT`	[file] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specification of the output file. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Outputs

Label	Name	Type	Description
Exported data CSV file	`OUTPUT`	[file]	`.CSV` file containing the mesh dataset time series values at the overlaying point features

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:meshexporttimeseries`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Rasterize mesh dataset

Creates a raster layer from a mesh dataset.

For data on volume (3D stacked dataset values), the exported dataset values are averaged on faces using the method defined in *the mesh layer properties* (default is Multi level averaging method). 1D meshes are not supported.

Parameters

Label	Name	Type	Description
Input mesh layer	`INPUT`	[mesh]	The mesh layer to export data from
Dataset groups	`DATASET_GROUPS`	[layer][list]	The dataset groups
Dataset time	`DATASET_TIME`	[datetime]	The time range to take into account • 0 — Current canvas time • 1 — Defined date/time • 2 — Dataset group time step
Extent Optional	`EXTENT`	[extent]	Specify the spatial extent on which to process the data. Available methods are: • Calculate from layer…: uses extent of a layer loaded in the current project • Use map canvas extent • Draw on canvas • Enter the coordinates as `xmin, xmax, ymin, ymax`

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Tab. 25.28 – Fortsetzung der vorherigen Seite

Label	Name	Type	Description
Pixel size	`PIXEL_SIZE`	[number] Default: 1.0	Pixel size of the output raster layer.
Output coordinate system Optional	`CRS_OUTPUT`	[crs]	Coordinate Reference System to assign to the output
Output raster layer	`OUTPUT`	[raster] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specification of the output file. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Outputs

Label	Name	Type	Description
Output raster layer	`OUTPUT`	[raster]	Output raster layer with dataset values computed from the mesh layer.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:meshrasterize`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

TIN mesh creation

Creates a TIN mesh layer from vector layers. The TIN mesh is created using a Delaunay triangulation.

Parameters

Label	Name	Type	Description
Input layers	`SOURCE_DATA`	[vector: any][list]	Vector layers to combine to generate the mesh layer
Vector layer	GUI ONLY	[vector: any][list]	A selector for the vector layers to combine to generate the mesh layer
Value on vertex	GUI ONLY	[tablefield: any]	A selector of the field to use from the selected layer. Each vertex is assigned the corresponding value of its original feature.
Use Z-coordinate for value on vertex	GUI ONLY	[boolean] Default: False	If checked, the Z value of vector layer points or polygons/lines vertices will be used to assign the Z value of the vertex mesh layer. Only available if the input layers are 3D.

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Tab. 25.29 – Fortsetzung der vorherigen Seite

Label	Name	Type	Description
Output format	`MESH_FORMAT`	[enumeration] Default: 2DM	Output format of the generated layer • 0 — 2DM • 1 — SELAFIN • 2 — PLY • 3 — Ugrid
Output coordinate system Optional	`CRS_OUTPUT`	[crs]	Coordinate Reference System to assign to the output
Output file	`OUTPUT_MESH`	[mesh] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specification of the output file. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Outputs

Label	Name	Type	Description
Output file	`OUTPUT_MESH`	[mesh]	Output mesh layer with dataset values computed from the vector layers.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:tinmeshcreation`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

25.1.8 Modeler tools

Warnung: These tools are only available in the Graphical Modeler. They are not available in the Processing Toolbox.

Conditional branch

Adds a conditional branch into a model, allowing parts of the model to be executed based on the result of an expression evaluation. Mostly by using tool dependencies to control the flow of a model.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Field	`BRANCH`	[string]	Name of the condition
Field	`CONDITION`	[expression]	Expression to evaluate

Ausgaben

None.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:condition`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Create directory

Creates a new directory on a file system. Directories will be created recursively, creating all required parent directories in order to construct the full specified directory path. No errors will be raised if the directory already exists.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Directory path	`PATH`	[string]	Folder path to create

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Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Output	`OUTPUT`	[folder]	Created folder

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:createdirectory`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Feature filter

Filters features from the input layer and redirects them to one or several outputs. If you do not know about any attribute names that are common to all possible input layers, filtering is only possible on the feature geometry and general record mechanisms, such as `$id` and `uuid`.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	The input layer.
Outputs and filters (one or more)	`OUTPUT_<name of the filter>`	[same as input]	The output layers with filters (as many as there are filters).

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Output (one or more)	`native:filter_1:<name of filter>`	[same as input]	The output layers with filtered features (as many as there are filters).

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:filter`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Filter by geometry type

Filters features by their geometry type. Incoming features will be directed to different outputs based on whether they have a point, line or polygon geometry.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Layer to evaluate

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Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Point features Optional	POINTS	[vector: point]	Layer with points
Line features Optional	LINES	[vector: line]	Layer with lines
Polygon features Optional	POLYGONS	[vector: polygon]	Layer with polygons
Features with no geometry Optional	NO_GEOMETRY	[table]	Geometry-less vector layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:filterbygeometry`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Filter layers by type

Filters layers by their type. Incoming layers will be directed to different outputs based on whether they are a vector or raster layer.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	INPUT	[layer]	Generic Map Layer

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Vector features Optional	VECTOR	[vector]	A Vector Layer of the input, if compatible
Raster layer Optional	RASTER	[raster]	A Raster Layer of the input, if compatible

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:filterlayersbytype`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Load layer into project

Loads a layer to the current project.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Layer	`INPUT`	[layer]	Layer to load in the legend
Loaded layer name	`NAME`	[string]	Name of the loaded layer

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Layer	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	The (renamed) loaded layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:loadlayer`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Raise exception

Raises an exception and cancels a model's execution. The exception message can be customized, and optionally an expression based condition can be specified. If an expression condition is used, then the exception will only be raised if the expression result is true. A false result indicates that no exception will be raised, and the model execution can continue uninterrupted.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Message	`MESSAGE`	[string]	Message to display
Condition Optional	`CONDITION`	[expression]	Expression to evaluate if true

Ausgaben

A message in the log panel.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:raiseexception`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Raise warning

Raises a warning message in the log. The warning message can be customized, and optionally an expression based condition can be specified. If an expression condition is used, then the warning will only be logged if the expression result is true. A false result indicates that no warning will be logged.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Message	`MESSAGE`	[string]	Message to display
Condition Optional	`CONDITION`	[expression]	Expression to evaluate if true

Ausgaben

A message in the log panel.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:raisewarning`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Rename layer

Renames a layer.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Layer	`INPUT`	[layer]	Layer to rename
New name	`NAME`	[string]	The new name of the layer

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Layer	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	The (renamed) output layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:renamelayer`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Save log to file

Saves the model's execution log to a file. Optionally, the log can be saved in a HTML formatted version.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Use HTML	`USE_HTML`	[Boolean] Default: False	Use HTML formatting

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
File	`OUTPUT`	[string]	Destination of the log

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:savelog`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Set project variable

Sets an expression variable for the current project.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Variable name	`NAME`	[string]	Name of the variable
Variable value	`VALUE`	[string]	Value to be stored

Ausgaben

None.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:setprojectvariable`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

String concatenation

Concatenates two strings into a single one in the Processing Modeler.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input 1	`INPUT_1`	[string]	First string
Input 2	`INPUT_2`	[string]	Second string

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Concatenation	`CONCATENATION`	[string]	The concatenated string

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:stringconcatenation`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Variable distance buffer

Warnung: This algorithm is deprecated and can be removed anytime. Prefer using *Buffer* algorithm instead.

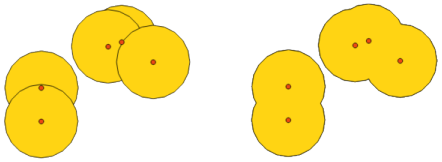
Computes a buffer area for all the features in an input layer.

The size of the buffer for a given feature is defined by an attribute, so it allows different features to have different buffer sizes.

Siehe auch:

Buffer

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Input vector layer
Distance field	`DISTANCE`	[tablefield: numeric]	Attribute for the distance radius of the buffer
Segments	`SEGMENTS`	[number] Default: *5*	Controls the number of line segments to use to approximate a quarter circle when creating rounded offsets.
Dissolve result	`DISSOLVE`	[boolean] Default: *False*	Choose to dissolve the final buffer, resulting in a single feature covering all input features.  Abb. 25.8: Normal and dissolved buffer

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Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
End cap style	`END_CAP_STYLE`	[enumeration] Default: Round	Controls how line endings are handled in the buffer.  Abb. 25.9: Round, flat and square cap styles
Join style	`JOIN_STYLE`	[enumeration] Default: Round	Specifies whether round, miter or beveled joins should be used when offsetting corners in a line.
Miter limit	`MITER_LIMIT`	[number] Default: 2.0	Only applicable for mitered join styles, and controls the maximum distance from the offset curve to use when creating a mitered join.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Buffer	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon]	Buffer polygon vector layer.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:variabledistancebuffer`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

25.1.9 Network analysis

Service area (from layer)

Returns all the edges or parts of edges of a network that can be reached within a distance or a time, starting from a point layer. This allows evaluation of accessibility within a network, e.g. what are the places I can navigate to on a road network without spending cost greater than a given value (the cost can be distance or time).

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Vector layer representing network	`INPUT`	[vector: line]	Line vector layer representing the network to be covered
Vector layer with start points	`START_POINTS`	[vector: point]	Point vector layer whose features are used as start points to generate the service areas
Path type to calculate	`STRATEGY`	[enumeration] Default: 0	The type of path to calculate. One of: • 0 — Shortest • 1 — Fastest
Travel cost (distance for „Shortest“, time for „Fastest“)	`TRAVEL_COST`	[number] Default: 0	The value is estimated as a distance (in the network layer units) when looking for the *Shortest* path and as time (in hours) for the *Fastest* path.
Service area (lines)	`OUTPUT_LINES`	[vector: line] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output line layer for the service area. One of: • Skip Output • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.
Service area (boundary nodes)	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point] Default: `[Skip output]`	Specify the output point layer for the service area boundary nodes. One of: • Skip Output • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Direction field Optional	`DIRECTION_FIELD`	[tablefield: string] Default: 0.0	The field used to specify directions for the network edges. The values used in this field are specified with the three parameters `Value for forward direction`, `Value for backward direction` and `Value for both directions`. Forward and reverse directions correspond to a one-way edge, „both directions“ indicates a two-way edge. If a feature does not have a value in this field, or no field is set then the default direction setting (provided with the `Default direction` parameter) is used.
Value for forward direction Optional	`VALUE_FORWARD`	[string] Default: ‚‘ (empty string)	Value set in the direction field to identify edges with a forward direction
Value for backward direction Optional	`VALUE_BACKWARD`	[string] Default: ‚‘ (empty string)	Value set in the direction field to identify edges with a backward direction
Value for both directions Optional	`VALUE_BOTH`	[string] Default: ‚‘ (empty string)	Value set in the direction field to identify bidirectional edges
Default direction	`DEFAULT_DIRECTION`	[enumeration] Default: 2	If a feature has no value set in the direction field or if no direction field is set, then this direction value is used. One of: • 0 — Forward direction • 1 — Backward direction • 2 — Both directions
Speed field Optional	`SPEED_FIELD`	[tablefield: string]	Field providing the speed value (in `km/h`) for the edges of the network when looking for the fastest path. If a feature does not have a value in this field, or no field is set then the default speed value (provided with the `Default speed` parameter) is used.
Default speed (km/h)	`DEFAULT_SPEED`	[number] Default: 50.0	Value to use to calculate the travel time if no speed field is provided for an edge
Topology tolerance	`TOLERANCE`	[number] Default: 0.0	Two lines with nodes closer than the specified tolerance are considered connected

Include upper/lower bound points	`INCLUDE_BOUNDS`	[boolean] Default: False	Creates a point layer output with two points for each edge at the boundaries of the service area. One point is the start of that edge, the other is the end.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Service area (boundary nodes)	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point]	The output point layer with the service area boundary nodes.
Service area (lines)	`OUTPUT_LINES`	[vector: line]	Line layer representing the parts of the network that can be serviced by the start points, for the given cost.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:serviceareafromlayer`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Service area (from point)

Returns all the edges or parts of edges of a network that can be reached within a given distance or time, starting from a point feature. This allows the evaluation of accessibility within a network, e.g. what are the places I can navigate to on a road network without spending a cost greater than a given value (the cost can be distance or time).

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Vector layer representing the network	`INPUT`	[vector: line]	Line vector layer representing the network to be covered
Start point (x, y)	`START_POINT`	[coordinates]	Coordinate of the point to calculate the service area around.
Path type to calculate	`STRATEGY`	[enumeration] Default: 0	The type of path to calculate. One of: • 0 — Shortest • 1 — Fastest
Travel cost (distance for „Shortest“, time for „Fastest“)	`TRAVEL_COST`	[number] Default: 0	The value is estimated as a distance (in the network layer units) when looking for the *Shortest* path and as time (in hours) for the *Fastest* path.

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Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Service area (lines)	`OUTPUT_LINES`	[vector: line] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output line layer for the service area. One of: • Skip Output • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.
Service area (boundary nodes)	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point] Default: `[Skip output]`	Specify the output point layer for the service area boundary nodes. One of: • Skip Output • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Direction field Optional	`DIRECTION_FIELD`	[tablefield: string] Default: 0.0	The field used to specify directions for the network edges. The values used in this field are specified with the three parameters `Value for forward direction`, `Value for backward direction` and `Value for both directions`. Forward and reverse directions correspond to a one-way edge, „both directions“ indicates a two-way edge. If a feature does not have a value in this field, or no field is set then the default direction setting (provided with the `Default direction` parameter) is used.
Value for forward direction Optional	`VALUE_FORWARD`	[string] Default: ‚‘ (empty string)	Value set in the direction field to identify edges with a forward direction
Value for backward direction Optional	`VALUE_BACKWARD`	[string] Default: ‚‘ (empty string)	Value set in the direction field to identify edges with a backward direction
Value for both directions Optional	`VALUE_BOTH`	[string] Default: ‚‘ (empty string)	Value set in the direction field to identify bidirectional edges
Default direction	`DEFAULT_DIRECTION`	[enumeration] Default: 2	If a feature has no value set in the direction field or if no direction field is set, then this direction value is used. One of: • 0 — Forward direction • 1 — Backward direction • 2 — Both directions

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Tab. 25.34 – Fortsetzung der vorherigen Seite

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Speed field Optional	`SPEED_FIELD`	[tablefield: string]	Field providing the speed value (in `km/h`) for the edges of the network when looking for the fastest path. If a feature does not have a value in this field, or no field is set then the default speed value (provided with the `Default speed` parameter) is used.
Default speed (km/h)	`DEFAULT_SPEED`	[number] Default: 50.0	Value to use to calculate the travel time if no speed field is provided for an edge
Topology tolerance	`TOLERANCE`	[number] Default: 0.0	Two lines with nodes closer than the specified tolerance are considered connected
Include upper/lower bound points	`INCLUDE_BOUNDS`	[boolean] Default: False	Creates a point layer output with two points for each edge at the boundaries of the service area. One point is the start of that edge, the other is the end.

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Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Service area (boundary nodes)	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point]	The output point layer with the service area boundary nodes.
Service area (lines)	`OUTPUT_LINES`	[vector: line]	Line layer representing the parts of the network that can be serviced by the start point, for the given cost.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:serviceareafrompoint`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Shortest path (layer to point)

Computes the optimal (shortest or fastest) routes from multiple start points defined by a vector layer and a given end point.

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Vector layer representing network	`INPUT`	[vector: line]	Line vector layer representing the network to be covered
Path type to calculate	`STRATEGY`	[enumeration] Default: 0	The type of path to calculate. One of: • 0 — Shortest • 1 — Fastest
Vector layer with start points	`START_POINTS`	[vector: point]	Point vector layer whose features are used as start points of the routes
End point (x, y)	`END_POINT`	[coordinates]	Point feature representing the end point of the routes
Shortest path	`OUTPUT`	[vector: line]	Specify the output line layer for the shortest paths. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Direction field Optional	`DIRECTION_FIELD`	[tablefield: string] Default: 0.0	The field used to specify directions for the network edges. The values used in this field are specified with the three parameters `Value for forward direction`, `Value for backward direction` and `Value for both directions`. Forward and reverse directions correspond to a one-way edge, „both directions“ indicates a two-way edge. If a feature does not have a value in this field, or no field is set then the default direction setting (provided with the `Default direction` parameter) is used.
Value for forward direction Optional	`VALUE_FORWARD`	[string] Default: ‚ (empty string)	Value set in the direction field to identify edges with a forward direction
Value for backward direction Optional	`VALUE_BACKWARD`	[string] Default: ‚ (empty string)	Value set in the direction field to identify edges with a backward direction
Value for both directions Optional	`VALUE_BOTH`	[string] Default: ‚ (empty string)	Value set in the direction field to identify bidirectional edges

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Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Default direction	DEFAULT_DIRECTION	[enumeration] Default: 2	If a feature has no value set in the direction field or if no direction field is set, then this direction value is used. One of: • 0 — Forward direction • 1 — Backward direction • 2 — Both directions
Speed field Optional	SPEED_FIELD	[tablefield: string]	Field providing the speed value (in km/h) for the edges of the network when looking for the fastest path. If a feature does not have a value in this field, or no field is set then the default speed value (provided with the Default speed parameter) is used.
Default speed (km/h)	DEFAULT_SPEED	[number] Default: 50.0	Value to use to calculate the travel time if no speed field is provided for an edge
Topology tolerance	TOLERANCE	[number] Default: 0.0	Two lines with nodes closer than the specified tolerance are considered connected

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Shortest path	OUTPUT	[vector: line]	Line layer of the shortest or fastest path from each of the start points to the end point

Python code

Algorithm ID: native:shortestpathlayertopoint

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Shortest path (point to layer)

Computes the optimal (shortest or fastest) routes between a given start point and multiple end points defined by a point vector layer.

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Vector layer representing network	`INPUT`	[vector: line]	Line vector layer representing the network to be covered
Path type to calculate	`STRATEGY`	[enumeration] Default: 0	The type of path to calculate. One of: • 0 — Shortest • 1 — Fastest
Start point (x, y)	`START_POINT`	[coordinates]	Point feature representing the start point of the routes
Vector layer with end points	`END_POINTS`	[vector: point]	Point vector layer whose features are used as end points of the routes
Shortest path	`OUTPUT`	[vector: line]	Specify the output line layer for the shortest paths. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Direction field Optional	`DIRECTION_FIELD`	[tablefield: string] Default: 0.0	The field used to specify directions for the network edges. The values used in this field are specified with the three parameters `Value for forward direction`, `Value for backward direction` and `Value for both directions`. Forward and reverse directions correspond to a one-way edge, „both directions“ indicates a two-way edge. If a feature does not have a value in this field, or no field is set then the default direction setting (provided with the `Default direction` parameter) is used.
Value for forward direction Optional	`VALUE_FORWARD`	[string] Default: ‚‘ (empty string)	Value set in the direction field to identify edges with a forward direction

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Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Value for backward direction Optional	VALUE_BACKWARD	[string] Default: ‚' (empty string)	Value set in the direction field to identify edges with a backward direction
Value for both directions Optional	VALUE_BOTH	[string] Default: ‚' (empty string)	Value set in the direction field to identify bidirectional edges
Default direction	DEFAULT_DIRECTION	[enumeration] Default: 2	If a feature has no value set in the direction field or if no direction field is set, then this direction value is used. One of: • 0 — Forward direction • 1 — Backward direction • 2 — Both directions
Speed field Optional	SPEED_FIELD	[tablefield: string]	Field providing the speed value (in km/h) for the edges of the network when looking for the fastest path. If a feature does not have a value in this field, or no field is set then the default speed value (provided with the Default speed parameter) is used.
Default speed (km/h)	DEFAULT_SPEED	[number] Default: 50.0	Value to use to calculate the travel time if no speed field is provided for an edge
Topology tolerance	TOLERANCE	[number] Default: 0.0	Two lines with nodes closer than the specified tolerance are considered connected

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Shortest path	OUTPUT	[vector: line]	Line layer of the shortest or fastest path from each of the start points to the end point

Python code

Algorithm ID: native:shortestpathpointtolayer

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Shortest path (point to point)

Computes the optimal (shortest or fastest) route between a given start point and a given end point.

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Vector layer representing network	`INPUT`	[vector: line]	Line vector layer representing the network to be covered
Path type to calculate	`STRATEGY`	[enumeration] Default: 0	The type of path to calculate. One of: • 0 — Shortest • 1 — Fastest
Start point (x, y)	`START_POINT`	[coordinates]	Point feature representing the start point of the routes
End point (x, y)	`END_POINT`	[coordinates]	Point feature representing the end point of the routes
Shortest path	`OUTPUT`	[vector: line]	Specify the output line layer for the shortest paths. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Direction field Optional	`DIRECTION_FIELD`	[tablefield: string] Default: 0.0	The field used to specify directions for the network edges. The values used in this field are specified with the three parameters `Value for forward direction`, `Value for backward direction` and `Value for both directions`. Forward and reverse directions correspond to a one-way edge, „both directions“ indicates a two-way edge. If a feature does not have a value in this field, or no field is set then the default direction setting (provided with the `Default direction` parameter) is used.
Value for forward direction Optional	`VALUE_FORWARD`	[string] Default: ‚ (empty string)	Value set in the direction field to identify edges with a forward direction

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Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Value for backward direction Optional	VALUE_BACKWARD	[string] Default: ‚' (empty string)	Value set in the direction field to identify edges with a backward direction
Value for both directions Optional	VALUE_BOTH	[string] Default: ‚' (empty string)	Value set in the direction field to identify bidirectional edges
Default direction	DEFAULT_DIRECTION	[enumeration] Default: 2	If a feature has no value set in the direction field or if no direction field is set, then this direction value is used. One of: • 0 — Forward direction • 1 — Backward direction • 2 — Both directions
Speed field Optional	SPEED_FIELD	[tablefield: string]	Field providing the speed value (in km/h) for the edges of the network when looking for the fastest path. If a feature does not have a value in this field, or no field is set then the default speed value (provided with the Default speed parameter) is used.
Default speed (km/h)	DEFAULT_SPEED	[number] Default: 50.0	Value to use to calculate the travel time if no speed field is provided for an edge
Topology tolerance	TOLERANCE	[number] Default: 0.0	Two lines with nodes closer than the specified tolerance are considered connected

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Shortest path	OUTPUT	[vector: line]	Line layer of the shortest or fastest path from each of the start point to the end point

Python code

Algorithm ID: native:shortestpathpointtopoint

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

25.1.10 Plots

Bar plot

Creates a bar plot from a category and a layer field.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Input vector layer
Category field name	`NAME_FIELD`	[tablefield: any]	Categorical field to use for grouping the bars (X axis)
Value field	`VALUE_FIELD`	[tablefield: any]	Value to use for the plot (Y axis).
Bar plot	`OUTPUT`	[html] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specify the HTML file for the plot. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Bar plot	`OUTPUT`	[html]	HTML file with the plot. Available in the *Processing* ► *Result Viewer*.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:barplot`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Box plot

Creates a box plot from a category field and a numerical layer field.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Input vector layer
Category name field	`NAME_FIELD`	[tablefield: any]	Categorical field to use for grouping the boxes (X axis)
Value field	`VALUE_FIELD`	[tablefield: any]	Value to use for the plot (Y axis).

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Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Additional statistic lines	`MSD`	[enumeration] Default: 0	Additional statistics information to add to the plot. One of: • 0 — Show Mean • 1 — Show Standard Deviation • 2 — Don't show mean and standard deviation
Box plot	`OUTPUT`	[html] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specify the HTML file for the plot. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Box plot	`OUTPUT`	[html]	HTML file with the plot. Available in the *Processing* ► *Result Viewer*.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:boxplot`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Mean and standard deviation plot

Creates a box plot with mean and standard deviation values.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input table	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Input vector layer
Category name field	`NAME_FIELD`	[tablefield: any]	Categorical field to use for grouping the boxes (X axis)
Value field	`VALUE_FIELD`	[tablefield: any]	Value to use for the plot (Y axis).
Plot	`OUTPUT`	[html] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specify the HTML file for the plot. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Plot	`OUTPUT`	[html]	HTML file with the plot. Available in the *Processing* ► *Result Viewer*.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:meanandstandarddeviationplot`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Polar plot

Generates a polar plot based on the value of an input vector layer.

Two fields must be entered as parameters: one that defines the category each feature (to group features) and another one with the variable to plot (this has to be a numeric one).

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Input vector layer
Category name field	`NAME_FIELD`	[tablefield: any]	Categorical field to use for grouping the features (X axis)
Value field	`VALUE_FIELD`	[tablefield: any]	Value to use for the plot (Y axis).
Polar plot	`OUTPUT`	[html] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specify the HTML file for the plot. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Polar plot	`OUTPUT`	[html]	HTML file with the plot. Available in the *Processing* ► *Result Viewer*.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:polarplot`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Raster layer histogram

Generates a histogram with the values of a raster layer.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[raster]	Input raster layer
Band number	`BAND`	[raster band]	Raster band to use for the histogram
number of bins	`BINS`	[number] Default: 10	The number of bins to use in the histogram (X axis). Minimum 2.
Histogram	`OUTPUT`	[html] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specify the HTML file for the plot. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Histogram	`OUTPUT`	[html]	HTML file with the plot. Available in the *Processing* ► *Result Viewer*.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:rasterlayerhistogram`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Vector layer histogram

Generates a histogram with the values of the attribute of a vector layer.

The attribute to use for computing the histogram must be numeric.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Input vector layer
Attribute	`FIELD`	[tablefield: any]	Value to use for the plot (Y axis).
number of bins	`BINS`	[number] Default: 10	The number of bins to use in the histogram (X axis). Minimum 2.
Histogram	`OUTPUT`	[html] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specify the HTML file for the plot. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Histogram	`OUTPUT`	[html]	HTML file with the plot. Available in the *Processing* ► *Result Viewer*.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:vectorlayerhistogram`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Vector layer scatterplot

Creates a simple `X` - `Y` scatter plot for a vector layer.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Input vector layer
X attribute	`XFIELD`	[tablefield: any]	Field to use for the X axis
Y attribute	`YFIELD`	[tablefield: any]	Field to use for the Y axis
Scatterplot	`OUTPUT`	[html] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specify the HTML file for the plot. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Scatterplot	`OUTPUT`	[html]	HTML file with the plot. Available in the *Processing* ► *Result Viewer*.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:vectorlayerscatterplot`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Vector layer scatterplot 3D

Creates a 3D scatter plot for a vector layer.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Input vector layer
X attribute	`XFIELD`	[tablefield: any]	Field to use for the X axis
Y attribute	`YFIELD`	[tablefield: any]	Field to use for the Y axis
Z attribute	`ZFIELD`	[tablefield: any]	Field to use for the Z axis
Histogram	`OUTPUT`	[html] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specify the HTML file for the plot. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Histogram	`OUTPUT`	[html]	HTML file with the plot. Available in the *Processing* ► *Result Viewer*.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:scatter3dplot`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

25.1.11 Raster analysis

Cell stack percent rank from value

Calculates the cell-wise percentrank value of a stack of rasters based on a single input value and writes them to an output raster.

At each cell location, the specified value is ranked among the respective values in the stack of all overlaid and sorted cell values from the input rasters. For values outside of the stack value distribution, the algorithm returns NoData because the value cannot be ranked among the cell values.

There are two methods for percentile calculation:

- Inclusive linear interpolation (PERCENTRANK.INC)
- Exclusive linear interpolation (PERCENTRANK.EXC)

The linear interpolation method return the unique percent rank for different values. Both interpolation methods follow their counterpart methods implemented by LibreOffice or Microsoft Excel.

The output raster's extent and resolution is defined by a reference raster. Input raster layers that do not match the cell size of the reference raster layer will be resampled using nearest neighbor resampling. NoData values in any of the input layers will result in a NoData cell output if the „Ignore NoData values“ parameter is not set. The output raster data type will always be `Float32`.

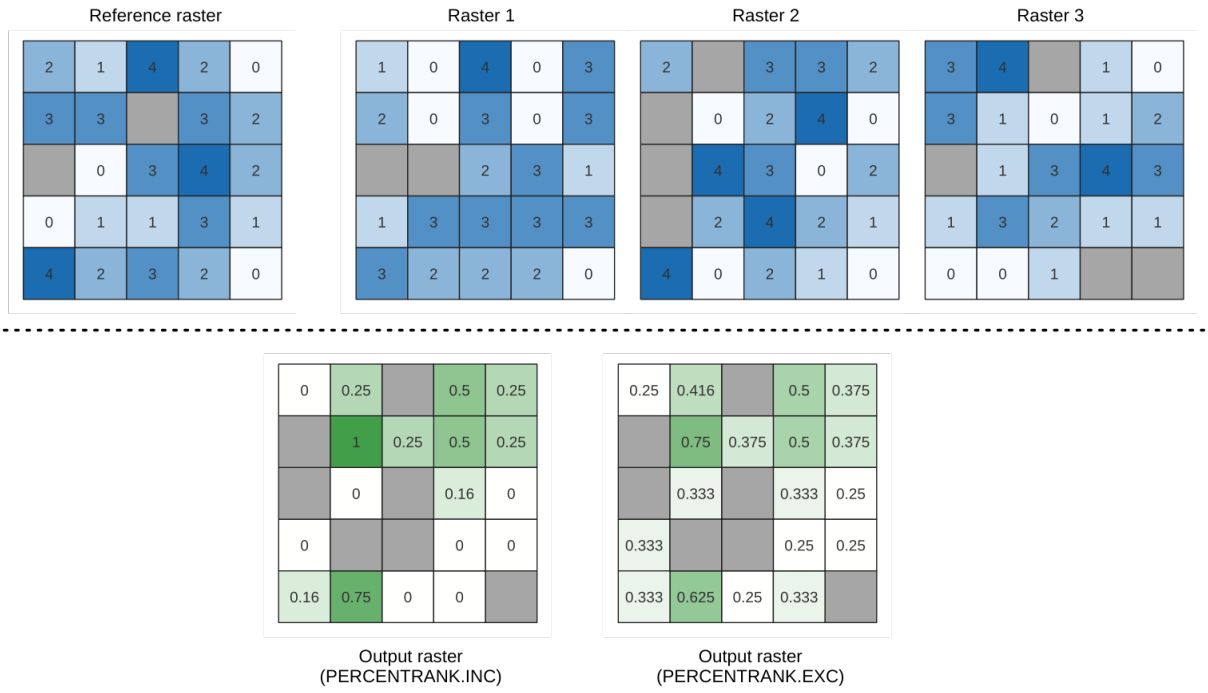


Abb. 25.10: Percent ranking Value = 1. `NoData` cells (grey) are ignored.

Siehe auch:

Cell stack percentile, *Cell stack percentrank from raster layer*

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layers	`INPUT`	[raster] [list]	Raster layers to evaluate. If multiband rasters are used in the data raster stack, the algorithm will always perform the analysis on the first band of the rasters
Method	`METHOD`	[enumeration] Default: 0	Method for percentile calculation: • 0 — Inclusive linear interpolation (PERCENTRANK.INC) • 1 — Exclusive linear interpolation (PERCENTRANK.EXC)
Value	`VALUE`	[number] Default: 10.0	Value to rank among the respective values in the stack of all overlaid and sorted cell values from the input rasters
Ignore NoData values	`IGNORE_NODATA`	[boolean] Default: True	If unchecked, any NoData cells in the input layers will result in a NoData cell in the output raster
Reference layer	`REFERENCE_LAYER`	[raster]	The reference layer for the output layer creation (extent, CRS, pixel dimensions)
Output layer	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specification of the output raster. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Output no data value	`OUTPUT_NODATA_VALUE`	[number] Default: -9999.0	Value to use for nodata in the output layer

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Output layer	`OUTPUT`	[raster]	Output raster layer containing the result
CRS authority identifier	`CRS_AUTHID`	[string]	The coordinate reference system of the output raster layer
Extent	`EXTENT`	[string]	The spatial extent of the output raster layer
Width in pixels	`WIDTH_IN_PIXELS`	[integer]	The number of columns in the output raster layer
Height in pixels	`HEIGHT_IN_PIXELS`	[integer]	The number of rows in the output raster layer
Total pixel count	`TOTAL_PIXEL_COUNT`	[integer]	The count of pixels in the output raster layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:cellstackpercentrankfromvalue`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Cell stack percentile

Calculates the cell-wise percentile value of a stack of rasters and writes the results to an output raster. The percentile to return is determined by the percentile input value (ranges between 0 and 1). At each cell location, the specified percentile is obtained using the respective value from the stack of all overlaid and sorted cell values of the input rasters.

There are three methods for percentile calculation:

- Nearest rank: returns the value that is nearest to the specified percentile
- Inclusive linear interpolation (PERCENTRANK.INC)
- Exclusive linear interpolation (PERCENTRANK.EXC)

The linear interpolation methods return the unique values for different percentiles. Both interpolation methods follow their counterpart methods implemented by LibreOffice or Microsoft Excel.

The output raster's extent and resolution is defined by a reference raster. Input raster layers that do not match the cell size of the reference raster layer will be resampled using nearest neighbor resampling. NoData values in any of the input layers will result in a NoData cell output if the „Ignore NoData values“ parameter is not set. The output raster data type will always be `Float32`.

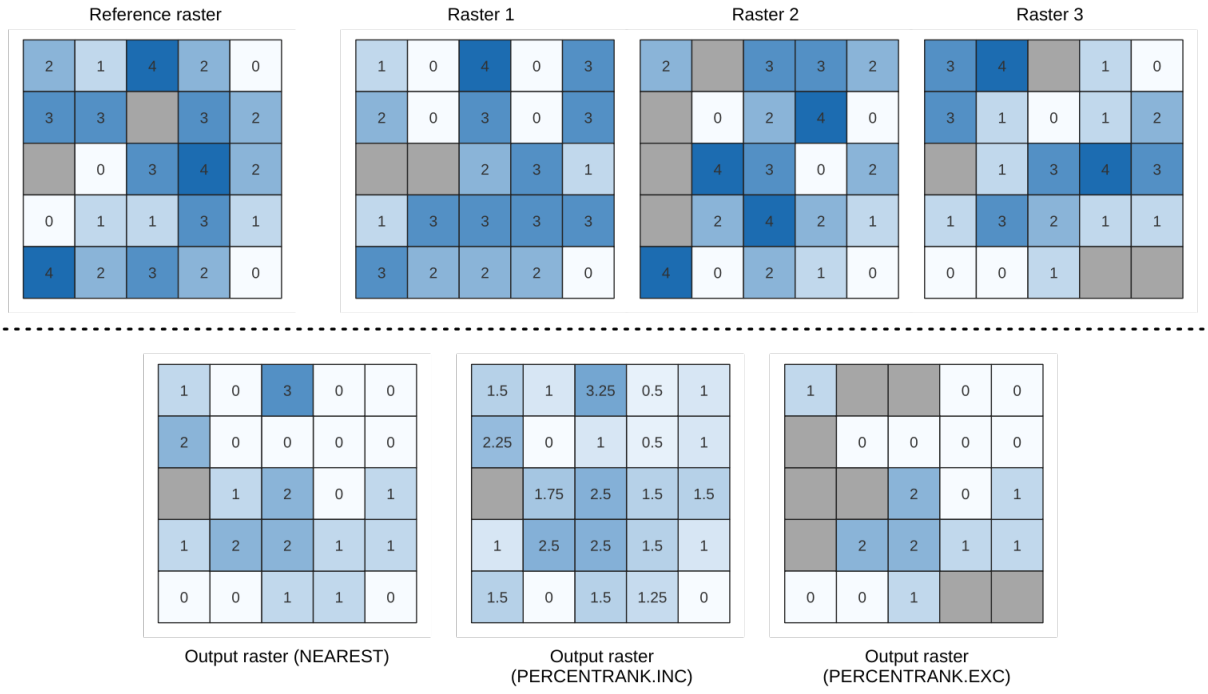


Abb. 25.11: Percentile = 0.25. `NoData` cells (grey) are ignored.

Siehe auch:

Cell stack percentile, *Cell stack percentrank from raster layer*

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layers	`INPUT`	[raster] [list]	Raster layers to evaluate. If multiband rasters are used in the data raster stack, the algorithm will always perform the analysis on the first band of the rasters
Method	`METHOD`	[enumeration] Default: 0	Method for percentile calculation: • 0 — Nearest rank: returns the value that is nearest to the specified percentile • 1 — Inclusive linear interpolation (PERCENTILE.INC) • 2 — Exclusive linear interpolation (PERCENTILE.EXC)
Percentile	`VALUE`	[number] Default: 0.25	Value to rank among the respective values in the stack of all overlaid and sorted cell values from the input rasters. Between 0 and 1.
Ignore NoData values	`IGNORE_NODATA`	[boolean] Default: True	If unchecked, any NoData cells in the input layers will result in a NoData cell in the output raster
Reference layer	`REFERENCE_LAYER`	[raster]	The reference layer for the output layer creation (extent, CRS, pixel dimensions)
Output layer	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specification of the output raster. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Output no data value	`OUTPUT_NODATA_VALUE`	[number] Default: -9999.0	Value to use for nodata in the output layer

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Output layer	`OUTPUT`	[raster]	Output raster layer containing the result
CRS authority identifier	`CRS_AUTHID`	[string]	The coordinate reference system of the output raster layer
Extent	`EXTENT`	[string]	The spatial extent of the output raster layer
Width in pixels	`WIDTH_IN_PIXELS`	[integer]	The number of columns in the output raster layer
Height in pixels	`HEIGHT_IN_PIXELS`	[integer]	The number of rows in the output raster layer
Total pixel count	`TOTAL_PIXEL_COUNT`	[integer]	The count of pixels in the output raster layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:cellstackpercentile`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Cell stack percentrank from raster layer

Calculates the cell-wise percentrank value of a stack of rasters based on an input value raster and writes them to an output raster.

At each cell location, the current value of the value raster is ranked among the respective values in the stack of all overlaid and sorted cell values of the input rasters. For values outside of the the stack value distribution, the algorithm returns NoData because the value cannot be ranked among the cell values.

There are two methods for percentile calculation:

- Inclusive linear interpolation (PERCENTRANK.INC)
- Exclusive linear interpolation (PERCENTRANK.EXC)

The linear interpolation methods return the unique values for different percentiles. Both interpolation methods follow their counterpart methods implemented by LibreOffice or Microsoft Excel.

The output raster's extent and resolution is defined by a reference raster. Input raster layers that do not match the cell size of the reference raster layer will be resampled using nearest neighbor resampling. NoData values in any of the input layers will result in a NoData cell output if the „Ignore NoData values“ parameter is not set. The output raster data type will always be `Float32`.

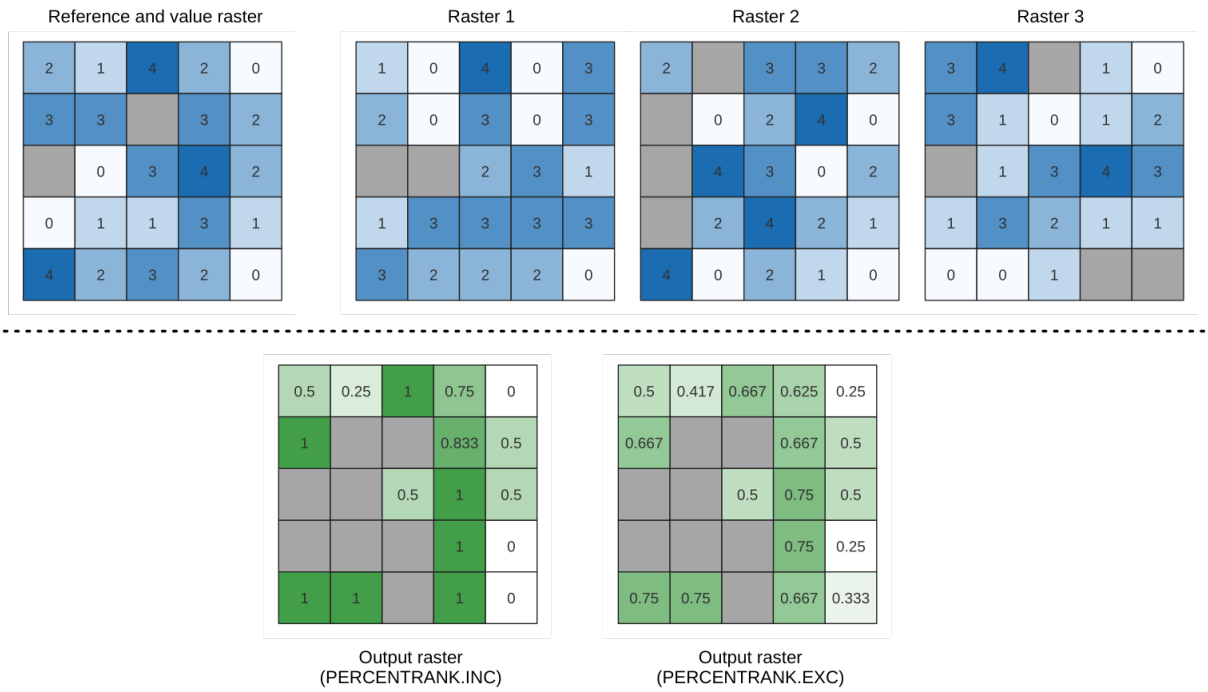


Abb. 25.12: Ranking the value raster layer cells. `NoData` cells (grey) are ignored.

Siehe auch:

Cell stack percentile, *Cell stack percent rank from value*

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layers	`INPUT`	[raster] [list]	Raster layers to evaluate. If multiband rasters are used in the data raster stack, the algorithm will always perform the analysis on the first band of the rasters
Value raster layer	`INPUT_VALUE_RASTER`	[raster]	The layer to rank the values among the stack of all overlaid layers
Value raster band	`VALUE_RASTER_BAND`	[integer] Default: 1	Band of the „value raster layer“ to compare to
Method	`METHOD`	[enumeration] Default: 0	Method for percentile calculation: • 0 — Inclusive linear interpolation (PERCENTRANK.INC) • 1 — Exclusive linear interpolation (PERCENTRANK.EXC)
Ignore NoData values	`IGNORE_NODATA`	[boolean] Default: True	If unchecked, any NoData cells in the input layers will result in a NoData cell in the output raster
Reference layer	`REFERENCE_LAYER`	[raster]	The reference layer for the output layer creation (extent, CRS, pixel dimensions)

Fortsetzung auf der nächsten Seite

Tab. 25.46 – Fortsetzung der vorherigen Seite

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Output layer	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specification of the output raster. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Output no data value	`OUTPUT_NODATA_VALUE`	[number] Default: -9999.0	Value to use for nodata in the output layer

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Output layer	`OUTPUT`	[raster]	Output raster layer containing the result
CRS authority identifier	`CRS_AUTHID`	[string]	The coordinate reference system of the output raster layer
Extent	`EXTENT`	[string]	The spatial extent of the output raster layer
Width in pixels	`WIDTH_IN_PIXELS`	[integer]	The number of columns in the output raster layer
Height in pixels	`HEIGHT_IN_PIXELS`	[integer]	The number of rows in the output raster layer
Total pixel count	`TOTAL_PIXEL_COUNT`	[integer]	The count of pixels in the output raster layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:cellstackpercentrankfromrasterlayer`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Cell statistics

Computes per-cell statistics based on input raster layers and for each cell writes the resulting statistics to an output raster. At each cell location, the output value is defined as a function of all overlaid cell values of the input rasters.

By default, a NoData cell in ANY of the input layers will result in a NoData cell in the output raster. If the *Ignore NoData values* option is checked, then NoData inputs will be ignored in the statistic calculation. This may result in NoData output for locations where all cells are NoData.

The *Reference layer* parameter specifies an existing raster layer to use as a reference when creating the output raster. The output raster will have the same extent, CRS, and pixel dimensions as this layer.

Calculation details: Input raster layers that do not match the cell size of the reference raster layer will be resampled using `nearest neighbor resampling`. The output raster data type will be set to the most complex data type present in the input datasets except when using the functions `Mean`, `Standard deviation` and `Variance`

(data type is always `Float32` or `Float64` depending on input float type) or `Count` and `Variety` (data type is always `Int32`).

- `Count`: The count statistic will always result in the number of cells without NoData values at the current cell location.
- `Median`: If the number of input layers is even, the median will be calculated as the arithmetic mean of the two middle values of the ordered cell input values.
- `Minority/Majority`: If no unique minority or majority could be found, the result is NoData, except all input cell values are equal.

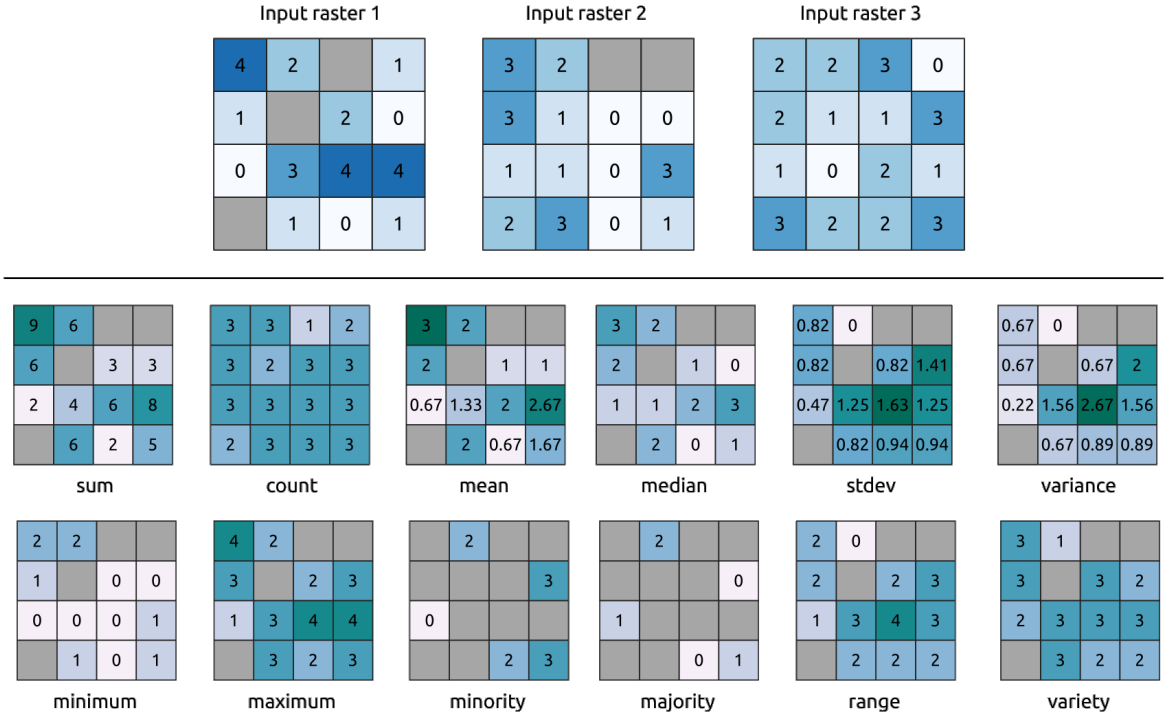


Abb. 25.13: Example with all the statistic functions. `NoData` cells (grey) are taken into account.

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layers	`INPUT`	[raster] [list]	Input raster layers
Statistic	`STATISTIC`	[enumeration] Default: 0	Available statistics. Options: • 0 — Sum • 1 — Count • 2 — Mean • 3 — Median • 4 — Standard deviation • 5 — Variance • 6 — Minimum • 7 — Maximum • 8 — Minority (least common value) • 9 — Majority (most common value) • 10 — Range (max - min) • 11 — Variety (unique value count)
Ignore NoData values	`IGNORE_NODATA`	[boolean] Default: True	Calculate statistics also for all cells stacks, ignoring NoData occurrence.
Reference layer	`REF_LAYER`	[raster]	The reference layer to create the output layer from (extent, CRS, pixel dimensions)
Output layer	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specification of the output raster. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Output no data value Optional	`OUTPUT_NO_DATA_VALUE`	[number] Default: -9999.0	Value to use for nodata in the output layer

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
CRS authority identifier	`CRS_AUTHID`	[crs]	The coordinate reference system of the output raster layer
Extent	`EXTENT`	[string]	The spatial extent of the output raster layer
Height in pixels	`HEIGHT_IN_PIXELS`	[integer]	The number of rows in the output raster layer
Output raster	`OUTPUT`	[raster]	Output raster layer containing the result
Total pixel count	`TOTAL_PIXEL_COUNT`	[integer]	The count of pixels in the output raster layer
Width in pixels	`WIDTH_IN_PIXELS`	[integer]	The number of columns in the output raster layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:cellstatistics`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Equal to frequency

Evaluates on a cell-by-cell basis the frequency (number of times) the values of an input stack of rasters are equal to the value of a value layer. The output raster extent and resolution are defined by the input raster layer and is always of `Int32` type.

If multiband rasters are used in the data raster stack, the algorithm will always perform the analysis on the first band of the rasters - use GDAL to use other bands in the analysis. The output NoData value can be set manually.

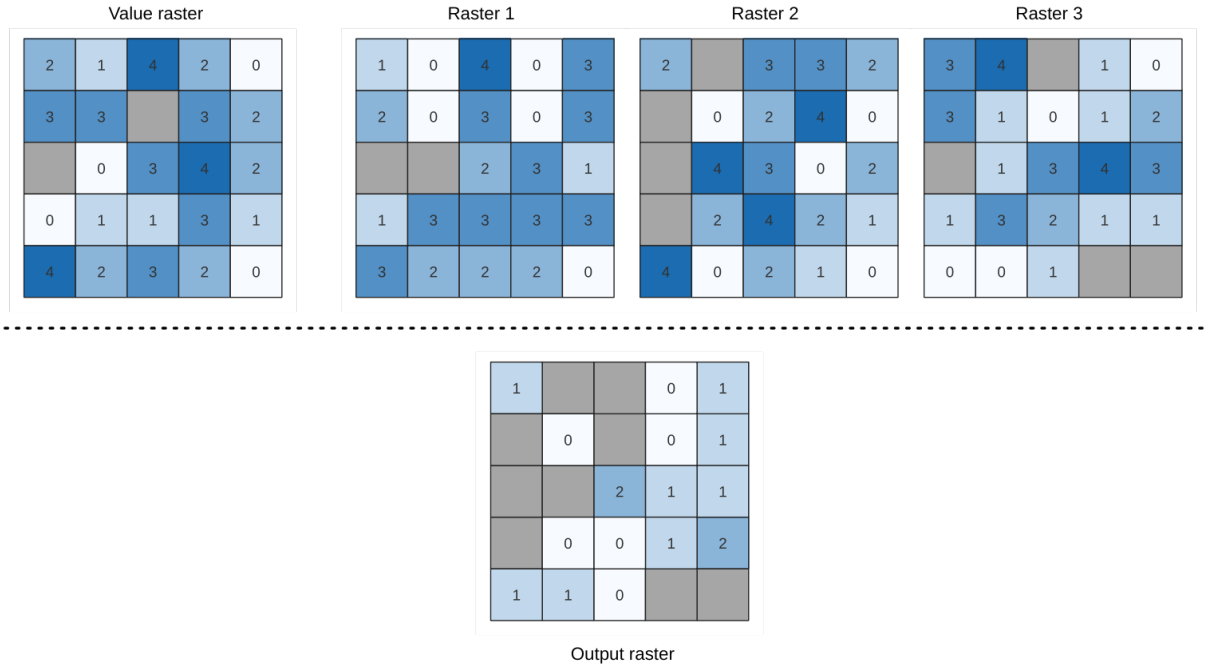


Abb. 25.14: For each cell in the output raster, the value represents the number of times that the corresponding cells in the list of rasters are the same as the value raster. `NoData` cells (grey) are taken into account.

Siehe auch:

Greater than frequency, *Less than frequency*

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input value raster	`INPUT_VALUE_RASTER`	[raster]	The input value layer serves as reference layer for the sample layers
Value raster band	`INPUT_VALUE_RASTER_BAND`	[raster band] Default: The first band of the raster layer	Select the band you want to use as sample
Input raster layers	`INPUT_RASTERS`	[raster] [list]	Raster layers to evaluate. If multiband rasters are used in the data raster stack, the algorithm will always perform the analysis on the first band of the rasters
Ignore NoData values	`IGNORE_NODATA`	[boolean] Default: False	If unchecked, any NoData cells in the value raster or the data layer stack will result in a NoData cell in the output raster
Output layer	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specification of the output raster. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Output no data value Optional	`OUTPUT_NO_DATA_VALUE`	[number] Default: -9999.0	Value to use for nodata in the output layer

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Output layer	`OUTPUT`	[raster]	Output raster layer containing the result
CRS authority identifier	`CRS_AUTHID`	[string]	The coordinate reference system of the output raster layer
Extent	`EXTENT`	[string]	The spatial extent of the output raster layer
Count of cells with equal value occurrences	`FOUND_LOCATIONS_COUNT`	[number]	
Height in pixels	`HEIGHT_IN_PIXELS`	[number]	The number of rows in the output raster layer
Total pixel count	`TOTAL_PIXEL_COUNT`	[integer]	The count of pixels in the output raster layer
Mean frequency at valid cell locations	`MEAN_FREQUENCY_AT_LOCATION`	[number]	
Count of value occurrences	`OCCURRENCE_COUNT`	[number]	
Width in pixels	`WIDTH_IN_PIXELS`	[integer]	The number of columns in the output raster layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:equaltofrequency`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Fuzzify raster (gaussian membership)

Transforms an input raster to a fuzzified raster by assigning a membership value to each pixel, using a Gaussian membership function. Membership values range from 0 to 1. In the fuzzified raster, a value of 0 implies no membership of the defined fuzzy set, whereas a value of 1 means full membership. The gaussian membership function is defined as $\mu(x) = e^{-f1*(x-f2)^2}$, where *f1* is the spread and *f2* the midpoint.

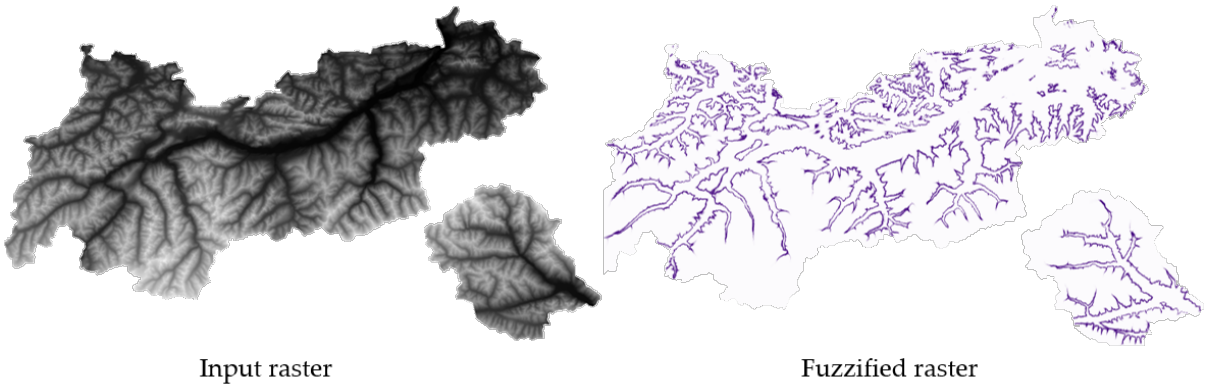


Abb. 25.15: Fuzzify raster example. Input raster source: Land Tirol - data.tirol.gv.at.

Siehe auch:

Fuzzify raster (large membership) *Fuzzify raster (linear membership)*, *Fuzzify raster (near membership)*, *Fuzzify raster (power membership)*, *Fuzzify raster (small membership)*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input Raster	`INPUT`	[raster]	Input raster layer
Band Number	`BAND`	[raster band] Default: The first band of the raster layer	If the raster is multiband, choose the band that you want to fuzzify.
Function midpoint	`FUZZYMIDPOINT`	[number] Default: 10	Midpoint of the gaussian function
Function spread	`FUZZYSPREAD`	[number] Default: 0.01	Spread of the gaussian function
Fuzzified raster	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specification of the output raster. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Fuzzified raster	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	Output raster layer containing the result
CRS authority identifier	`CRS_AUTHID`	[crs]	The coordinate reference system of the output raster layer
Extent	`EXTENT`	[string]	The spatial extent of the output raster layer
Width in pixels	`WIDTH_IN_PIXELS`	[integer]	The number of columns in the output raster layer
Height in pixels	`HEIGHT_IN_PIXELS`	[integer]	The number of rows in the output raster layer
Total pixel count	`TOTAL_PIXEL_COUNT`	[integer]	The count of pixels in the output raster layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:fuzzifyrastergaussianmembership`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Fuzzify raster (large membership)

Transforms an input raster to a fuzzified raster by assigning a membership value to each pixel, using a Large membership function. Membership values range from 0 to 1. In the fuzzified raster, a value of 0 implies no membership of the defined fuzzy set, whereas a value of 1 means full membership. The large membership function is defined as $\mu(x) = \frac{1}{1 + \left(\frac{x}{f2}\right)^{-f1}}$, where *f1* is the spread and *f2* the midpoint.

Siehe auch:

Fuzzify raster (gaussian membership), *Fuzzify raster (linear membership)*, *Fuzzify raster (near membership)*, *Fuzzify raster (power membership)*, *Fuzzify raster (small membership)*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input Raster	`INPUT`	[raster]	Input raster layer
Band Number	`BAND`	[raster band] Default: The first band of the raster layer	If the raster is multiband, choose the band that you want to fuzzify.
Function midpoint	`FUZZYMIDPOINT`	[number] Default: 50	Midpoint of the large function
Function spread	`FUZZYSPREAD`	[number] Default: 5	Spread of the large function
Fuzzified raster	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specification of the output raster. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Fuzzified raster	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	Output raster layer containing the result
CRS authority identifier	`CRS_AUTHID`	[crs]	The coordinate reference system of the output raster layer
Extent	`EXTENT`	[string]	The spatial extent of the output raster layer
Width in pixels	`WIDTH_IN_PIXELS`	[integer]	The number of columns in the output raster layer
Height in pixels	`HEIGHT_IN_PIXELS`	[integer]	The number of rows in the output raster layer
Total pixel count	`TOTAL_PIXEL_COUNT`	[integer]	The count of pixels in the output raster layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:fuzzifyrasterlargemembership`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Fuzzify raster (linear membership)

Transforms an input raster to a fuzzified raster by assigning a membership value to each pixel, using a Linear membership function. Membership values range from 0 to 1. In the fuzzified raster, a value of 0 implies no membership of the defined fuzzy set, whereas a value of 1 means full membership. The linear function is defined as $\mu(X)\begin{cases}0 & x \leq a \\ \frac{x-a}{b-a} & a < x < b \\ 1 & x \geq b\end{cases}$, where a is the low bound and b the high bound. This equation assigns membership values using a linear transformation for pixel values between the low and high bounds. Pixels values smaller than the low bound are given 0 membership whereas pixel values greater than the high bound are given 1 membership.

Siehe auch:

Fuzzify raster (gaussian membership), *Fuzzify raster (large membership)*, *Fuzzify raster (near membership)*, *Fuzzify raster (power membership)*, *Fuzzify raster (small membership)*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input Raster	`INPUT`	[raster]	Input raster layer
Band Number	`BAND`	[raster band] Default: The first band of the raster layer	If the raster is multiband, choose the band that you want to fuzzify.
Low fuzzy membership bound	`FUZZYLOWBOUND`	[number] Default: 0	Low bound of the linear function
High fuzzy membership bound	`FUZZYHIGHBOUND`	[number] Default: 1	High bound of the linear function
Fuzzified raster	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specification of the output raster. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Fuzzified raster	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	Output raster layer containing the result
CRS authority identifier	`CRS_AUTHID`	[crs]	The coordinate reference system of the output raster layer
Extent	`EXTENT`	[string]	The spatial extent of the output raster layer
Width in pixels	`WIDTH_IN_PIXELS`	[integer]	The number of columns in the output raster layer
Height in pixels	`HEIGHT_IN_PIXELS`	[integer]	The number of rows in the output raster layer
Total pixel count	`TOTAL_PIXEL_COUNT`	[integer]	The count of pixels in the output raster layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:fuzzifyrasterlinearmembership`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Fuzzify raster (near membership)

Transforms an input raster to a fuzzified raster by assigning a membership value to each pixel, using a Near membership function. Membership values range from 0 to 1. In the fuzzified raster, a value of 0 implies no membership of the defined fuzzy set, whereas a value of 1 means full membership. The near membership function is defined as $\mu(x) = \frac{1}{1 + f1 * (x - f2)^2}$, where *f1* is the spread and *f2* the midpoint.

Siehe auch:

Fuzzify raster (gaussian membership), *Fuzzify raster (large membership)*, *Fuzzify raster (linear membership)*, *Fuzzify raster (power membership)*, *Fuzzify raster (small membership)*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input Raster	`INPUT`	[raster]	Input raster layer
Band Number	`BAND`	[raster band] Default: The first band of the raster layer	If the raster is multiband, choose the band that you want to fuzzify.
Function midpoint	`FUZZYMIDPOINT`	[number] Default: 50	Midpoint of the near function
Function spread	`FUZZYSPREAD`	[number] Default: 0.01	Spread of the near function
Fuzzified raster	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specification of the output raster. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Fuzzified raster	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	Output raster layer containing the result
CRS authority identifier	`CRS_AUTHID`	[crs]	The coordinate reference system of the output raster layer
Extent	`EXTENT`	[string]	The spatial extent of the output raster layer
Width in pixels	`WIDTH_IN_PIXELS`	[integer]	The number of columns in the output raster layer
Height in pixels	`HEIGHT_IN_PIXELS`	[integer]	The number of rows in the output raster layer
Total pixel count	`TOTAL_PIXEL_COUNT`	[integer]	The count of pixels in the output raster layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:fuzzifyrasternearmembership`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Fuzzify raster (power membership)

Transforms an input raster to a fuzzified raster by assigning a membership value to each pixel, using a Power membership function. Membership values range from 0 to 1. In the fuzzified raster, a value of 0 implies no membership of the defined fuzzy set, whereas a value of 1 means full membership. The power function is defined as

$$\mu(x)\begin{cases}0 & x \le a\\ \left(\frac{x-a}{b-a}\right)^{f1} & a < x < b\\ 1 & x \ge b\end{cases}$$

, where a is the low bound, b is the high bound, and $f1$ the exponent. This equation assigns membership values using the power transformation for pixel values between the low and high bounds. Pixels values smaller than the low bound are given 0 membership whereas pixel values greater than the high bound are given 1 membership.

Siehe auch:

Fuzzify raster (gaussian membership), *Fuzzify raster (large membership)*, *Fuzzify raster (linear membership)*, *Fuzzify raster (near membership)*, *Fuzzify raster (small membership)*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input Raster	`INPUT`	[raster]	Input raster layer
Band Number	`BAND`	[raster band] Default: The first band of the raster layer	If the raster is multiband, choose the band that you want to fuzzify.
Low fuzzy membership bound	`FUZZYLOWBOUND`	[number] Default: 0	Low bound of the power function
High fuzzy membership bound	`FUZZYHIGHBOUND`	[number] Default: 1	High bound of the power function
High fuzzy membership bound	`FUZZYEXPONENT`	[number] Default: 2	Exponent of the power function
Fuzzified raster	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specification of the output raster. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Fuzzified raster	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	Output raster layer containing the result
CRS authority identifier	`CRS_AUTHID`	[crs]	The coordinate reference system of the output raster layer
Extent	`EXTENT`	[string]	The spatial extent of the output raster layer
Width in pixels	`WIDTH_IN_PIXELS`	[integer]	The number of columns in the output raster layer
Height in pixels	`HEIGHT_IN_PIXELS`	[integer]	The number of rows in the output raster layer
Total pixel count	`TOTAL_PIXEL_COUNT`	[integer]	The count of pixels in the output raster layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:fuzzifyrasterpowermembership`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Fuzzify raster (small membership)

Transforms an input raster to a fuzzified raster by assigning a membership value to each pixel, using a Small membership function. Membership values range from 0 to 1. In the fuzzified raster, a value of 0 implies no membership of the defined fuzzy set, whereas a value of 1 means full membership. The small membership function is defined as $\mu(x) = \frac{1}{1 + \left(\frac{x}{f2}\right)^{f1}}$, where *f1* is the spread and *f2* the midpoint.

Siehe auch:

Fuzzify raster (gaussian membership), *Fuzzify raster (large membership) Fuzzify raster (linear membership)*, *Fuzzify raster (near membership)*, *Fuzzify raster (power membership)*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input Raster	`INPUT`	[raster]	Input raster layer
Band Number	`BAND`	[raster band] Default: The first band of the raster layer	If the raster is multiband, choose the band that you want to fuzzify.
Function midpoint	`FUZZYMIDPOINT`	[number] Default: 50	Midpoint of the small function
Function spread	`FUZZYSPREAD`	[number] Default: 5	Spread of the small function
Fuzzified raster	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specification of the output raster. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Fuzzified raster	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	Output raster layer containing the result
CRS authority identifier	`CRS_AUTHID`	[crs]	The coordinate reference system of the output raster layer
Extent	`EXTENT`	[string]	The spatial extent of the output raster layer
Width in pixels	`WIDTH_IN_PIXELS`	[integer]	The number of columns in the output raster layer
Height in pixels	`HEIGHT_IN_PIXELS`	[integer]	The number of rows in the output raster layer
Total pixel count	`TOTAL_PIXEL_COUNT`	[integer]	The count of pixels in the output raster layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:fuzzifyrastersmallmembership`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Greater than frequency

Evaluates on a cell-by-cell basis the frequency (number of times) the values of an input stack of rasters are equal to the value of a value raster. The output raster extent and resolution is defined by the input raster layer and is always of `Int32` type.

If multiband rasters are used in the data raster stack, the algorithm will always perform the analysis on the first band of the rasters - use GDAL to use other bands in the analysis. The output NoData value can be set manually.

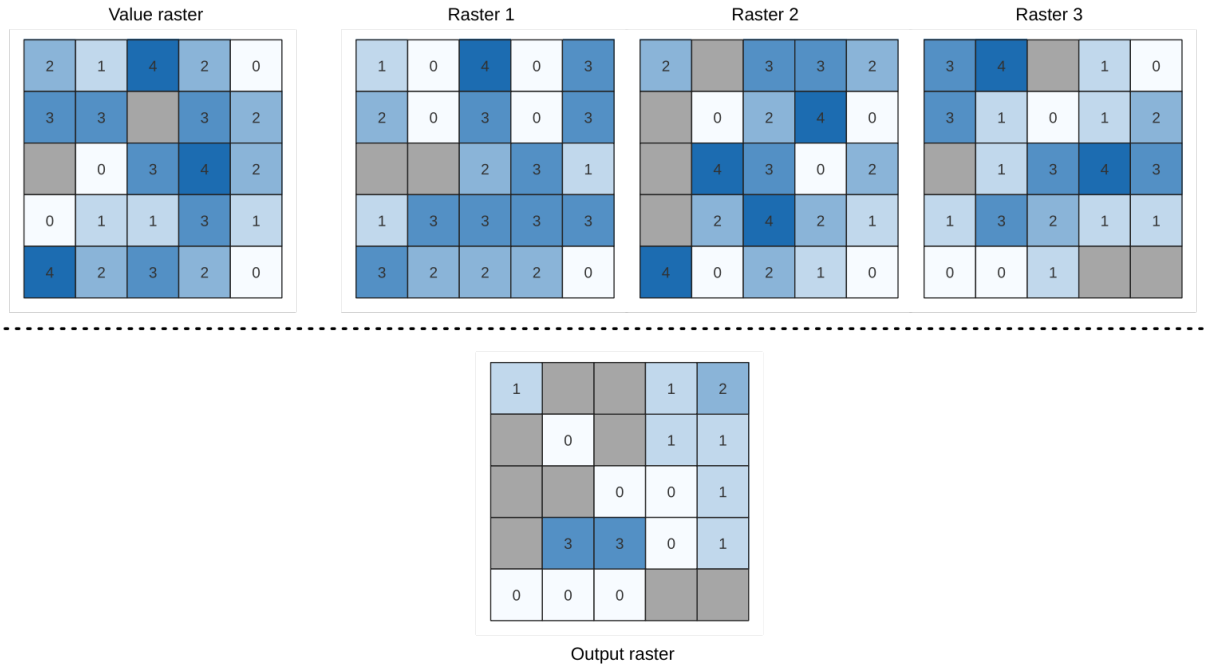


Abb. 25.16: For each cell in the output raster, the value represents the number of times that the corresponding cells in the list of rasters are greater than the value raster. `NoData` cells (grey) are taken into account.

Siehe auch:

Equal to frequency, *Less than frequency*

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input value raster	`INPUT_VALUE_RASTER`	[raster]	The input value layer serves as reference layer for the sample layers
Value raster band	`INPUT_VALUE_RASTER_BAND`	[raster band] Default: The first band of the raster layer	Select the band you want to use as sample
Input raster layers	`INPUT_RASTERS`	[raster] [list]	Raster layers to evaluate. If multiband rasters are used in the data raster stack, the algorithm will always perform the analysis on the first band of the rasters
Ignore NoData values	`IGNORE_NODATA`	[boolean] Default: False	If unchecked, any NoData cells in the value raster or the data layer stack will result in a NoData cell in the output raster
Output layer	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specification of the output raster. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Output no data value Optional	`OUTPUT_NO_DATA_VALUE`	[number] Default: -9999.0	Value to use for nodata in the output layer

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Output layer	`OUTPUT`	[raster]	Output raster layer containing the result
CRS authority identifier	`CRS_AUTHID`	[string]	The coordinate reference system of the output raster layer
Extent	`EXTENT`	[string]	The spatial extent of the output raster layer
Count of cells with equal value occurrences	`FOUND_LOCATIONS_COUNT`	[number]	
Height in pixels	`HEIGHT_IN_PIXELS`	[number]	The number of rows in the output raster layer
Total pixel count	`TOTAL_PIXEL_COUNT`	[integer]	The count of pixels in the output raster layer
Mean frequency at valid cell locations	`MEAN_FREQUENCY_AT_LOCATION`	[number]	
Count of value occurrences	`OCCURRENCE_COUNT`	[number]	
Width in pixels	`WIDTH_IN_PIXELS`	[integer]	The number of columns in the output raster layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:greaterthanfrequency`

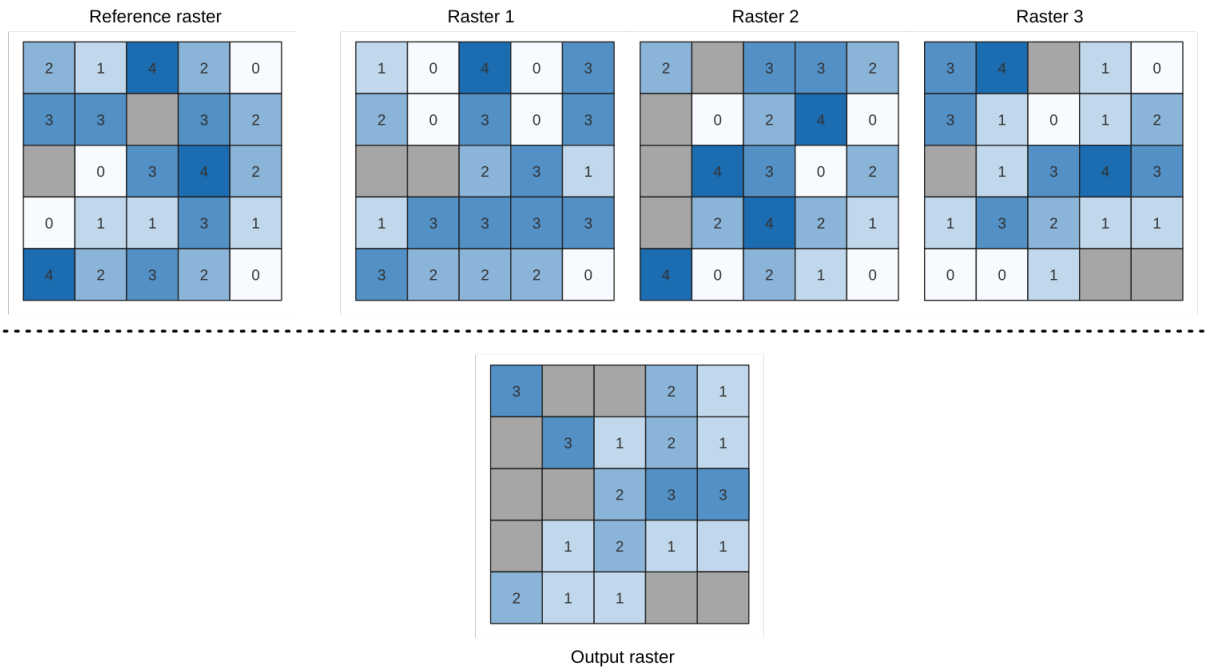
```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Highest position in raster stack

Evaluates on a cell-by-cell basis the position of the raster with the highest value in a stack of rasters. Position counts start with 1 and range to the total number of input rasters. The order of the input rasters is relevant for the algorithm. If multiple rasters feature the highest value, the first raster will be used for the position value.

If multiband rasters are used in the data raster stack, the algorithm will always perform the analysis on the first band of the rasters - use GDAL to use other bands in the analysis. Any NoData cells in the raster layer stack will result in a NoData cell in the output raster unless the „ignore NoData“ parameter is checked. The output NoData value can be set manually. The output rasters extent and resolution is defined by a reference raster layer and is always of `Int32` type.



Siehe auch:

Lowest position in raster stack

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input raster layers	`INPUT_RASTERS`	[raster] [list]	List of raster layers to compare with
Reference layer	`REFERENCE_LAYER`	[raster]	The reference layer for the output layer creation (extent, CRS, pixel dimensions)
Ignore NoData values	`IGNORE_NODATA`	[boolean] Default: False	If unchecked, any NoData cells in the data layer stack will result in a NoData cell in the output raster
Output layer	`OUTPUT`	[raster] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specification of the output raster containing the result. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Output no data value	`OUTPUT_NODATA_VALUE`	[number] Default: -9999.0	Value to use for nodata in the output layer

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Output layer	`OUTPUT`	[raster]	Output raster layer containing the result
CRS authority identifier	`CRS_AUTHID`	[string]	The coordinate reference system of the output raster layer
Extent	`EXTENT`	[string]	The spatial extent of the output raster layer
Width in pixels	`WIDTH_IN_PIXELS`	[integer]	The number of columns in the output raster layer
Height in pixels	`HEIGHT_IN_PIXELS`	[integer]	The number of rows in the output raster layer
Total pixel count	`TOTAL_PIXEL_COUNT`	[integer]	The count of pixels in the output raster layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:highestpositioninrasterstack`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Less than frequency

Evaluates on a cell-by-cell basis the frequency (number of times) the values of an input stack of rasters are less than the value of a value raster. The output raster extent and resolution is defined by the input raster layer and is always of `Int32` type.

If multiband rasters are used in the data raster stack, the algorithm will always perform the analysis on the first band of the rasters - use GDAL to use other bands in the analysis. The output NoData value can be set manually.

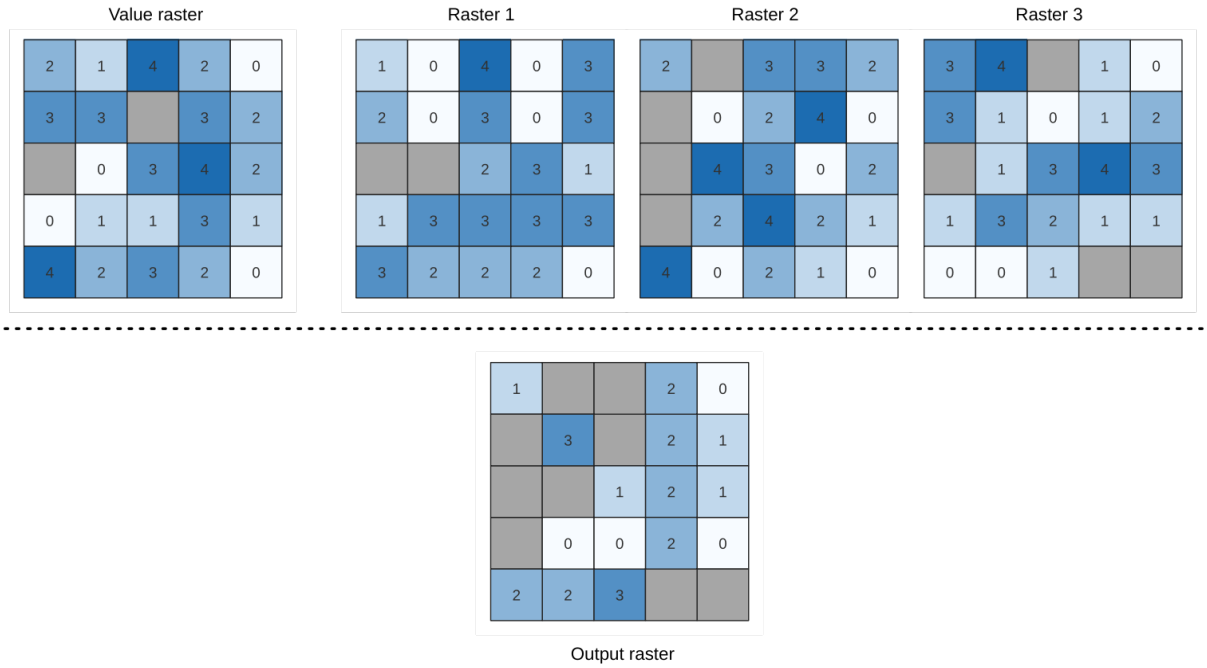


Abb. 25.17: For each cell in the output raster, the value represents the number of times that the corresponding cells in the list of rasters are less than the value raster. `NoData` cells (grey) are taken into account.

Siehe auch:

Equal to frequency, *Greater than frequency*

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input value raster	`INPUT_VALUE_RASTER`	[raster]	The input value layer serves as reference layer for the sample layers
Value raster band	`INPUT_VALUE_RASTER_BAND`	[raster band] Default: The first band of the raster layer	Select the band you want to use as sample
Input raster layers	`INPUT_RASTERS`	[raster] [list]	Raster layers to evaluate. If multiband rasters are used in the data raster stack, the algorithm will always perform the analysis on the first band of the rasters
Ignore NoData values	`IGNORE_NODATA`	[boolean] Default: False	If unchecked, any NoData cells in the value raster or the data layer stack will result in a NoData cell in the output raster
Output layer	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specification of the output raster. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Output no data value Optional	`OUTPUT_NO_DATA_VALUE`	[number] Default: -9999.0	Value to use for nodata in the output layer

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Output layer	`OUTPUT`	[raster]	Output raster layer containing the result
CRS authority identifier	`CRS_AUTHID`	[string]	The coordinate reference system of the output raster layer
Extent	`EXTENT`	[string]	The spatial extent of the output raster layer
Count of cells with equal value occurrences	`FOUND_LOCATIONS_COUNT`	[number]	
Height in pixels	`HEIGHT_IN_PIXELS`	[number]	The number of rows in the output raster layer
Total pixel count	`TOTAL_PIXEL_COUNT`	[integer]	The count of pixels in the output raster layer
Mean frequency at valid cell locations	`MEAN_FREQUENCY_AT_LOCATION`	[number]	
Count of value occurrences	`OCCURRENCE_COUNT`	[number]	
Width in pixels	`WIDTH_IN_PIXELS`	[integer]	The number of columns in the output raster layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:lessthanfrequency`

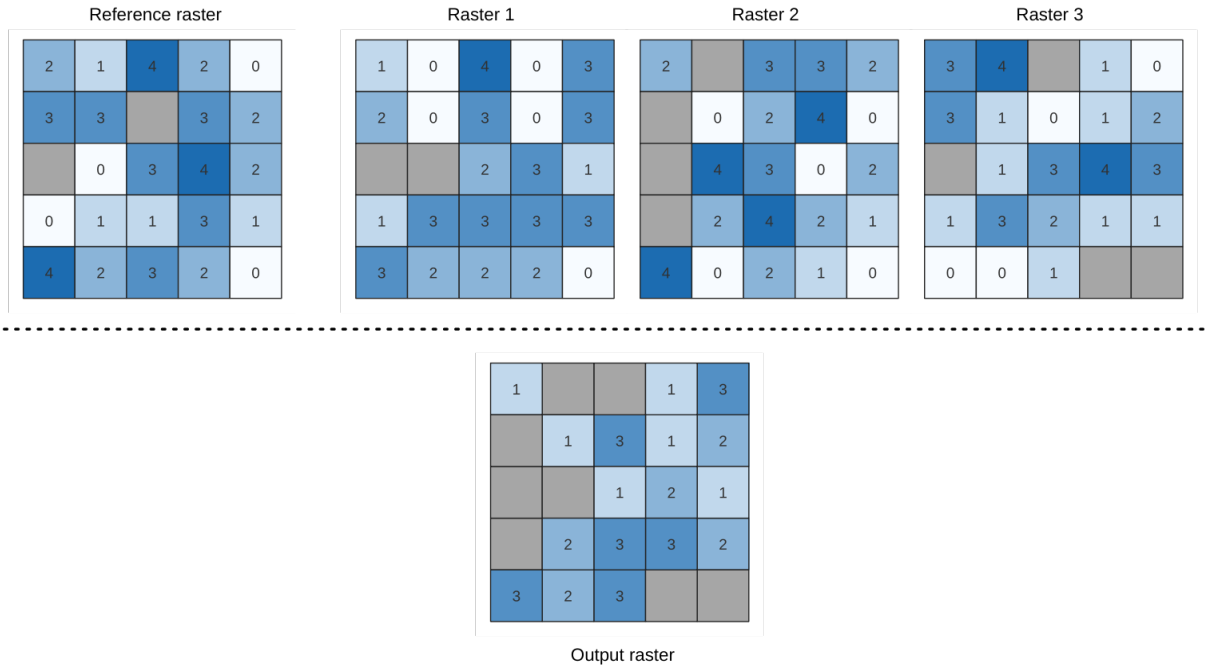
```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Lowest position in raster stack

Evaluates on a cell-by-cell basis the position of the raster with the lowest value in a stack of rasters. Position counts start with 1 and range to the total number of input rasters. The order of the input rasters is relevant for the algorithm. If multiple rasters feature the lowest value, the first raster will be used for the position value.

If multiband rasters are used in the data raster stack, the algorithm will always perform the analysis on the first band of the rasters - use GDAL to use other bands in the analysis. Any NoData cells in the raster layer stack will result in a NoData cell in the output raster unless the „ignore NoData“ parameter is checked. The output NoData value can be set manually. The output rasters extent and resolution is defined by a reference raster layer and is always of `Int32` type.



Siehe auch:

Highest position in raster stack

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input raster layers	`INPUT_RASTERS`	[raster] [list]	List of raster layers to compare with
Reference layer	`REFERENCE_LAYER`	[raster]	The reference layer for the output layer creation (extent, CRS, pixel dimensions)
Ignore NoData values	`IGNORE_NODATA`	[boolean] Default: False	If unchecked, any NoData cells in the data layer stack will result in a NoData cell in the output raster
Output layer	`OUTPUT`	[raster] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specification of the output raster containing the result. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Output no data value	`OUTPUT_NODATA_VALUE`	[number] Default: -9999.0	Value to use for nodata in the output layer

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Output layer	`OUTPUT`	[raster]	Output raster layer containing the result
CRS authority identifier	`CRS_AUTHID`	[string]	The coordinate reference system of the output raster layer
Extent	`EXTENT`	[string]	The spatial extent of the output raster layer
Width in pixels	`WIDTH_IN_PIXELS`	[integer]	The number of columns in the output raster layer
Height in pixels	`HEIGHT_IN_PIXELS`	[integer]	The number of rows in the output raster layer
Total pixel count	`TOTAL_PIXEL_COUNT`	[integer]	The count of pixels in the output raster layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:lowestpositioninrasterstack`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Raster boolean AND

Calculates the boolean `AND` for a set of input rasters. If all of the input rasters have a non-zero value for a pixel, that pixel will be set to `1` in the output raster. If any of the input rasters have `0` values for the pixel it will be set to `0` in the output raster.

The reference layer parameter specifies an existing raster layer to use as a reference when creating the output raster. The output raster will have the same extent, CRS, and pixel dimensions as this layer.

By default, a nodata pixel in ANY of the input layers will result in a nodata pixel in the output raster. If the *Treat nodata values as false* option is checked, then nodata inputs will be treated the same as a `0` input value.

Siehe auch:

Raster boolean OR

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layers	`INPUT`	[raster] [list]	List of input raster layers
Reference layer	`REF_LAYER`	[raster]	The reference layer to create the output layer from (extent, CRS, pixel dimensions)
Treat nodata values as false	`NODATA_AS_FALSE`	[boolean] Default: False	Treat nodata values in the input files as 0 when performing the operation

Fortsetzung auf der nächsten Seite

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Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Output layer	`OUTPUT`	[raster] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specification of the output raster containing the result. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Output no data value	`NO_DATA`	[number] Default: -9999.0	Value to use for nodata in the output layer
Output data type	`DATA_TYPE`	[enumeration] Default: 5	Output raster data type. Options: • 0 — Byte • 1 — Int16 • 2 — UInt16 • 3 — Int32 • 4 — UInt32 • 5 — Float32 • 6 — Float64 • 7 — CInt16 • 8 — CInt32 • 9 — CFloat32 • 10 — CFloat64

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Extent	`EXTENT`	[string]	The spatial extent of the output raster layer
CRS authority identifier	`CRS_AUTHID`	[crs]	The coordinate reference system of the output raster layer
Width in pixels	`WIDTH_IN_PIXELS`	[integer]	The number of columns in the output raster layer
Height in pixels	`HEIGHT_IN_PIXELS`	[integer]	The number of rows in the output raster layer
Total pixel count	`TOTAL_PIXEL_COUNT`	[integer]	The count of pixels in the output raster layer
NODATA pixel count	`NODATA_PIXEL_COUNT`	[integer]	The count of nodata pixels in the output raster layer
True pixel count	`TRUE_PIXEL_COUNT`	[integer]	The count of True pixels (value = 1) in the output raster layer
False pixel count	`FALSE_PIXEL_COUNT`	[integer]	The count of False pixels (value = 0) in the output raster layer
Output layer	`OUTPUT`	[raster]	Output raster layer containing the result

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:rasterbooleanand`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Raster boolean OR

Calculates the boolean `OR` for a set of input rasters. If all of the input rasters have a zero value for a pixel, that pixel will be set to `0` in the output raster. If any of the input rasters have `1` values for the pixel it will be set to `1` in the output raster.

The reference layer parameter specifies an existing raster layer to use as a reference when creating the output raster. The output raster will have the same extent, CRS, and pixel dimensions as this layer.

By default, a nodata pixel in ANY of the input layers will result in a nodata pixel in the output raster. If the *Treat nodata values as false* option is checked, then nodata inputs will be treated the same as a `0` input value.

Siehe auch:

Raster boolean AND

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layers	`INPUT`	[raster] [list]	List of input raster layers
Reference layer	`REF_LAYER`	[raster]	The reference layer to create the output layer from (extent, CRS, pixel dimensions)
Treat nodata values as false	`NODATA_AS_FALSE`	[boolean] Default: False	Treat nodata values in the input files as 0 when performing the operation
Output layer	`OUTPUT`	[raster] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specification of the output raster containing the result. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Output no data value	`NO_DATA`	[number] Default: -9999.0	Value to use for nodata in the output layer

Fortsetzung auf der nächsten Seite

Tab. 25.64 – Fortsetzung der vorherigen Seite

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Output data type	DATA_TYPE	[enumeration] Default: 5	Output raster data type. Options: • 0 — Byte • 1 — Int16 • 2 — UInt16 • 3 — Int32 • 4 — UInt32 • 5 — Float32 • 6 — Float64 • 7 — CInt16 • 8 — CInt32 • 9 — CFloat32 • 10 — CFloat64

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Extent	EXTENT	[string]	The spatial extent of the output raster layer
CRS authority identifier	CRS_AUTHID	[crs]	The coordinate reference system of the output raster layer
Width in pixels	WIDTH_IN_PIXELS	[integer]	The number of columns in the output raster layer
Height in pixels	HEIGHT_IN_PIXELS	[integer]	The number of rows in the output raster layer
Total pixel count	TOTAL_PIXEL_COUNT	[integer]	The count of pixels in the output raster layer
NODATA pixel count	NODATA_PIXEL_COUNT	[integer]	The count of nodata pixels in the output raster layer
True pixel count	TRUE_PIXEL_COUNT	[integer]	The count of True pixels (value = 1) in the output raster layer
False pixel count	FALSE_PIXEL_COUNT	[integer]	The count of False pixels (value = 0) in the output raster layer
Output layer	OUTPUT	[raster]	Output raster layer containing the result

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:rasterbooleanor`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Raster calculator

Performs algebraic operations using raster layers.

The resulting layer will have its values computed according to an expression. The expression can contain numerical values, operators and references to any of the layers in the current project.

Bemerkung: When using the calculator in *Die Batch Processing Schnittstelle* or from the *QGIS Python Konsole* the files to use have to be specified. The corresponding layers are referred using the base name of the file (without the full path). For instance, if using a layer at `path/to/my/rasterfile.tif`, the first band of that layer will be referred as `rasterfile.tif@1`.

Siehe auch:

Rasterrechner

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Layers	GUI only		Shows the list of all raster layers loaded in the legend. These can be used to fill the expression box (double click to add). Raster layers are referred by their name and the number of the band: `layer_name@band_number`. For instance, the first band from a layer named `DEM` will be referred as `DEM@1`.
Operators	GUI only		Contains some calculator like buttons that can be used to fill the expression box.
Expression	`EXPRESSION`	[string]	Expression that will be used to calculate the output raster layer. You can use the operator buttons provided to type directly the expression in this box.
Predefined expressions	GUI only		You can use the predefined `NDVI` expression or you can define new expressions for calculations. The *Add...* button loads a defined expression (and lets you set the parameters). The *Save...* button lets you define a new expression.
Reference layer(s) (used for automated extent, cellsize, and CRS) Optional	`LAYERS`	[raster] [list]	Layer(s) that will be used to fetch extent, cell size and CRS. By choosing the layer in this box you avoid filling in all the other parameters by hand. Raster layers are referred by their name and the number of the band: `layer_name@band_number`. For instance, the first band from a layer named `DEM` will be referred as `DEM@1`.
Cell size (use 0 or empty to set it automatically) Optional	`CELLSIZE`	[number]	Cell size of the output raster layer. If the cell size is not specified, the minimum cell size of the selected reference layer(s) will be used. The cell size will be the same for the X and Y axes.

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Tab. 25.66 – Fortsetzung der vorherigen Seite

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Output extent Optional	`EXTENT`	[extent]	Specify the spatial extent of the output raster layer. If the extent is not specified, the minimum extent that covers all the selected reference layers will be used. Available methods are: • Calculate from layer…: uses extent of a layer loaded in the current project • Use map canvas extent • Draw on canvas • Enter the coordinates as `xmin, xmax, ymin, ymax`
Output CRS Optional	`CRS`	[crs]	CRS of the output raster layer. If the output CRS is not specified, the CRS of the first reference layer will be used.
Ergebnis	`OUTPUT`	[raster] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specification of the output raster. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Ergebnis	`OUTPUT`	[raster]	Output raster file with the calculated values.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:rastercalculator`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Raster layer properties

`NEW in 3.20`

Returns basic properties of the given raster layer, including the extent, size in pixels and dimensions of pixels (in map units), number of bands, and no data value.

This algorithm is intended for use as a means of extracting these useful properties to use as the input values to other algorithms in a model - e.g. to allow to pass an existing raster's pixel sizes over to a GDAL raster algorithm.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[raster]	Input raster layer
Band number Optional	`BAND`	[raster band] Default: Not set	Whether to also return properties of a specific band. If a band is specified, the noData value for the selected band is also returned.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Number of bands in raster	`BAND_COUNT`	[number]	The number of bands in the raster
CRS authority identifier	`CRS_AUTHID`	[string]	The coordinate reference system of the output raster layer
Extent	`EXTENT`	[string]	The raster layer extent in the CRS
Band has a NoData value set	`HAS_NODATA_VALUE`	[Boolean]	Indicates whether the raster layer has a value set for NODATA pixels in the selected band
Height in pixels	`HEIGHT_IN_PIXELS`	[integer]	The number of columns in the raster layer
Band NoData value	`NODATA_VALUE`	[number]	The value (if set) of the NoData pixels in the selected band
Pixel size (height) in map units	`PIXEL_HEIGHT`	[integer]	Vertical size in map units of the pixel
Pixel size (width) in map units	`PIXEL_WIDTH`	[integer]	Horizontal size in map units of the pixel
Width in pixels	`WIDTH_IN_PIXELS`	[integer]	The number of rows in the raster layer
Maximum x-coordinate	`X_MAX`	[number]	
Minimum x-coordinate	`X_MIN`	[number]	
Maximum y-coordinate	`Y_MAX`	[number]	
Minimum y-coordinate	`Y_MIN`	[number]	

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:rasterlayerproperties`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Raster layer statistics

Calculates basic statistics from the values in a given band of the raster layer. The output is loaded in the *Processing* ► *Results viewer* menu.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[raster]	Input raster layer
Band number	`BAND`	[raster band] Default: The first band of the input layer	If the raster is multiband, choose the band you want to get statistics for.
Statistics	`OUTPUT_HTML_FILE`	[html] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specification of the output file: • Skip Output • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Maximum value	`MAX`	[number]	
Mean value	`MEAN`	[number]	
Minimum value	`MIN`	[number]	
Statistics	`OUTPUT_HTML_FILE`	[html]	The output file contains the following information: • Analyzed file: path of the raster layer • Minimum value: minimum value of the raster • Maximum value: maximum value of the raster • Range: difference between the maximum and minimum values • Sum: total sum of the values • Mean value: mean of the values • Standard deviation: standard deviation of the values • Sum of the squares: sum of the squared differences of each observation from the overall mean
Range	`RANGE`	[number]	
Standard deviation	`STD_DEV`	[number]	
Sum	`SUM`	[number]	
Sum of the squares	`SUM_OF_SQUARES`	[number]	

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:rasterlayerstatistics`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Raster layer unique values report

Returns the count and area of each unique value in a given raster layer.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[raster]	Input raster layer
Band number	`BAND`	[raster band] Default: The first band of the input layer	If the raster is multiband, choose the band you want to get statistics for.
Unique values report	`OUTPUT_HTML_FILE`	[file] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specification of the output file: • Skip Output • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…
Unique values table	`OUTPUT_TABLE`	[table] Default: `[Skip output]`	Specification of the table for unique values: • Skip Output • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

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Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
CRS authority identifier	`CRS_AUTHID`	[string]	The coordinate reference system of the output raster layer
Extent	`EXTENT`	[string]	The spatial extent of the output raster layer
Height in pixels	`HEIGHT_IN_PIXELS`	[integer]	The number of rows in the output raster layer
NODATA pixel count	`NODATA_PIXEL_COUNT`	[number]	The number of NODATA pixels in the output raster layer
Total pixel count	`TOTAL_PIXEL_COUNT`	[integer]	The count of pixels in the output raster layer

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Tab. 25.69 – Fortsetzung der vorherigen Seite

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Unique values report	`OUTPUT_HTML_FILE`	[html]	The output HTML file contains the following information: • Analyzed file: the path of the raster layer • Extent: xmin, ymin, xmax, ymax coordinates of the extent • Projection: projection of the layer • Width in pixels: number of columns and pixel width size • Height in pixels: number of rows and pixel width size • Total pixel count: count of all the pixels • NODATA pixel count: count of pixels with NODATA value
Unique values table	`OUTPUT_TABLE`	[table]	A table with three columns: • *value*: pixel value • *count*: count of pixels with this value • m^2: total area in square meters of pixels with this value.
Width in pixels	`WIDTH_IN_PIXELS`	[integer]	The number of columns in the output raster layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:rasterlayeruniquevaluesreport`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Raster layer zonal statistics

Calculates statistics for a raster layer's values, categorized by zones defined in another raster layer.

Siehe auch:

Zonal statistics

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input Layer	`INPUT`	[raster]	Input raster layer

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Tab. 25.70 – Fortsetzung der vorherigen Seite

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Band number	`BAND`	[raster band] Default: The first band of the raster layer	If the raster is multiband choose the band for which you want to calculate the statistics.
Zones layer	`ZONES`	[raster]	Raster layer defining zones. Zones are given by contiguous pixels having the same pixel value.
Zones band number	`ZONES_BAND`	[raster band] Default: The first band of the raster layer	If the raster is multiband, choose the band that defines the zones
Statistics	`OUTPUT_TABLE`	[table] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specification of the output report. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Reference layer Optional	`REF_LAYER`	[enumeration] Default: 0	Raster layer used to calculate the centroids that will be used as reference when determining the zones in the output layer. One of: • 0 — Input layer: zones are determined by sampling the zone raster layer value at the centroid of each pixel from the source raster layer • 1 — Zones layer: the input raster layer will be sampled at the centroid of each pixel from the zones raster layer

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Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
CRS authority identifier	`CRS_AUTHID`	[string]	The coordinate reference system of the output raster layer
Extent	`EXTENT`	[string]	The spatial extent of the output raster layer
Height in pixels	`HEIGHT_IN_PIXELS`	[integer]	The number of rows in the output raster layer
NODATA pixel count	`NODATA_PIXEL_COUNT`	[number]	The number of NODATA pixels in the output raster layer

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Tab. 25.72 – Fortsetzung der vorherigen Seite

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Statistics	OUTPUT_TABLE	[table]	The output layer contains the following information **for each zone**: • Area: the area in square raster units in the zone; • Sum: the total sum of the pixel values in the zone; • Count: the number of pixels in the zone; • Min: the minimum pixel value in the zone; • Max: the maximum pixel value in the zone; • Mean: the mean of the pixel values in the zone;
Total pixel count	TOTAL_PIXEL_COUNT	[number]	The count of pixels in the output raster layer
Width in pixels	WIDTH_IN_PIXELS	[number]	The number of columns in the output raster layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:rasterlayerzonalstats`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Raster surface volume

Calculates the volume under a raster surface relative to a given base level. This is mainly useful for Digital Elevation Models (DEM).

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
INPUT layer	INPUT	[raster]	Input raster, representing a surface
Band number	BAND	[raster band] Default: The first band of the raster layer	If the raster is multiband, choose the band that shall define the surface.
Base level	LEVEL	[number] Default: 0.0	Define a base or reference value. This base is used in the volume calculation according to the `Method` parameter (see below).

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Tab. 25.73 – Fortsetzung der vorherigen Seite

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Method	`METHOD`	[enumeration] Default: 0	Define the method for the volume calculation given by the difference between the raster pixel value and the `Base level`. Options: • 0 — Count Only Above Base Level: only pixels above the base level will add to the volume. • 1 — Count Only Below Base Level: only pixels below the base level will add to the volume. • 2 — Subtract Volumes Below Base level: pixels above the base level will add to the volume, pixels below the base level will subtract from the volume. • 3 — Add Volumes Below Base level: Add the volume regardless whether the pixel is above or below the base level. This is equivalent to sum the absolute values of the difference between the pixel value and the base level.
Surface volume report	`OUTPUT_HTML_FILE`	[html] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specification of the output HTML report. One of: • Skip Output • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.
Surface volume table	`OUTPUT_TABLE`	[table] Default: `[Skip output]`	Specification of the output table. One of: • Skip Output • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

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Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Volume	`VOLUME`	[number]	The calculated volume
Area	`AREA`	[number]	The area in square map units
Pixel_count	`PIXEL_COUNT`	[number]	The total number of pixels that have been analyzed
Surface volume report	`OUTPUT_HTML_FILE`	[html]	The output report (containing volume, area and pixel count) in HTML format
Surface volume table	`OUTPUT_TABLE`	[table]	The output table (containing volume, area and pixel count)

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:rastersurfacevolume`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Reclassify by layer

Reclassifies a raster band by assigning new class values based on the ranges specified in a vector table.

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Raster layer	`INPUT_RASTER`	[raster]	Raster layer to reclassify
Band number	`RASTER_BAND`	[raster band] Default: The first band of the raster layer	If the raster is multiband, choose the band you want to reclassify.
Layer containing class breaks	`INPUT_TABLE`	[vector: any]	Vector layer containing the values to use for classification.
Minimum class value field	`MIN_FIELD`	[tablefield: numeric]	Field with the minimum value of the range for the class.
Maximum class value field	`MAX_FIELD`	[tablefield: numeric]	Field with the maximum value of the range for the class.
Output value field	`VALUE_FIELD`	[tablefield: numeric]	Field with the value that will be assigned to the pixels that fall in the class (between the corresponding min and max values).
Reclassified raster	`OUTPUT`	[raster] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specification of the output raster. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Output no data value	`NO_DATA`	[number] Default: -9999.0	Value to apply to no data values.
Range boundaries	`RANGE_BOUNDARIES`	[enumeration] Default: 0	Defines comparison rules for the classification. Options: • 0 — min < value <= max • 1 — min <= value < max • 2 — min <= value <= max • 3 — min < value < max

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Tab. 25.75 – Fortsetzung der vorherigen Seite

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Use no data when no range matches value	NODATA_FOR_MISSING	[boolean] Default: False	Applies the no data value to band values that do not fall in any class. If False, the original value is kept.
Output data type	DATA_TYPE	[enumeration] Default: 5	Defines the format of the output raster file. Options: • 0 — Byte • 1 — Int16 • 2 — UInt16 • 3 — Int32 • 4 — UInt32 • 5 — Float32 • 6 — Float64 • 7 — CInt16 • 8 — CInt32 • 9 — CFloat32 • 10 — CFloat64

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Reclassified raster	OUTPUT	[raster]	Output raster layer with reclassified band values

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:reclassifybylayer`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Reclassify by table

Reclassifies a raster band by assigning new class values based on the ranges specified in a fixed table.

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Raster layer	INPUT_RASTER	[raster]	Raster layer to reclassify
Band number	RASTER_BAND	[raster band] Default: 1	Raster band for which you want to recalculate values.

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Tab. 25.76 – Fortsetzung der vorherigen Seite

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Reclassification table	`TABLE`	[table]	A 3-columns table to fill with the values to set the boundaries of each class (`Minimum` and `Maximum`) and the new `Value` to assign to the band values that fall in the class.
Reclassified raster	`OUTPUT`	[raster] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specification of the output raster layer. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Output no data value	`NO_DATA`	[number] Default: -9999.0	Value to apply to no data values.
Range boundaries	`RANGE_BOUNDARIES`	[enumeration] Default: 0	Defines comparison rules for the classification. Options: • 0 — min < value <= max • 1 — min <= value < max • 2 — min <= value <= max • 3 — min < value < max
Use no data when no range matches value	`NODATA_FOR_MISSING`	[boolean] Default: False	Applies the no data value to band values that do not fall in any class. If False, the original value is kept.
Output data type	`DATA_TYPE`	[enumeration] Default: 5	Defines the format of the output raster file. Options: • 0 — Byte • 1 — Int16 • 2 — UInt16 • 3 — Int32 • 4 — UInt32 • 5 — Float32 • 6 — Float64 • 7 — CInt16 • 8 — CInt32 • 9 — CFloat32 • 10 — CFloat64

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Reclassified raster	`OUTPUT`	[raster]	Output raster layer with reclassified band values

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:reclassifybytable`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Rescale raster

Rescales raster layer to a new value range, while preserving the shape (distribution) of the raster's histogram (pixel values). Input values are mapped using a linear interpolation from the source raster's minimum and maximum pixel values to the destination minimum and miximum pixel range.

By default the algorithm preserves the original NODATA value, but there is an option to override it.

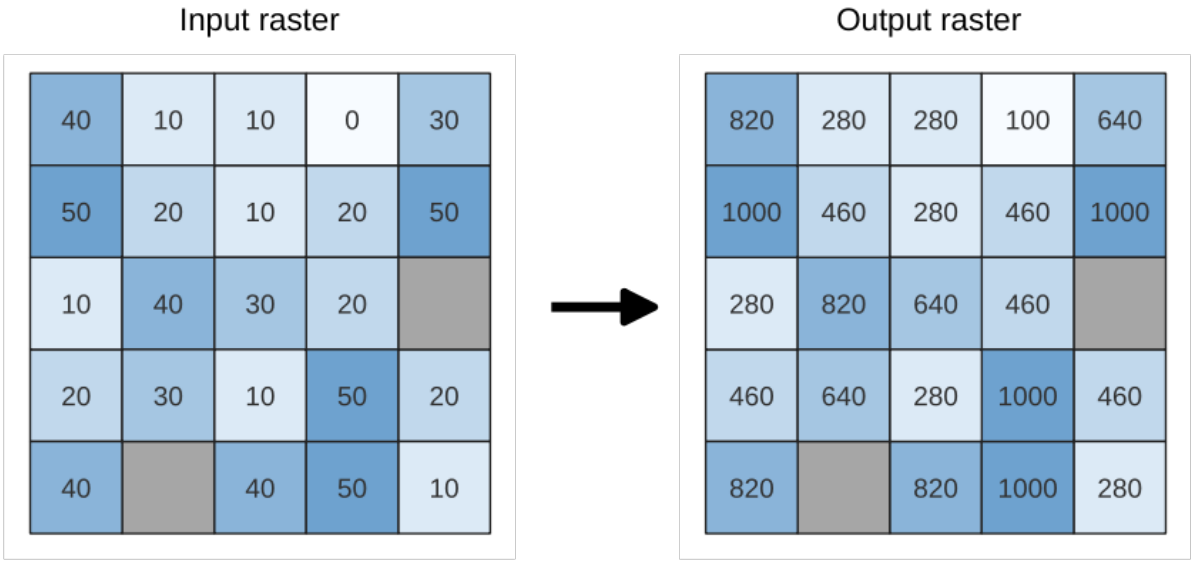


Abb. 25.18: Rescaling values of a raster layer from [0 - 50] to [100 - 1000]

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input Raster	`INPUT`	[raster]	Raster layer to use for rescaling
Band number	`Band`	[raster band] Default: The first band of the input layer	If the raster is multiband, choose a band.
New minimum value	`MINIMUM`	[number] Default value: 0.0	Minimum pixel value to use in the rescaled layer
New maximum value	`MAXIMUM`	[number] Default value: 255.0	Maximum pixel value to use in the rescaled layer
New NODATA value Optional	`NODATA`	[number] Default value: Not set	Value to assign to the NODATA pixels. If unset, original NODATA values are preserved.
Rescaled	`OUTPUT`	[raster] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specification of the output raster layer. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Rescaled	`OUTPUT`	[raster]	Output raster layer with rescaled band values

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:rescaleraster`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Round raster

Rounds the cell values of a raster dataset according to the specified number of decimals.

Alternatively, a negative number of decimal places may be used to round values to powers of a base n. For example, with a Base value n of 10 and Decimal places of -1, the algorithm rounds cell values to multiples of 10, -2 rounds to multiples of 100, and so on. Arbitrary base values may be chosen, the algorithm applies the same multiplicative principle. Rounding cell values to multiples of a base n may be used to generalize raster layers.

The algorithm preserves the data type of the input raster. Therefore byte/integer rasters can only be rounded to multiples of a base n, otherwise a warning is raised and the raster gets copied as byte/integer raster.

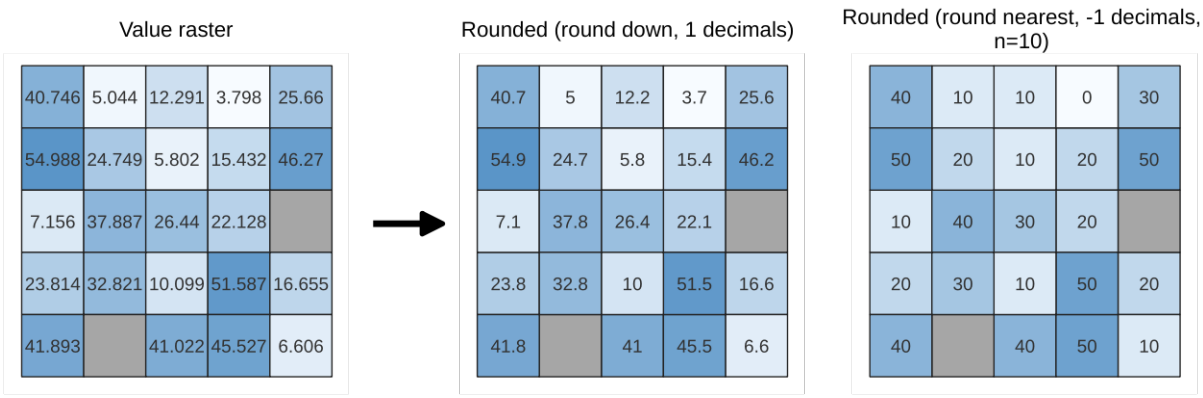


Abb. 25.19: Rounding values of a raster

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input raster	`INPUT`	[raster]	The raster to process.
Band number	`BAND`	[number] Default: 1	The band of the raster
Rounding direction	`ROUNDING_DIRECTION`	[list] Default: 1	How to choose the target rounded value. Options are: • 0 — Round up • 1 — Round to nearest • 2 — Round down
Number of decimals places	`DECIMAL_PLACES`	[number] Default: 2	Number of decimals places to round to. Use negative values to round cell values to a multiple of a base n
Output raster	`OUTPUT`	[raster] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specification of the output file. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Base n for rounding to multiples of n	`BASE_N`	[number] Default: 10	When the `DECIMAL_PLACES` parameter is negative, raster values are rounded to multiples of the base n value

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Output raster	`OUTPUT`	[raster]	The output raster layer with values rounded for the selected band.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:roundrastervalues`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Sample raster values

Extracts raster values at the point locations. If the raster layer is multiband, each band is sampled.

The attribute table of the resulting layer will have as many new columns as the raster layer band count.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input Layer	`INPUT`	[vector: point]	Point vector layer to use for sampling
Raster Layer	`RASTERCOPY`	[raster]	Raster layer to sample at the given point locations.
Output column prefix	`COLUMN_PREFIX`	[string] Default: ‚SAMPLE_‘	Prefix for the names of the added columns.
Sampled Optional	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output layer containing the sampled values. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Sampled	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point]	The output layer containing the sampled values.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:rastersampling`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Zonal histogram

Appends fields representing counts of each unique value from a raster layer contained within polygon features.

The output layer attribute table will have as many fields as the unique values of the raster layer that intersects the polygon(s).

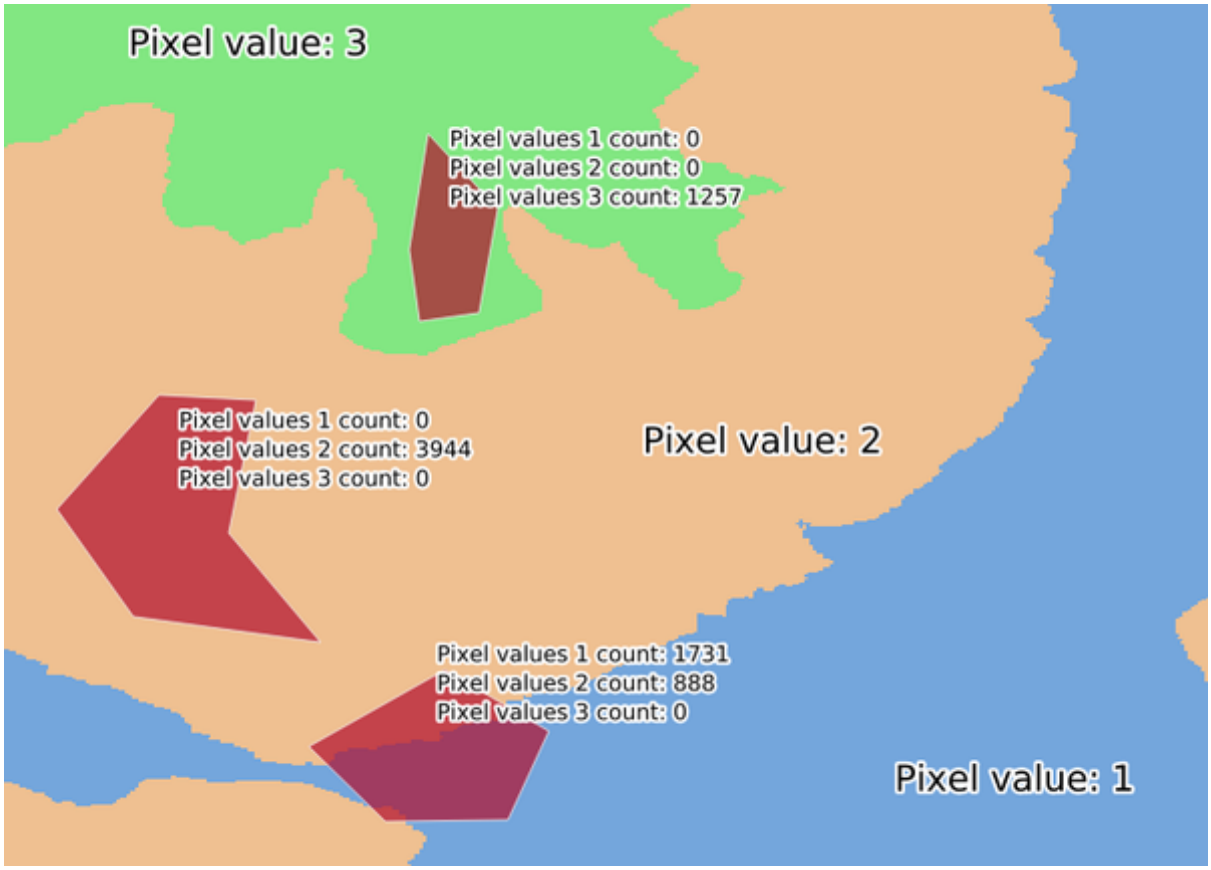


Abb. 25.20: Raster layer histogram example

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Raster layer	`INPUT_RASTER`	[raster]	Input raster layer.
Band number	`RASTER_BAND`	[raster band] Default: The first band of the input layer	If the raster is multiband, choose a band.
Vector layer containing zones	`INPUT_VECTOR`	[vector: polygon]	Vector polygon layer that defines the zones.
Output column prefix	`COLUMN_PREFIX` Optional	[string] Default: ‚HISTO_‘	Prefix for the output columns names.
Output zones	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output vector polygon layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Output zones	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon]	The output vector polygon layer.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:zonalhistogram`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Zonal statistics

Calculates statistics of a raster layer for each feature of an overlapping polygon vector layer.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: polygon]	Vector polygon layer that contains the zones.
Raster layer	`INPUT_RASTER`	[raster]	Input raster layer.

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Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Raster band	`RASTER_BAND`	[raster band] Default: The first band of the input layer	If the raster is multiband, choose a band for the statistics.
Output column prefix	`COLUMN_PREFIX`	[string] Default: ‚_‘	Prefix for the output columns names.
Statistics to calculate	`STATISTICS`	[enumeration] [list] Default: [0,1,2]	List of statistical operator for the output. Options: • 0 — Count • 1 — Sum • 2 — Mean • 3 — Median • 4 — St. dev. • 5 — Minimum • 6 — Maximum • 7 — Range • 8 — Minority • 9 — Majority • 10 — Variety • 11 — Variance
Zonal Statistics	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output vector polygon layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… • Append to Layer… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Zonal Statistics	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon]	The zone vector layer with added statistics.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:zonalstatisticsfb`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

25.1.12 Raster Creation

Create constant raster layer

Generates raster layer for given extent and cell size filled with the specified value.

Additionally an output data type can be specified. The algorithm will abort if a value has been entered that cannot be represented by the selected output raster data type.

Parameters

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Description
Desired extent	`EXTENT`	[extent]	Specify the spatial extent of the output raster layer. It will internally be extended to a multiple of the tile size. Available methods are: • Calculate from layer…: uses extent of a layer loaded in the current project • Use map canvas extent • Draw on canvas • Enter the coordinates as `xmin, xmax, ymin, ymax`
Target CRS	`TARGET_CRS`	[crs] Default: Project CRS	CRS for the output raster layer
Pixel size	`PIXEL_SIZE`	[number] Default: 0.1	Pixel size (X=Y) in map units. Minimum value: 0.01
Constant value	`NUMBER`	[number] Default: 1	Constant pixel value for the output raster layer.
Constant	`OUTPUT`	[raster] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specification of the output raster. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Description
Output raster data type	`OUTPUT_TYPE` Default: 5	[enumeration]	Defines the data type of the output raster file. Options: • 0 — Byte • 1 — Integer16 • 2 — Unsigned Integer16 • 3 — Integer32 • 4 — Unsigned Integer32 • 5 — Float32 • 6 — Float64

Outputs

Label	Name	Type	Description
Constant	`OUTPUT`	[raster]	Raster covering the desired extent with the specified pixel size and value.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:createconstantrasterlayer`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Create random raster layer (binomial distribution)

Generates a raster layer for given extent and cell size filled with binomially distributed random values.

By default, the values will be chosen given an N of 10 and a probability of 0.5. This can be overridden by using the advanced parameter for N and probability. The raster data type is set to Integer types (Integer16 by default). The binomial distribution random values are defined as positive integer numbers. A floating point raster will represent a cast of integer values to floating point.

Parameters

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Description
Desired extent	`EXTENT`	[extent]	Specify the spatial extent of the output raster layer. It will internally be extended to a multiple of the tile size. Available methods are: • Calculate from layer…: uses extent of a layer loaded in the current project • Use map canvas extent • Draw on canvas • Enter the coordinates as `xmin, xmax, ymin, ymax`
Target CRS	`TARGET_CRS`	[crs] Default: Project CRS	CRS for the output raster layer
Pixel size	`PIXEL_SIZE`	[number] Default: 0.1	Pixel size (X=Y) in map units. Minimum value: 0.01
Output raster	`OUTPUT`	[raster] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specification of the output raster. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Description
Output raster data type	`OUTPUT_TYPE` Default: 0	[enumeration]	Defines the data type of the output raster file. Options: • 0 — Integer16 • 1 — Unsigned Integer16 • 2 — Integer32 • 3 — Unsigned Integer32 • 4 — Float32 • 5 — Float64
N	`N`	[number] Default: 10	
Probability	`PROBABILITY`	[number] Default: 0.5	

Outputs

Label	Name	Type	Description
Output raster	`OUTPUT`	[raster]	Raster covering the desired extent with the cell size filled with random values

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:createrandombinomialrasterlayer`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Create random raster layer (exponential distribution)

Generates a raster layer for given extent and cell size filled with exponentially distributed random values.

By default, the values will be chosen given a lambda of 1.0. This can be overridden by using the advanced parameter for lambda. The raster data type is set to Float32 by default as the exponential distribution random values are floating point numbers.

Parameters

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Description
Desired extent	`EXTENT`	[extent]	Specify the spatial extent of the output raster layer. It will internally be extended to a multiple of the tile size. Available methods are: • Calculate from layer…: uses extent of a layer loaded in the current project • Use map canvas extent • Draw on canvas • Enter the coordinates as `xmin, xmax, ymin, ymax`
Target CRS	`TARGET_CRS`	[crs] Default: Project CRS	CRS for the output raster layer
Pixel size	`PIXEL_SIZE`	[number] Default: 1.0	Pixel size (X=Y) in map units. Minimum value: 0.01
Output raster	`OUTPUT`	[raster] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specification of the output raster. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Description
Output raster data type	`OUTPUT_TYPE` Default: 0	[enumeration]	Defines the data type of the output raster file. Options: • 0 — Float32 • 1 — Float64
Lambda	`LAMBDA`	[number] Default: 1.0	

Outputs

Label	Name	Type	Description
Output raster	`OUTPUT`	[raster]	Raster covering the desired extent with the cell size filled with random values

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:createrandomexponentialrasterlayer`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Create random raster layer (gamma distribution)

Generates a raster layer for given extent and cell size filled with gamma distributed random values.

By default, the values will be chosen given an alpha and beta value of 1.0. This can be overridden by using the advanced parameter for alpha and beta. The raster data type is set to Float32 by default as the gamma distribution random values are floating point numbers.

Parameters

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Description
Desired extent	`EXTENT`	[extent]	Specify the spatial extent of the output raster layer. It will internally be extended to a multiple of the tile size. Available methods are: • Calculate from layer…: uses extent of a layer loaded in the current project • Use map canvas extent • Draw on canvas • Enter the coordinates as `xmin, xmax, ymin, ymax`
Target CRS	`TARGET_CRS`	[crs] Default: Project CRS	CRS for the output raster layer
Pixel size	`PIXEL_SIZE`	[number] Default: 1.0	Pixel size (X=Y) in map units. Minimum value: 0.01
Output raster	`OUTPUT`	[raster] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specification of the output raster. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Description
Output raster data type	`OUTPUT_TYPE` Default: 0	[enumeration]	Defines the data type of the output raster file. Options: • 0 — Float32 • 1 — Float64
Alpha	`ALPHA`	[number] Default: 1.0	
Beta	`BETA`	[number] Default: 1.0	

Outputs

Label	Name	Type	Description
Output raster	`OUTPUT`	[raster]	Raster covering the desired extent with the cell size filled with randomly distributed values

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:createrandomgammarasterlayer`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Create random raster layer (geometric distribution)

Generates a raster layer for given extent and cell size filled with geometrically distributed random values.

By default, the values will be chosen given a probability of 0.5. This can be overridden by using the advanced parameter for mean value. The raster data type is set to Integer types (Integer16 by default). The geometric distribution random values are defined as positive integer numbers. A floating point raster will represent a cast of integer values to floating point.

Parameters

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Description
Desired extent	`EXTENT`	[extent]	Specify the spatial extent of the output raster layer. It will internally be extended to a multiple of the tile size. Available methods are: • Calculate from layer…: uses extent of a layer loaded in the current project • Use map canvas extent • Draw on canvas • Enter the coordinates as `xmin, xmax, ymin, ymax`
Target CRS	`TARGET_CRS`	[crs] Default: Project CRS	CRS for the output raster layer
Pixel size	`PIXEL_SIZE`	[number] Default: 1.0	Pixel size (X=Y) in map units. Minimum value: 0.01
Output raster	`OUTPUT`	[raster] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specification of the output raster. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Description
Output raster data type	`OUTPUT_TYPE` Default: 0	[enumeration]	Defines the data type of the output raster file. Options: • 0 — Integer16 • 1 — Unsigned Integer16 • 2 — Integer32 • 3 — Unsigned Integer32 • 4 — Float32 • 5 — Float64
Probability	`PROBABILITY`	[number] Default: 0.5	

Outputs

Label	Name	Type	Description
Output raster	`OUTPUT`	[raster]	Raster covering the desired extent with the cell size filled with randomly distributed values

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:createrandomgeometricrasterlayer`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Create random raster layer (negative binomial distribution)

Generates a raster layer for given extent and cell size filled with negative binomially distributed random values.

By default, the values will be chosen given a distribution parameter k of 10.0 and a probability of 0.5. This can be overridden by using the advanced parameters for k and probability. The raster data type is set to Integer types (Integer16 by default). The negative binomial distribution random values are defined as positive integer numbers. A floating point raster will represent a cast of integer values to floating point.

Parameters

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Description
Desired extent	`EXTENT`	[extent]	Specify the spatial extent of the output raster layer. It will internally be extended to a multiple of the tile size. Available methods are: • Calculate from layer…: uses extent of a layer loaded in the current project • Use map canvas extent • Draw on canvas • Enter the coordinates as `xmin, xmax, ymin, ymax`
Target CRS	`TARGET_CRS`	[crs] Default: Project CRS	CRS for the output raster layer
Pixel size	`PIXEL_SIZE`	[number] Default: 1.0	Pixel size (X=Y) in map units. Minimum value: 0.01
Output raster	`OUTPUT`	[raster] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specification of the output raster. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Description
Output raster data type	`OUTPUT_TYPE` Default: 0	[enumeration]	Defines the data type of the output raster file. Options: • 0 — Integer16 • 1 — Unsigned Integer16 • 2 — Integer32 • 3 — Unsigned Integer32 • 4 — Float32 • 5 — Float64
Distribution parameter k	`K_PARAMETER`	[number] Default: 10	
Probability	`PROBABILITY`	[number] Default: 0.5	

Outputs

Label	Name	Type	Description
Output raster	`OUTPUT`	[raster]	Raster covering the desired extent with the cell size filled with randomly distributed values

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:createrandomnegativebinomialrasterlayer`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Create random raster layer (normal distribution)

Generates a raster layer for given extent and cell size filled with normally distributed random values.

By default, the values will be chosen given a mean of 0.0 and a standard deviation of 1.0. This can be overridden by using the advanced parameters for mean and standard deviation value. The raster data type is set to Float32 by default as the normal distribution random values are floating point numbers.

Parameters

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Description
Desired extent	`EXTENT`	[extent]	Specify the spatial extent of the output raster layer. It will internally be extended to a multiple of the tile size. Available methods are: • Calculate from layer…: uses extent of a layer loaded in the current project • Use map canvas extent • Draw on canvas • Enter the coordinates as `xmin, xmax, ymin, ymax`
Target CRS	`TARGET_CRS`	[crs] Default: Project CRS	CRS for the output raster layer
Pixel size	`PIXEL_SIZE`	[number] Default: 1.0	Pixel size (X=Y) in map units. Minimum value: 0.01
Output raster	`OUTPUT`	[raster] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specification of the output raster. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Description
Output raster data type	`OUTPUT_TYPE` Default: 0	[enumeration]	Defines the data type of the output raster file. Options: • 0 — Float32 • 1 — Float64
Mean of normal distribution	`MEAN`	[number] Default: 0.0	
Standard deviation of normal distribution	`STDDEV`	[number] Default: 1.0	

Outputs

Label	Name	Type	Description
Output raster	`OUTPUT`	[raster]	Raster covering the desired extent with the cell size filled with randomly distributed values

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:createrandomnormalrasterlayer`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Create random raster layer (poisson distribution)

Generates a raster layer for given extent and cell size filled with poisson distributed random values.

By default, the values will be chosen given a mean of 1.0. This can be overridden by using the advanced parameter for mean value. The raster data type is set to Integer types (Integer16 by default). The poisson distribution random values are positive integer numbers. A floating point raster will represent a cast of integer values to floating point.

Parameters

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Description
Desired extent	`EXTENT`	[extent]	Specify the spatial extent of the output raster layer. It will internally be extended to a multiple of the tile size. Available methods are: • Calculate from layer…: uses extent of a layer loaded in the current project • Use map canvas extent • Draw on canvas • Enter the coordinates as `xmin, xmax, ymin, ymax`
Target CRS	`TARGET_CRS`	[crs] Default: Project CRS	CRS for the output raster layer
Pixel size	`PIXEL_SIZE`	[number] Default: 1.0	Pixel size (X=Y) in map units. Minimum value: 0.01
Output raster	`OUTPUT`	[raster] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specification of the output raster. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Description
Output raster data type	`OUTPUT_TYPE` Default: 0	[enumeration]	Defines the data type of the output raster file. Options: • 0 — Integer16 • 1 — Unsigned Integer16 • 2 — Integer32 • 3 — Unsigned Integer32 • 4 — Float32 • 5 — Float64
Mean	`MEAN`	[number] Default: 1.0	

Outputs

Label	Name	Type	Description
Output raster	`OUTPUT`	[raster]	Raster covering the desired extent with the cell size filled with randomly distributed values

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:createrandompoissonrasterlayer`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Create random raster layer (uniform distribution)

Generates a raster layer for given extent and cell size filled with random values.

By default, the values will range between the minimum and maximum value of the specified output raster type. This can be overridden by using the advanced parameters for lower and upper bound value. If the bounds have the same value or both are zero (default) the algorithm will create random values in the full value range of the chosen raster data type. Choosing bounds outside the acceptable range of the output raster type will abort the algorithm.

Parameters

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Description
Desired extent	`EXTENT`	[extent]	Specify the spatial extent of the output raster layer. It will internally be extended to a multiple of the tile size. Available methods are: • Calculate from layer…: uses extent of a layer loaded in the current project • Use map canvas extent • Draw on canvas • Enter the coordinates as `xmin, xmax, ymin, ymax`
Target CRS	`TARGET_CRS`	[crs] Default: Project CRS	CRS for the output raster layer
Pixel size	`PIXEL_SIZE`	[number] Default: 1.0	Pixel size (X=Y) in map units. Minimum value: 0.01
Output raster	`OUTPUT`	[raster] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specification of the output raster. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Description
Output raster data type	`OUTPUT_TYPE` Default: 5	[enumeration]	Defines the data type of the output raster file. Options: • 0 — Byte • 1 — Integer16 • 2 — Unsigned Integer16 • 3 — Integer32 • 4 — Unsigned Integer32 • 5 — Float32 • 6 — Float64
Lower bound for random number range	`LOWER_BOUND`	[number] Default: 0.0	
Upper bound for random number range	`UPPER_BOUND`	[number] Default: 0.0	

Outputs

Label	Name	Type	Description
Output raster	`OUTPUT`	[raster]	Raster covering the desired extent with the cell size filled with randomly distributed values

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:createrandomuniformrasterlayer`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

25.1.13 Raster terrain analysis

Aspect

Calculates the aspect of the Digital Terrain Model in input. The final aspect raster layer contains values from 0 to 360 that express the slope direction, starting from north (0°) and continuing clockwise.

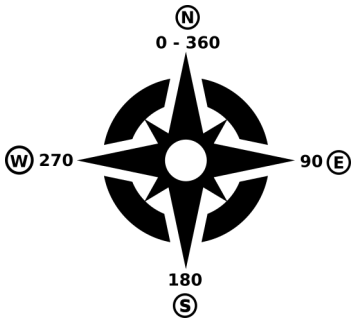


Abb. 25.21: Aspect values

The following picture shows the aspect layer reclassified with a color ramp:

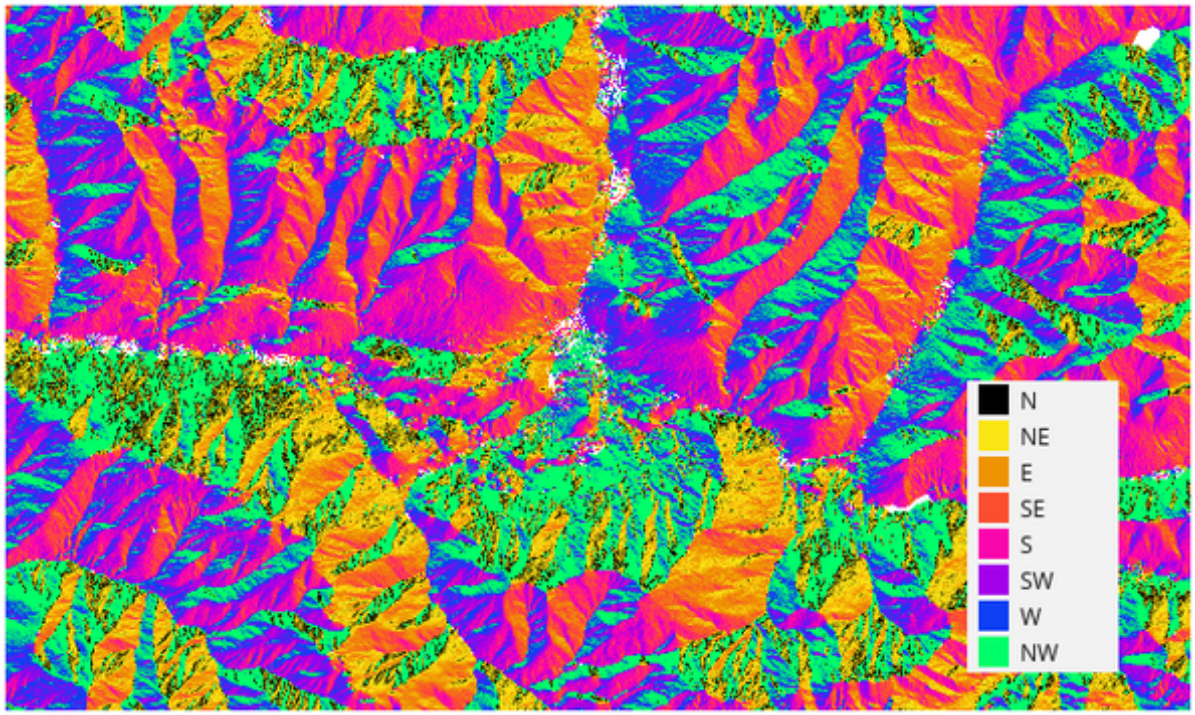


Abb. 25.22: Aspect layer reclassified

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Elevation layer	`INPUT`	[raster]	Digital Terrain Model raster layer
Z factor	`Z_FACTOR`	[number] Default: 1.0	Vertical exaggeration. This parameter is useful when the Z units differ from the X and Y units, for example feet and meters. You can use this parameter to adjust for this. The default is 1 (no exaggeration).
Aspect	`OUTPUT`	[raster]	Specify the output aspect raster layer. One of: • Save to a Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Aspect	`OUTPUT`	[raster]	The output aspect raster layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:aspect`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Hillshade

Calculates the hillshade raster layer given an input Digital Terrain Model.

The shading of the layer is calculated according to the sun position: you have the options to change both the horizontal angle (azimuth) and the vertical angle (sun elevation) of the sun.

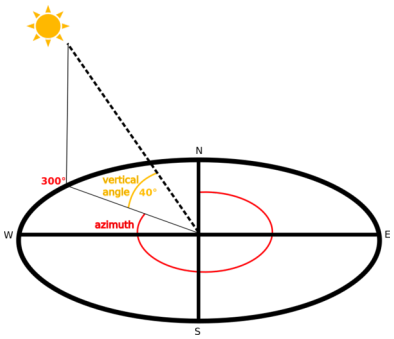


Abb. 25.23: Azimuth and vertical angle

The hillshade layer contains values from 0 (complete shadow) to 255 (complete sun). Hillshade is used usually to better understand the relief of the area.

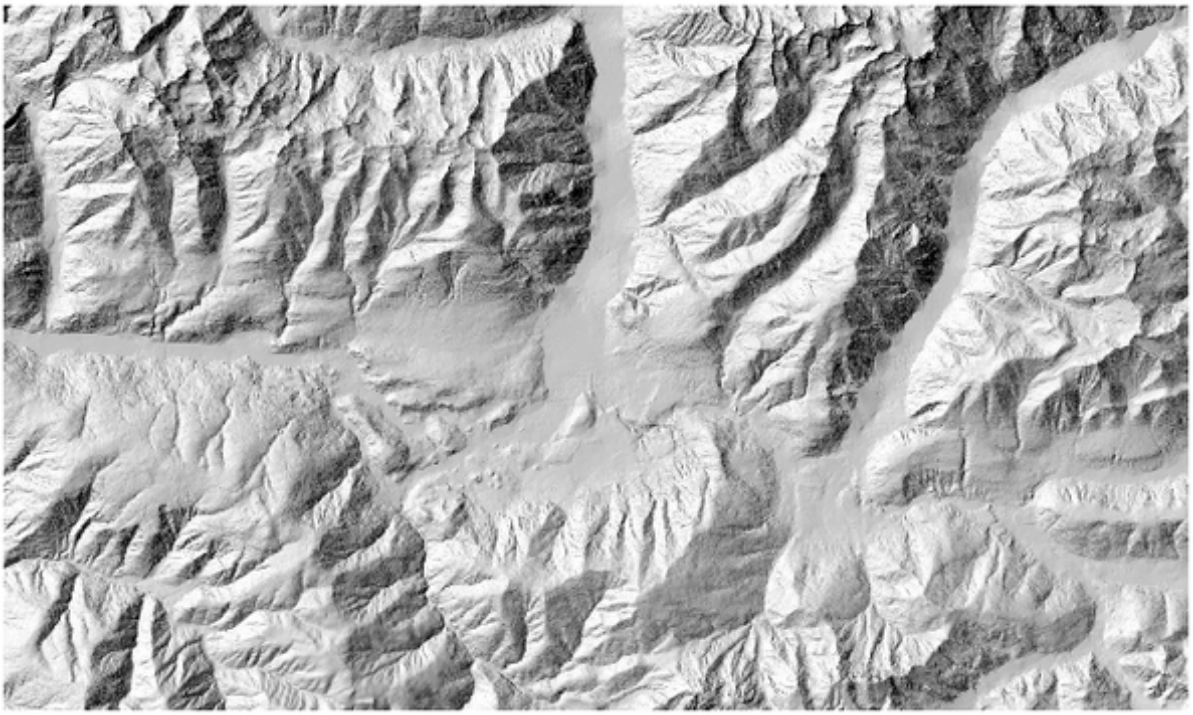


Abb. 25.24: Hillshade layer with azimuth 300 and vertical angle 45

Particularly interesting is to give the hillshade layer a transparency value and overlap it with the elevation raster:

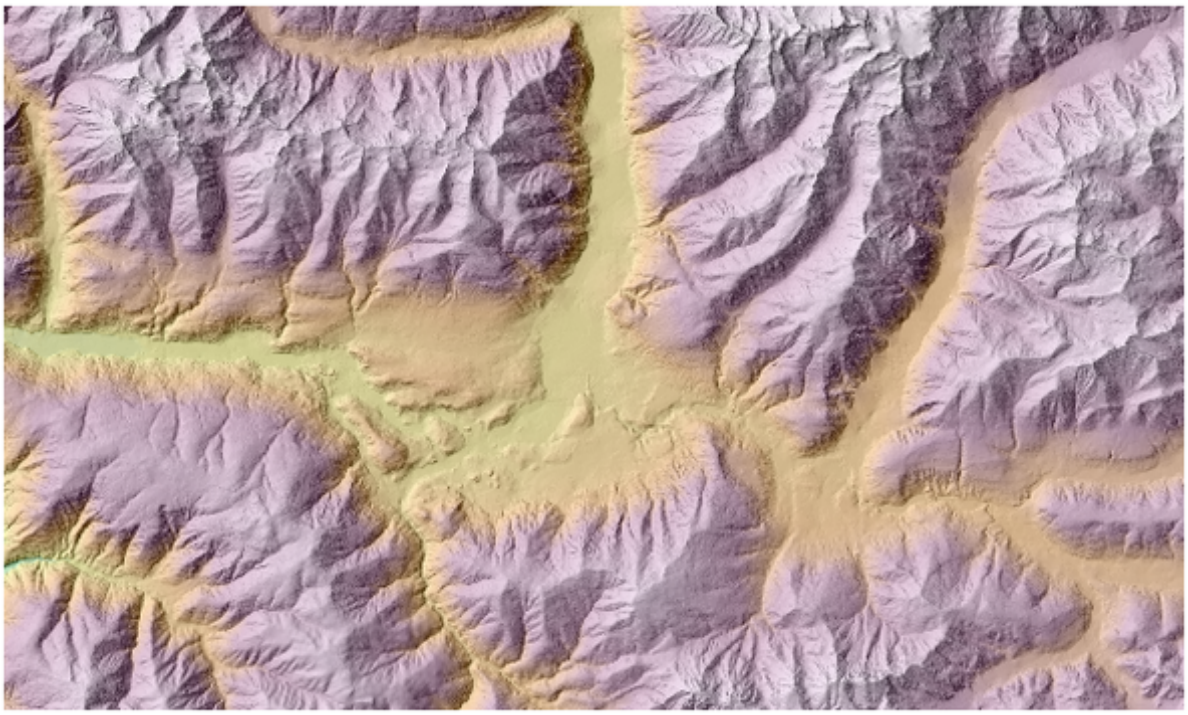


Abb. 25.25: Overlapping the hillshade with the elevation layer

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Elevation layer	`INPUT`	[raster]	Digital Terrain Model raster layer
Z factor	`Z_FACTOR`	[number] Default: 1.0	Vertical exaggeration. This parameter is useful when the Z units differ from the X and Y units, for example feet and meters. You can use this parameter to adjust for this. Increasing the value of this parameter will exaggerate the final result (making it look more „hilly“). The default is 1 (no exaggeration).
Azimuth (horizontal angle)	`AZIMUTH`	[number] Default: 300.0	Set the horizontal angle (in degrees) of the sun (clockwise direction). Range: 0 to 360. 0 is north.
Vertical angle	`V_ANGLE`	[number] Default: 40.0	Set the vertical angle (in degrees) of the sun, that is the height of the sun. Values can go from 0 (minimum elevation) to 90 (maximum elevation).
Hillshade	`OUTPUT`	[raster]	Specify the output hillshade raster layer. One of: • Save to a Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Hillshade	`OUTPUT`	[raster]	The output hillshade raster layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:hillshade`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Hypsometric curves

Calculates hypsometric curves for an input Digital Elevation Model. Curves are produced as CSV files in an output folder specified by the user.

A hypsometric curve is a cumulative histogram of elevation values in a geographical area.

You can use hypsometric curves to detect differences in the landscape due to the geomorphology of the territory.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
DEM to analyze	`INPUT_DEM`	[raster]	Digital Terrain Model raster layer to use for calculating altitudes
Boundary layer	`BOUNDARY_LAYER`	[vector: polygon]	Polygon vector layer with boundaries of areas used to calculate hypsometric curves
Step	`STEP`	[number] Default: 100.0	Vertical distance between curves
Use % of area instead of absolute value	`USE_PERCENTAGE`	[boolean] Default: False	Write area percentage to "Area" field of the CSV file instead of the absolute area
Hypsometric curves	`OUTPUT_DIRECTORY`	[folder]	Specify the output folder for the hypsometric curves. One of: • Save to a Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Hypsometric curves	`OUTPUT_DIRECTORY`	[folder]	Directory containing the files with the hypsometric curves. For each feature from the input vector layer, a CSV file with area and altitude values will be created. The file names start with `histogram_`, followed by layer name and feature ID.

	A	B
1	Area	Elevation
2	177475194.383	307
3	233206029.24	407
4	295553735.793	507
5	394718815.615	607
6	501801102.615	707
7	624399019.792	807
8	828877274.39	907
9	1042693465.68	1007
10	1277373021.81	1107
11	1556443975.41	1207
12	1888617494.27	1307
13	2248520437.31	1407
14	2627916813.17	1507
15	3010880212.04	1607
16	3411087555.34	1707

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:hypsometriccurves`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Relief

Creates a shaded relief layer from digital elevation data. You can specify the relief color manually, or you can let the algorithm choose automatically all the relief classes.



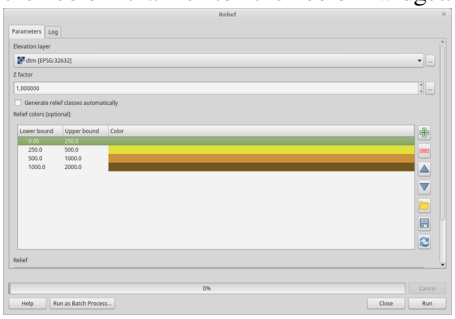
Abb. 25.26: Relief layer

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Elevation layer	`INPUT`	[raster]	Digital Terrain Model raster layer
Z factor	`Z_FACTOR`	[number] Default: 1.0	Vertical exaggeration. This parameter is useful when the Z units differ from the X and Y units, for example feet and meters. You can use this parameter to adjust for this. Increasing the value of this parameter will exaggerate the final result (making it look more „hilly“). The default is 1 (no exaggeration).

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Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Generate relief classes automatically	`AUTO_COLORS`	[boolean] Default: False	If you check this option the algorithm will create all the relief color classes automatically
Relief colors Optional	`COLORS`	[table widget]	Use the table widget if you want to choose the relief colors manually. You can add as many color classes as you want: for each class you can choose the lower and upper bound and finally by clicking on the color row you can choose the color thanks to the color widget.  Abb. 25.27: Manually setting of relief color classes The buttons in the right side panel give you the chance to: add or remove color classes, change the order of the color classes already defined, open an existing file with color classes and save the current classes as file.
Relief	`OUTPUT`	[raster] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specify the output relief raster layer. One of: • Save to a Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… The file encoding can also be changed here.
Frequency distribution	`FREQUENCY_DISTRIBUTION`	[table] Default: `[Skip output]`	Specify the CSV table for the output frequency distribution. One of: • Skip Output • Save to a Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Relief	`OUTPUT`	[raster]	The output relief raster layer
Frequency distribution	`OUTPUT`	[table]	The output frequency distribution

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:relief`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Ruggedness index

Calculates the quantitative measurement of terrain heterogeneity described by Riley et al. (1999). It is calculated for every location, by summarizing the change in elevation within the 3x3 pixel grid.

Each pixel contains the difference in elevation from a center cell and the 8 cells surrounding it.

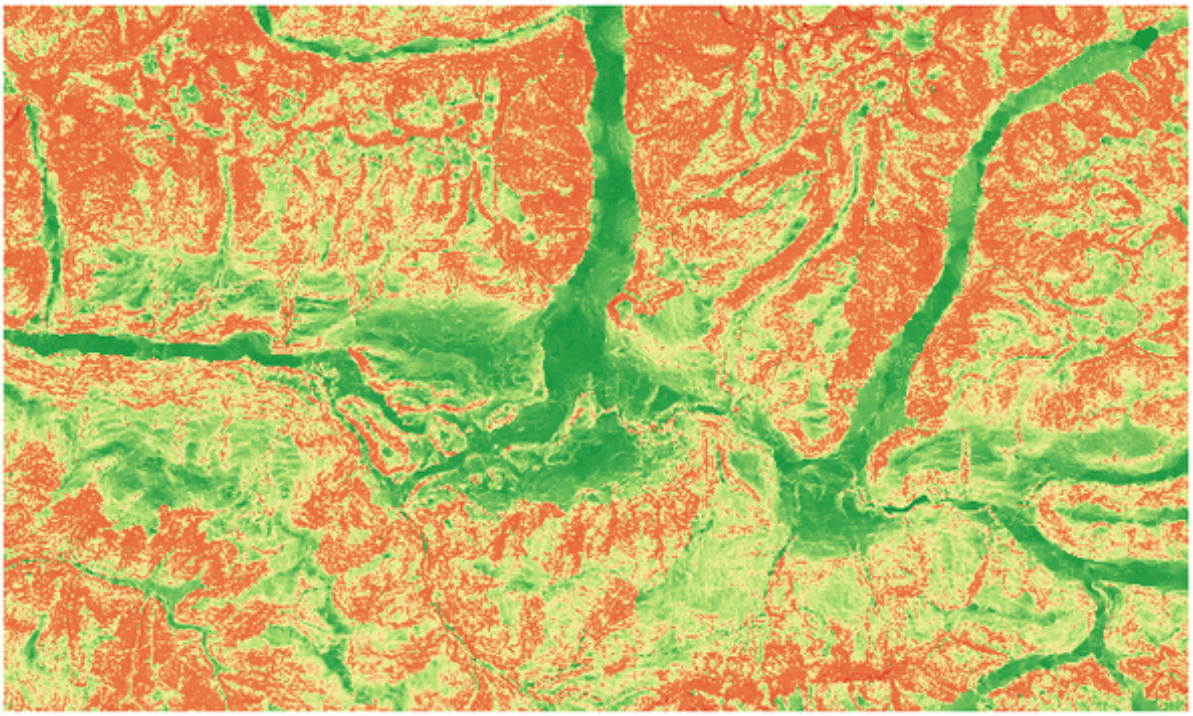


Abb. 25.28: Ruggedness layer from low (red) to high values (green)

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Elevation layer	`INPUT`	[raster]	Digital Terrain Model raster layer
Z factor	`Z_FACTOR`	[number] Default: 1.0	Vertical exaggeration. This parameter is useful when the Z units differ from the X and Y units, for example feet and meters. You can use this parameter to adjust for this. Increasing the value of this parameter will exaggerate the final result (making it look more rugged). The default is 1 (no exaggeration).
Ruggedness	`OUTPUT`	[raster] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specify the output ruggedness raster layer. One of: • Save to a Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Ruggedness	`OUTPUT`	[raster]	The output ruggedness raster layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:ruggednessindex`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Slope

Calculates the slope from an input raster layer. The slope is the angle of inclination of the terrain and is expressed in **degrees**.

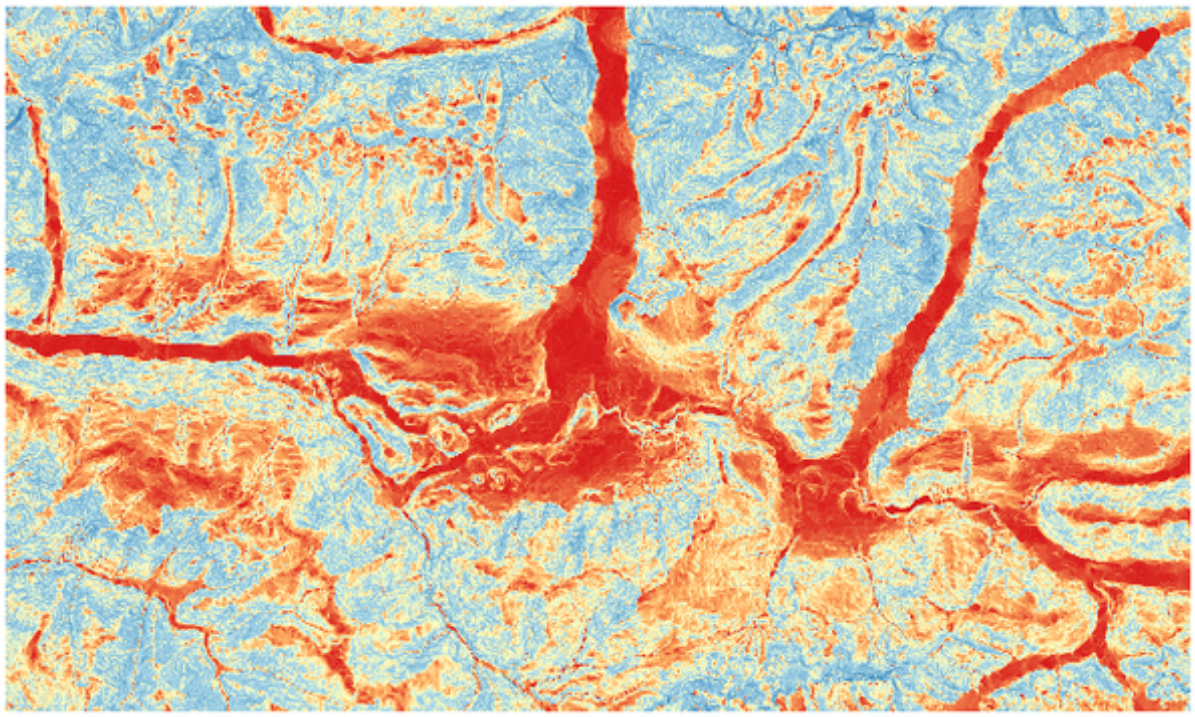


Abb. 25.29: Flat areas in red, steep areas in blue

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Elevation layer	`INPUT`	[raster]	Digital Terrain Model raster layer
Z factor	`Z_FACTOR`	[number] Default: 1.0	Vertical exaggeration. This parameter is useful when the Z units differ from the X and Y units, for example feet and meters. You can use this parameter to adjust for this. Increasing the value of this parameter will exaggerate the final result (making it steeper). The default is 1 (no exaggeration).
Slope	`OUTPUT`	[raster] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specify the output slope raster layer. One of: • Save to a Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Slope	`OUTPUT`	[raster]	The output slope raster layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:slope`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

25.1.14 Raster tools

Convert map to raster

Creates a raster image of map canvas content.

A *map theme* can be selected to render a predetermined set of layers with a defined style for each layer.

Alternatively, a single layer can be selected if no map theme is set.

If neither map theme nor layer is set, the current map content will be rendered. The minimum extent entered will internally be extended to be a multiple of the tile size.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Minimum extent to render (xmin, xmax, ymin, ymax)	`EXTENT`	[extent]	Specify the extent of the output raster layer. It will internally be extended to a multiple of the tile size. Available methods are: • Calculate from layer…: uses extent of a layer loaded in the current project • Use map canvas extent • Draw on canvas • Enter the coordinates as `xmin, xmax, ymin, ymax`
Tile size	`TILE_SIZE`	[number] Default: 1024	Size of the tile of the output raster layer. Minimum value: 64.
Map units per pixel	`MAP_UNITS_PER_PIXEL`	[number] Default: 100.0	Pixel size (in map units). Minimum value: 0.0
Make background transparent	`MAKE_BACKGROUND_TRANSPARENT`	[boolean] Default: False	Allows exporting the map with a transparent background. Outputs an RGBA (instead of RGB) image if set to `True`.

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Tab. 25.84 – Fortsetzung der vorherigen Seite

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Map theme to render Optional	`MAP_THEME`	[enumeration]	Use an existing *map theme* for the rendering.
Single layer to render Optional	`LAYER`	[enumeration]	Choose a single layer for the rendering
Output layer	`OUTPUT`	[raster] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specification of the output raster. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Output layer	`OUTPUT`	[raster]	Output raster layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:rasterize`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Fill NoData cells

Resets the NoData values in the input raster to a chosen value, resulting in raster dataset with no NoData pixels.

The algorithm respects the input raster data type, e.g. a floating point fill value will be truncated when applied to an integer raster.

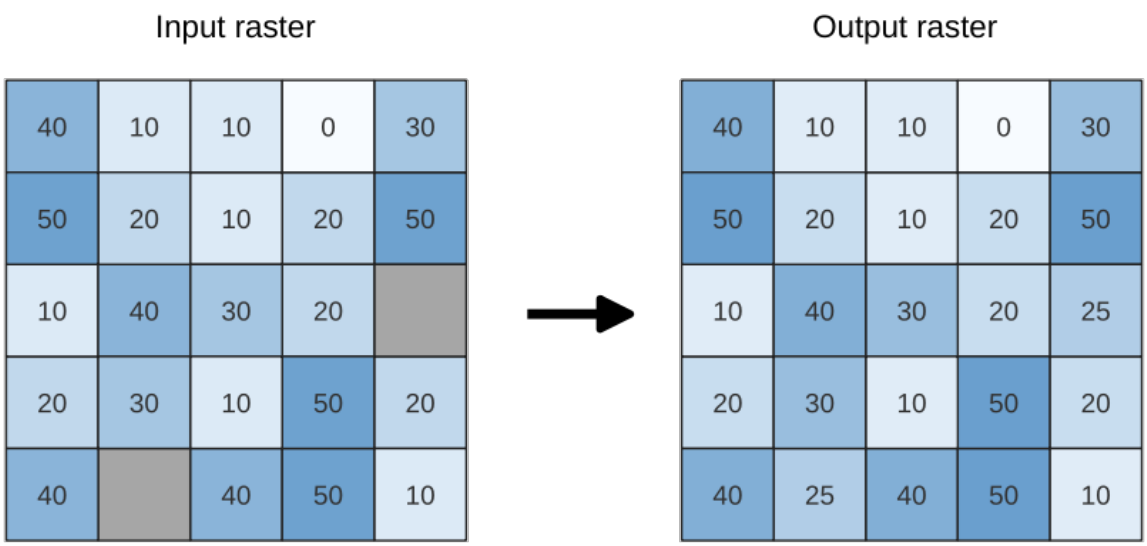


Abb. 25.30: Filling NoData values (in grey) of a raster

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input raster	`INPUT`	[raster]	The raster to process.
Band number	`BAND`	[number] Default: 1	The band of the raster
Fill value	`FILL_VALUE`	[number] Default: 1.0	Set the value to use for the NoData pixels
Output raster	`OUTPUT`	[raster] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specification of the output raster. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Output raster	`OUTPUT`	[raster]	The output raster layer with filled data cells.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:fillnodata`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Generate XYZ tiles (Directory)

Generates raster "XYZ" tiles using the current QGIS project as individual images to a directory structure.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Extent (xmin, xmax, ymin, ymax)	`EXTENT`	[extent]	Specify the extent of the tiles. It will internally be extended to a multiple of the tile size. Available methods are: • Calculate from layer…: uses extent of a layer loaded in the current project • Use map canvas extent • Draw on canvas • Enter the coordinates as `xmin, xmax, ymin, ymax`
Minimum zoom	`ZOOM_MIN`	[number] Default: 12	Minimum 0, maximum 25.
Maximum zoom	`ZOOM_MAX`	[number] Default: 12	Minimum 0, maximum 25.
DPI	`DPI`	[number] Default: 96	Minimum 48, maximum 600.
Background color Optional	`BACKGROUND_COLOR`	[color] Default: QColor(0, 0, 0, 0)	Choose the background color for the tiles
Tile format	`TILE_FORMAT`	[enumeration] Default: 0	One of: • 0 — PNG • 1 — JPG
Quality (JPG only) Optional	`QUALITY`	[number] Default: 75	Minimum 1, maximum 100.
Metatile size Optional	`METATILESIZE`	[number] Default: 4	Specify a custom metatile size when generating XYZ tiles. Larger values may speed up the rendering of tiles and provide better labelling (fewer gaps without labels) at the expense of using more memory. Minimum 1, maximum 20.
Tile width Optional	`TILE_WIDTH`	[number] Default: 256	Minimum 1, maximum 4096.
Tile height Optional	`TILE_HEIGHT`	[number] Default: 256	Minimum 1, maximum 4096.
Use inverted tile Y axis (TMS conventions) Optional	`TMS_CONVENTION`	[boolean] Default: False	
Output directory	`OUTPUT_DIRECTORY`	[folder] Default: `[Save to temporary folder]`	Specification of the output raster. One of: • Skip Output • Save to a Temporary Directory • Save to Directory

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Tab. 25.85 – Fortsetzung der vorherigen Seite

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Output html (Leaflet)	`OUTPUT_HTML`	[html] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specification of the output HTML file. One of: • Skip Output • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Output directory	`OUTPUT_DIRECTORY`	[folder]	Output directory (for the tiles)
Output html (Leaflet)	`OUTPUT_HTML`	[html]	The output HTML (Leaflet) file

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:tilesxyzdirectory`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Generate XYZ tiles (MBTiles)

Generates raster “XYZ” tiles using the current QGIS project as a single file in the “MBTiles” format.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Extent (xmin, xmax, ymin, ymax)	`EXTENT`	[extent]	Specify the extent of the tiles. It will internally be extended to a multiple of the tile size. Available methods are: • Calculate from layer…: uses extent of a layer loaded in the current project • Use map canvas extent • Draw on canvas • Enter the coordinates as `xmin, xmax, ymin, ymax`
Minimum zoom	`ZOOM_MIN`	[number] Default: 12	Minimum 0, maximum 25.
Maximum zoom	`ZOOM_MAX`	[number] Default: 12	Minimum 0, maximum 25.

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Tab. 25.86 – Fortsetzung der vorherigen Seite

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
DPI	`DPI`	[number] Default: 96	Minimum 48, maximum 600.
Background color Optional	`BACKGROUND_COLOR`	[color] Default: QColor(0, 0, 0, 0)	Choose the background color for the tiles
Tile format	`TILE_FORMAT`	[enumeration] Default: 0	One of: • 0 — PNG • 1 — JPG
Quality (JPG only) Optional	`QUALITY`	[number] Default: 75	Minimum 1, maximum 100.
Metatile size Optional	`METATILESIZE`	[number] Default: 4	Specify a custom metatile size when generating XYZ tiles. Larger values may speed up the rendering of tiles and provide better labelling (fewer gaps without labels) at the expense of using more memory. Minimum 1, maximum 20.
Output file (for MBTiles)	`OUTPUT_FILE`	[file] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specification of the output file. One of: • Skip Output • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Output file (for MBTiles)	`OUTPUT_FILE`	[file]	The output file.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:tilesxyzmbtiles`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

25.1.15 Vektoranalyse

Grundstatistik für Felder

Erzeugt Grunstatistiken für ein Feld in der Attributtabelle eines Vektorlayers.

Numerische, Datums-, Zeit- und Zeichenkettenfelder sind unterstützt

The statistics returned will depend on the field type.

Statistics are generated as an HTML file and are available in the *Processing* ► *Results viewer*.

Default menu: *Vector* ► *Analysis Tools*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input vector	`INPUT_LAYER`	[vector: any]	Vector layer to calculate the statistics on
Field to calculate statistics on	`FIELD_NAME`	[tablefield: any]	Any supported table field to calculate the statistics
Statistics Optional	`OUTPUT_HTML_FILE`	[html] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specification of the file for the calculated statistics. One of: • Skip Output • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Statistics	`OUTPUT_HTML_FILE`	[html]	HTML file with the calculated statistics
Count	`COUNT`	[number]	
Number of unique values	`UNIQUE`	[number]	
Number of empty (null) values	`EMPTY`	[number]	
Number of non-empty values	`FILLED`	[number]	
Minimum value	`MIN`	[same as input]	
Maximum value	`MAX`	[same as input]	
Minimum length	`MIN_LENGTH`	[number]	
Maximum length	`MAX_LENGTH`	[number]	
Mean length	`MEAN_LENGTH`	[number]	
Coefficient of Variation	`CV`	[number]	
Sum	`SUM`	[number]	
Mean value	`MEAN`	[number]	
Standard deviation	`STD_DEV`	[number]	
Range	`RANGE`	[number]	
Median	`MEDIAN`	[number]	
Minority (rarest occurring value)	`MINORITY`	[same as input]	
Majority (most frequently occurring value)	`MAJORITY`	[same as input]	
First quartile	`FIRSTQUARTILE`	[number]	
Third quartile	`THIRDQUARTILE`	[number]	
Interquartile Range (IQR)	`IQR`	[number]	

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:basicstatisticsforfields`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Climb along line

Calculates the total climb and descent along line geometries. The input layer must have Z values present. If Z values are not available, the *Drape (set Z value from raster)* algorithm may be used to add Z values from a DEM layer.

The output layer is a copy of the input layer with additional fields that contain the total climb (`climb`), total descent (`descent`), the minimum elevation (`minelev`) and the maximum elevation (`maxelev`) for each line geometry. If the input layer contains fields with the same names as these added fields, they will be renamed (field names will be altered to „name_2“, „name_3“, etc, finding the first non-duplicate name).

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Line layer	`INPUT`	[vector: line]	Line layer to calculate the climb for. Must have Z values
Climb layer	`OUTPUT`	[vector: line] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specification of the output (line) layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Climb layer	`OUTPUT`	[vector: line]	Line layer containing new attributes with the results from climb calculations.
Total climb	`TOTALCLIMB`	[number]	The sum of the climb for all the line geometries in the input layer
Total descent	`TOTALDESCENT`	[number]	The sum of the descent for all the line geometries in the input layer
Minimum elevation	`MINELEVATION`	[number]	The minimum elevation for the geometries in the layer
Maximum elevation	`MAXELEVATION`	[number]	The maximum elevation for the geometries in the layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:climbalongline`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Count points in polygon

Takes a point and a polygon layer and counts the number of points from the point layer in each of the polygons of the polygon layer.

A new polygon layer is generated, with the exact same content as the input polygon layer, but containing an additional field with the points count corresponding to each polygon.

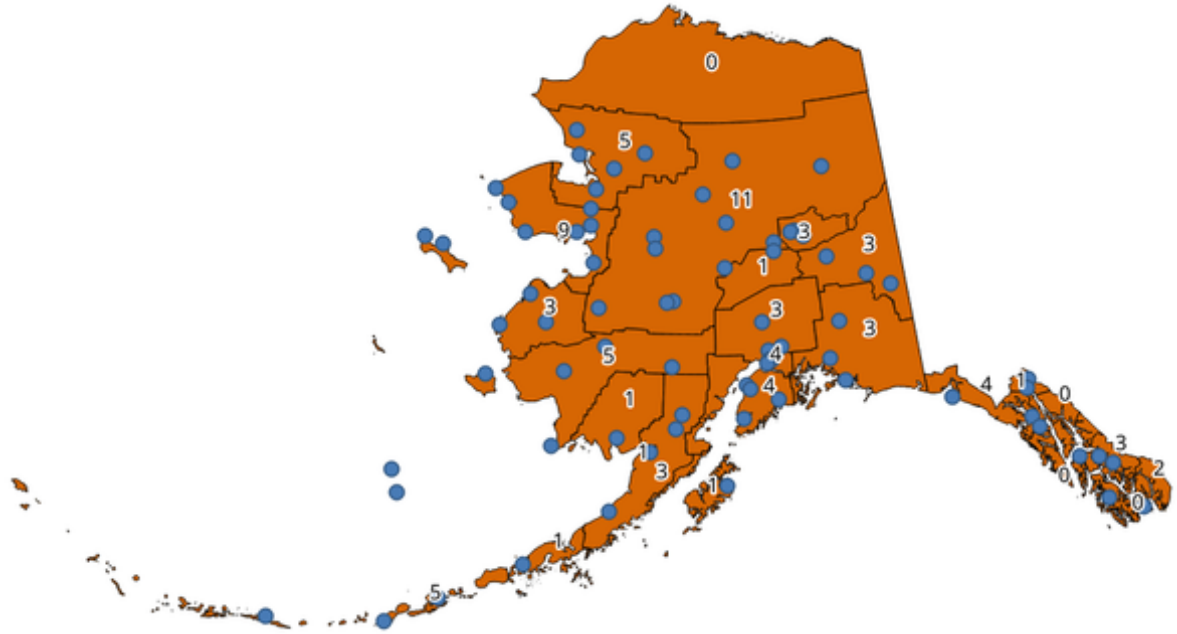


Abb. 25.31: The labels in the polygons show the point count

An optional weight field can be used to assign weights to each point. Alternatively, a unique class field can be specified. If both options are used, the weight field will take precedence and the unique class field will be ignored.

`Default menu`: *Vector* ► *Analysis Tools*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Polygons	`POLYGONS`	[vector: polygon]	Polygon layer whose features are associated with the count of points they contain
Points	`POINTS`	[vector: point]	Point layer with features to count
Weight field Optional	`WEIGHT`	[tablefield: any]	A field from the point layer. The count generated will be the sum of the weight field of the points contained by the polygon. If the weight field is not numeric, the count will be `0`.
Class field Optional	`CLASSFIELD`	[tablefield: any]	Points are classified based on the selected attribute and if several points with the same attribute value are within the polygon, only one of them is counted. The final count of the points in a polygon is, therefore, the count of different classes that are found in it.

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Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Count field name	`FIELD`	[string] Default: ‚NUMPOINTS'	The name of the field to store the count of points
Count	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specification of the output layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… • Append to Layer… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Count	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon]	Resulting layer with the attribute table containing the new column with the points count

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:countpointsinpolygon`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

DBSCAN clustering

Clusters point features based on a 2D implementation of Density-based spatial clustering of applications with noise (DBSCAN) algorithm.

The algorithm requires two parameters, a minimum cluster size, and the maximum distance allowed between clustered points.

Siehe auch:

ST-DBSCAN clustering, *K-means clustering*

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: point]	Layer to analyze
Minimum cluster size	`MIN_SIZE`	[number] Default: 5	Minimum number of features to generate a cluster

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Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Maximum distance between clustered points	`EPS`	[number] Default: 1.0	Distance beyond which two features can not belong to the same cluster (eps)
Clusters	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the vector layer for the result of the clustering. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Treat border points as noise (DBSCAN*) Optional	`DBSCAN*`	[boolean] Default: False	If checked, points on the border of a cluster are themselves treated as unclustered points, and only points in the interior of a cluster are tagged as clustered.
Cluster field name	`FIELD_NAME`	[string] Default: ‚CLUSTER_ID‘	Name of the field where the associated cluster number shall be stored
Cluster size field name	`SIZE_FIELD_NAME`	[string] Default: ‚CLUSTER_SIZE‘	Name of the field with the count of features in the same cluster

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Clusters	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point]	Vector layer containing the original features with a field setting the cluster they belong to
Number of clusters	`NUM_CLUSTERS`	[number]	The number of clusters discovered

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:dbscanclustering`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Distance matrix

Calculates for point features distances to their nearest features in the same layer or in another layer.

Default menu: *Vector* ► *Analysis Tools*

Siehe auch:

Join attributes by nearest

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input point layer	`INPUT`	[vector: point]	Point layer for which the distance matrix is calculated (**from** points)
Input unique ID field	`INPUT_FIELD`	[tablefield: any]	Field to use to uniquely identify features of the input layer. Used in the output attribute table.
Target point layer	`TARGET`	[vector: point]	Point layer containing the nearest point(s) to search (**to** points)
Target unique ID field	`TARGET_FIELD`	[tablefield: any]	Field to use to uniquely identify features of the target layer. Used in the output attribute table.
Output matrix type	`MATRIX_TYPE`	[enumeration] Default: 0	Different types of calculation are available: • 0 — Linear (N * *k* x 3) distance matrix: for each input point, reports the distance to each of the *k* nearest target points. The output matrix consists of up to *k* rows per input point, and each row has three columns: *InputID*, *TargetID* and *Distance*. • 1 — Standard (N x T) distance matrix • 2 — Summary distance matrix (mean, std. dev., min, max): for each input point, reports statistics on the distances to its target points.
Use only the nearest (k) target points	`NEAREST_POINTS`	[number] Default: 0	You can choose to calculate the distance to all the points in the target layer (*0*) or limit to a number (*k*) of closest features.
Distance matrix	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specification of the output vector layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Distance matrix	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point]	Point (or MultiPoint for the „Linear (N * *k* x 3)“ case) vector layer containing the distance calculation for each input feature. Its features and attribute table depend on the selected output matrix type.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:distancematrix`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Distance to nearest hub (line to hub)

Creates lines that join each feature of an input vector to the nearest feature in a destination layer. Distances are calculated based on the *center* of each feature.

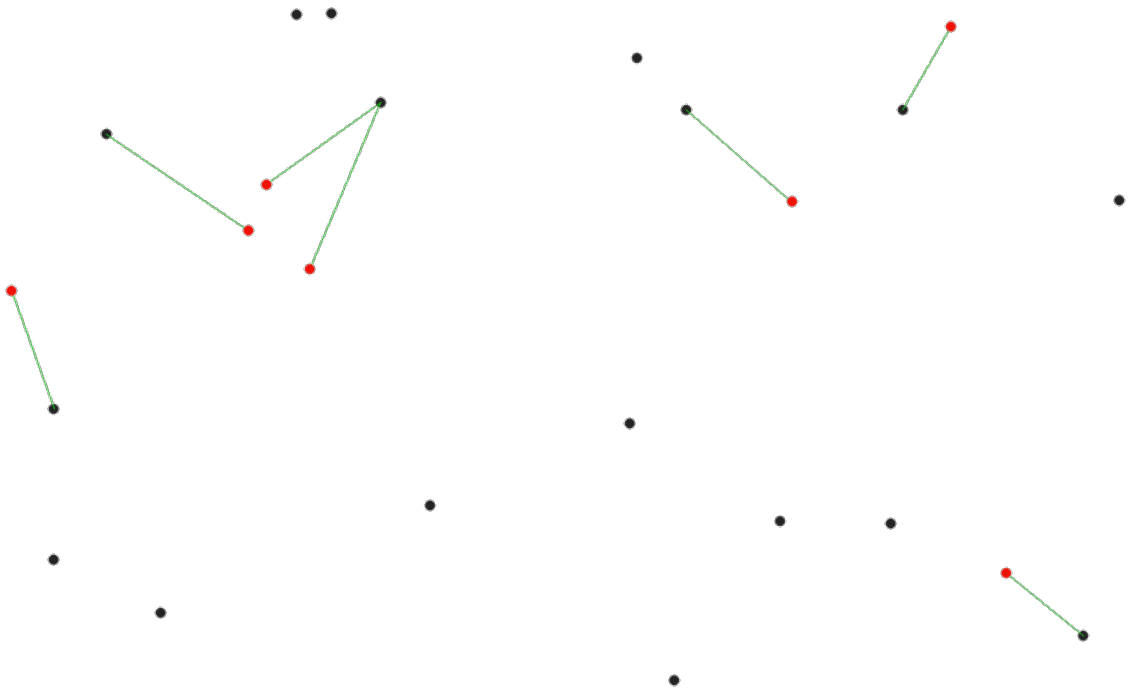


Abb. 25.32: Display the nearest hub for the red input features

Siehe auch:

Distance to nearest hub (points), *Join attributes by nearest*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Source points layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Vector layer for which the nearest feature is searched
Destination hubs layer	`HUBS`	[vector: any]	Vector layer containing the features to search for
Hub layer name attribute	`FIELD`	[tablefield: any]	Field to use to uniquely identify features of the destination layer. Used in the output attribute table
Measurement unit	`UNIT`	[enumeration] Default: 0	Units in which to report the distance to the closest feature: • 0 — Meters • 1 — Feet • 2 — Miles • 3 — Kilometers • 4 — Layer units
Hub distance	`OUTPUT`	[vector: line] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output line vector layer connecting the matching points. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Hub distance	`OUTPUT`	[vector: line]	Line vector layer with the attributes of the input features, the identifier of their closest feature and the calculated distance.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:distancetonearesthublinetohub`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Distance to nearest hub (points)

Creates a point layer representing the *center* of the input features with the addition of two fields containing the identifier of the nearest feature (based on its center point) and the distance between the points.

Siehe auch:

Distance to nearest hub (line to hub), *Join attributes by nearest*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Source points layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Vector layer for which the nearest feature is searched
Destination hubs layer	`HUBS`	[vector: any]	Vector layer containing the features to search for
Hub layer name attribute	`FIELD`	[tablefield: any]	Field to use to uniquely identify features of the destination layer. Used in the output attribute table
Measurement unit	`UNIT`	[enumeration] Default: 0	Units in which to report the distance to the closest feature: • 0 — Meters • 1 — Feet • 2 — Miles • 3 — Kilometers • 4 — Layer units
Hub distance	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output point vector layer with the nearest hub. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Hub distance	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point]	Point vector layer representing the center of the source features with their attributes, the identifier of their closest feature and the calculated distance.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:distancetonearesthubpoints`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Join by lines (hub lines)

Creates hub and spoke diagrams by connecting lines from points on the Spoke layer to matching points in the Hub layer.

Determination of which hub goes with each point is based on a match between the Hub ID field on the hub points and the Spoke ID field on the spoke points.

If input layers are not point layers, a point on the surface of the geometries will be taken as the connecting location.

Optionally, geodesic lines can be created, which represent the shortest path on the surface of an ellipsoid. When geodesic mode is used, it is possible to split the created lines at the antimeridian (±180 degrees longitude), which can improve rendering of the lines. Additionally, the distance between vertices can be specified. A smaller distance results in a denser, more accurate line.

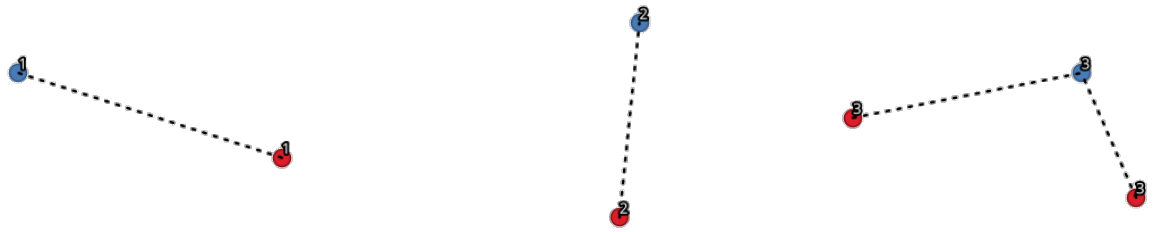


Abb. 25.33: Join points based on a common field / attribute

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Hub layer	`HUBS`	[vector: any]	Input layer
Hub ID field	`HUB_FIELD`	[tablefield: any]	Field of the hub layer with ID to join
Hub layer fields to copy (leave empty to copy all fields) Optional	`HUB_FIELDS`	[tablefield: any] [list]	The field(s) of the hub layer to be copied. If no field(s) are chosen all fields are taken.
Spoke layer	`SPOKES`	[vector: any]	Additional spoke point layer
Spoke ID field	`SPOKE_FIELD`	[tablefield: any]	Field of the spoke layer with ID to join

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Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Spoke layer fields to copy (leave empty to copy all fields) Optional	`SPOKE_FIELDS`	[tablefield: any] [list]	Field(s) of the spoke layer to be copied. If no fields are chosen all fields are taken.
Create geodesic lines	`GEODESIC`	[boolean] Default: False	Create geodesic lines (the shortest path on the surface of an ellipsoid)
Hub lines	`OUTPUT`	[vector: line] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output hub line vector layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Distance between vertices (geodesic lines only)	`GEODESIC_DISTANCE`	[number] Default: 1000.0 (kilometers)	Distance between consecutive vertices (in kilometers). A smaller distance results in a denser, more accurate line
Split lines at antimeridian (±180 degrees longitude)	`ANTIMERIDIAN_SPLIT`	[boolean] Default: False	Split lines at ±180 degrees longitude (to improve rendering of the lines)

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Hub lines	`OUTPUT`	[vector: line]	The resulting line layer connecting matching points in input layers

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:hublines`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

K-means clustering

Calculates the 2D distance based k-means cluster number for each input feature.

K-means clustering aims to partition the features into k clusters in which each feature belongs to the cluster with the nearest mean. The mean point is represented by the barycenter of the clustered features.

If input geometries are lines or polygons, the clustering is based on the centroid of the feature.

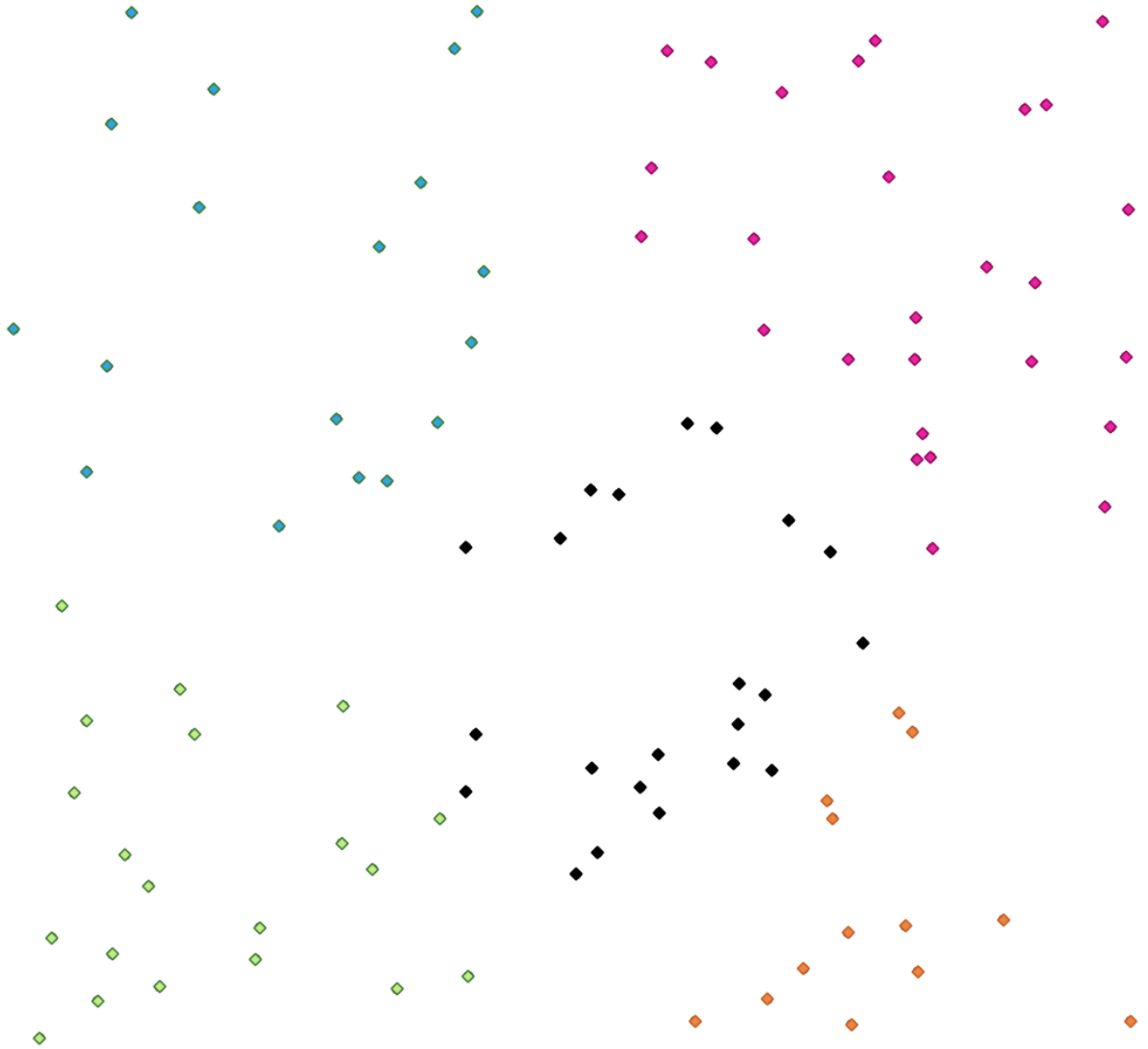


Abb. 25.34: A five class point clusters

Siehe auch:

DBSCAN clustering, *ST-DBSCAN clustering*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Layer to analyze
Number of clusters	`CLUSTERS`	[number] Default: 5	Number of clusters to create with the features
Clusters	`OUTPUT`	[vector: any] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output vector layer for generated the clusters. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Cluster field name	`FIELD_NAME`	[string] Default: ‚CLUSTER_ID‘	Name of the field where the associated cluster number shall be stored
Cluster size field name	`SIZE_FIELD_NAME`	[string] Default: ‚CLUSTER_SIZE‘	Name of the field with the count of features in the same cluster

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Clusters	`OUTPUT`	[vector: any]	Vector layer containing the original features with fields specifying the cluster they belong to and their number in it

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:kmeansclustering`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

List unique values

Lists unique values of an attribute table field and counts their number.

Default menu: *Vector* ► *Analysis Tools*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Layer to analyze
Target field(s)	`FIELDS`	[tablefield: any]	Field to analyze
Unique values Optional	`OUTPUT`	[table] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the summary table layer with unique values. One of: • Skip Output • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.
HTML report Optional	`OUTPUT_HTML_FILE`	[html] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	HTML report of unique values in the *Processing* ► *Results viewer*. One of: • Skip Output • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Unique values	`OUTPUT`	[table]	Summary table layer with unique values
HTML report	`OUTPUT_HTML_FILE`	[html]	HTML report of unique values. Can be opened from the *Processing* ► *Results viewer*
Total unique values	`TOTAL_VALUES`	[number]	The number of uniqe values in the input field
UNIQUE_VALUES	`Unique values`	[string]	A string with the comma separated list of unique values found in the input field

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:listuniquevalues`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Mean coordinate(s)

Computes a point layer with the center of mass of geometries in an input layer.

An attribute can be specified as containing weights to be applied to each feature when computing the center of mass.

If an attribute is selected in the parameter, features will be grouped according to values in this field. Instead of a single point with the center of mass of the whole layer, the output layer will contain a center of mass for the features in each category.

Default menu: *Vector* ► *Analysis Tools*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Input vector layer
Weight field Optional	`WEIGHT`	[tablefield: numeric]	Field to use if you want to perform a weighted mean
Unique ID field	`UID`	[tablefield: numeric]	Unique field on which the calculation of the mean will be made
Mean coordinates	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the (point vector) layer for the result. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

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Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Mean coordinates	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point]	Resulting point(s) layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:meancoordinates`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

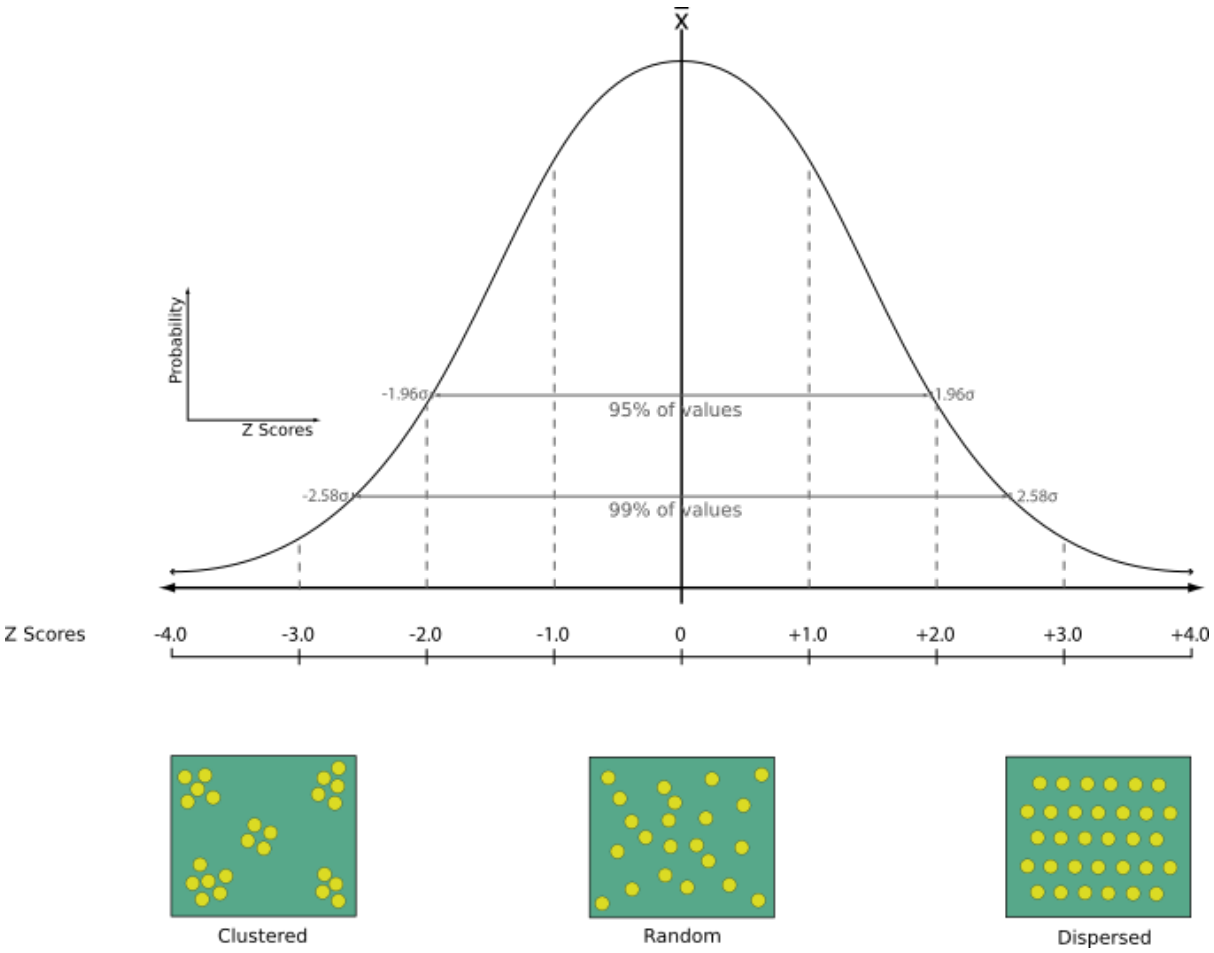
The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Nearest neighbour analysis

Performs nearest neighbor analysis for a point layer. The output tells you how your data are distributed (clustered, randomly or distributed).

Output is generated as an HTML file with the computed statistical values:

- Observed mean distance
- Expected mean distance
- Nearest neighbour index
- Number of points
- Z-Score: Comparing the Z-Score with the normal distribution tells you how your data are distributed. A low Z-Score means that the data are unlikely to be the result of a spatially random process, while a high Z-Score means that your data are likely to be a result of a spatially random process.



Default menu: *Vector* ► *Analysis Tools*

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Join attributes by nearest

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: point]	Point vector layer to calculate the statistics on
Nearest neighbour Optional	`OUTPUT_HTML_FILE`	[html] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specification of the HTML file for the computed statistics. One of: • Skip Output • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Nearest neighbour	`OUTPUT_HTML_FILE`	[html]	HTML file with the computed statistics
Observed mean distance	`OBSERVED_MD`	[number]	Observed mean distance
Expected mean distance	`EXPECTED_MD`	[number]	Expected mean distance
Nearest neighbour index	`NN_INDEX`	[number]	Nearest neighbour index
Number of points	`POINT_COUNT`	[number]	Number of points
Z-Score	`Z_SCORE`	[number]	Z-Score

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:nearestneighbouranalysis`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Overlap analysis

Calculates the area and percentage cover by which features from an input layer are overlapped by features from a selection of overlay layers.

New attributes are added to the output layer reporting the total area of overlap and percentage of the input feature overlapped by each of the selected overlay layers.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	The input layer.
Overlap layers	`LAYERS`	[vector: any] [list]	The overlay layers.
Output layer	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output vector layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

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Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Output layer	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	The output layer with additional fields reporting the overlap (in map units and percentage) of the input feature overlapped by each of the selected layers.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:calculatevectoroverlaps`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

ST-DBSCAN clustering

`NEW in 3.22`

Clusters point features based on a 2D implementation of spatiotemporal Density-based clustering of applications with noise (ST-DBSCAN) algorithm.

Siehe auch:

DBSCAN clustering, *K-means clustering*

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: point]	Layer to analyze
Date/time field	`DATETIME_FIELD`	[tablefield: date]	Field containing the temporal information

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Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Minimum cluster size	`MIN_SIZE`	[number] Default: 5	Minimum number of features to generate a cluster
Maximum distance between clustered points	`EPS`	[number] Default: 1.0	Distance beyond which two features can not belong to the same cluster (eps)
Maximum time duration between clustered points	`EPS2`	[number] Default: 0.0 (days)	Time duration beyond which two features can not belong to the same cluster (eps2). Available time units are milliseconds, seconds, minutes, hours, days and weeks.
Clusters	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the vector layer for the result of the clustering. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Treat border points as noise (DBSCAN*) Optional	`DBSCAN*`	[boolean] Default: False	If checked, points on the border of a cluster are themselves treated as unclustered points, and only points in the interior of a cluster are tagged as clustered.
Cluster field name	`FIELD_NAME`	[string] Default: ‚CLUSTER_ID‘	Name of the field where the associated cluster number shall be stored
Cluster size field name	`SIZE_FIELD_NAME`	[string] Default: ‚CLUSTER_SIZE‘	Name of the field with the count of features in the same cluster

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Clusters	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point]	Vector layer containing the original features with a field setting the cluster they belong to
Number of clusters	`NUM_CLUSTERS`	[number]	The number of clusters discovered

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:stdbscanclustering`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Statistics by categories

Calculates statistics of a field depending on a parent class. The parent class is a combination of values from other fields.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input vector layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Input vector layer with unique classes and values
Field to calculate statistics on (if empty, only count is calculated) Optional	`VALUES_FIELD_NAME`	[tablefield: any]	If empty only the count will be calculated
Field(s) with categories	`CATEGORIES_FIELD_NAME`	[vector: any] [list]	The fields that (combined) define the categories
Statistics by category	`OUTPUT`	[table] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output table for the generated statistics. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Statistics by category	`OUTPUT`	[table]	Table containing the statistics

Depending on the type of the field being analyzed, the following statistics are returned for each grouped value:

Statistics	Text	Numeric	Datum
Count (`COUNT`)	☑	☑	☑
Unique values (`UNIQUE`)	☑		☑
Empty (null) values (`EMPTY`)	☑		☑
Non-empty values (`FILLED`)	☑		☑
Minimal value (`MIN`)	☑	☑	☑
Maximal value (`MAX`)	☑	☑	☑
Range (`RANGE`)		☑	
Sum (`SUM`)		☑	
Mean value (`MEAN`)		☑	
Median value (`MEDIAN`)		☑	
Standard Deviation (`STD_DEV`)		☑	
Coefficient of variation (`CV`)		☑	

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Statistics	Text	Numeric	Datum
Minority (rarest occurring value - `MINORITY`)		☑	
Majority (most frequently occurring value - `MAJORITY`)		☑	
First Quartile (`FIRSTQUARTILE`)		☑	
Third Quartile (`THIRDQUARTILE`)		☑	
Inter Quartile Range (`IQR`)		☑	
Minimum Length (`MIN_LENGTH`)	☑		
Mean Length (`MEAN_LENGTH`)	☑		
Maximum Length (`MAX_LENGTH`)	☑		

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:statisticsbycategories`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Sum line lengths

Takes a polygon layer and a line layer and measures the total length of lines and the total number of them that cross each polygon.

The resulting layer has the same features as the input polygon layer, but with two additional attributes containing the length and count of the lines across each polygon.

Default menu: *Vector* ► *Analysis Tools*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Lines	`LINES`	[vector: line]	Input vector line layer
Polygons	`POLYGONS`	[vector: polygon]	Polygon vector layer
Lines length field name	`LEN_FIELD`	[string] Default: ‚LENGTH‘	Name of the field for the lines length
Lines count field name	`COUNT_FIELD`	[string] Default: ‚COUNT‘	Name of the field for the lines count
Line length	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output polygon layer with generated statistics. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Line length	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon]	Polygon output layer with fields of lines length and line count

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:sumlinelengths`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

25.1.16 Vector creation

Array of offset (parallel) lines

Creates copies of line features in a layer, by creating multiple offset versions of each feature. Each new version is incrementally offset by a specified distance.

Positive distance will offset lines to the left, and negative distances will offset them to the right.

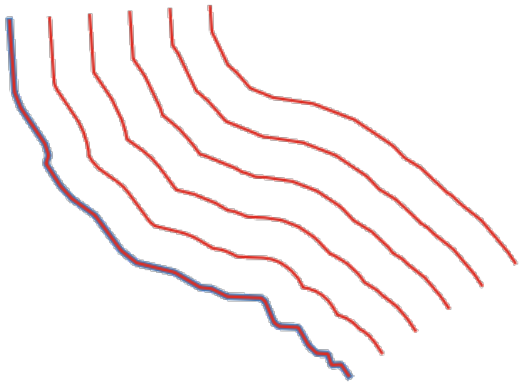


Abb. 25.35: In blue the source layer, in red the offset one

Allows *features in-place modification*

Siehe auch:

Offset lines, *Array of translated features*

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: line]	Input line vector layer to use for the offsets.
Number of features to create	`COUNT`	[number] Default: 10	Number of offset copies to generate for each feature
Offset step distance	`OFFSET`	[number] Default: 1.0	Distance between two consecutive offset copies
Offset lines	`OUTPUT`	[vector: line] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output line layer with offset features. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… • Append to Layer… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Segments	`SEGMENTS`	[number] Default: 8	Number of line segments to use to approximate a quarter circle when creating rounded offsets
Join style	`JOIN_STYLE`	[enumeration] Default: 0	Specify whether round, miter or beveled joins should be used when offsetting corners in a line. One of: • 0 — Round • 1 — Miter • 2 — Bevel  Abb. 25.36: Round, miter, and bevel join styles
Miter limit	`MITER_LIMIT`	[number] Default: 2.0	Only applicable for mitered join styles, and controls the maximum distance from the offset curve to use when creating a mitered join.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Offset lines	`OUTPUT`	[vector: line]	Output line layer with offset features. The original features are also copied.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:arrayoffsetlines`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Array of translated features

Creates copies of features in a layer by creating multiple translated versions of each. Each copy is incrementally displaced by a preset amount in the X, Y and/or Z axis.

M values present in the geometry can also be translated.

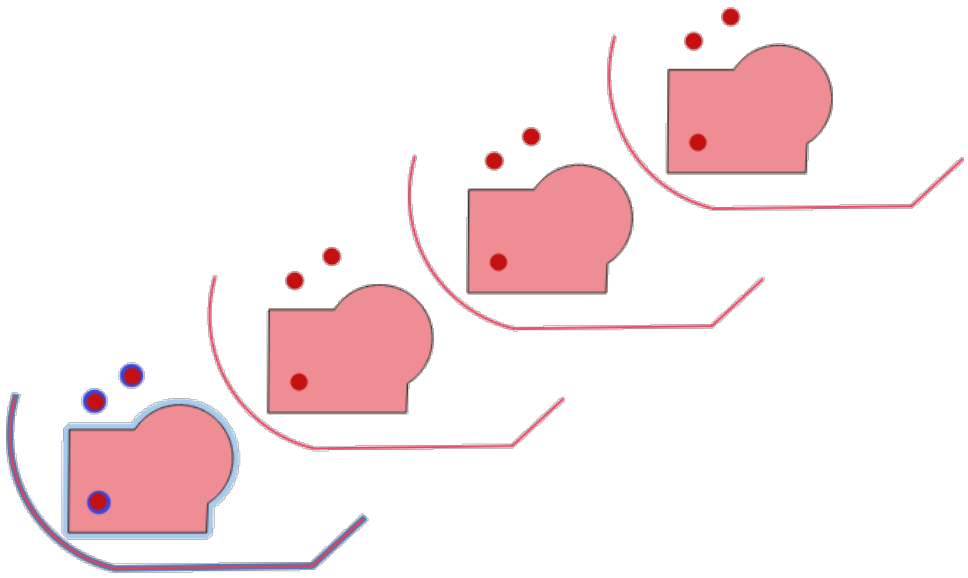


Abb. 25.37: Input layers in blue tones, output layers with translated features in red tones

Allows *features in-place modification*

Siehe auch:

Translate, *Array of offset (parallel) lines*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Input vector layer to translate
Number of features to create	`COUNT`	[number] Default: 10	Number of copies to generate for each feature
Step distance (x-axis)	`DELTA_X`	[number] Default: 0.0	Displacement to apply on the X axis
Step distance (y-axis)	`DELTA_Y`	[number] Default: 0.0	Displacement to apply on the Y axis
Step distance (z-axis)	`DELTA_Z`	[number] Default: 0.0	Displacement to apply on the Z axis
Step distance (m values)	`DELTA_M`	[number] Default: 0.0	Displacement to apply on M
Translated	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Output vector layer with translated (moved) copies of the features. The original features are also copied. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… • Append to Layer… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Translated	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	Output vector layer with translated (moved) copies of the features. The original features are also copied.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:arraytranslatedfeatures`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Create grid

Creates a vector layer with a grid covering a given extent. Grid cells can have different shapes:

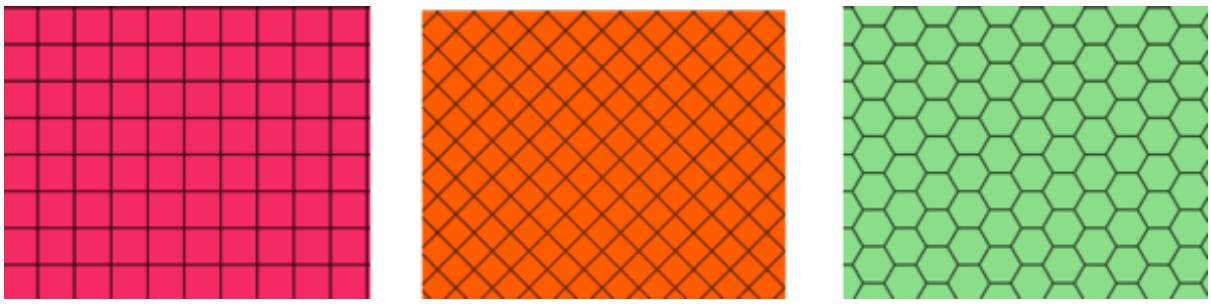


Abb. 25.38: Different grid cell shapes

The size of each element in the grid is defined using a horizontal and vertical spacing.

The CRS of the output layer must be defined.

The grid extent and the spacing values must be expressed in the coordinates and units of this CRS.

Default menu: *Vector ► Research Tools*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Grid type	`TYPE`	[enumeration] Default: 0	Shape of the grid. One of: • 0 — Point • 1 — Line • 2 — Rectangle (polygon) • 3 — Diamond (polygon) • 4 — Hexagon (polygon)
Grid extent	`EXTENT`	[extent]	Extent of the grid Available methods are: • Calculate from layer…: uses extent of a layer loaded in the current project • Use map canvas extent • Draw on canvas • Enter the coordinates as `xmin, xmax, ymin, ymax`
Horizontal spacing	`HSPACING`	[number] Default: 1.0	Size of a grid cell on the X-axis
Vertical spacing	`VSPACING`	[number] Default: 1.0	Size of a grid cell on the Y-axis
Horizontal overlay	`HOVERLAY`	[number] Default: 0.0	Overlay distance between two consecutive grid cells on the X-axis
Vertical overlay	`VOVERLAY`	[number] Default: 0.0	Overlay distance between two consecutive grid cells on the Y-axis
Grid CRS	`CRS`	[crs] Default: *Project CRS*	Coordinate reference system to apply to the grid

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Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Grid	`OUTPUT`	[vector: any] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Resulting vector grid layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Grid	`OUTPUT`	[vector: any]	Resulting vector grid layer. The output geometry type (point, line or polygon) depends on the *Grid type*.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:creategrid`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Create points layer from table

Creates points layer from a table with columns that contain coordinates fields.

Besides X and Y coordinates you can also specify Z and M fields.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Input vector layer or a table.
X field	`XFIELD`	[tablefield: any]	Field containing the X coordinate
Y field	`YFIELD`	[tablefield: any]	Field containing the Y coordinate
Z field Optional	`ZFIELD`	[tablefield: any]	Field containing the Z coordinate
M field Optional	`MFIELD`	[tablefield: any]	Field containing the M value
Target CRS	`TARGET_CRS`	[crs] Default: `EPSG:4326`	Coordinate reference system to use for layer. The provided coordinates are assumed to be compliant.

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Tab. 25.104 – Fortsetzung der vorherigen Seite

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Points from table	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the resulting point layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Points from table	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point]	The resulting point layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:createpointslayerfromtable`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Generate points (pixel centroids) along line

Generates a point vector layer from an input raster and line layer.

The points correspond to the pixel centroids that intersect the line layer.

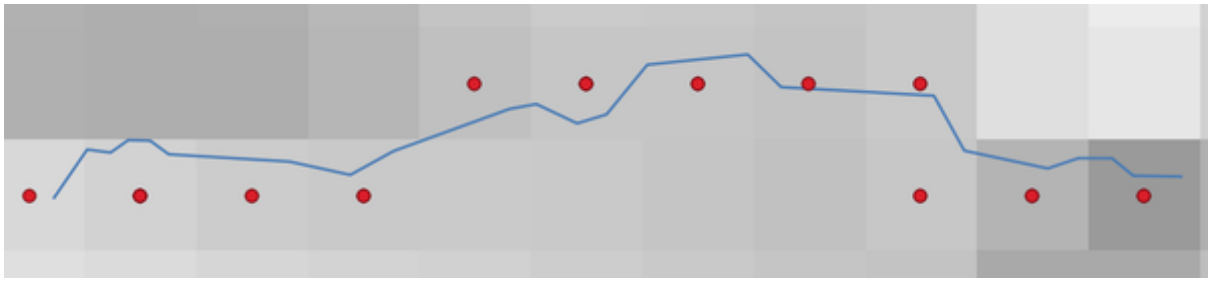


Abb. 25.39: Points of the pixel centroids

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Raster layer	`INPUT_RASTER`	[raster]	Input raster layer
Vector layer	`INPUT_VECTOR`	[vector: line]	Input line vector layer
Points along line	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Resulting point layer with pixel centroids. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Points along line	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point]	Resulting point layer with pixel centroids

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:generatepointspixelcentroidsalongline`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Generate points (pixel centroids) inside polygon

Generates a point vector layer from an input raster and polygon layer.

The points correspond to the pixel centroids that intersect the polygon layer.

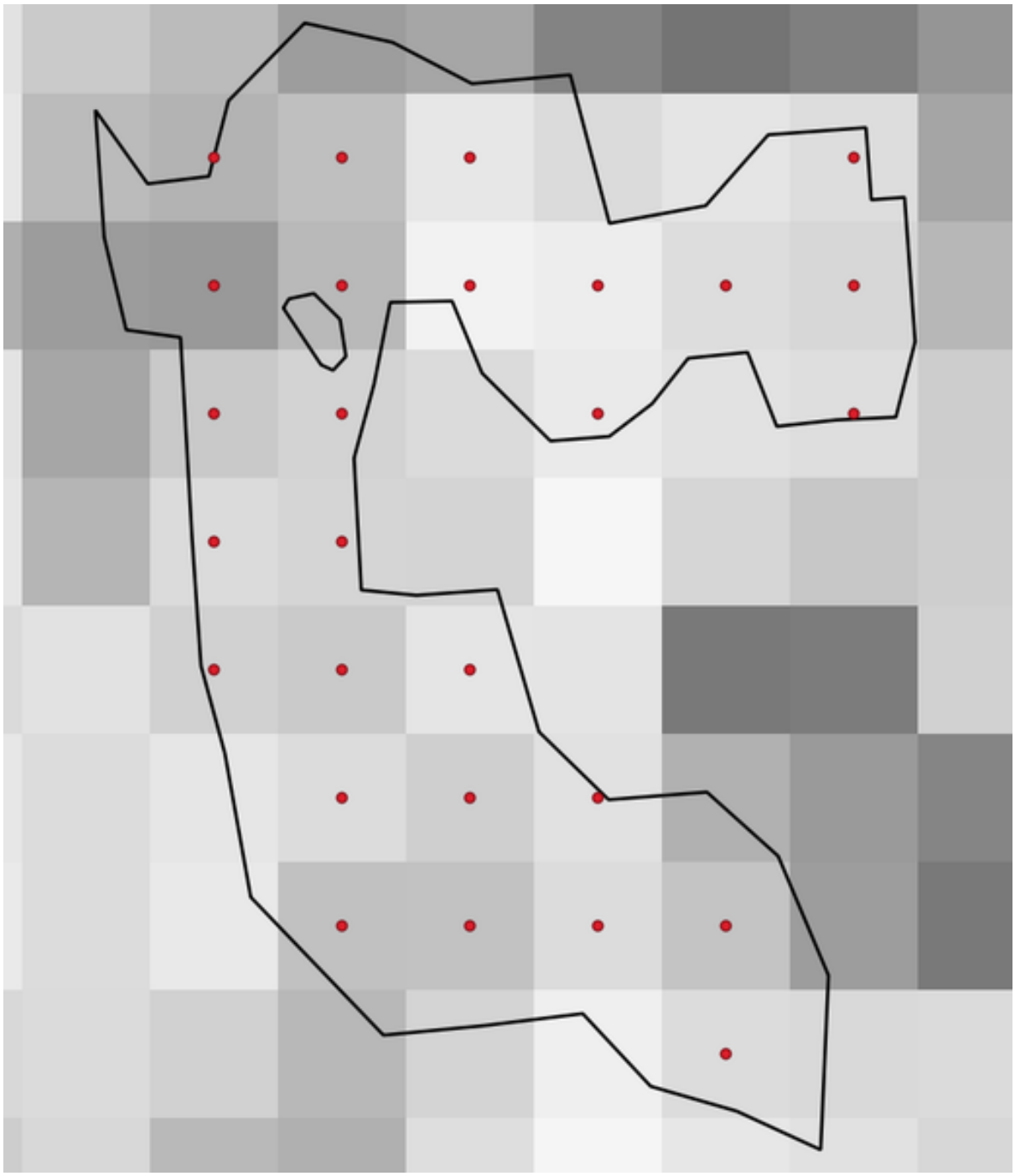


Abb. 25.40: Points of the pixel centroids

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Raster layer	`INPUT_RASTER`	[raster]	Input raster layer
Vector layer	`INPUT_VECTOR`	[vector: polygon]	Input polygon vector layer
Points inside polygons	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Resulting point layer of pixel centroids. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Points inside polygons	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point]	Resulting point layer of pixel centroids

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:generatepointspixelcentroidsinsidepolygons`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Import geotagged photos

Creates a point layer corresponding to the geotagged locations from JPEG images from a source folder.

The point layer will contain a single PointZ feature per input file from which the geotags could be read. Any altitude information from the geotags will be used to set the point's Z value.

Besides longitude and latitude also altitude, direction and timestamp information, if present in the photo, will be added to the point as attributes.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input folder	`FOLDER`	[folder]	Path to the source folder containing the geotagged photos
Scan recursively	`RECURSIVE`	[boolean] Default: False	If checked, the folder and its subfolders will be scanned

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Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Photos Optional	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the point vector layer for the geotagged photos. One of: • Skip Output • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.
Invalid photos table Optional	`INVALID`	[table] Default: `[Skip output]`	Specify the table of unreadable or non-geotagged photos. One of: • Skip Output • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Photos	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point]	Point vector layer with geotagged photos. The form of the layer is automatically filled with paths and photo previews settings.
Invalid photos table Optional	`INVALID`	[table]	Table of unreadable or non-geotagged photos can also be created.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:importphotos`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Points to path

Converts a point layer to a line layer, by joining points in an order defined by an expression or a field in the input point layer.

Points can be grouped by a field or an expression to distinguish line features.

In addition to the line vector layer, a text file is output that describes the resulting line as a start point and a sequence of bearings / directions (relative to azimuth) and distances.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input point layer	`INPUT`	[vector: point]	Input point vector layer
Create closed paths	`CLOSE_PATH`	[boolean] Default: False	If checked, the first and last points of the line will be connected and close the generated path
Order expression `NEW in 3.18` Optional	`ORDER_EXPRESSION`	[expression]	Field or expression providing the order to connect the points in the path. If not set, the feature ID (`$id`) is used.
Sort text containing numbers naturally `NEW in 3.18` Optional	`NATURAL_SORT`	[boolean] Default: False	If checked, naturally sorts the features based on the provided expression (i.e., ‚a9' < ‚a10').
Path group expression Optional	`GROUP_EXPRESSION`	[expression]	Point features of the same value in the field or expression will be grouped in the same line. If not set, a single path is drawn with all the input points.
Paths	`OUTPUT`	[vector: line] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the line vector layer of the path. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.
Directory for text output Optional	`OUTPUT_TEXT_DIR`	[folder] Default: `[Skip output]`	Specify the directory that will contain the description files of points and paths. One of: • Skip Output • Save to a Temporary Directory • Save to Directory

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Paths	`OUTPUT`	[vector: line]	Line vector layer of the path
Directory for text output	`OUTPUT_TEXT_DIR`	[folder]	Directory containing description files of points and paths

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:pointstopath`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Random points along line

Creates a new point layer, with points placed on the lines of another layer.

For each line in the input layer, a given number of points is added to the resulting layer. The procedure for adding a point is to:

1. randomly select a line feature from the input layer
2. if the feature is multi-part, randomly select a part of it
3. randomly select a segment of that line
4. randomly select a position on that segment.

The procedure means that curved parts of the lines (with relatively short segments) will get more points than straight parts (with relatively long segments), as demonstrated in the illustration below, where the output of the *Random points along lines* algorithm can be compared with the output of the *Random points on lines* algorithm (that produces points with an, on average, even distribution along the lines).

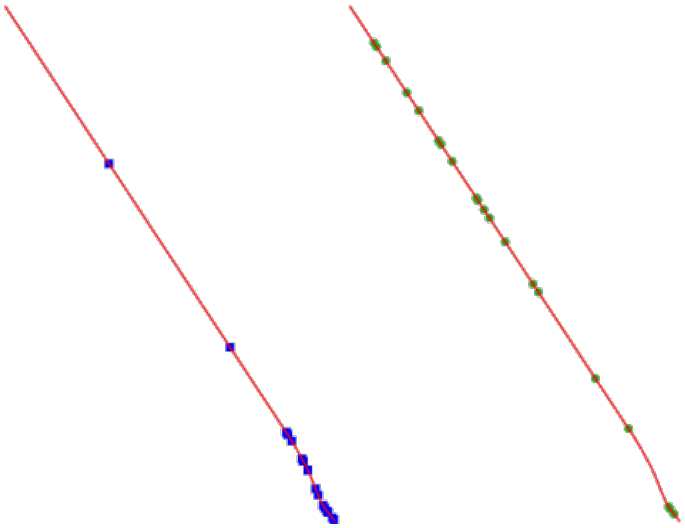


Abb. 25.41: Example algorithm output. Left: *Random points along line*, right: *Random points on lines*

A minimum distance can be specified, to avoid points being too close to each other.

Siehe auch:

Random points on lines

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input point layer	`INPUT`	[vector: line]	Input line vector layer
Number of points	`POINTS_NUMBER`	[number] Default: 1	Number of points to create
Minimum distance between points	`MIN_DISTANCE`	[number] Default: 0.0	The minimum distance between points
Random points	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	The output random points. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Random points	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point]	The output random points layer.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:qgisrandompointsalongline`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Random points in extent

Creates a new point layer with a given number of random points, all of them within a given extent.

A distance factor can be specified, to avoid points being too close to each other. If the minimum distance between points makes it impossible to create new points, either distance can be decreased or the maximum number of attempts may be increased.

Default menu: *Vector ► Research Tools*

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input extent	`EXTENT`	[extent]	Map extent for the random points Available methods are: • Calculate from layer…: uses extent of a layer loaded in the current project • Use map canvas extent • Draw on canvas • Enter the coordinates as `xmin, xmax, ymin, ymax`
Number of points	`POINTS_NUMBER`	[number] Default: 1	Number of point to create
Minimum distance between points	`MIN_DISTANCE`	[number] Default: 0.0	The minimum distance between points
Target CRS	`TARGET_CRS`	[crs] Default: *Project CRS*	CRS of the random points layer
Random points	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	The output random points. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Maximum number of search attempts given the minimum distance	`MAX_ATTEMPTS`	[number] Default: 200	Maximum number of attempts to place the points

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Random points	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point]	The output random points layer.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:randompointsinextent`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Random points in layer bounds

Creates a new point layer with a given number of random points, all of them within the extent of a given layer.

A minimum distance can be specified, to avoid points being too close to each other.

Default menu: *Vector* ► *Research Tools*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: polygon]	Input polygon layer defining the area
Number of points	`POINTS_NUMBER`	[number] Default: 1	Number of points to create
Minimum distance between points	`MIN_DISTANCE`	[number] Default: 0.0	The minimum distance between points
Random points	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	The output random points. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Random points	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point]	The output random points layer.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:randompointsinlayerbounds`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Random points in polygons

Creates a point layer with points placed inside the polygons of another layer.

For each feature (polygon / multi-polygon) geometry in the input layer, the given number of points is added to the result layer.

Per feature and global minimum distances can be specified in order to avoid points being too close in the output point layer. If a minimum distance is specified, it may not be possible to generate the specified number of points for each feature. The total number of generated points and missed points are available as output from the algorithm.

The illustration below shows the effect of per feature and global minimum distances and zero/non-zero minimum distances (generated with the same seed, so at least the first point generated will be the same).

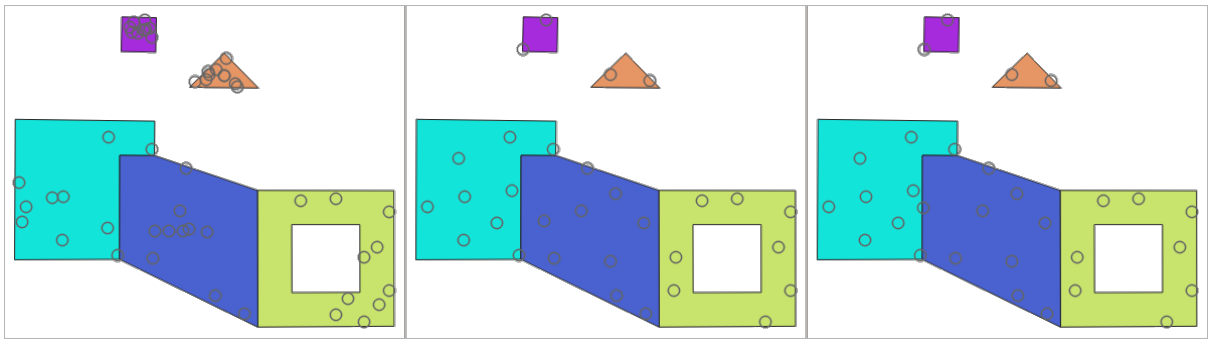


Abb. 25.42: Ten points per polygon feature, *left*: min. distances = 0, *middle*: min.distances = 1, *right*: min. distance = 1, global min. distance = 0

The maximum number of tries per point can be specified. This is only relevant for non-zero minimum distance.

A seed for the random number generator can be provided, making it possible to get identical random number sequences for different runs of the algorithm.

The attributes of the polygon feature on which a point was generated can be included (*Include polygon attributes*).

If you want approximately the same point density for all the features, you can data-define the number of points using the area of the polygon feature geometry.

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Random points inside polygons

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input polygon layer	`INPUT`	[vector: line]	Input polygon vector layer
Number of points for each feature	`POINTS_NUMBER`	[number] Default: 1	Number of points to create
Minimum distance between points Optional	`MIN_DISTANCE`	[number] Default: 0.0	The minimum distance between points within one polygon feature

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Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Random points in polygons	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	The output random points. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Global minimum distance between points Optional	`MIN_DISTANCE_GLOBAL`	[number] Default: 0.0	The global minimum distance between points. Should be smaller than the *Minimum distance between points (per feature)* for that parameter to have an effect.
Maximum number of search attempts (for Min. dist. > 0) Optional	`MAX_TRIES_PER_POINT`	[number] Default: 10	The maximum number of tries per point. Only relevant if the minimum distance between points is set (and greater than 0).
Random seed Optional	`SEED`	[number] Default: Not set	The seed to use for the random number generator.
Include polygon attributes	`INCLUDE_POLYGON_ATTRIBUTES`	[boolean] Default: True	If set, a point will get the attributes from the line on which it is placed.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Random points in polygons	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point]	The output random points layer.
Number of features with empty or no geometry	`FEATURES_WITH_EMPTY_OR_NO_GEOMETRY`	[number]	
Total number of points generated	`OUTPUT_POINTS`	[number]	
Number of missed points	`POINTS_MISSED`	[number]	The number of points that could not be generated due to the minimum distance constraint.
Number of features with missed points	`POLYGONS_WITH_MISSED_POINTS`	[number]	Not including features with empty or no geometry

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:randompointsinpolygons`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Random points inside polygons

Creates a new point layer with a given number of random points inside each polygon of the input polygon layer.

Two sampling strategies are available:

- Points count: number of points for each feature
- Points density: density of points for each feature

A minimum distance can be specified, to avoid points being too close to each other.

Default menu: *Vector ► Research Tools*

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Random points in polygons

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: polygon]	Input polygon vector layer
Sampling strategy	`STRATEGY`	[enumeration] Default: 0	Sampling strategy to use. One of: • 0 — Points count: number of points for each feature • 1 — Points density: density of points for each feature
Point count or density	`VALUE`	[number] Default: 1.0	The number or density of points, depending on the chosen *Sampling strategy*.
Minimum distance between points	`MIN_DISTANCE`	[number] Default: 0.0	The minimum distance between points
Random points	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	The output random points. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Random points	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point]	The output random points layer.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:randompointsinsidepolygons`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Random points on lines

Creates a point layer with points placed on the lines of another layer.

For each feature (line / multi-line) geometry in the input layer, the given number of points is added to the result layer.

Per feature and global minimum distances can be specified in order to avoid points being too close in the output point layer. If a minimum distance is specified, it may not be possible to generate the specified number of points for each feature. The total number of generated points and missed points are available as output from the algorithm.

The illustration below shows the effect of per feature and global minimum distances and zero/non-zero minimum distances (generated with the same seed, so at least the first point generated will be the same).



Abb. 25.43: Five points per line feature, *left*: min. distances = 0, *middle*: min.distances != 0, *right*: min. distance != 0, global min. distance = 0

The maximum number of tries per point can be specified. This is only relevant for non-zero minimum distance.

A seed for the random number generator can be provided, making it possible to get identical random number sequences for different runs of the algorithm.

The attributes of the line feature on which a point was generated can be included (*Include line attributes*).

If you want approximately the same point density for all the line features, you can data-define the number of points using the length of the line feature geometry.

Siehe auch:

Random points along line

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input line layer	`INPUT`	[vector: line]	Input line vector layer
Number of points for each feature	`POINTS_NUMBER`	[number] Default: 1	Number of points to create
Minimum distance between points (per feature) Optional	`MIN_DISTANCE`	[number] Default: 0.0	The minimum distance between points within one line feature
Random points on lines	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	The output random points. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Global minimum distance between points Optional	`MIN_DISTANCE_GLOBAL`	[number] Default: 0.0	The global minimum distance between points. Should be smaller than the *Minimum distance between points (per feature)* for that parameter to have an effect.
Maximum number of search attempts (for Min. dist. > 0) Optional	`MAX_TRIES_PER_POINT`	[number] Default: 10	The maximum number of tries per point. Only relevant if the minimum distance between points is set (and greater than 0).
Random seed Optional	`SEED`	[number] Default: Not set	The seed to use for the random number generator.
Include line attributes	`INCLUDE_LINE_ATTRIBUTES`	[boolean] Default: True	If set, a point will get the attributes from the line on which it is placed.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Random points on lines	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point]	The output random points layer.
Number of features with empty or no geometry	`FEATURES_WITH_EMPTY_OR_NO_GEOMETRY`	[number]	Not including features with empty or no geometry
Number of features with missed points	`LINES_WITH_MISSED_POINTS`	[number]	
Total number of points generated	`POINTS_GENERATED`	[number]	The number of points that could not be generated due to the minimum distance constraint.
Number of missed points	`POINTS_MISSED`	[number]	

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:randompointsonlines`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Raster pixels to points

Creates a vector layer of points corresponding to each pixel in a raster layer.

Converts a raster layer to a vector layer, by creating point features for each individual pixel's center in the raster layer. Any nodata pixels are skipped in the output.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Raster layer	`INPUT_RASTER`	[raster]	Input raster layer
Band number	`RASTER_BAND`	[raster band]	Raster band to extract data from
Field name	`FIELD_NAME`	[string] Default: ‚VALUE'	Name of the field to store the raster band value
Vector points	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the resulting point layer of pixels centroids. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Vector points	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point]	Resulting point layer with pixels centroids

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:pixelstopoints`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Raster pixels to polygons

Creates a vector layer of polygons corresponding to each pixel in a raster layer.

Converts a raster layer to a vector layer, by creating polygon features for each individual pixel's extent in the raster layer. Any nodata pixels are skipped in the output.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Raster layer	`INPUT_RASTER`	[raster]	Input raster layer
Band number	`RASTER_BAND`	[raster band]	Raster band to extract data from
Field name	`FIELD_NAME`	[string] Default: ‚VALUE‘	Name of the field to store the raster band value
Vector polygons	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the resulting polygon layer of pixel extents. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Vector polygons	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon]	Resulting polygon layer of pixel extents

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:pixelstopolygons`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Regular points

Creates a new point layer with its points placed in a regular grid within a given extent.

The grid is specified either by the spacing between the points (same spacing for all dimensions) or by the number of points to generate. In the latter case, the spacing will be determined from the extent. In order to generate a full rectangular grid, at least the number of points specified by the user is generated for the latter case.

Random offsets to the point spacing can be applied, resulting in a non-regular point pattern.

Default menu: *Vector* ► *Research Tools*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input extent (xmin, xmax, ymin, ymax)	`EXTENT`	[extent]	Map extent for the random points Available methods are: • Calculate from layer…: uses extent of a layer loaded in the current project • Use map canvas extent • Draw on canvas • Enter the coordinates as `xmin, xmax, ymin, ymax`
Point spacing/count	`SPACING`	[number] Default: 100	Spacing between the points, or the number of points, depending on whether `Use point spacing` is checked or not.
Initial inset from corner (LH side)	`INSET`	[number] Default: 0.0	Offsets the points relative to the upper left corner. The value is used for both the X and Y axis.
Apply random offset to point spacing	`RANDOMIZE`	[boolean] Default: False	If checked the points will have a random spacing
Use point spacing	`IS_SPACING`	[boolean] Default: True	If unchecked the point spacing is not taken into account
Output layer CRS	`CRS`	[crs] Default: *Project CRS*	CRS of the random points layer

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Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Regular points	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output regular point layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Regular points	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point]	The output regular point layer.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:regularpoints`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

25.1.17 Vector general

Projektion zuweisen

Weist einem Vektorlayer eine neue Projektion zu.

Erzeugt einen neuen Layer mit exakt den gleichen Objekten und Geometrien wie die Eingabe, aber mit einem neu zugewiesenen KBS. Die Geometrien werden **nicht** umprojiziert, sondern es wird nur ein neues KBS zugewiesen.

Der Algorithmus kann benutzt werden, um Layer zu reparieren, denen eine falsche Projektion zugewiesen wurde.

Attribute werden von diesem Algorithmus nicht verändert.

Siehe auch:

Define Shapefile projection, *Find projection*, *Reproject layer*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Vector layer with wrong or missing CRS
Assigned CRS	`CRS`	[crs] Default: `EPSG:4326 - WGS84`	Select the new CRS to assign to the vector layer
Assigned CRS Optional	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output layer containing only the duplicates. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Assigned CRS	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	Vector layer with assigned projection

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:assignprojection`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Batch Nominatim geocoder

Performs batch geocoding using the Nominatim service against an input layer string field. The output layer will have a point geometry reflecting the geocoded location as well as a number of attributes associated to the geocoded location.

Bemerkung: This algorithm is compliant with the usage policy of the Nominatim geocoding service provided by the OpenStreetMap Foundation.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Vector layer to geocode the features
Address field	`FIELD`	[tablefield: string]	Field containing the addresses to geocode
Geocoded	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output layer containing only the geocoded addresses. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… • Append to Layer… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Geocoded	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point]	Vector layer with point features corresponding to the geocoded addresses

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:batchnominatimgeocoder`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Convert layer to spatial bookmarks

Creates spatial bookmarks corresponding to the extent of features contained in a layer.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input Layer	`INPUT`	[vector: line, polygon]	The input vector layer
Bookmark destination	`DESTINATION`	[enumeration] Default: 0	Select the destination for the bookmarks. One of: • 0 — Project bookmarks • 1 — User bookmarks
Name field	`NAME_EXPRESSION`	[expression]	Field or expression that will give names to the generated bookmarks
Group field	`GROUP_EXPRESSION`	[expression]	Field or expression that will provide groups for the generated bookmarks

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Count of bookmarks added	`COUNT`	[number]	

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:layertobookmarks`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Convert spatial bookmarks to layer

Creates a new layer containing polygon features for stored spatial bookmarks. The export can be filtered to only bookmarks belonging to the current project, to all user bookmarks, or a combination of both.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Bookmark source	`SOURCE`	[enumeration] [list] Default: [0,1]	Select the source(s) of the bookmarks. One or more of: • 0 — Project bookmarks • 1 — User bookmarks
Output CRS	`CRS`	[crs] Default: `EPSG:4326 - WGS 84`	The CRS of the output layer
Ergebnis	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Ergebnis	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon]	The output (bookmarks) vector layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:bookmarkstolayer`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Create attribute index

Creates an index against a field of the attribute table to speed up queries. The support for index creation depends on both the layer's data provider and the field type.

No outputs are created: the index is stored on the layer itself.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input Layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Select the vector layer you want to create an attribute index for
Attribute to index	`FIELD`	[tablefield: any]	Field of the vector layer

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Indexed layer	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	A copy of the input vector layer with an index for the specified field

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:createattributeindex`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Create spatial index

Creates an index to speed up access to the features in a layer based on their spatial location. Support for spatial index creation is dependent on the layer's data provider.

No new output layers are created.

Default menu: *Vector* ► *Data Management Tools*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input Layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Input vector layer

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Indexed layer	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	A copy of the input vector layer with a spatial index

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:createspatialindex`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Define Shapefile projection

Sets the CRS (projection) of an existing Shapefile format dataset to the provided CRS. It is very useful when a Shapefile format dataset is missing the `prj` file and you know the correct projection.

Contrary to the *Projektion zuweisen* algorithm, it modifies the current layer and will not output a new layer.

Bemerkung: For Shapefile datasets, the `.prj` and `.qpj` files will be overwritten - or created if missing - to match the provided CRS.

Default menu: *Vector* ► *Data Management Tools*

Siehe auch:

Projektion zuweisen, *Find projection*, *Reproject layer*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Vector layer with missing projection information
CRS	`CRS`	[crs]	Select the CRS to assign to the vector layer

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
	`INPUT`	[same as input]	The input vector layer with the defined projection

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:definecurrentprojection`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Delete duplicate geometries

Finds and removes duplicated geometries.

Attributes are not checked, so in case two features have identical geometries but different attributes, only one of them will be added to the result layer.

Siehe auch:

Drop geometries, *Remove null geometries*, *Delete duplicates by attribute*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	The layer with duplicate geometries you want to clean
Cleaned	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Count of discarded duplicate records	`DUPLICATE_COUNT`	[number]	Count of discarded duplicate records
Cleaned	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	The output layer without any duplicated geometries
Count of retained records	`RETAINED_COUNT`	[number]	Count of unique records

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:deleteduplicategeometries`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Delete duplicates by attribute

Deletes duplicate rows by only considering the specified field / fields. The first matching row will be retained, and duplicates will be discarded.

Optionally, these duplicate records can be saved to a separate output for analysis.

Siehe auch:

Delete duplicate geometries

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	The input layer
Fields to match duplicates by	`FIELDS`	[tablefield: any] [list]	Fields defining duplicates. Features with identical values for all these fields are considered duplicates.
Filtered (no duplicates)	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output layer containing the unique features. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

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Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Filtered (duplicates) Optional	DUPLICATES	[same as input] Default: [Skip output]	Specify the output layer containing only the duplicates. One of: • Skip Output • Create Temporary Layer (TEMPORARY_OUTPUT) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Filtered (duplicates) Optional	DUPLICATES	[same as input] Default: [Skip output]	Vector layer containing the removed features. Will not be produced if not specified (left as [Skip output]).
Count of discarded duplicate records	DUPLICATE_COUNT	[number]	Count of discarded duplicate records
Filtered (no duplicates)	OUTPUT	[same as input]	Vector layer containing the unique features.
Count of retained records	RETAINED_COUNT	[number]	Count of unique records

Python code

Algorithm ID: native:removeduplicatesbyattribute

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Detect dataset changes

Compares two vector layers, and determines which features are unchanged, added or deleted between the two. It is designed for comparing two different versions of the same dataset.

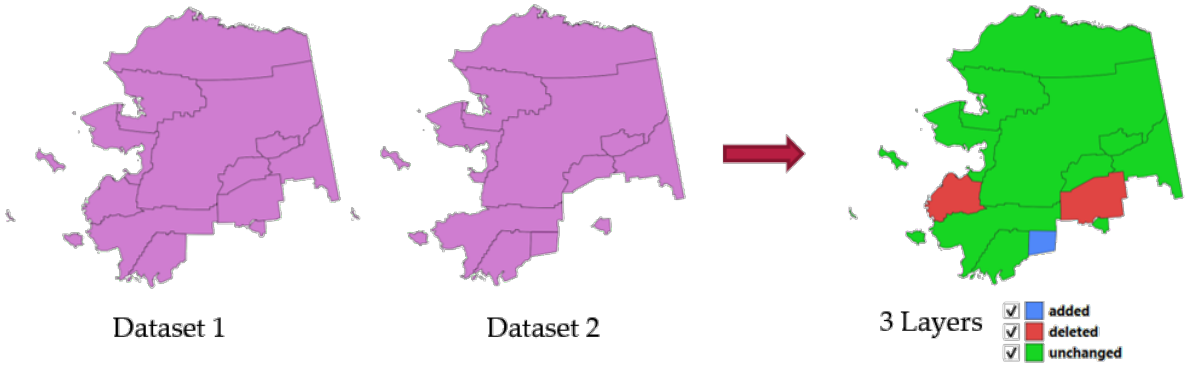


Abb. 25.44: Detect dataset change example

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Original layer	`ORIGINAL`	[vector: any]	The vector layer considered as the original version
Revised layer	`REVISED`	[vector: any]	The revised or modified vector layer
Attributes to consider for match Optional	`COMPARE_ATTRIBUTES`	[tablefield: any] [list]	Attributes to consider for match. By default, all attributes are compared.
Geometry comparison behavior Optional	`MATCH_TYPE`	[enumeration] Default: 1	Defines the criteria for comparison. Options: • 0 — Exact Match: includes the order and vertices count of geometries • 1 — Tolerant Match (Topological Equality): geometries are considered equal
Unchanged features	`UNCHANGED`	[vector: same as Original layer]	Specify the output vector layer containing the unchanged features. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.
Added features	`ADDED`	[vector: same as Original layer]	Specify the output vector layer containing the added features. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

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Tab. 25.118 – Fortsetzung der vorherigen Seite

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Deleted features	DELETED	[vector: same as Original layer]	Specify the output vector layer containing the deleted features. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (TEMPORARY_OUTPUT) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Unchanged features	UNCHANGED	[vector: same as Original layer]	Vector layer containing the unchanged features.
Added features	ADDED	[vector: same as Original layer]	Vector layer containing the added features.
Deleted features	DELETED	[vector: same as Original layer]	Vector layer containing the deleted features.
Count of unchanged features	UNCHANGED_COUNT	[number]	Count of unchanged features.
Count of features added in revised layer	ADDED_COUNT	[number]	Count of features added in revised layer.
Count of features deleted from original layer	DELETED_COUNT	[number]	Count of features deleted from original layer.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:detectvectorchanges`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Drop geometries

Creates a simple *geometryless* copy of the input layer attribute table. It keeps the attribute table of the source layer.

If the file is saved in a local folder, you can choose between many file formats.

Allows *features in-place modification*

Siehe auch:

Delete duplicate geometries, *Remove null geometries*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	The input vector layer
Dropped geometries	`OUTPUT`	[table]	Specify the output geometryless layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Dropped geometries	`OUTPUT`	[table]	The output geometryless layer. A copy of the original attribute table.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:dropgeometries`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Execute SQL

Runs a simple or complex query with `SQL` syntax on the source layer.

Input datasources are identified with `input1`, `input2`... `inputN` and a simple query will look like `SELECT * FROM input1`.

Beside a simple query, you can add expressions or variables within the `SQL query` parameter itself. This is particulary useful if this algorithm is executed within a Processing model and you want to use a model input as a parameter of the query. An example of a query will then be `SELECT * FROM [% @table %]` where `@table` is the variable that identifies the model input.

The result of the query will be added as a new layer.

Siehe auch:

SpatiaLite execute SQL, *PostgreSQL execute SQL*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Additional input datasources (called input1, .., inputN in the query)	`INPUT_DATASOURCES`	[vector: any] [list]	List of layers to query. In the SQL editor you can refer these layers with their **real** name or also with **input1**, **input2**, **inputN** depending on how many layers have been chosen.
SQL query	`INPUT_QUERY`	[string]	Type the string of your SQL query, e.g. `SELECT * FROM input1`.
Unique identifier field Optional	`INPUT_UID_FIELD`	[string]	Specify the column with unique ID
Geometry field Optional	`INPUT_GEOMETRY_FIELD`	[string]	Specify the geometry field
Geometry type Optional	`INPUT_GEOMETRY_TYPE`	[enumeration] Default: 0	Choose the geometry of the result. By default the algorithm will autodetect it. One of: • 0 — Autodetect • 1 — No geometry • 2 — Point • 3 — LineString • 4 — Polygon • 5 — MultiPoint • 6 — MultiLineString • 7 — MultiPolygon
CRS Optional	`INPUT_GEOMETRY_CRS`	[crs]	The CRS to assign to the output layer
SQL Output	`OUTPUT`	[vector: any] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output layer created by the query. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
SQL Output	`OUTPUT`	[vector: any]	Vector layer created by the query

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:executesql`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Export layers to DXF

`NEW in 3.18`

Exports layers to DXF file. For each layer, you can choose a field whose values are used to split features in generated destination layers in DXF output.

Siehe auch:

Creating new DXF files

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layers	`LAYERS`	[vector: any][list]	Input vector layers to export
Symbology mode	`SYMBOLOGY_MODE`	[enumeration] Default: 0	Type of symbology to apply to output layers. You can choose between: • 0 — No Symbology • 1 — Feature Symbology • 2 — Symbol Layer Symbology
Symbology scale	`SYMBOLOGY_SCALE`	[scale] Default: 1:1 000 000	Default scale of data export.
Encoding	`ENCODING`	[enumeration]	Encoding to apply to layers.
CRS	`CRS`	[crs]	Choose the CRS for the output layer.
Use layer title as name	`USE_LAYER_TITLE`	[boolean] Default: False	Name the output layer with the layer title (as set in QGIS) instead of the layer name.
Force 2D	`FORCE_2D`	[boolean] Default: False	
Export labels as MTEXT elements	`MTEXT`	[boolean] Default: False	Exports labels as MTEXT or TEXT elements
DXF	`OUTPUT`	[file] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specification of the output DXF file. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
DXF	`OUTPUT`	[file]	`.DXF` file containing the input layers

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:dxfexport`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Extract selected features

Saves the selected features as a new layer.

Bemerkung: If the selected layer has no selected features, the newly created layer will be empty.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input Layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Layer to save the selection from
Selected features	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the vector layer for the selected features. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Selected features	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	Vector layer with only the selected features, or no feature if none was selected.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:saveselectedfeatures`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Extract Shapefile encoding

Extracts the attribute encoding information embedded in a Shapefile. Both the encoding specified by an optional `.cpg` file and any encoding details present in the `.dbf` LDID header block are considered.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input Layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	ESRI Shapefile (`.SHP`) Layer to extract the encoding information.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Shapefile encoding	`ENCODING`	[string]	Encoding information specified in the input file
CPG encoding	`CPG_ENCODING`	[string]	Encoding information specified in any optional `.CPG` file
LDID encoding	`LDID_ENCODING`	[string]	Encoding information specified in `.dbf` LDID header block

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:shpencodinginfo`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Find projection

Creates a shortlist of candidate coordinate reference systems, for instance for a layer with an unknown projection.

The area that the layer is expected to cover must be specified via the target area parameter. The coordinate reference system for this target area must be known to QGIS.

The algorithm operates by testing the layer's extent in every known reference system and then listing any for which the bounds would be near the target area if the layer was in this projection.

Siehe auch:

Projektion zuweisen, *Define Shapefile projection*, *Reproject layer*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input Layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Layer with unknown projection

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Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Target area for layer (xmin, xmax, ymin, ymax)	`TARGET_AREA`	[extent]	The area that the layer covers. Available methods are: • Calculate from layer…: uses extent of a layer loaded in the current project • Use map canvas extent • Draw on canvas • Enter the coordinates as `xmin, xmax, ymin, ymax`
CRS candidates	`OUTPUT`	[table] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the table (geometryless layer) for the CRS suggestions (EPSG codes). One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
CRS candidates	`OUTPUT`	[table]	A table with all the CRS (EPSG codes) of the matching criteria.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:findprojection`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Flatten relationship

Flattens a *relationship* for a vector layer, exporting a single layer containing one parent feature per related child feature. This master feature contains all the attributes for the related features. This allows to have the relation as a plain table that can be e.g. exported to CSV.

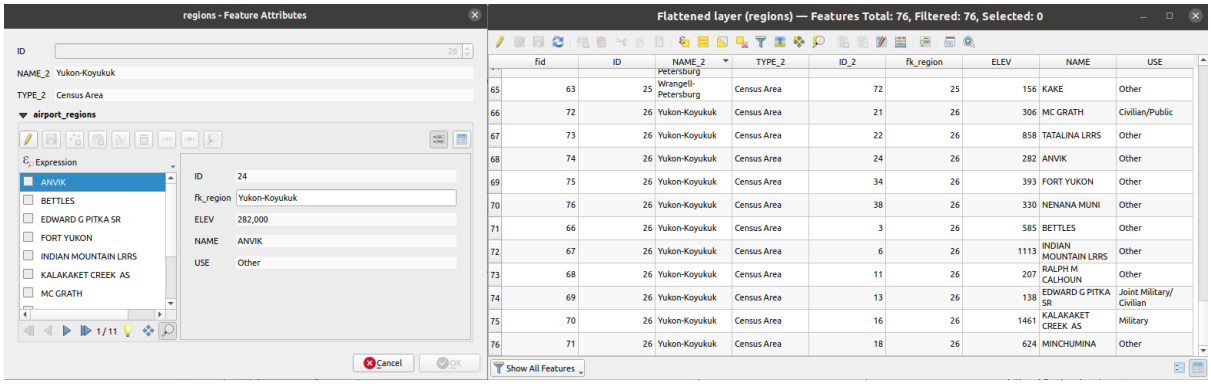


Abb. 25.45: Form of a region with related children (left) - A duplicate region feature for each related child, with joined attributes (right)

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input Layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Layer with the relationship that should be de-normalized
Flattened Layer Optional	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output (flattened) layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Flattened layer	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	A layer containing master features with all the attributes for the related features

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:flattenrelationships`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Join attributes by field value

Takes an input vector layer and creates a new vector layer that is an extended version of the input one, with additional attributes in its attribute table.

The additional attributes and their values are taken from a second vector layer. An attribute is selected in each of them to define the join criteria.

Siehe auch:

Join attributes by nearest, *Join attributes by location*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input Layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Input vector layer. The output layer will consist of the features of this layer with attributes from matching features in the second layer.
Table field	`FIELD`	[tablefield: any]	Field of the source layer to use for the join
Input layer 2	`INPUT_2`	[vector: any]	Layer with the attribute table to join
Table field 2	`FIELD_2`	[tablefield: any]	Field of the second (join) layer to use for the join The type of the field must be equal to (or compatible with) the input table field type.
Layer 2 fields to copy Optional	`FIELDS_TO_COPY`	[tablefield: any] [list]	Select the specific fields you want to add. By default all the fields are added.
Join type	`METHOD`	[enumeration] Default: 1	The type of the final joined layer. One of: • 0 — Create separate feature for each matching feature (one-to-many) • 1 — Take attributes of the first matching feature only (one-to-one)
Discard records which could not be joined	`DISCARD_NONMATCHING`	[boolean] Default: True	Check if you don't want to keep the features that could not be joined
Joined field prefix Optional	`PREFIX`	[string]	Add a prefix to joined fields in order to easily identify them and avoid field name collision
Joined layer	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output vector layer for the join. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

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Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Unjoinable features from first layer	`NON_MATCHING`	[same as input] Default: `[Skip output]`	Specify the output vector layer for unjoinable features from first layer. One of: • Skip Output • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Number of joined features from input table	`JOINED_COUNT`	[number]	
Unjoinable features from first layer Optional	`NON_MATCHING`	[same as input]	Vector layer with the non-matched features
Joined layer	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	Output vector layer with added attributes from the join
Number of unjoinable features from input table Optional	`UNJOINABLE_COUNT`	[number]	

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:joinattributestable`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Join attributes by location

Takes an input vector layer and creates a new vector layer that is an extended version of the input one, with additional attributes in its attribute table.

The additional attributes and their values are taken from a second vector layer. A spatial criteria is applied to select the values from the second layer that are added to each feature from the first layer.

Default menu: *Vector ► Data Management Tools*

Siehe auch:

Join attributes by nearest, *Join attributes by field value*, *Join attributes by location (summary)*

Exploring spatial relations

Geometrische Prädikate sind boolesche Funktionen, die verwendet werden, um die räumliche Beziehung eines Features zu einem anderen zu bestimmen, indem verglichen wird, ob und wie ihre Geometrien einen Teil des Raums teilen.

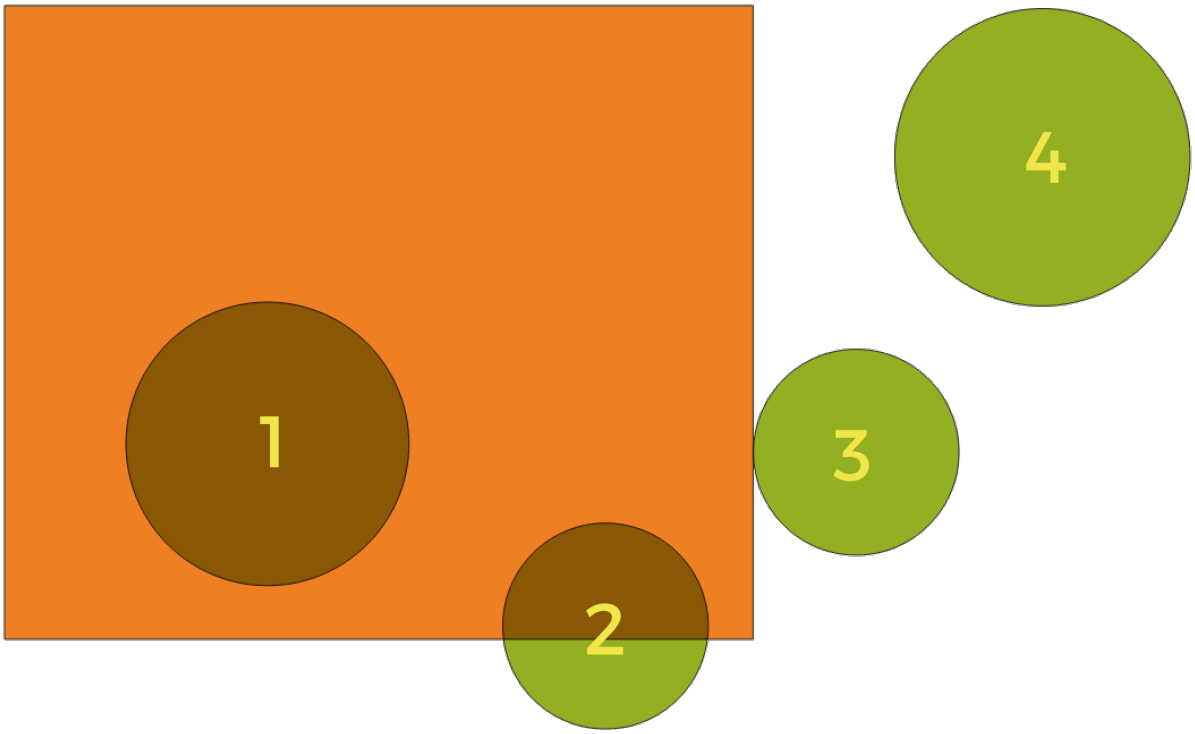


Abb. 25.46: Suche nach räumlichen Beziehungen zwischen Layern

Unter Verwendung der obigen Abbildung suchen wir nach den grünen Kreisen, indem wir sie räumlich mit dem orangefarbenen Rechteck-Feature vergleichen. Verfügbare geometrische Prädikate sind:

Schneidet Testet, ob eine Geometrie eine andere schneidet. Gibt 1 (wahr) zurück, wenn sich die Geometrien räumlich überschneiden (einen Teil des Raums teilen – überlappen oder berühren) und 0, wenn dies nicht der Fall ist. Im obigen Bild werden die Kreise 1, 2 und 3 zurückgegeben.

Enthält Gibt 1 (wahr) zurück, wenn und nur wenn keine Punkte von b außerhalb von a liegen und mindestens ein Punkt des Inneren von b innerhalb von a liegt. Im Bild wird kein Kreis zurückgegeben, sondern das Rechteck wäre es, wenn man es umgekehrt suchen würde, da es den Kreis 1 komplett enthält. Das ist das Gegenteil von *sind innerhalb*.

Getrennt Gibt 1 (wahr) zurück, wenn die Geometrien keinen Teil des Raums teilen (keine Überlappung, keine Berührung). Nur Kreis 4 wird zurückgegeben.

Gleich Gibt 1 (wahr) zurück, wenn und nur wenn die Geometrien genau gleich sind. Es werden keine Kreise zurückgegeben.

Berührt Testet, ob eine Geometrie eine andere berührt. Gibt 1 (wahr) zurück, wenn die Geometrien mindestens einen Punkt gemeinsam haben, aber ihre Innenräume sich nicht schneiden. Nur Kreis 3 wird zurückgegeben.

Überlappt Testet, ob eine Geometrie eine andere überlappt. Gibt 1 (wahr) zurück, wenn die Geometrien sich den Raum teilen, dieselbe Dimension haben, aber nicht vollständig ineinander liegen. Nur Kreis 2 wird zurückgegeben.

Sind innerhalb Testet, ob sich eine Geometrie in einer anderen befindet. Gibt 1 (wahr) zurück, wenn sich Geometrie a vollständig innerhalb von Geometrie b befindet. Nur Kreis 1 wird zurückgegeben.

Kreuzen Gibt 1 (wahr) zurück, wenn die bereitgestellten Geometrien einige, aber nicht alle inneren Punkte gemeinsam haben und die tatsächliche Kreuzung eine geringere Dimension als die höchste bereitgestellte Geometrie hat. Beispielsweise wird eine Linie, die ein Polygon kreuzt, als Linie gekreuzt (wahr). Zwei Linien, die sich kreuzen, kreuzen sich als Punkt (wahr). Zwei Polygone kreuzen sich als Polygon (falsch). Im Bild werden keine Kreise zurückgegeben.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input Layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Input vector layer. The output layer will consist of the features of this layer with attributes from matching features in the second layer.
Join layer	`JOIN`	[vector: any]	The attributes of this vector layer will be **added** to the source layer attribute table.
Geometric predicate	`PREDICATE`	[enumeration] [list] Default: [0]	Select the geometric criteria. One or more of: • 0 — intersects • 1 — contains • 2 — equals • 3 — touches • 4 — overlaps • 5 — within • 6 — crosses
Fields to add (leave empty to use all fields) Optional	`JOIN_FIELDS`	[tablefield: any] [list]	Select the specific fields you want to add. By default all the fields are added.
Join type	`METHOD`	[enumeration]	The type of the final joined layer. One of: • 0 — Create separate feature for each matching feature (one-to-many) • 1 — Take attributes of the first matching feature only (one-to-one) • 2 — Take attributes of the feature with largest overlap only (one-to-one)
Discard records which could not be joined	`DISCARD_NONMATCHING`	[boolean] Default: False	Remove from the output the input layer records which could not be joined
Joined field prefix Optional	`PREFIX`	[string]	Add a prefix to joined fields in order to easily identify them and avoid field name collision
Joined layer	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output vector layer for the join. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

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Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Unjoinable features from first layer	`NON_MATCHING`	[same as input] Default: `[Skip output]`	Specify the output vector layer for unjoinable features from first layer. One of: • Skip Output • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Number of joined features from input table	`JOINED_COUNT`	[number]	
Unjoinable features from first layer Optional	`NON_MATCHING`	[same as input]	Vector layer of the non-matched features
Joined layer	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	Output vector layer with added attributes from the join

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:joinattributesbylocation`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Join attributes by location (summary)

Takes an input vector layer and creates a new vector layer that is an extended version of the input one, with additional attributes in its attribute table.

The additional attributes and their values are taken from a second vector layer. A spatial criteria is applied to select the values from the second layer that are added to each feature from the first layer.

The algorithm calculates a statistical summary for the values from matching features in the second layer (e.g. maximum value, mean value, etc).

Siehe auch:

Join attributes by location

Exploring spatial relations

Geometrische Prädikate sind boolesche Funktionen, die verwendet werden, um die räumliche Beziehung eines Features zu einem anderen zu bestimmen, indem verglichen wird, ob und wie ihre Geometrien einen Teil des Raums teilen.

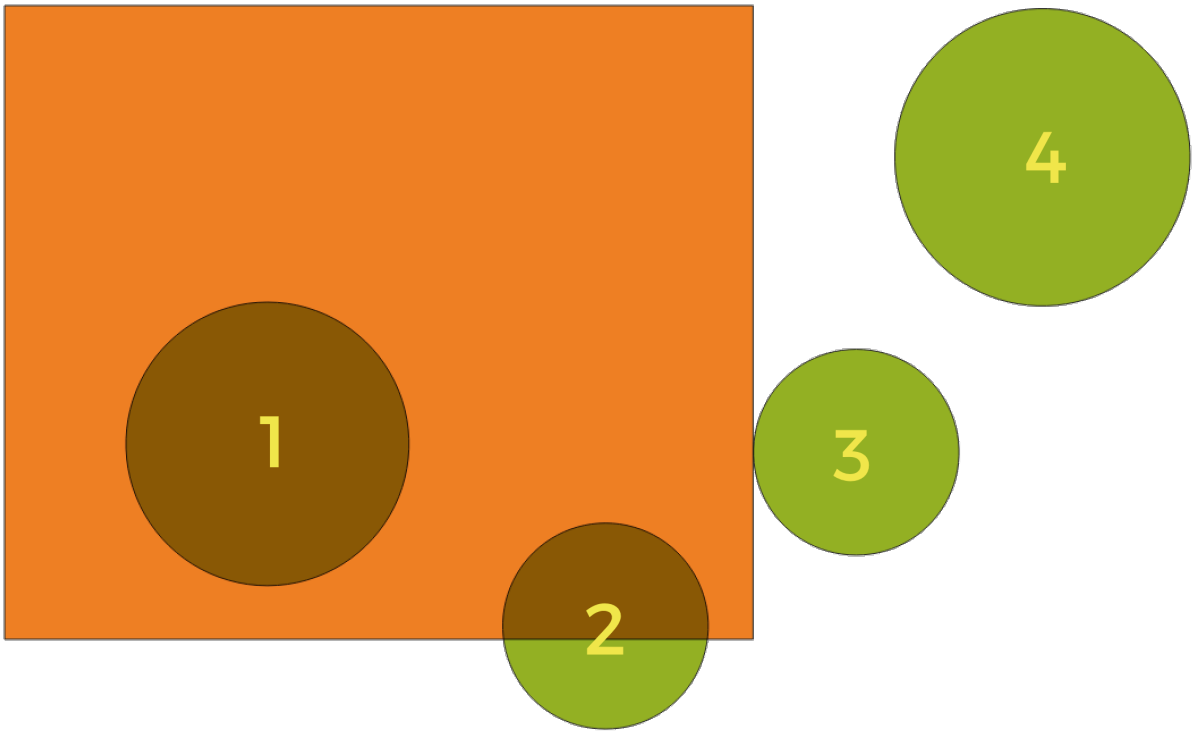


Abb. 25.47: Suche nach räumlichen Beziehungen zwischen Layern

Unter Verwendung der obigen Abbildung suchen wir nach den grünen Kreisen, indem wir sie räumlich mit dem orangefarbenen Rechteck-Feature vergleichen. Verfügbare geometrische Prädikate sind:

Schneidet Testet, ob eine Geometrie eine andere schneidet. Gibt 1 (wahr) zurück, wenn sich die Geometrien räumlich überschneiden (einen Teil des Raums teilen – überlappen oder berühren) und 0, wenn dies nicht der Fall ist. Im obigen Bild werden die Kreise 1, 2 und 3 zurückgegeben.

Enthält Gibt 1 (wahr) zurück, wenn und nur wenn keine Punkte von b außerhalb von a liegen und mindestens ein Punkt des Inneren von b innerhalb von a liegt. Im Bild wird kein Kreis zurückgegeben, sondern das Rechteck wäre es, wenn man es umgekehrt suchen würde, da es den Kreis 1 komplett enthält. Das ist das Gegenteil von *sind innerhalb*.

Getrennt Gibt 1 (wahr) zurück, wenn die Geometrien keinen Teil des Raums teilen (keine Überlappung, keine Berührung). Nur Kreis 4 wird zurückgegeben.

Gleich Gibt 1 (wahr) zurück, wenn und nur wenn die Geometrien genau gleich sind. Es werden keine Kreise zurückgegeben.

Berührt Testet, ob eine Geometrie eine andere berührt. Gibt 1 (wahr) zurück, wenn die Geometrien mindestens einen Punkt gemeinsam haben, aber ihre Innenräume sich nicht schneiden. Nur Kreis 3 wird zurückgegeben.

Überlappt Testet, ob eine Geometrie eine andere überlappt. Gibt 1 (wahr) zurück, wenn die Geometrien sich den Raum teilen, dieselbe Dimension haben, aber nicht vollständig ineinander liegen. Nur Kreis 2 wird zurückgegeben.

Sind innerhalb Testet, ob sich eine Geometrie in einer anderen befindet. Gibt 1 (wahr) zurück, wenn sich Geometrie a vollständig innerhalb von Geometrie b befindet. Nur Kreis 1 wird zurückgegeben.

Kreuzen Gibt 1 (wahr) zurück, wenn die bereitgestellten Geometrien einige, aber nicht alle inneren Punkte gemeinsam haben und die tatsächliche Kreuzung eine geringere Dimension als die höchste bereitgestellte Geometrie hat. Beispielsweise wird eine Linie, die ein Polygon kreuzt, als Linie gekreuzt (wahr). Zwei Linien, die sich kreuzen, kreuzen sich als Punkt (wahr). Zwei Polygone kreuzen sich als Polygon (falsch). Im Bild werden keine Kreise zurückgegeben.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input Layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Input vector layer. The output layer will consist of the features of this layer with attributes from matching features in the second layer.
Join layer	`JOIN`	[vector: any]	The attributes of this vector layer will be **added** to the source layer attribute table.
Geometric predicate	`PREDICATE`	[enumeration] [list] Default: [0]	Select the geometric criteria. One or more of: • 0 — intersects • 1 — contains • 2 — equals • 3 — touches • 4 — overlaps • 5 — within • 6 — crosses
Fields to summarize (leave empty to use all fields) Optional	`JOIN_FIELDS`	[tablefield: any] [list]	Select the specific fields you want to add and summarize. By default all the fields are added.
Summaries to calculate (leave empty to use all fields) Optional	`SUMMARIES`	[enumeration] [list] Default: []	Choose which type of summary you want to add to each field and for each feature. One or more of: • 0 — count • 1 — unique • 2 — min • 3 — max • 4 — range • 5 — sum • 6 — mean • 7 — median • 8 — stddev • 9 — minority • 10 — majority • 11 — q1 • 12 — q3 • 13 — iqr • 14 — empty • 15 — filled • 16 — min_length • 17 — max_length • 18 — mean_length

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Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Discard records which could not be joined	`DISCARD_NONMATCHING`	[boolean] Default: False	Remove from the output the input layer records which could not be joined
Joined layer	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output vector layer for the join. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Joined layer	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	Output vector layer with summarized attributes from the join

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:joinbylocationsummary`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Join attributes by nearest

Takes an input vector layer and creates a new vector layer with additional fields in its attribute table. The additional attributes and their values are taken from a second vector layer. Features are joined by finding the closest features from each layer.

By default only the nearest feature is joined, but the join can also join to the k-nearest neighboring features.

If a maximum distance is specified, only features which are closer than this distance will be matched.

Siehe auch:

Nearest neighbour analysis, *Join attributes by field value*, *Join attributes by location*, *Distance matrix*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	The input layer.
Input layer 2	`INPUT_2`	[vector: any]	The join layer.
Layer 2 fields to copy (leave empty to copy all fields)	`FIELDS_TO_COPY`	[fields]	Join layer fields to copy (if empty, all fields will be copied).
Discard records which could not be joined	`DISCARD_NONMATCHING`	[boolean] Default: False	Remove from the output the input layer records which could not be joined
Joined field prefix	`PREFIX`	[string]	Joined field prefix
Maximum nearest neighbors	`NEIGHBORS`	[number] Default: 1	Maximum number of nearest neighbors
Maximum distance	`MAX_DISTANCE`	[number]	Maximum search distance
Joined layer	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the vector layer containing the joined features. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.
Unjoinable features from first layer	`NON_MATCHING`	[same as input] Default: `[Skip output]`	Specify the vector layer containing the features that could not be joined. One of: • Skip Output • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Joined layer	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	The output joined layer.
Unjoinable features from first layer	`NON_MATCHING`	[same as input]	Layer containing the features from first layer that could not be joined to any features in the join layer.
Number of joined features from input table	`JOINED_COUNT`	[number]	Number of features from the input table that have been joined.
Number of unjoinable features from input table	`UNJOINABLE_COUNT`	[number]	Number of features from the input table that could not be joined.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:joinbynearest`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

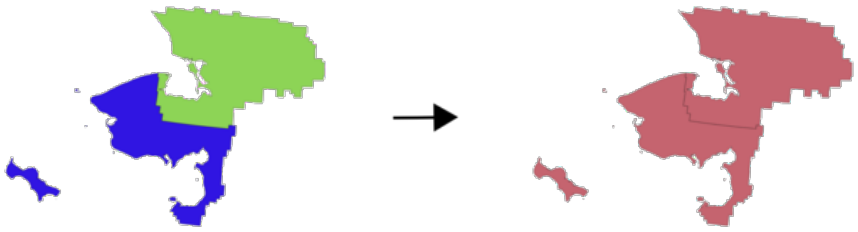
Merge vector layers

Combines multiple vector layers of the **same geometry** type into a single one.

The attribute table of the resulting layer will contain the fields from all input layers. If fields with the same name but different types are found then the exported field will be automatically converted into a string type field. New fields storing the original layer name and source are also added.

If any input layers contain Z or M values, then the output layer will also contain these values. Similarly, if any of the input layers are multi-part, the output layer will also be a multi-part layer.

Optionally, the destination coordinate reference system (CRS) for the merged layer can be set. If it is not set, the CRS will be taken from the first input layer. All layers will be reprojected to match this CRS.



Default menu: *Vector* ► *Data Management Tools*

Siehe auch:

Split vector layer

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input Layers	`LAYERS`	[vector: any] [list]	The layers that are to be merged into a single layer. Layers should be of the same geometry type.
Destination CRS Optional	`CRS`	[crs]	Choose the CRS for the output layer. If not specified, the CRS of the first input layer is used.
Merged	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output vector layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Merged	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	Output vector layer containing all the features and attributes from the input layers.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:mergevectorlayers`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Order by expression

Sorts a vector layer according to an expression: changes the feature index according to an expression.

Be careful, it might not work as expected with some providers, the order might not be kept every time.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input Layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Input vector layer to sort
Expression	`EXPRESSION`	[expression]	Expression to use for the sorting
Sort ascending	`ASCENDING`	[boolean] Default: True	If checked the vector layer will be sorted from small to large values.
Sort nulls first	`NULLS_FIRST`	[boolean] Default: False	If checked, Null values are placed first
Ordered	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output vector layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Ordered	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	Output (sorted) vector layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:orderbyexpression`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Repair Shapefile

Repairs a broken ESRI Shapefile dataset by (re)creating the SHX file.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input Shapefile	`INPUT`	[file]	Full path to the ESRI Shapefile dataset with a missing or broken SHX file

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Repaired layer	`OUTPUT`	[vector: any]	The input vector layer with the SHX file repaired

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:repairshapefile`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Reproject layer

Reprojects a vector layer in a different CRS. The reprojected layer will have the same features and attributes of the input layer.

Allows *features in-place modification*

Siehe auch:

Projektion zuweisen, *Define Shapefile projection*, *Find projection*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input Layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Input vector layer to reproject
Target CRS	`TARGET_CRS`	[crs] Default: `EPSG:4326 - WGS 84`	Destination coordinate reference system
Coordinate Operation Optional	`OPERATION`	[string]	Specific operation to use for a particular reprojection task, instead of always forcing use of the current project's transformation settings. Useful when reprojecting a particular layer and control over the exact transformation pipeline is required. Requires proj version >= 6. Read more at *Datum Transformations*.
Reprojected	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output vector layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Reprojected	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	Output (reprojected) vector layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:reprojectlayer`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Save vector features to file

Saves vector features to a specified file dataset.

For dataset formats supporting layers, an optional layer name parameter can be used to specify a custom string. Optional GDAL-defined dataset and layer options can be specified. For more information on this, read the online GDAL documentation on the format.

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Vector features	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Input vector layer.
Saved features	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specify the file to save the features to. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Layer name Optional	`LAYER_NAME`	[string]	Name to use for the output layer
GDAL dataset options Optional	`DATASOURCE_OPTIONS`	[string]	GDAL dataset creation options of the output format. Separate individual options with semicolons.
GDAL layer options Optional	`LAYER_OPTIONS`	[string]	GDAL layer creation options of the output format. Separate individual options with semicolons.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Saved features	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	Vector layer with the saved features.
File name and path	`FILE_PATH`	[string]	Output file name and path.
Layer name	`LAYER_NAME`	[string]	Name of the layer, if any.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:savefeatures`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Set layer encoding

Sets the encoding used for reading a layer's attributes. No permanent changes are made to the layer, rather it affects only how the layer is read during the current session.

Bemerkung: Changing the encoding is only supported for some vector layer data sources.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Saved features	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Vector layer to set the encoding.
Encoding	`ENCODING`	[string]	Text encoding to assign to the layer in the current QGIS session.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Output layer	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	Input vector layer with the set encoding.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:setlayerencoding`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Split features by character

Features are split into multiple output features by splitting a field's value at a specified character. For instance, if a layer contains features with multiple comma separated values contained in a single field, this algorithm can be used to split these values up across multiple output features. Geometries and other attributes remain unchanged in the output. Optionally, the separator string can be a regular expression for added flexibility.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input Layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Input vector layer
Split using values in the field	`FIELD`	[tablefield: any]	Field to use for splitting
Split value using character	`CHAR`	[string]	Character to use for splitting
Use regular expression separator	`REGEX`	[boolean] Default: False	

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Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Split	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `Create temporary layer`	Specify output vector layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Split	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	The output vector layer.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:splitfeaturesbycharacter`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Split vector layer

Creates a set of vectors in an output folder based on an input layer and an attribute. The output folder will contain as many layers as the unique values found in the desired field.

The number of files generated is equal to the number of different values found for the specified attribute.

It is the opposite operation of *merging*.

Default menu: *Vector ► Data Management Tools*

Siehe auch:

Merge vector layers

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input Layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Input vector layer
Unique ID field	`FIELD`	[tablefield: any]	Field to use for splitting
Output directory	`OUTPUT`	[folder] Default: `[Save to temporary folder]`	Specify the directory for the output layers. One of: • Save to a Temporary Directory • Save to Directory

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Output file type Optional	`FILE_TYPE`	[enumeration] Default: `gpkg` in the dialog window	Select the extension of the output files. If not specified or invalid, the output files format will be the one set in the „Default output vector layer extension“ Processing setting.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Output directory	`OUTPUT`	[folder]	The directory for the output layers
Output layers	`OUTPUT_LAYERS`	[same as input] [list]	The output vector layers resulting from the split.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:splitvectorlayer`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Truncate table

Truncates a layer, by deleting all features from within the layer.

> **Warnung:** This algorithm modifies the layer in place, and deleted features cannot be restored!

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input Layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Input vector layer

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Truncated layer	`OUTPUT`	[folder]	The truncated (empty) layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:truncatetable`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

25.1.18 Vector geometry

Add geometry attributes

Computes geometric properties of the features in a vector layer and includes them in the output layer.

It generates a new vector layer with the same content as the input one, but with additional attributes, containing geometric measurements based on a selected CRS.

The attributes added to the table depend on the geometry type and dimension of the input layer:

- for **point** layers: X (`xcoord`), Y (`ycoord`), Z (`zcoord`) coordinates and/or M value (`mvalue`)
- for **line** layers: `length` and, for the LineString and CompoundCurve geometry types, the feature `sinuosity` and straight distance (`straightdis`)
- for **polygon** layers: `perimeter` and `area`

Default menu: *Vector* ► *Geometry Tools*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Input vector layer
Calculate using	`CALC_METHOD`	[enumeration] Default: 0	Calculation parameters to use for the geometric properties. One of: • 0 — Layer CRS • 1 — Project CRS • 2 — Ellipsoidal
Added geom info	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output (input copy with geometry) layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Added geom info	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	Copy of the input vector layer with the addition of the geometry fields

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:exportaddgeometrycolumns`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Affine transform

Applies an affine transformation to the layer geometries. Affine transformations can include translation, scaling and rotation. The operations are performed in the following order: scale, rotation, and translation.

Z and M values (if present) can be translated and scaled.

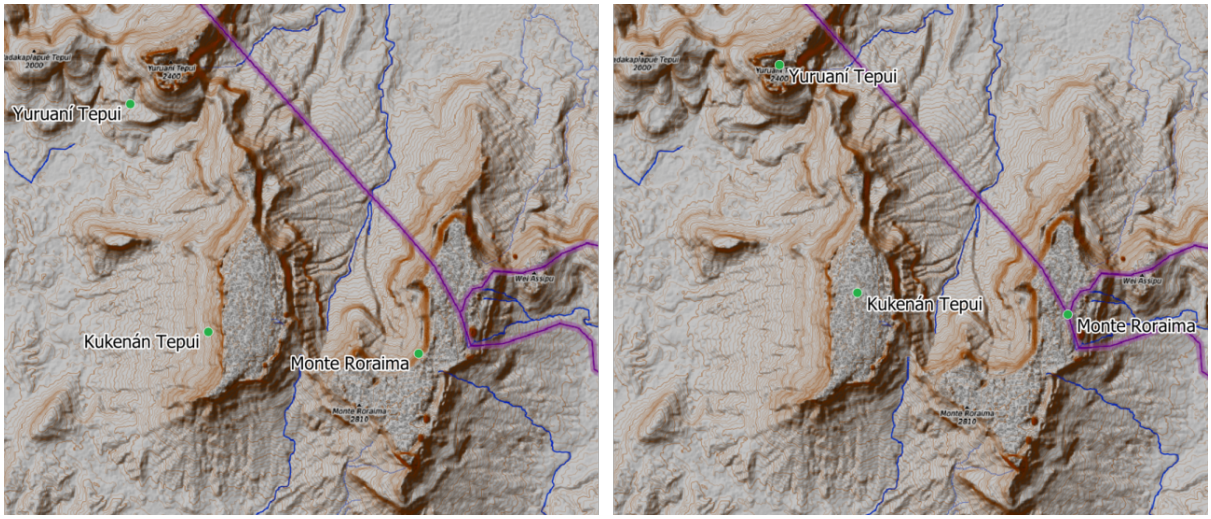


Abb. 25.48: Vector point layer (green dots) before (left), and after (rigth) an affine transformation (translation).

Allows *features in-place modification* of point, line, and polygon features

Siehe auch:

Translate

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Input vector layer
Translation (x-axis)	`DELTA_X`	[number] Default: 0	Displacement to apply on the X axis.
Translation (y-axis)	`DELTA_Y`	[number] Default: 0	Displacement to apply on the Y axis.
Translation (z-axis)	`DELTA_Z`	[number] Default: 0	Displacement to apply on the Z axis.
Translation (m-values)	`DELTA_M`	[number] Default: 0	Offset to apply on m values.
Scale factor (x-axis)	`SCALE_X`	[number] Default: 1	Scaling value (expansion or contraction) to apply on the X axis.
Scale factor (y-axis)	`SCALE_Y`	[number] Default: 1	Scaling value (expansion or contraction) to apply on the Y axis.
Scale factor (z-axis)	`SCALE_Z`	[number] Default: 1	Scaling value (expansion or contraction) to apply on the Z axis.
Scale factor (m-values)	`SCALE_M`	[number] Default: 1	Scaling value (expansion or contraction) to apply on m values.
Rotation around z-axis (degrees counter-clockwise)	`ROTATION_Z`	[number] Default: 0	Angle of the rotation in degrees.
Transformed	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output vector layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… • Append to Layer… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Transformed	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	Output (transformed) vector layer.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:affinetransform`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Aggregate

Takes a vector or table layer and creates a new layer by aggregating features based on a `group by` expression.

Features for which `group by` expression returns the same value are grouped together.

It is possible to group all source features together using constant value in `group by` parameter, example: NULL.

It is also possible to group features by multiple fields using Array function, example: Array(„Field1“, „Field2“).

Geometries (if present) are combined into one multipart geometry for each group. Output attributes are computed depending on each given aggregate definition.

This algorithm allows to use the default *aggregates functions* of the QGIS Expression engine.

Siehe auch:

Collect geometries, *Dissolve*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Input vector layer
Group by expression	`GROUP_BY`	[tablefield: any] Default: ‚NULL‘	Choose the grouping field. If *NULL* all features will be grouped.

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Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Aggregates	AGGREGATES	[list]	List of output layer field definitions. Example of a field definition: *{‚aggregate‘: ‚sum‘, ‚delimiter‘: „‘, ‚input‘: , $area‘, ‚length‘: 10, ‚name‘: ‚totarea‘, ‚precision‘: 0, ‚type‘: 6}* By default, the list contains all the fields of the input layer. In the GUI, you can edit these fields and their definitions, and you can also: • Click the button to add a new field. • Click to delete the selected field. • Use and to change order of the fields. • Click to reset to the default (the fields of the input layer). For each of the fields you'd like to retrieve information from, you need to define the following: **Input expression [expression] (input)** Field or expression from the input layer. **Aggregate function [enumeration] (aggregate)** *Function* to use on the input expression to return the aggregated value. Default: *concatenate* (for string data type), *sum* (for numeric data type) **Delimiter [string] (delimiter)** Text string to separate aggregated values, for example in case of concatenation. Default: , **Output field name [string] (name)** Name of the aggregated field in the output layer. By default input field name is kept. **Type [enumeration] (type)** Data type of the output field. One of: • 1 — Boolean • 2 — Integer • 4 — Integer64 • 6 — Double • 10 — String • 14 — Date • 16 — DateTime **Length [number] (length)** Length of the output field. **Precision [number] (precision)** Precision of the output field.
Load fields from layer	GUI only	[vector: any]	You can load fields from another layer and use them for the aggregation

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Tab. 25.134 – Fortsetzung der vorherigen Seite

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Aggregated	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output (aggregate) layer One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Aggregated	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	Multigeometry vector layer with the aggregated values

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:aggregate`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Boundary

Returns the closure of the combinatorial boundary of the input geometries (i.e. the topological boundary of the geometry).

Only for polygon and line layers.

For **polygon geometries** , the boundary consists of all the lines making up the rings of the polygon.

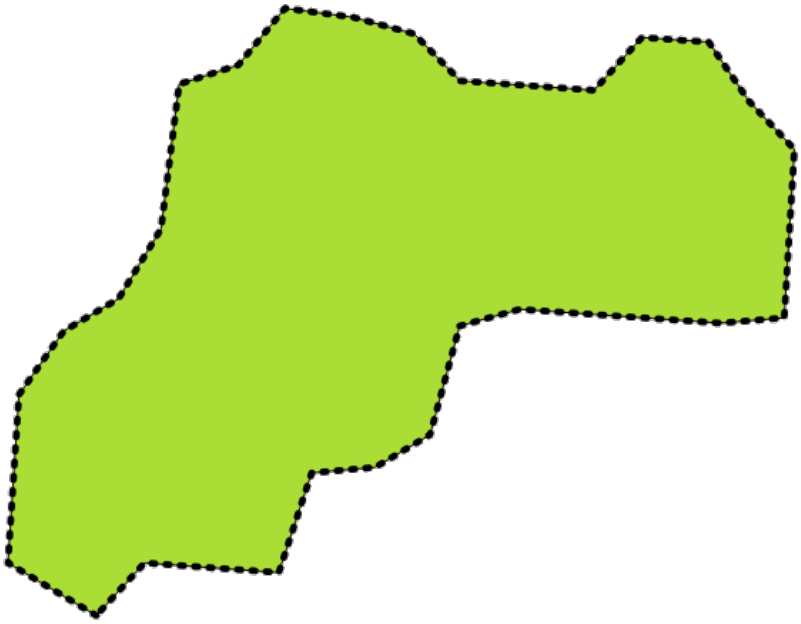


Abb. 25.49: Boundaries (black dashed line) of the source polygon layer

For **lines geometries**, the boundaries are their end points.

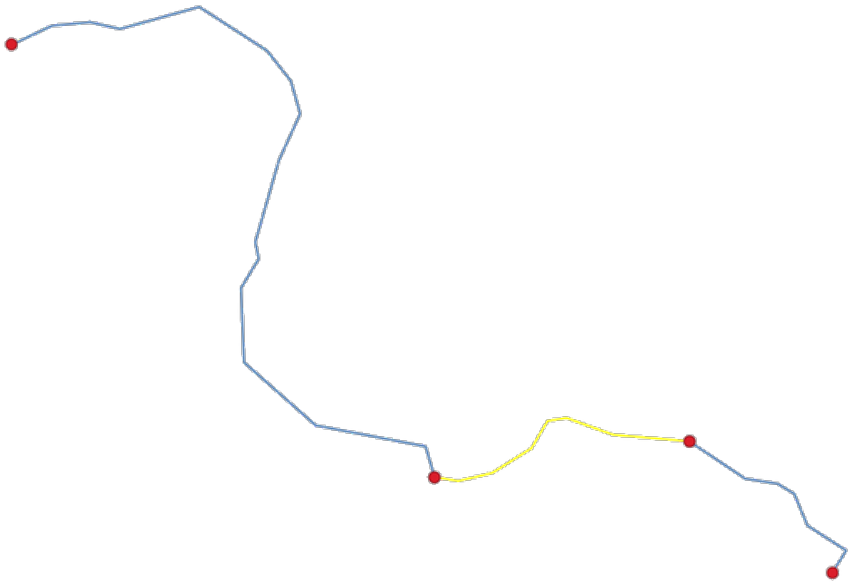


Abb. 25.50: Boundary layer (red points) for lines. In yellow a selected feature.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: line, polygon]	Input line or polygon vector layer
Boundary	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point, line] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output (boundary) layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… • Append to Layer… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Boundary	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point, line]	Boundaries from the input layer (point for line, and line for polygon)

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:boundary`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Bounding boxes

Calculates the bounding box (envelope) of each feature in an input layer. Polygon and line geometries are supported.

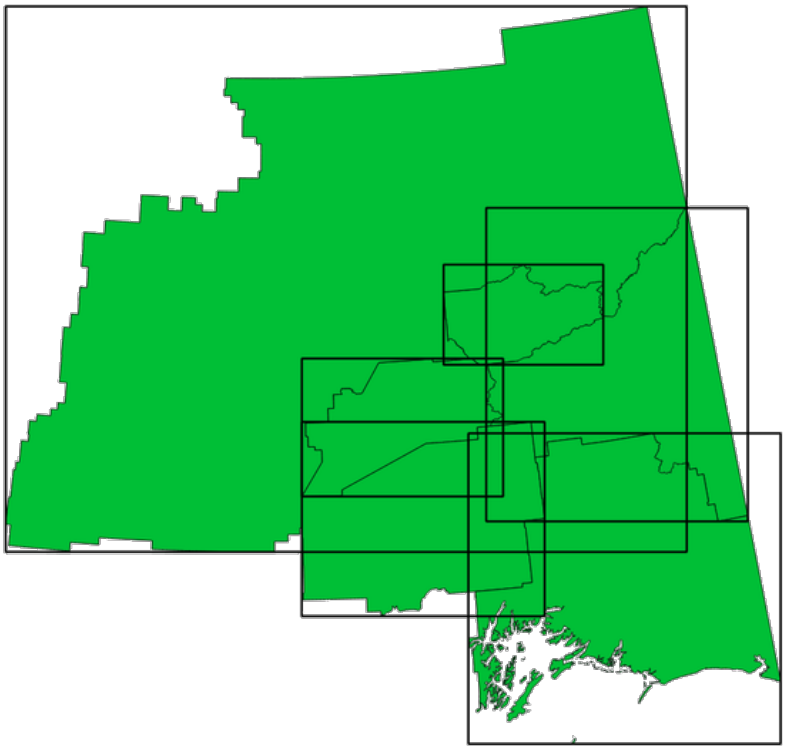


Abb. 25.51: Black lines represent the bounding boxes of each polygon feature

Allows *features in-place modification* of polygon features

Siehe auch:

Minimum bounding geometry

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: line, polygon]	Input line or polygon vector layer
Bounds	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output (bounding box) layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… • Append to Layer… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Bounds	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon]	Bounding boxes of input layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:boundingboxes`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Buffer

Computes a buffer area for all the features in an input layer, using a fixed distance.

It is possible to use a negative distance for polygon input layers. In this case the buffer will result in a smaller polygon (setback).

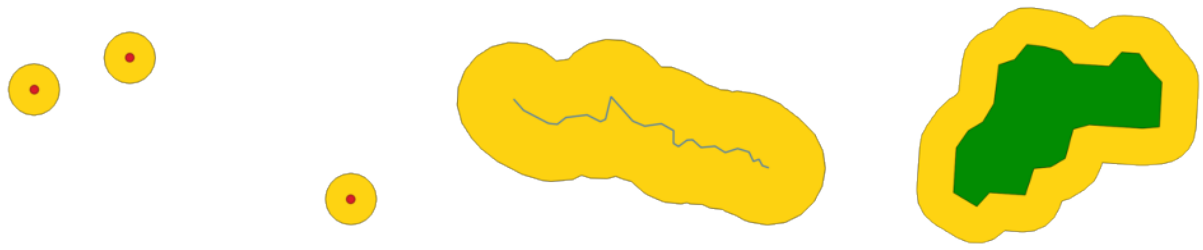


Abb. 25.52: Buffer (in yellow) of points, line and polygon

Allows *features in-place modification* of polygon features

Default menu: *Vector* ► *Geoprocessing Tools*

Siehe auch:

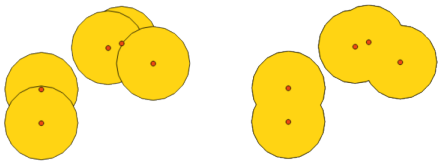
Variable distance buffer, *Multi-ring buffer (constant distance)*, *Variable width buffer (by M value)*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Input vector layer
Distance	`DISTANCE`	[number] Default: 10.0	Buffer distance (from the boundary of each feature). You can use the Data Defined button on the right to choose a field from which the radius will be calculated. This way you can have different radius for each feature (see *Variable distance buffer*).

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Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Segments	`SEGMENTS`	[number] Default: 5	Controls the number of line segments to use to approximate a quarter circle when creating rounded offsets.
End cap style	`END_CAP_STYLE`	[enumeration] Default: 0	Controls how line endings are handled in the buffer. One of: • 0 — Round • 1 — Flat • 2 — Square  Abb. 25.53: Round, flat and square cap styles
Join style	`JOIN_STYLE`	[enumeration] Default: 0	Specifies whether round, miter or beveled joins should be used when offsetting corners in a line. Options are: • 0 — Round • 1 — Miter • 2 — Bevel  Abb. 25.54: Round, miter, and bevel join styles
Miter limit	`MITER_LIMIT`	[number] Default: 2.0	Controls the maximum distance from the offset curve to use when creating a mitered join (only applicable for miter join styles). Minimum: 1.
Dissolve result	`DISSOLVE`	[boolean] Default: False	Dissolve the final buffer. If `True` (checked), overlapping buffers will be dissolved (combined) into a new feature.  Abb. 25.55: Standard and dissolved buffer
Buffered	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output (buffer) layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… • Append to Layer… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Buffered	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon]	Output (buffer) polygon layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:buffer`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Centroids

Creates a new point layer, with points representing the centroids of the geometries of the input layer.

The centroid is a single point representing the barycenter (of all parts) of the feature, so it can be outside the feature borders. But can also be a point on each part of the feature.

The attributes of the points in the output layer are the same as for the original features.

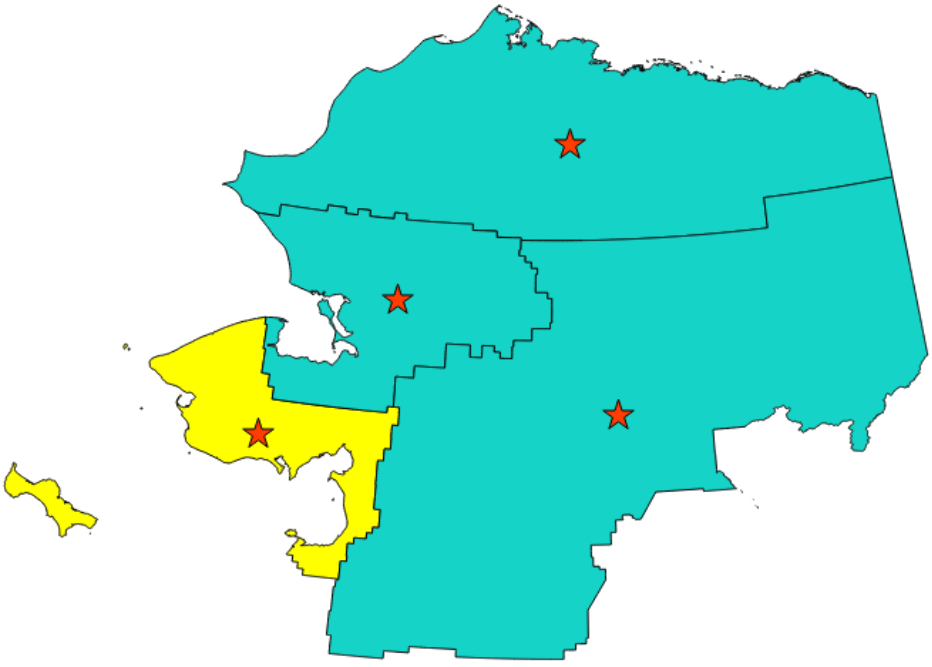


Abb. 25.56: The red stars represent the centroids of the features of the input layer.

Allows *features in-place modification* of point features

Default menu: *Vector* ► *Geometry Tools*

Siehe auch:

Point on Surface

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Input vector layer
Create centroid for each part	`ALL_PARTS`	[boolean] Default: False	If True (checked), a centroid will be created for each part of the geometry
Centroids	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output (centroid) layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… • Append to Layer… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Centroids	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point]	Output point vector layer (centroids)

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:centroids`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

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Check validity

Performs a validity check on the geometries of a vector layer.

The geometries are classified in three groups (valid, invalid and error) and for each group, a vector layer with its features is generated:

- The **Valid output** layer contains only the valid features (without topological errors).
- The **Invalid output** layer contains all the invalid features found by the algorithm.
- The **Error output** layer is a point layer that points to where the invalid features were found.

The attribute tables of the generated layers will contain some additional information („message“ for the **error** layer, „FID“ and „_errors“ for the **invalid** layer and only „FID“ for the **valid** layer):

The attribute table of each generated vector layer will contain some additional information (number of errors found and types of error):

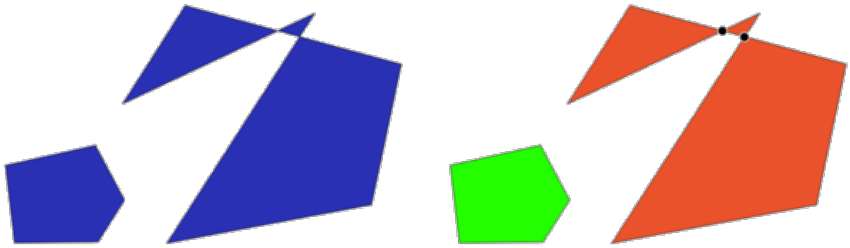


Abb. 25.57: Left: the input layer. Right: the valid layer (green), the invalid layer (orange)

Default menu: *Vector ► Geometry Tools*

Siehe auch:

Fix geometries and the core plugin *Geometry Checker Plugin*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT_LAYER`	[vector: any]	Input vector layer
Method	`METHOD`	[enumeration] Default: 2	Method to use to check validity. Options: • 0: The one selected in digitizing settings • 1: QGIS • 2: GEOS
Ignore ring self intersection	`IGNORE_RING_SELF_INTERSECTION`	[boolean] Default: False	Ignore self intersecting rings when checking for validity.
Valid output	`VALID_OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the vector layer to contain a copy of the valid features of the source layer. One of: • Skip Output • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.
Invalid output	`INVALID_OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Vector layer containing copy of the invalid features of the source layer with the field `_errors` listing the summary of the error(s) found. One of: • Skip Output • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

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Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Error output	`ERROR_OUTPUT`	[vector: point] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Point layer of the exact position of the validity problems detected with the `message` field describing the error(s) found. One of: • Skip Output • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Count of errors	`ERROR_COUNT`	[number]	The number of geometries that caused errors.
Error output	`ERROR_OUTPUT`	[vector: point]	Point layer of the exact position of the validity problems detected with the `message` field describing the error(s) found.
Count of invalid features	`INVALID_COUNT`	[number]	The number of invalid geometries.
Invalid output	`INVALID_OUTPUT`	[same as input]	Vector layer containing copy of the invalid features of the source layer with the field `_errors` listing the summary of the error(s) found.
Count of valid features	`VALID_COUNT`	[number]	The number of valid geometries.
Valid output	`VALID_OUTPUT`	[same as input]	Vector layer containing a copy of the valid features of the source layer.

Python code

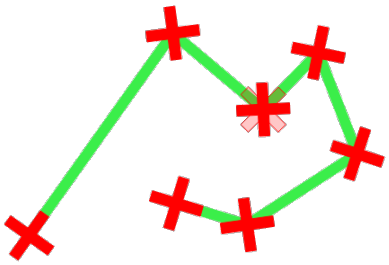
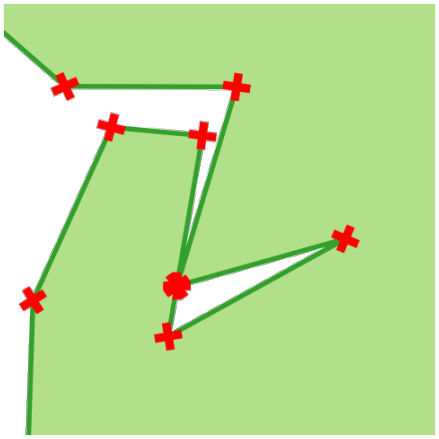
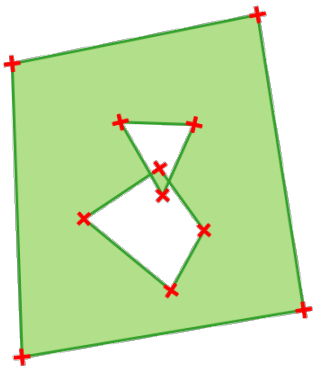
Algorithm ID: `qgis:checkvalidity`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

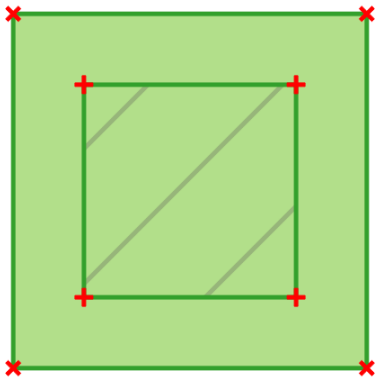
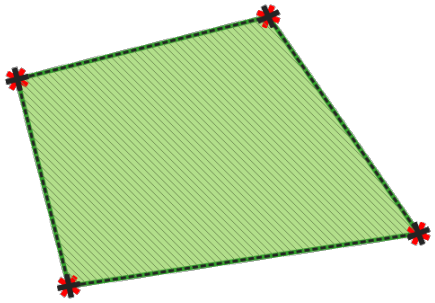
Types of error messages and their meanings

Tab. 25.138: If the GEOS method is used the following error messages can occur:

Error message	Explanation	Example
Repeated point	This error happens when a given vertex is repeated.	
Ring self-intersection	This error happens when a geometry touches itself and generates a ring.	
Self-intersection	This error happens when a geometry touches itself.	
Topology validation error		
Hole lies outside shell		
Holes are nested		
Interior is disconnected		

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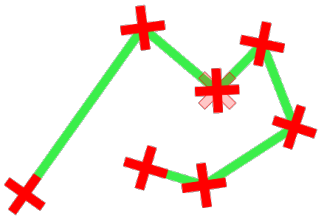
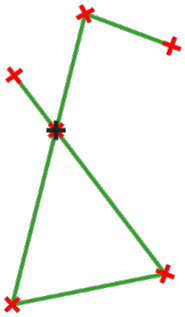
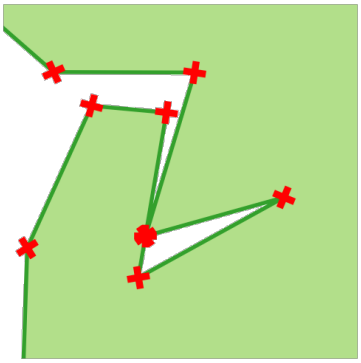
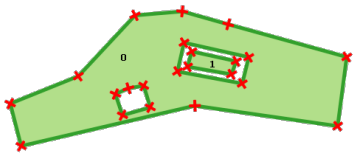
Error message	Explanation	Example
Nested shells	This error happens when a polygon geometry is on top of another polygon geometry.	
Duplicate rings	This error happens when two rings (exterior or interior) of a polygon geometry are identical	
Too few points in geometry component		
Invalid coordinate	For a point geometry, this error happens when the geometry does not have a proper coordinate pair. The coordinate pair does not contain a latitude value and a longitude value in that order.	
Ring is not closed		

Tab. 25.139: If the QGIS method is used the following error messages can occur:

Error message	Explanation	Example
Segment %1 of ring %2 of polygon %3 intersects segment %4 of ring %5 of polygon %6 at %7		
Ring %1 with less than four points		
Ring %1 not closed		
Line %1 with less than two points		

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Tab. 25.139 – Fortsetzung der vorherigen Seite

Error message	Explanation	Example
Line %1 contains %n duplicate node(s) at %2	This error happens when consecutive points on a line have the same coordinates.	
Segments %1 and %2 of line %3 intersect at %4	This error happens when a line self intersects (two segments of the line intersect each other).	
Ring self-intersection	This error happens when an outer or inner (island) ring / boundary of a polygon geometry intersects itself.	
Ring %1 of polygon %2 not in exterior ring		
Polygon %1 lies inside polygon %2	This error happens when a part of a MultiPolygon geometry is inside a hole of a MultiPolygon geometry.	

Collect geometries

Takes a vector layer and collects its geometries into new multipart geometries.

One or more attributes can be specified to collect only geometries belonging to the same class (having the same value for the specified attributes), alternatively all geometries can be collected.

All output geometries will be converted to multi geometries, even those with just a single part. This algorithm does not dissolve overlapping geometries - they will be collected together without modifying the shape of each geometry part.

See the ‚Promote to multipart' or ‚Aggregate' algorithms for alternative options.

Default menu: *Vector ► Geometry Tools*

Siehe auch:

Aggregate, *Promote to multipart*, *Dissolve*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Input vector layer
Unique ID fields	`FIELD`	[tablefield: any] [list]	Choose one or more attributes to collect the geometries
Collected	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	Vector layer with collected geometries

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Collected	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output vector layer for the collected geometries. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:collect`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Concave hull (alpha shapes)

Computes the concave hull of the features in an input point layer.

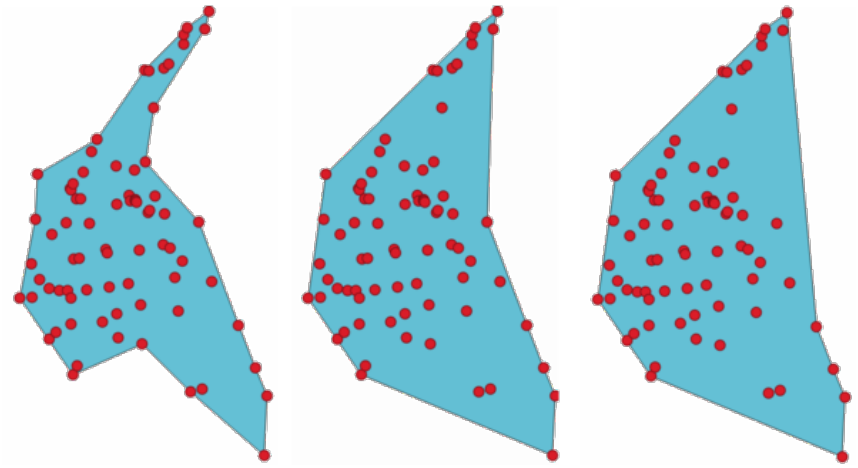


Abb. 25.58: Concave hulls with different thresholds (0.3, 0.6, 0.9)

Siehe auch:

Convex hull, *Concave hull (k-nearest neighbor)*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input point layer	`INPUT`	[vector: point]	Input point vector layer
Threshold	`ALPHA`	[number] Default: 0.3	Number from 0 (maximum concave hull) to 1 (convex hull).
Allow holes	`HOLES`	[boolean] Default: True	Choose whether to allow holes in the final concave hull
Split multipart geometry into singlepart geometries	`NO_MULTIGEOMETRY`	[boolean] Default: True	Check if you want to have singlepart geometries instead of multipart ones.
Concave hull	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output vector layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Concave hull	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon]	The output vector layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:concavehull`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Concave hull (k-nearest neighbor)

Generates a concave hull polygon from a set of points. If the input layer is a line or polygon layer, it will use the vertices.

The number of neighbors to consider determines the concaveness of the output polygon. A lower number will result in a concave hull that follows the points very closely, while a higher number will have a smoother shape. The minimum number of neighbor points to consider is 3. A value equal to or greater than the number of points will result in a convex hull.

If a field is selected, the algorithm will group the features in the input layer using unique values in that field and generate individual polygons in the output layer for each group.

Siehe auch:

Concave hull (alpha shapes)

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Input vector layer
Number of neighboring points to consider (a lower number is more concave, a higher number is smoother)	`KNEIGHBORS`	[number] Default: 3	Determines the concaveness of the output polygon. A small number will result in a concave hull that follows the points very closely, while a high number will make the polygon look more like the convex hull (if the number is equal to or larger than the number of features, the result will be the convex hull). Minimum value: 3.
Field Optional	`FIELD`	[tablefield: any] Default: None	If specified, one concave hull polygon is generated for each unique value of the field (by selecting features using this value).
Concave hull	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output vector layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Concave hull	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon]	The output vector layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:knearestconcavehull`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Convert geometry type

Generates a new layer based on an existing one, with a different type of geometry.

The attribute table of the output layer is the same as the one of the input layer.

Not all conversions are possible. For instance, a line layer can be converted to a point layer, but a point layer cannot be converted to a line layer.

Siehe auch:

Polygonize, *Lines to polygons*, *Polygons to lines*, *Points to path*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Input vector layer
New geometry type	`TYPE`	[enumeration] Default: 0	Geometry type to apply to the output features. One of: • 0 — Centroids • 1 — Nodes • 2 — Linestrings • 3 — Multilinestrings • 4 — Polygons
Converted	`OUTPUT`	[vector: any] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output vector layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Converted	`OUTPUT`	[vector: any]	Output vector layer - the type depends on the parameters

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:convertgeometrytype`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Convert to curved geometries

Converts a geometry into its curved geometry equivalent.

Already curved geometries will be retained without change.

Allows *features in-place modification* of line and polygon features

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: line or polygon]	Input vector layer
Maximum distance tolerance	`DISTANCE`	[number] Default: 0.000001	The maximum distance allowed between the original location of vertices and where they would fall on the converted curved geometries
Maximum angle tolerance	`ANGLE`	[number] Default: 0.000001	Segments are considered as suitable for replacing with an arc if the points are all regularly spaced on the candidate arc. This parameter specifies the maximum angular deviation (in degrees) allowed when testing for regular point spacing. Between 0 and 45°.
Curves	`OUTPUT`	[vector: compoundcurve or curvepolygon] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output vector layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… • Append to Layer… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Curves	`OUTPUT`	[vector: compoundcurve or curvepolygon]	Output vector layer with curved geometries

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:converttocurves`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Convex hull

Calculates the convex hull for each feature in an input layer.

See the ‚Minimum bounding geometry' algorithm for a convex hull calculation which covers the whole layer or grouped subsets of features.

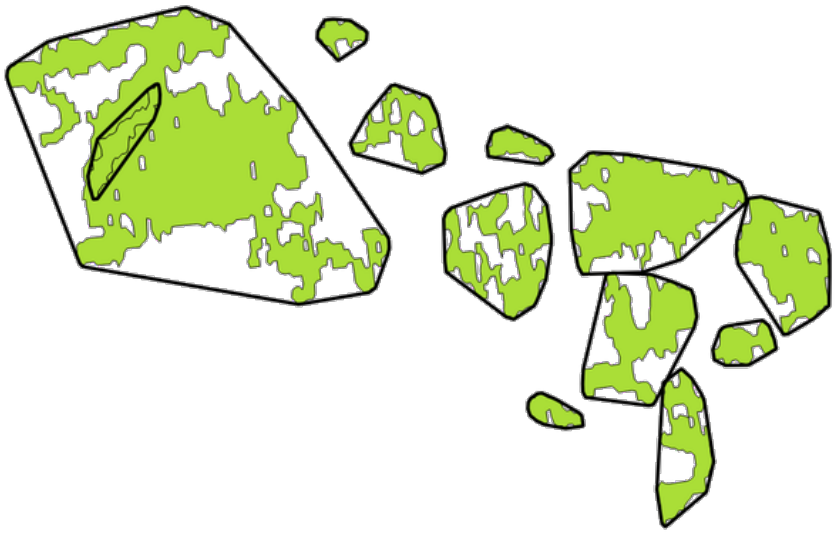


Abb. 25.59: Black lines identify the convex hull for each layer feature

Allows *features in-place modification* of polygon features

Default menu: *Vector* ► *Geoprocessing Tools*

Siehe auch:

Minimum bounding geometry, *Concave hull (alpha shapes)*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Input vector layer
Convex hull	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output vector layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… • Append to Layer… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Convex hull	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon]	The output (convex hull) vector layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:convexhull`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Create layer from extent

Creates a new vector layer that contains a single feature with geometry matching the extent of the input layer.

It can be used in models to convert a literal extent (`xmin`, `xmax`, `ymin`, `ymax` format) into a layer which can be used for other algorithms which require a layer based input.

Siehe auch:

Create layer from point

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Extent (xmin, xmax, ymin, ymax)	`INPUT`	[extent]	Input extent Available methods are: • Calculate from layer…: uses extent of a layer loaded in the current project • Use map canvas extent • Draw on canvas • Enter the coordinates as `xmin, xmax, ymin, ymax`
Extent	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output vector layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Extent	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon]	The output (extent) vector layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:extenttolayer`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Create layer from point

Creates a new vector layer that contains a single feature with geometry matching a point parameter. It can be used in models to convert a point into a point layer for algorithms which require a layer based input.

Siehe auch:

Create layer from extent

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Point	`INPUT`	[coordinates]	Input point, including CRS info (example: `397254,6214446 [EPSG:32632]`). If the CRS is not provided, the Project CRS will be used. The point can be specified by clicking on the map canvas.
Point	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Point	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point]	The output point vector layer containing the input point.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:pointtolayer`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Create wedge buffers

Creates wedge shaped buffers from input points.

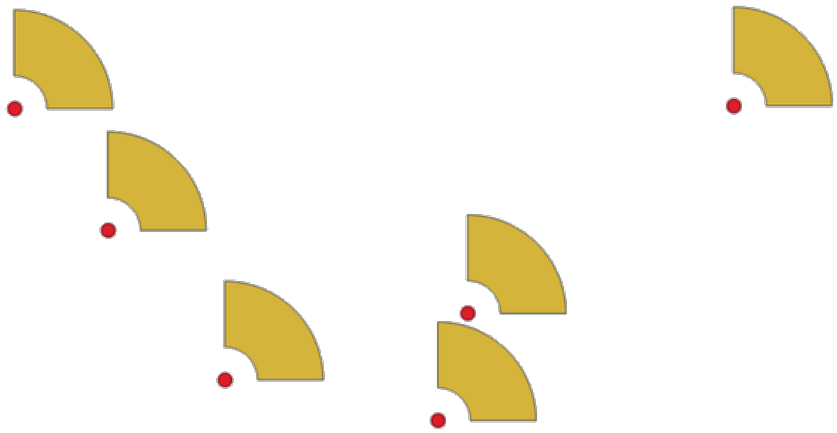


Abb. 25.60: Wedge buffers

The native output from this algorithm are CurvePolygon geometries, but these may be automatically segmentized to Polygons depending on the output format.

Siehe auch:

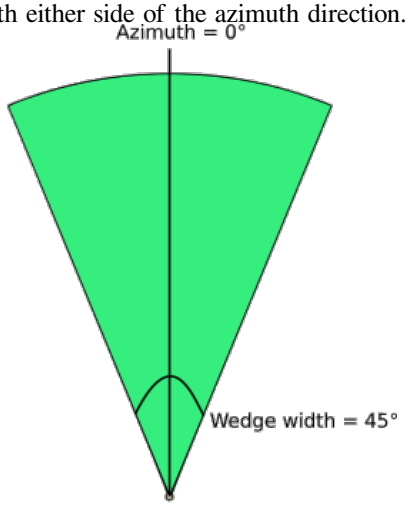
Buffer, *Variable width buffer (by M value)*, *Tapered buffers*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: point]	Input point vector layer
Azimuth (degrees from North)	`AZIMUTH`	[number] Default: 0.0	Angle (in degrees) as the middle value of the wedge

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Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Wedge width (in degrees)	`WIDTH`	[number] Default: 45.0	Width (in degrees) of the buffer. The wedge will extend to half of the angular width either side of the azimuth direction.  Abb. 25.61: Azimuth and width values of the wedge buffer
Outer radius	`OUTER_RADIUS`	[number] Default: 1.0	The outer *size* (length) of the wedge: the size is meant from the source point to the edge of the wedge shape.
Inner radius Optional	`INNER_RADIUS`	[number] Default: 0.0	Inner radius value. If 0 the wedge will begin from the source point.
Buffers	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output vector layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… • Append to Layer… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Buffers	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon]	The output (wedge buffer) vector layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:wedgebuffers`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Delaunay triangulation

Creates a polygon layer with the Delaunay triangulation corresponding to the input point layer.

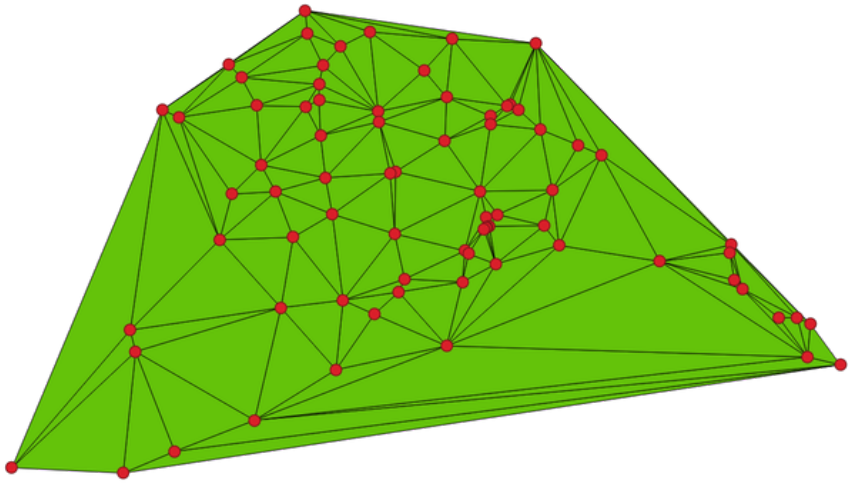


Abb. 25.62: Delaunay triangulation on points

Default menu: *Vector* ► *Geometry Tools*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: point]	Input point vector layer
Delaunay triangulation	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output vector layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Delaunay triangulation	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon]	The output (Delaunay triangulation) vector layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:delaunaytriangulation`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Delete holes

Takes a polygon layer and removes holes in polygons. It creates a new vector layer in which polygons with holes have been replaced by polygons with only their external ring. Attributes are not modified.

An optional minimum area parameter allows removing only holes which are smaller than a specified area threshold. Leaving this parameter at `0.0` results in all holes being removed.

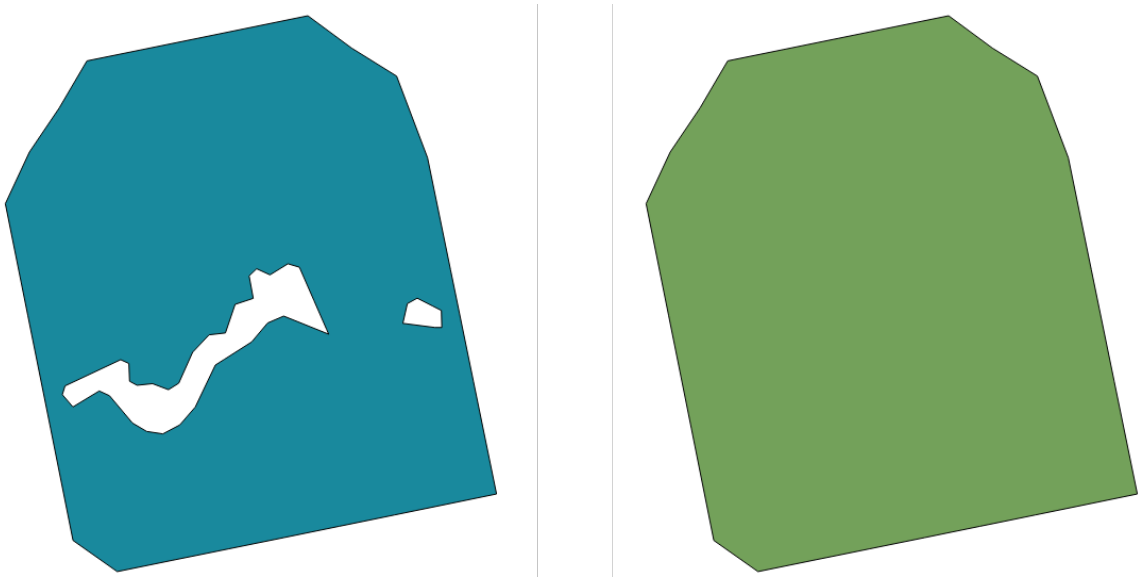


Abb. 25.63: Before and after the cleaning

Allows *features in-place modification* of polygon features

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: polygon]	Input polygon vector layer
Remove holes with area less than Optional	`MIN_AREA`	[number] Default: 0.0	Only holes with an area less than this threshold will be deleted. With a value of `0.0`, **all** the holes will be deleted.
Cleaned	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output vector layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… • Append to Layer… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Cleaned	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	The output (cleaned) vector layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:deleteholes`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Densify by count

Takes a polygon or line layer and generates a new one in which the geometries have a larger number of vertices than the original one.

If the geometries have Z or M values present then these will be linearly interpolated at the added vertices.

The number of new vertices to add to each segment is specified as an input parameter.

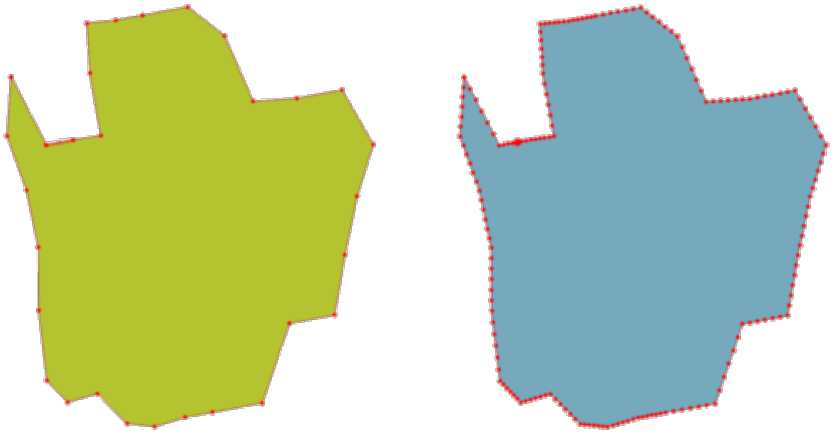


Abb. 25.64: Red points show the vertices before and after the densify

Allows *features in-place modification* of line and polygon features

Default menu: *Vector* ► *Geometry Tools*

Siehe auch:

Densify by interval

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: line, polygon]	Input line or polygon vector layer
Vertices to add	`VERTICES`	[number] Default: 1	Number of vertices to add to each segment
Densified	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output vector layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… • Append to Layer… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Densified	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	The output (densified) vector layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:densifygeometries`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Densify by interval

Takes a polygon or line layer and generates a new one in which the geometries have a larger number of vertices than the original one.

The geometries are densified by adding regularly placed extra vertices inside each segment so that the maximum distance between any two vertices does not exceed the specified distance.

If the geometries have Z or M values present then these will be linearly interpolated at the added vertices.

Example

Specifying a distance of 3 would cause the segment `[0 0] -> [10 0]` to be converted to `[0 0] -> [2.5 0] -> [5 0] -> [7.5 0] -> [10 0]`, since 3 extra vertices are required on the segment and spacing these at 2.5 increments allows them to be evenly spaced over the segment.

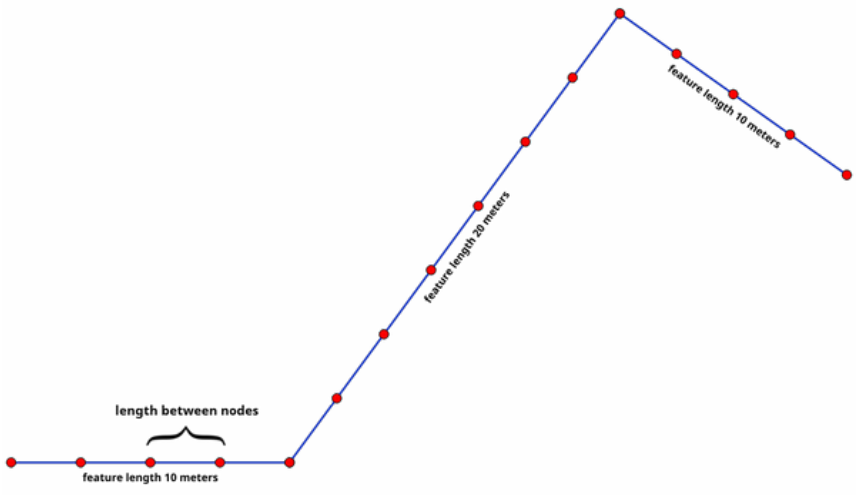


Abb. 25.65: Densify geometry at a given interval

Allows *features in-place modification* of line and polygon features

Siehe auch:

Densify by count

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: line, polygon]	Input line or polygon vector layer
Interval between vertices to add	`INTERVAL`	[number] Default: 1.0	Maximum distance between two consecutive vertices
Densified	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output vector layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… • Append to Layer… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Densified	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	The output (densified) vector layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:densifygeometriesgivenaninterval`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Dissolve

Takes a vector layer and combines its features into new features. One or more attributes can be specified to dissolve features belonging to the same class (having the same value for the specified attributes), alternatively all features can be dissolved to a single feature.

All output geometries will be converted to multi geometries. In case the input is a polygon layer, common boundaries of adjacent polygons being dissolved will get erased.

The resulting attribute table will have the same fields as the input layer. The values in the output layer's fields are the ones of the first input feature that happens to be processed.

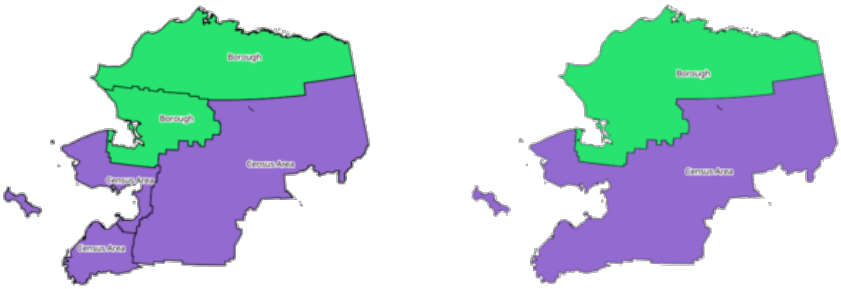


Abb. 25.66: Dissolve the polygon layer on a common attribute

Default menu: *Vector ► Geoprocessing Tools*

Siehe auch:

Aggregate, *Collect geometries*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Input vector layer
Dissolve field(s) Optional	`FIELD`	[tablefield: any] [list] Default: []	Features having the same value for the selected field(s) will be replaced with a single one and their geometries are merged. If no field is provided then all the features are dissolved, resulting in a single (multipart) feature.
Dissolved	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output vector layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Dissolved	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	The output vector layer with dissolved geometries

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:dissolve`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Drape (set Z value from raster)

Uses values sampled from a band within a raster layer to set the Z value for every overlapping vertex in the feature geometry. The raster values can optionally be scaled by a preset amount.

If Z values already exist in the layer, they will be overwritten with the new value. If no Z values exist, the geometry will be upgraded to include the Z dimension.

Allows *features in-place modification* of point, line, and polygon features with Z enabled

Siehe auch:

Set M value from raster, *Set Z value*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Input vector layer
Raster layer	`RASTER`	[raster]	Raster layer with Z values
Band number	`BAND`	[raster band] Default: 1	The raster band to take the Z values from
Value for nodata or non-intersecting vertices	`NODATA`	[number] Default: 0	Value to use in case the vertex does not intersect (a valid pixel of) the raster
Scale factor	`SCALE`	[number] Default: 1.0	Scaling value: the band values are multiplied by this value.
Updated	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output vector layer (with Z values from the raster layer). One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… • Append to Layer… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Updated	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	The output vector layer with Z values from the raster layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:setzfromraster`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Drop M/Z values

Removes M (measure) or Z (altitude) values from input geometries.

Siehe auch:

Set M value, *Set Z value*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Input vector layer with M or Z values
Drop M Values	`DROP_M_VALUES`	[boolean] Default: False	Removes the M values from the geometries
Drop Z Values	`DROP_Z_VALUES`	[boolean] Default: False	Removes the Z values from the geometries
Z/M Dropped	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output vector layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… • Append to Layer… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Z/M Dropped	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	The output vector layer (identical to the input layer, except that the M and/or Z dimensions have been removed from the geometries).

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:dropmzvalues`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Eliminate selected polygons

Combines selected polygons of the input layer with certain adjacent polygons by erasing their common boundary. The adjacent polygon can be either the one with the largest or smallest area or the one sharing the largest common boundary with the polygon to be eliminated.

Eliminate is normally used to get rid of sliver polygons, i.e. tiny polygons that are a result of polygon intersection processes where boundaries of the inputs are similar but not identical.

Default menu: *Vector* ► *Geoprocessing Tools*

Siehe auch:

Fix geometries

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: polygon]	Input polygon vector layer
Merge selection with the neighboring polygon with the	`MODE`	[enumeration] Default: None	Choose the parameter to use in order to get rid of the selected polygons: • 0 — Largest Area • 1 — Smallest Area • 2 — Largest Common Boundary
Eliminated	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output vector layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Eliminated	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon]	The output polygon vector layer.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:eliminateselectedpolygons`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Explode lines

Takes a lines layer and creates a new one in which each line layer is replaced by a set of lines representing the segments in the original line.

Each line in the resulting layer contains only a start and an end point, with no intermediate vertices between them.

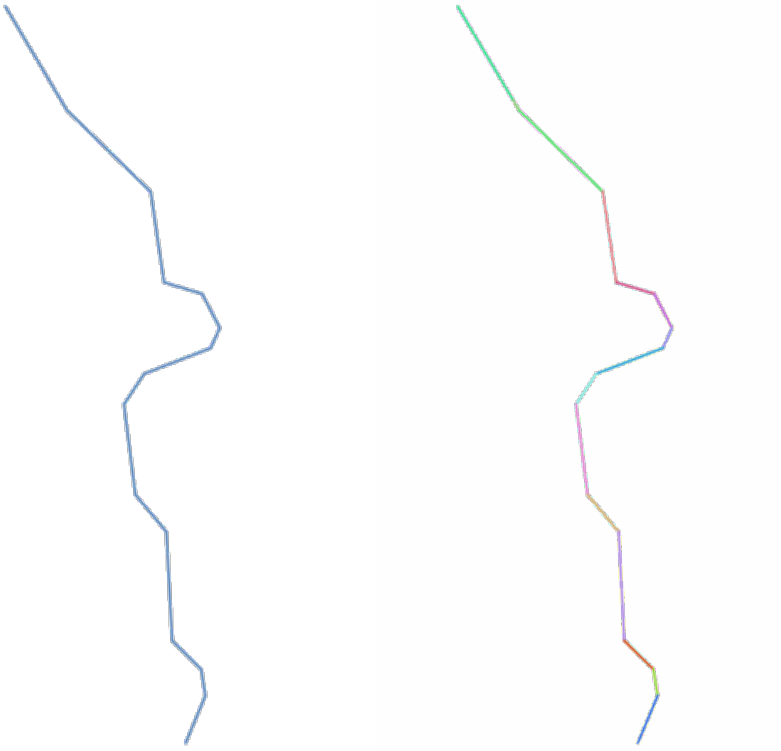


Abb. 25.67: The original line layer and the exploded one

Allows *features in-place modification* of line features

Siehe auch:

Subdivide, *Line substring*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: line]	Input line vector layer
Exploded	`OUTPUT`	[vector: line] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output vector layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… • Append to Layer… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Exploded	`OUTPUT`	[vector: line]	The output line vector layer with features representing each segment of the input layer.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:explodelines`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Extend lines

Extends line geometry by a specified amount at the start and end of the line.

Lines are extended using the bearing of the first and last segment in the line.

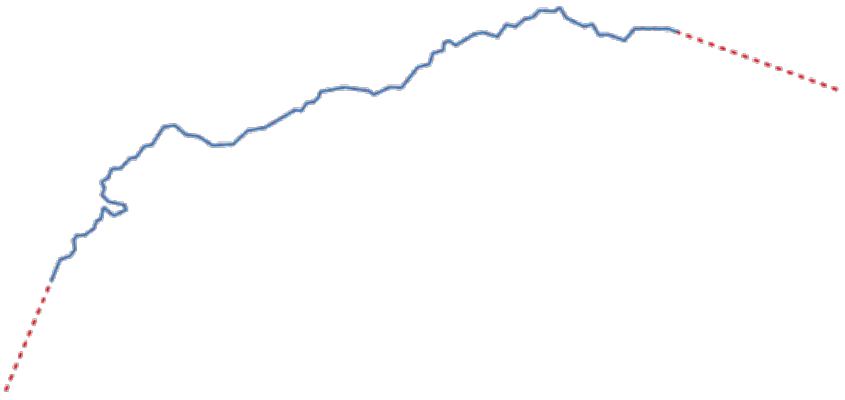


Abb. 25.68: The red dashes represent the initial and final extension of the original layer

Allows *features in-place modification* of line features

Siehe auch:

Line substring

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: line]	Input line vector layer
Start distance	`START_DISTANCE`	[number]	Distance by which to extend the first segment of the line (starting point)
End distance	`END_DISTANCE`	[number]	Distance by which to extend the last segment of the line (ending point)
Extended	`OUTPUT`	[vector: line] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output vector layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… • Append to Layer… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Extended	`OUTPUT`	[vector: line]	The output (extended) line vector layer.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:extendlines`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Extract M values

Extracts M values from geometries into feature attributes.

By default only the M value from the first vertex of each feature is extracted, however the algorithm can optionally calculate statistics on all of the geometry's M values, including sum, mean, minimum and maximum.

Siehe auch:

Extract Z values, *Set M value*, *Drop M/Z values*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Input vector layer
Summaries to calculate	`SUMMARIES`	[enumeration] Default: [0]	Statistics on the M values of a geometry. One or more of: • 0 — First • 1 — Last • 2 — Count • 3 — Sum • 4 — Mean • 5 — Median • 6 — St.dev (pop) • 7 — Minimum • 8 — Maximum • 9 — Range • 10 — Minority • 11 — Majority • 12 — Variety • 13 — Q1 • 14 — Q3 • 15 — IQR
Output column prefix	`COLUMN_PREFIX`	[string] Default: ‚m_‘	The prefix for the output (M) column
Extracted	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… • Append to Layer… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Extracted	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	The output vector layer (with M values)

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:extractmvalues`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Extract specific vertices

Takes a vector layer and generates a point layer with points representing specific vertices in the input geometries.

For instance, this algorithm can be used to extract the first or last vertices in the geometry. The attributes associated to each point are the same ones associated to the feature that the vertex belongs to.

The vertex indices parameter accepts a comma separated string specifying the indices of the vertices to extract. The first vertex corresponds to an index of 0, the second vertex has an index of 1, etc. Negative indices can be used to find vertices at the end of the geometry, e.g., an index of -1 corresponds to the last vertex, -2 corresponds to the second last vertex, etc.

Additional fields are added to the vertices indicating the specific vertex position (e.g., 0, -1, etc), the original vertex index, the vertex's part and its index within the part (as well as its ring for polygons), distance along the original geometry and bisector angle of vertex for the original geometry.

 Allows *features in-place modification* of point features

Siehe auch:

Extract vertices, *Filter vertices by M value*, *Filter vertices by Z value*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Input vector layer
Vertex indices	`VERTICES`	[string] Default: ‚0‘	Comma-separated string of the indices of the vertices to extract.
Vertices	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output vector layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… • Append to Layer… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Vertices	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point]	The output (point) vector layer containing the specified vertices from the input layer geometries.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:extractspecificvertices`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Extract vertices

Takes a vector layer and generates a point layer with points representing the vertices in the input geometries.

The attributes associated to each point are the same ones associated to the feature that the vertex belongs to.

Additional fields are added to the vertices indicating the vertex index (beginning at 0), the feature's part and its index within the part (as well as its ring for polygons), distance along original geometry and bisector angle of vertex for original geometry.

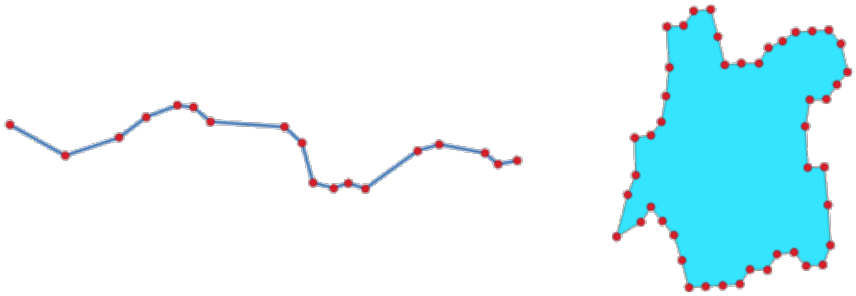


Abb. 25.69: Vertices extracted for line and polygon layer

Allows *features in-place modification* of point features

Default menu: *Vector* ► *Geometry Tools*

Siehe auch:

Extract specific vertices, *Filter vertices by M value*, *Filter vertices by Z value*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Input vector layer
Vertices	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output vector layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… • Append to Layer… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Vertices	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point]	The output (point) vector layer containing the vertices from the input layer geometries.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:extractvertices`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Extract Z values

Extracts Z values from geometries into feature attributes.

By default only the Z value from the first vertex of each feature is extracted, however the algorithm can optionally calculate statistics on all of the geometry's Z values, including sum, mean, minimum and maximum.

Siehe auch:

Extract M values, *Set Z value*, *Drop M/Z values*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Input vector layer
Summaries to calculate	`SUMMARIES`	[enumeration] Default: [0]	Statistics on the Z values of a geometry. One or more of: • 0 — First • 1 — Last • 2 — Count • 3 — Sum • 4 — Mean • 5 — Median • 6 — St.dev (pop) • 7 — Minimum • 8 — Maximum • 9 — Range • 10 — Minority • 11 — Majority • 12 — Variety • 13 — Q1 • 14 — Q3 • 15 — IQR
Output column prefix	`COLUMN_PREFIX`	[string] Default: ‚z_'	The prefix for the output (Z) column
Extracted	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… • Append to Layer… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Extracted	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	The output vector layer (with Z values)

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:extractzvalues`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Filter vertices by M value

Filters away vertices based on their M value, returning geometries with only vertex points that have a M value greater than or equal to the specified minimum value and/or less than or equal to the maximum value.

If the minimum value is not specified then only the maximum value is tested, and similarly if the maximum value is not specified then only the minimum value is tested.

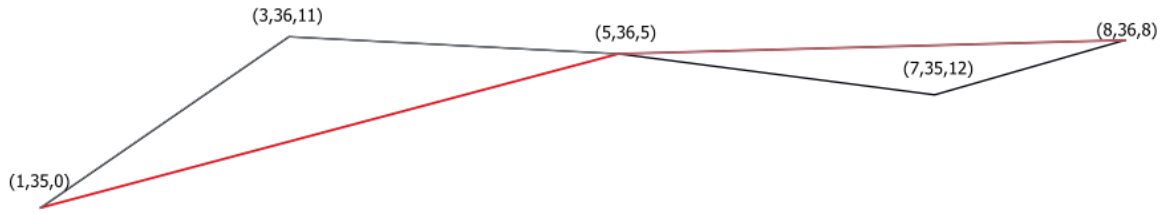


Abb. 25.70: The red line represents the black line with only vertices whose M value is <=10.

Allows *features in-place modification* of line and polygon features with M enabled

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Bemerkung: Depending on the input geometry attributes and the filters used, the resultant geometries created by this algorithm may no longer be valid.

Siehe auch:

Filter vertices by Z value, *Extract vertices*, *Extract specific vertices*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: line, polygon]	Input line or polygon vector layer to remove vertices from
Minimum Optional	`MIN`	[number] Default: *Not set*	Minimum of M values allowed
Maximum Optional	`MAX`	[number] Default: *Not set*	Maximum of M values allowed
Filtered	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output vector layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… • Append to Layer… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Filtered	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	The output vector layer of features with only the filtered vertices.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:filterverticesbym`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Filter vertices by Z value

Filters away vertices based on their Z value, returning geometries with only vertex points that have a Z value greater than or equal to the specified minimum value and/or less than or equal to the maximum value.

If the minimum value is not specified then only the maximum value is tested, and similarly if the maximum value is not specified then only the minimum value is tested.

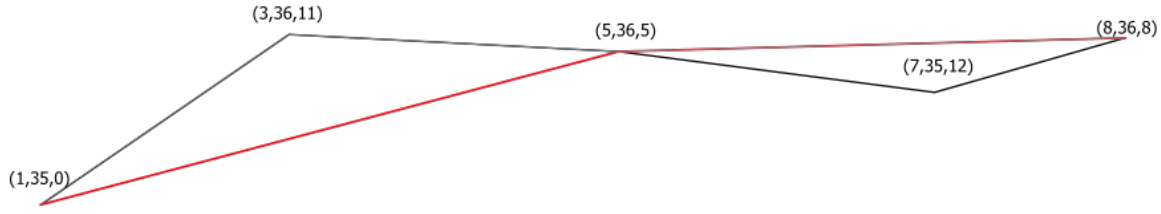


Abb. 25.71: The red line represents the black line with only vertices whose Z value is <=10.

Allows *features in-place modification* of line and polygon features with Z enabled

Bemerkung: Depending on the input geometry attributes and the filters used, the resultant geometries created by this algorithm may no longer be valid. You may need to run the *Fix geometries* algorithm to ensure their validity.

Siehe auch:

Filter vertices by M value, *Extract vertices*, *Extract specific vertices*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: line, polygon]	Input line or polygon vector layer to remove vertices from
Minimum Optional	`MIN`	[number] Default: *Not set*	Minimum of Z values allowed
Maximum Optional	`MAX`	[number] Default: *Not set*	Maximum of Z values allowed
Filtered	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output vector layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… • Append to Layer… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Filtered	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	The output vector layer of features with only the filtered vertices.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:filterverticesbyz`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Fix geometries

Attempts to create a valid representation of a given invalid geometry without losing any of the input vertices. Already valid geometries are returned without further intervention. Always outputs multi-geometry layer.

Allows *features in-place modification* of point, line, and polygon features without M enabled

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Bemerkung: M values will be dropped from the output.

Siehe auch:

Check validity

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Input vector layer
Fixed geometries	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output vector layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… • Append to Layer… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Fixed geometries	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	The output vector layer with fixed geometries.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:fixgeometries`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Force right-hand-rule

Forces polygon geometries to respect the Right-Hand-Rule, in which the area that is bounded by a polygon is to the right of the boundary. In particular, the exterior ring is oriented in a clockwise direction and any interior rings in a counter-clockwise direction.

Allows *features in-place modification* of polygon features

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: polygon]	Input vector layer
Reoriented	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output vector layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… • Append to Layer… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Reoriented	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon]	The output vector layer with reoriented geometries.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:forcerhr`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Geodesic line split at antimeridian

Splits a line into multiple geodesic segments, whenever the line crosses the antimeridian (±180 degrees longitude).

Splitting at the antimeridian helps the visual display of the lines in some projections. The returned geometry will always be a multi-part geometry.

Whenever line segments in the input geometry cross the antimeridian, they will be split into two segments, with the latitude of the breakpoint being determined using a geodesic line connecting the points either side of this segment. The current project ellipsoid setting will be used when calculating this breakpoint.

If the input geometry contains M or Z values, these will be linearly interpolated for the new vertices created at the antimeridian.

Allows *features in-place modification* of line features

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: line]	Input line vector layer
Split	`OUTPUT`	[vector: line] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output line vector layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… • Append to Layer… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Split	`OUTPUT`	[vector: line]	The output line vector layer split at the antimeridian.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:antimeridiansplit`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Geometry by expression

Updates existing geometries (or creates new geometries) for input features by use of a QGIS expression.

This allows complex geometry modifications which can utilize all the flexibility of the QGIS expression engine to manipulate and create geometries for output features.

For help with QGIS expression functions, see the inbuilt help available in the *expression builder*.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Input vector layer
Output geometry type	`OUTPUT_GEOMETRY`	[enumeration] Default: 0	The output geometry strongly depends on the expression: for instance, if you create a buffer the geometry type has to be polygon. One of: • 0 — Polygon • 1 — Line • 2 — Point

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Tab. 25.146 – Fortsetzung der vorherigen Seite

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Output geometry has z values	`WITH_Z`	[boolean] Default: False	Choose if the output geometry should include the Z dimension
Output geometry has m values	`WITH_M`	[boolean] Default: False	Choose if the output geometry should include the M dimension
Geometry expression	`EXPRESSION`	[expression] Default: ‚$geometry‘	Add the geometry expression you want to use. You can use the button to open the Expression Dialog. The dialog lists all the relevant expressions, together with their help and guide.
Modified geometry	`OUTPUT`	[vector: any] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output vector layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… • Append to Layer… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Modified geometry	`OUTPUT`	[vector: any]	The output vector layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:geometrybyexpression`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Interpolate point on line

Creates a point geometry interpolated at a set distance along line or curve geometries.

Z and M values are linearly interpolated from existing values.

If a multipart geometry is encountered, only the first part is considered when calculating the substring.

If the specified distance is greater than the input feature's length, the resultant feature will have a null geometry.



Abb. 25.72: Interpolated point at 500m of the beginning of the line

Siehe auch:

Points along geometry

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: line, polygon]	Input line or polygon vector layer
Distance	`DISTANCE`	[number] Default: 0.0	Distance from the beginning of the line
Interpolated points	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output vector layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… • Append to Layer… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Interpolated points	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point]	The output point vector layer with features at a set distance along the line or polygon boundary

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:interpolatepoint`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Keep N biggest parts

Takes a layer with polygons or multipolygons and returns a new layer in which only the *n* largest polygons of each multipolygon feature are kept. If a feature has *n* or fewer parts, the feature will just be copied.

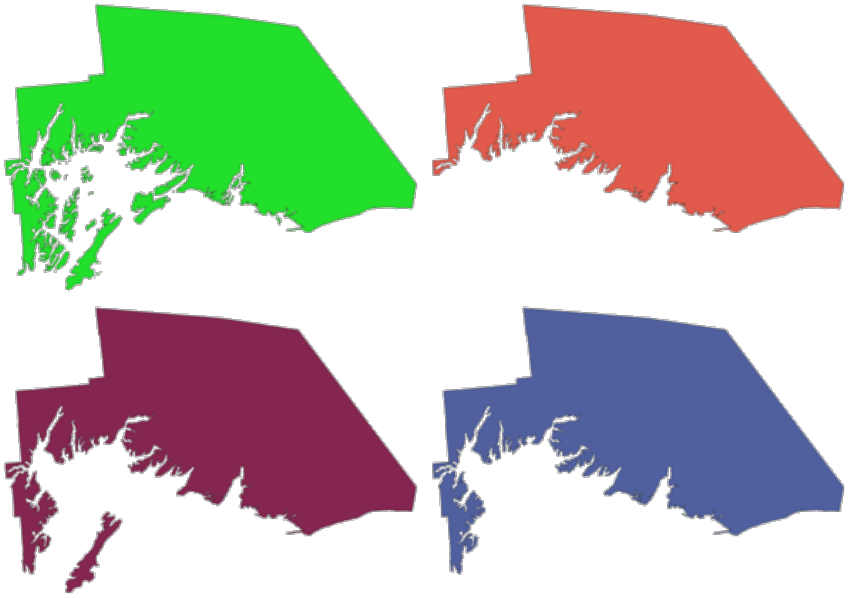


Abb. 25.73: Clockwise from top left: original multipart feature, one, two and three biggest parts kept

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Polygons	`INPUT`	[vector: polygon]	Input polygon vector layer
Parts to keep	`PARTS`	[number] Default: 1	Number of parts to keep. If 1, only the biggest part of the feature will be kept.
Parts	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output polygon vector layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Parts	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon]	The output polygon vector layer with the N biggest parts of each feature

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:keepnbiggestparts`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Line substring

Returns the portion of a line (or curve) which falls between the specified start and end distances (measured from the beginning of the line).

Z and M values are linearly interpolated from existing values.

If a multipart geometry is encountered, only the first part is considered when calculating the substring.

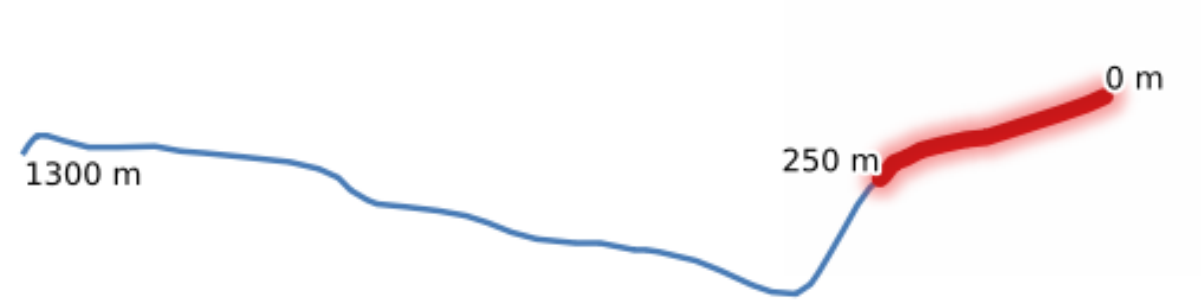


Abb. 25.74: Substring line with starting distance set at 0 meters and the ending distance at 250 meters.

Allows *features in-place modification* of line features

Siehe auch:

Extend lines

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: line]	Input line vector layer
Start distance	`START_DISTANCE`	[number]	Distance along the input line to the start point of the output feature
End distance	`END_DISTANCE`	[number]	Distance along the input line to the end point of the output feature
Substring	`OUTPUT`	[vector: line] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output line vector layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… • Append to Layer… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Substring	`OUTPUT`	[vector: line]	The output line vector layer.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:linesubstring`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Lines to polygons

Generates a polygon layer using as polygon rings the lines from an input line layer.

The attribute table of the output layer is the same as the one of the input layer.

Default menu: *Vector ► Geometry Tools*

Siehe auch:

Polygons to lines, *Polygonize*, *Convert geometry type*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: line]	Input line vector layer
Polygons	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output polygon vector layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… • Append to Layer… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Polygons	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon]	The output polygon vector layer.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:linestopolygons`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Merge lines

Joins all connected parts of MultiLineString geometries into single LineString geometries.

If any parts of the input MultiLineString geometries are not connected, the resultant geometry will be a MultiLineString containing any lines which could be merged and any non-connected line parts.

Allows *features in-place modification* of line features

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: line]	Input line vector layer
Merged	`OUTPUT`	[vector: line] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output line vector layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… • Append to Layer… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Merged	`OUTPUT`	[vector: line]	The output (merged) line vector layer.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:mergelines`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Minimum bounding geometry

Creates geometries which enclose the features from an input layer. The features can be grouped by a field. The output layer will then contain one feature per group value with a geometry (MBB) that covers the geometries of the features with matching value.

The following enclosing geometry types are supported:

- bounding box (envelope)
- oriented rectangle
- circle
- convex hull

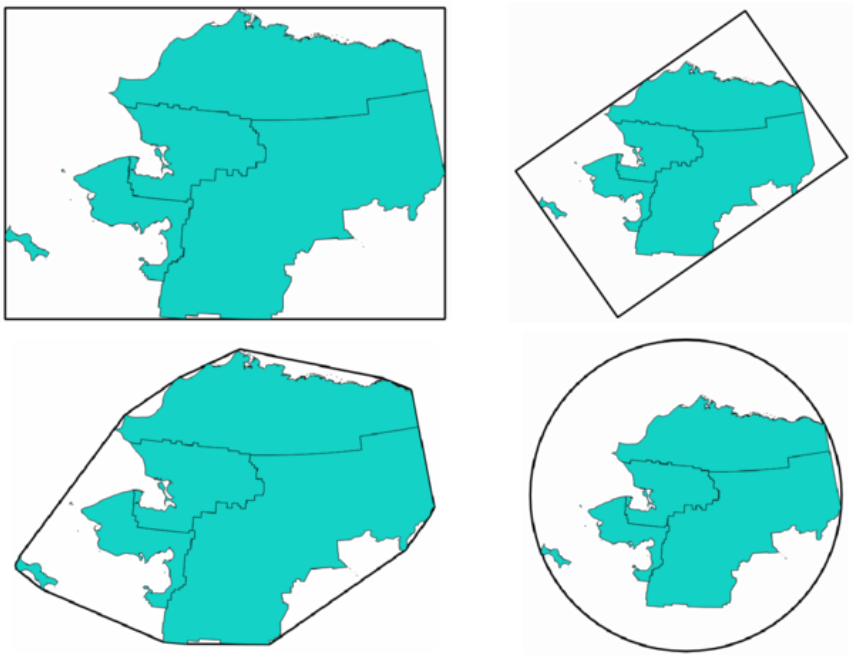


Abb. 25.75: Clockwise from top left: envelope, oriented rectangle, circle, convex hull

Siehe auch:

Minimum enclosing circles

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Input vector layer
Field Optional	`FIELD`	[tablefield: any]	Features can be grouped by a field. If set, this causes the output layer to contain one feature per grouped value with a minimal geometry covering only the features with matching values.
Geometry type	`TYPE`	[enumeration] Default: 0	Enclosing geometry types. One of: • 0 — Envelope (Bounding Box) • 1 — Minimum Oriented Rectangle • 2 — Minimum Enclosing Circle • 3 — Convex Hull
Bounding geometry	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output polygon vector layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Bounding geometry	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon]	The output (bounding) polygon vector layer.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:minimumboundinggeometry`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Minimum enclosing circles

Calculates the minimum enclosing circles of the features in the input layer.

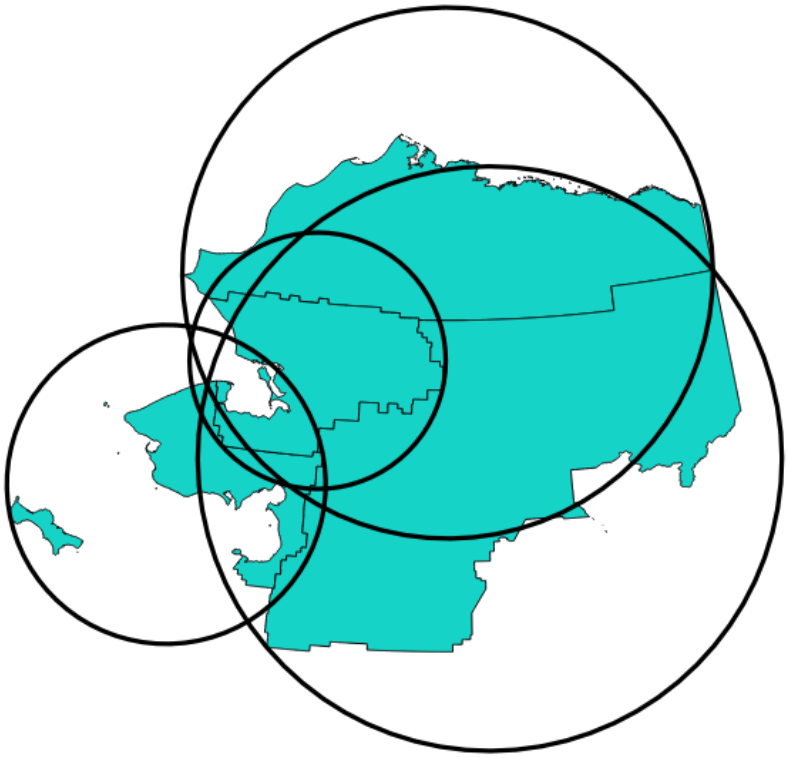


Abb. 25.76: Enclosing circles for each feature

Allows *features in-place modification* of polygon features

Siehe auch:

Minimum bounding geometry

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Input vector layer
Number of segment in circles	`SEGMENTS`	[number] Default: 72	The number of segment used to approximate a circle. Minimum 8, maximum 100000.
Minimum enclosing circles	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output polygon vector layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… • Append to Layer… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Minimum enclosing circles	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon]	The output polygon vector layer.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:minimumenclosingcircle`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Multi-ring buffer (constant distance)

Computes multi-ring (*donut*) buffer for the features of the input layer, using a fixed or dynamic distance and number of rings.

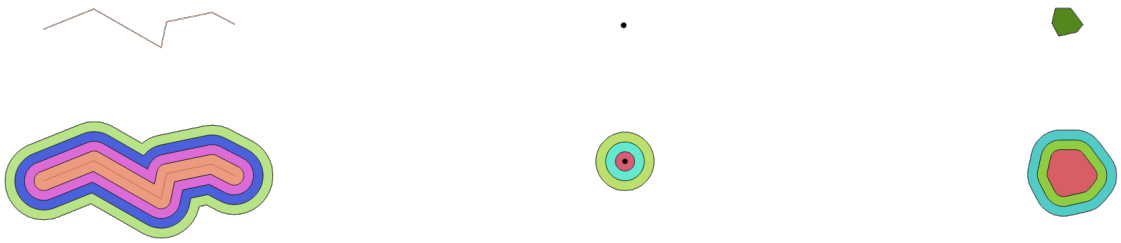


Abb. 25.77: Multi-ring buffer for a line, point and polygon layer

Allows *features in-place modification* of polygon features

Siehe auch:

Buffer, *Variable distance buffer*, *Rectangles, ovals, diamonds*, *Single sided buffer*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Input vector layer
Number of rings	`RINGS`	[number] Default: 1	The number of rings. It can be a unique value (same number of rings for all the features) or it can be taken from features data (the number of rings depends on feature values).

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Tab. 25.149 – Fortsetzung der vorherigen Seite

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Distance between rings	`DISTANCE`	[number] Default: 1.0	Distance between the rings. It can be a unique value (same distance for all the features) or it can be taken from features data (the distance depends on feature values).
Multi-ring buffer (constant distance)	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output polygon vector layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… • Append to Layer… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Multi-ring buffer (constant distance)	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon]	The output polygon vector layer.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:multiringconstantbuffer`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Multipart to singleparts

Splits multipart features in the input layer into singlepart features.

The attributes of the output layer are the same as the original ones but divided into single features.



Abb. 25.78: Left the multipart source layer and right the single part output result

Allows *features in-place modification* of point, line, and polygon features

Default menu: *Vector* ► *Geometry Tools*

Siehe auch:

Collect geometries, *Promote to multipart*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Input vector layer
Single parts	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output polygon vector layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… • Append to Layer… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Single parts	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	The output vector layer.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:multiparttosingleparts`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Offset lines

Offsets lines by a specified distance. Positive distances will offset lines to the left, and negative distances will offset them to the right.

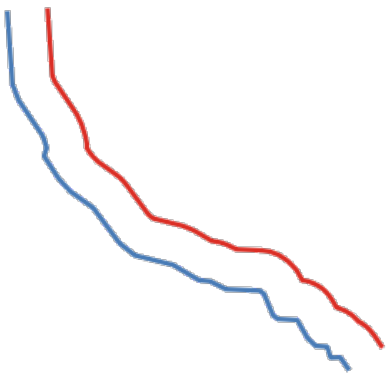


Abb. 25.79: In blue the source layer, in red the offset one

Allows *features in-place modification* of line features

Siehe auch:

Array of offset (parallel) lines, *Translate*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: line]	Input line vector layer
Distance	`DISTANCE`	[number] Default: 10.0	Offset distance. You can use the Data Defined button on the right to choose a field from which the radius will be calculated. This way you can have different radius for each feature (see *Variable distance buffer*).
Segments	`SEGMENTS`	[number] Default: 8	Controls the number of line segments to use to approximate a quarter circle when creating rounded offsets.
Join style	`JOIN_STYLE`	[enumeration] Default: 0	Specifies whether round, miter or beveled joins should be used when offsetting corners in a line. Options are: • 0 — Round • 1 — Miter • 2 — Bevel  Abb. 25.80: Round, miter, and bevel join styles
Miter limit	`MITER_LIMIT`	[number] Default: 2.0	Controls the maximum distance from the offset curve to use when creating a mitered join (only applicable for miter join styles). Minimum: 1.
Offset	`OUTPUT`	[vector: line] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output (offset) layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… • Append to Layer… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Offset	`OUTPUT`	[vector: line]	Output (offset) line layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:offsetline`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Oriented minimum bounding box

Calculates the minimum area rotated rectangle for each feature in the input layer.

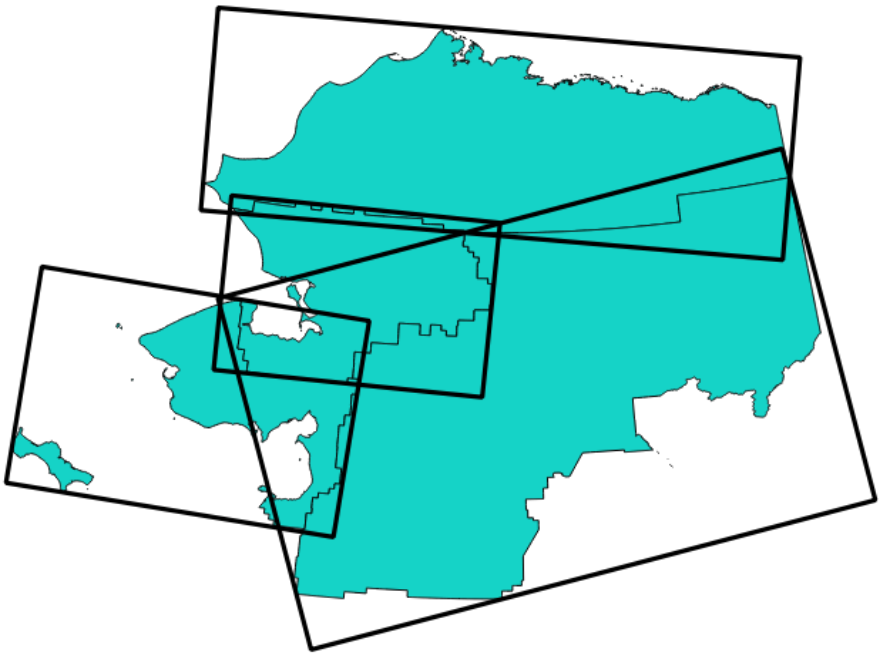


Abb. 25.81: Oriented minimum bounding box

Allows *features in-place modification* of polygon features

Siehe auch:

Minimum bounding geometry

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Input vector layer
Bounding boxes	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output polygon vector layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… • Append to Layer… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Bounding boxes	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon]	The output polygon vector layer.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:orientedminimumboundingbox`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Orthogonalize

Attempts to orthogonalize the geometries of the input line or polygon layer. This process shifts the vertices in the geometries to try to make every angle in the geometry either a right angle or a straight line.

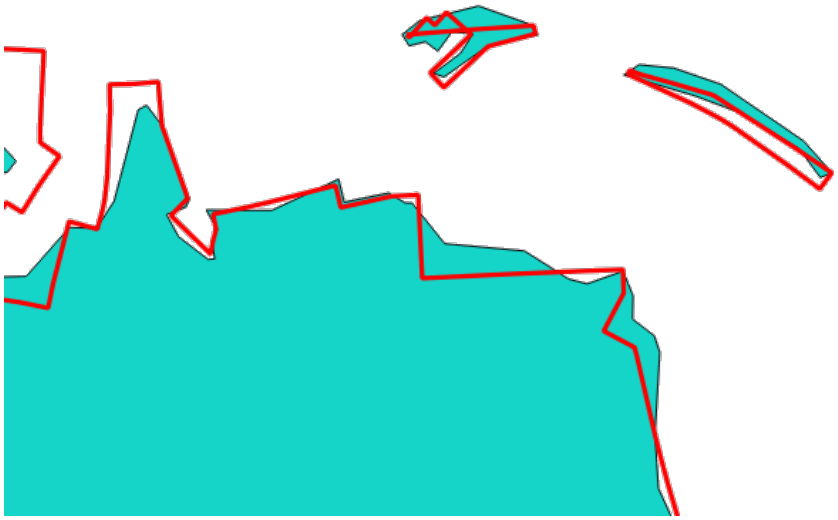


Abb. 25.82: In blue the source layer and in the red orthogonalized result

Allows *features in-place modification* of line and polygon features

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: line, polygon]	Input line or polygon vector layer
Maximum angle tolerance (degrees)	`ANGLE_TOLERANCE`	[number] Default: 15	Specify the maximum deviation from a right angle or straight line a vertex can have for it to be adjusted. Smaller tolerances mean that only vertices which are already closer to right angles will be adjusted, and larger tolerances mean that vertices which deviate further from right angles will also be adjusted.
Maximum algorithm iterations	`MAX_ITERATIONS`	[number] Default: 1000	Setting a larger number for the maximum number of iterations will result in a more orthogonal geometry at the cost of extra processing time.
Orthogonalized	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output polygon vector layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… • Append to Layer… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Orthogonalized	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	The output polygon vector layer with adjusted angles.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:orthogonalize`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Point on Surface

For each feature of the input layer, returns a point that is guaranteed to lie on the surface of the feature geometry.

Allows *features in-place modification* of point features

Siehe auch:

Centroids

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Input vector layer
Create point on surface for each part	`ANGLE_TOLERANCE`	[boolean]	If checked, a point will be created for each part of the geometry.
Point	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output point vector layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… • Append to Layer… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Point	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point]	The output point vector layer.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:pointonsurface`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Points along geometry

Creates points at regular intervals along line or polygon geometries. Created points will have new attributes added for the distance along the geometry and the angle of the line at the point.

An optional start and end offset can be specified, which controls how far from the start and end of the geometry the points should be created.

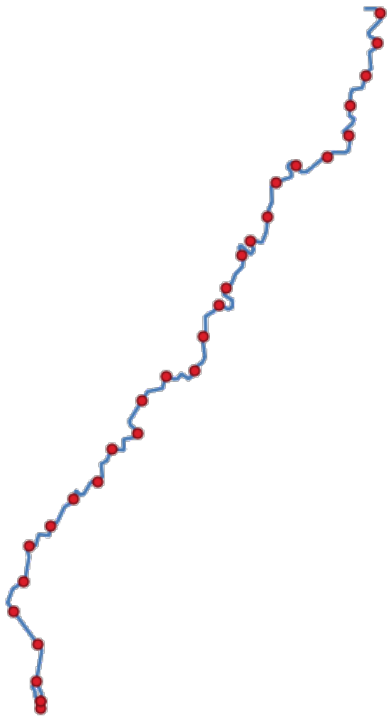


Abb. 25.83: Points created along the source line layer

Siehe auch:

Interpolate point on line

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: line, polygon]	Input line or polygon vector layer
Distance	`DISTANCE`	[number] Default: 1.0	Distance between two consecutive points along the line
Start offset	`START_OFFSET`	[number] Default: 0.0	Distance from the beginning of the input line, representing the position of the first point.
End offset	`END_OFFSET`	[number] Default: 0.0	Distance from the end of the input line, representing the position beyond which no point feature shoud be created.
Interpolated points	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output vector layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… • Append to Layer… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Interpolated points	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point]	Point vector layer with features placed along lines or polygon boundaries of the input layer.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:pointsalonglines`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Points displacement

Given a distance of proximity, identifies nearby point features and radially distributes them over a circle whose center represents their barycenter. A convenient tool to scatter overlaid features.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: point]	Input point vector layer
Minimum distance to other points	`PROXIMITY`	[number] Default: 1.0	Distance below which point features are considered close. Close features are distributed altogether.
Displacement distance	`DISTANCE`	[number] Default: 1.0	Radius of the circle on which close features are placed
Horizontal distribution for two point case	`HORIZONTAL`	[boolean] Default: False	When only two points are identified as close, aligns them horizontally on the circle instead of vertically.
Displaced	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output vector layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Displaced	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point]	Output point vector layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:pointsdisplacement`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Pole of inaccessibility

Calculates the pole of inaccessibility for a polygon layer, which is the most distant internal point from the boundary of the surface.

This algorithm uses the ‚polylabel' algorithm (Vladimir Agafonkin, 2016), which is an iterative approach guaranteed to find the true pole of inaccessibility within a specified tolerance. A more precise tolerance (lower value) requires more iterations and will take longer to calculate.

The distance from the calculated pole to the polygon boundary will be stored as a new attribute in the output layer.



Abb. 25.84: Pole of inaccessibility

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: polygon]	Input vector layer
Tolerance	`TOLERANCE`	[number] Default: 1.0	Set the tolerance for the calculation
Point	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output polygon vector layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… • Append to Layer… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Point	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point]	The output point vector layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:poleofinaccessibility`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Polygonize

Creates a polygon layer whose features boundaries are generated from a line layer of **closed** features.

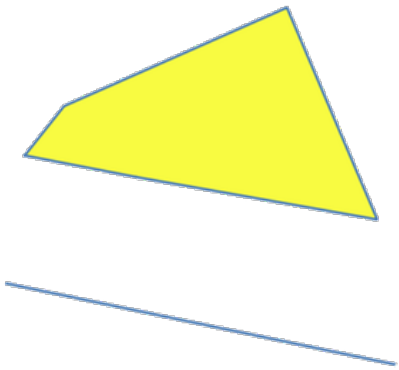


Abb. 25.85: The yellow polygons generated from the closed lines

Bemerkung: The line layer must have closed shapes in order to be transformed into a polygon.

Siehe auch:

Polygons to lines, *Lines to polygons*, *Convert geometry type*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: line]	Input line vector layer
Keep fields from the input layer Optional	`KEEP_FIELDS`	[boolean] Default: False	Check to keep the fields (only the table structure, not the values) of the input layer
Polygons from lines	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output polygon vector layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Polygons from lines	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon]	The output polygon vector layer from lines

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:polygonize`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Polygons to lines

Takes a polygon layer and creates a line layer, with lines representing the boundaries of the polygons in the input layer.

The attribute table of the output layer is the same as the one of the input layer.



Abb. 25.86: Black lines as the result of the algorithm

Default menu: *Vector* ► *Geometry Tools*

Siehe auch:

Lines to polygons, *Polygonize*, *Convert geometry type*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: polygon]	Input polygon vector layer
Lines	`OUTPUT`	[vector: line] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output line vector layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… • Append to Layer… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Lines	`OUTPUT`	[vector: line]	The output line vector layer from polygons

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:polygonstolines`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Project points (Cartesian)

Projects point geometries by a specified distance and bearing (azimuth).

Allows *features in-place modification* of point features

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: point]	Input point vector layer
Bearing (degrees from North)	`BEARING`	[number] Default: 0.0	Clockwise angle starting from North, in degree (°) unit
Distance	`DISTANCE`	[number] Default: 1.0	Distance to offset geometries, in layer units
Projected	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output point vector layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… • Append to Layer… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Projected	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point]	The output (projected) point vector layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:projectpointcartesian`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Promote to multipart

Takes a vector layer with singlepart geometries and generates a new one in which all geometries are multipart.

Input features which are already multipart features will remain unchanged.

This algorithm can be used to force geometries to multipart types in order to be compatible with data providers that require multipart features.

Allows *features in-place modification* of point, line, and polygon features

Siehe auch:

Aggregate, *Collect geometries*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Input vector layer
Multiparts	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output multipart vector layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… • Append to Layer… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Multiparts	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	The output multipart vector layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:promotetomulti`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Rectangles, ovals, diamonds

Creates a buffer area with a rectangle, oval or diamond shape for each feature of the input point layer.

The shape parameters can be fixed for all features or dynamic using a field or an expression.

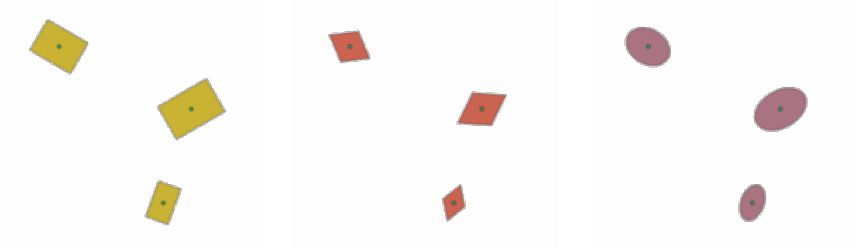


Abb. 25.87: Different buffer shapes with dynamic parameters

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: point]	Input point vector layer
Buffer shape	`SHAPE`	[enumeration]	The shape to use. One of: • 0 — Rectangles • 1 — Ovals • 2 — Diamonds
Width	`WIDTH`	[number] Default: 1.0	Width of the buffer shape
Height	`HEIGHT`	[number] Default: 1.0	Height of the buffer shape
Rotation Optional	`ROTATION`	[number] Default: None	Rotation of the buffer shape
Number of segment	`SEGMENTS`	[number] Default: 36	Number of segments for a full circle (*Ovals* shape)

Fortsetzung auf der nächsten Seite

Tab. 25.155 – Fortsetzung der vorherigen Seite

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Ergebnis	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output vector layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… • Append to Layer… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Ergebnis	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon]	The output vector layer (with the buffer shapes)

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:rectanglesovalsdiamonds`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Remove duplicate vertices

Removes duplicate vertices from features, wherever removing the vertices does not result in a degenerate geometry.

The tolerance parameter specifies the tolerance for coordinates when determining whether vertices are identical.

By default, Z values are not considered when detecting duplicate vertices. E.g. two vertices with the same X and Y coordinate but different Z values will still be considered duplicate and one will be removed. If the *Use Z Value* parameter is true, then the Z values are also tested and vertices with the same X and Y but different Z will be maintained.

Allows *features in-place modification* of point, line, and polygon features

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Bemerkung: Duplicate vertices are not tested between different parts of a multipart geometry, e.g. a multipoint geometry with overlapping points will not be changed by this method.

Siehe auch:

Extract vertices, *Extract specific vertices*, *Delete duplicate geometries*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Input vector layer
Tolerance	`TOLERANCE`	[number] Default: 0.000001	Vertices closer than the specified distance are considered duplicates
Use Z value	`USE_Z_VALUE`	[boolean] Default: False	If the *Use Z Value* parameter is true, then the Z values are also tested and vertices with the same X and Y but different Z will be maintained.
Cleaned	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output vector layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… • Append to Layer… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Cleaned	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	The output vector layer (without duplicate vertices)

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:removeduplicatevertices`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Remove null geometries

Removes any features which do not have a geometry from a vector layer. All other features will be copied unchanged.

The features with null geometries can be saved to a separate layer.

If *Also remove empty geometries* is checked, the algorithm removes features whose geometries have no coordinates, i.e., geometries that are empty. In that case, also the null output will reflect this option, containing both null and empty geometries.

Siehe auch:

Delete duplicate geometries

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Input vector layer (with non-NULL geometries)
Also remove empty geometries	`REMOVE_EMPTY`	[boolean]	
Non null geometries Optional	`OUTPUT` Optional	[same as input] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output vector layer for the non-NULL (and non-empty) geometries. One of: • Skip Output • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.
Null geometries Optional	`NULL_OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Skip output]`	Specify the output vector layer for the NULL (and empty) geometries. One of: • Skip Output • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Null geometries	`NULL_OUTPUT`	[same as input]	Output vector layer (for NULL and, if chosen, empty geometries)
Non null geometries	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	The output vector layer (without NULL and, if chosen, empty geometries)

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:removenullgeometries`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Reverse line direction

Inverts the direction of a line layer.

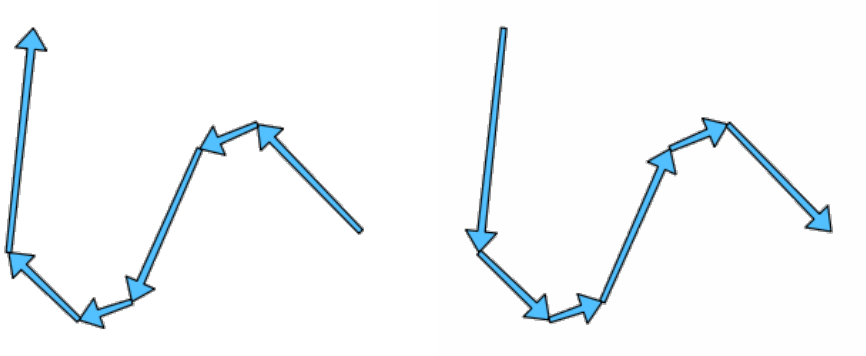


Abb. 25.88: Before and after the direction inversion

Allows *features in-place modification* of line features

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: line]	Input line vector layer
Reversed	`OUTPUT`	[vector: line] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output line vector layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… • Append to Layer… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Reversed	`OUTPUT`	[vector: line]	The output line vector layer (with reversed lines)

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:reverselinedirection`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Rotate

Rotates feature geometries by the specified angle clockwise. The rotation occurs around each feature's centroid, or optionally around a unique preset point.

Allows *features in-place modification* of point, line, and polygon features

Siehe auch:

Translate, *Swap X and Y coordinates*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Input vector layer
Rotation (degrees clockwise)	`ANGLE`	[number] Default: 0.0	Angle of the rotation in degrees
Rotation anchor point (x, y) Optional	`ANCHOR`	[point] Default: None	X,Y coordinates of the point to rotate the features around. If not set the rotation occurs around each feature's centroid.
Rotated	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output vector layer (with rotated geometries). One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… • Append to Layer… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Rotated	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	The output vector layer with rotated geometries

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:rotatefeatures`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Segmentize by maximum angle

Segmentizes a geometry by converting curved sections to linear sections.

The segmentization is performed by specifying the maximum allowed radius angle between vertices on the straightened geometry (e.g the angle of the arc created from the original arc center to consecutive output vertices on the linearized geometry). Non-curved geometries will be retained without change.

Siehe auch:

Segmentize by maximum distance, *Simplify*, *Smooth*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: line, polygon]	Input line or polygon vector layer
Maximum angle between vertices (degrees)	`ANGLE`	[number] Default: 5.0	Maximum allowed radius angle between vertices on the straightened geometry
Segmentized	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output vector layer (with segmentized geometries). One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… • Append to Layer… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Segmentized	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	The output vector layer with segmentized geometries

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:segmentizebymaxangle`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Segmentize by maximum distance

Segmentizes a geometry by converting curved sections to linear sections.

The segmentization is performed by specifying the maximum allowed offset distance between the original curve and the segmentized representation. Non-curved geometries will be retained without change.

Siehe auch:

Segmentize by maximum angle, *Simplify*, *Smooth*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: line, polygon]	Input line or polygon vector layer
Maximum offset distance	`DISTANCE`	[number] Default: 1.0	Maximum allowed offset distance between the original curve and the segmentized representation, in the layer units.
Segmentized	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output vector layer (with segmentized geometries). One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… • Append to Layer… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Segmentized	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	The output vector layer with segmentized geometries

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:segmentizebymaxdistance`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Set M value

Sets the M value for geometries in a layer.

If M values already exist in the layer, they will be overwritten with the new value. If no M values exist, the geometry will be upgraded to include M values and the specified value used as the initial M value for all geometries.

Allows *features in-place modification* of point, line, and polygon features with M enabled

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Tipp: Use the Identify Features button to check the added M value: the results are available in the *Identify Results* dialog.

Siehe auch:

Set M value from raster, *Set Z value*, *Drop M/Z values*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Input vector layer
M Value	`M_VALUE`	[number] Default: 0.0	M value to assign to the feature geometries
M Added	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output vector layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… • Append to Layer… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
M Added	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	The output vector layer (with M values assigned to the geometries)

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:setmvalue`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Set M value from raster

Uses values sampled from a band within a raster layer to set the M value for every overlapping vertex in the feature geometry. The raster values can optionally be scaled by a preset amount.

If M values already exist in the layer, they will be overwritten with the new value. If no M values exist, the geometry will be upgraded to include M values.

Allows *features in-place modification* of point, line, and polygon features with M enabled

Siehe auch:

Drape (set Z value from raster), *Set M value*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Input vector layer
Raster layer	`RASTER`	[raster]	Raster layer with M values
Band number	`BAND`	[raster band] Default: 1	The raster band from which the M values are taken
Value for nodata or non-intersecting vertices	`NODATA`	[number] Default: 0.0	Value to use in case the vertex does not intersect (a valid pixel of) the raster
Scale factor	`SCALE`	[number] Default: 1.0	Scaling value: the band values are multiplied by this value.
Updated	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output vector layer (with updated M values). One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… • Append to Layer… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Updated	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	The output vector layer (with updated M values)

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:setmfromraster`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Set Z value

Sets the Z value for geometries in a layer.

If Z values already exist in the layer, they will be overwritten with the new value. If no Z values exist, the geometry will be upgraded to include Z values and the specified value used as the initial Z value for all geometries.

Allows *features in-place modification* of point, line, and polygon features with Z enabled

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Tipp: Use the Identify Features button to check the added Z value: the results are available in the *Identify Results* dialog.

Siehe auch:

Drape (set Z value from raster), *Set M value*, *Drop M/Z values*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Input vector layer
Z Value	`Z_VALUE`	[number] Default: 0.0	Z value to assign to the feature geometries
Z Added	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output vector layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… • Append to Layer… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Z Added	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	The output vector layer (with Z values assigned)

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:setzvalue`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Simplify

Simplifies the geometries in a line or polygon layer. It creates a new layer with the same features as the ones in the input layer, but with geometries containing a lower number of vertices.

The algorithm gives a choice of simplification methods, including distance based (the „Douglas-Peucker“ algorithm), area based („Visvalingam“ algorithm) and snapping geometries to grid.



Abb. 25.89: Clockwise from top left: source layer and increasing simplification tolerances

Allows *features in-place modification* of line and polygon features

Default menu: *Vector* ► *Geometry Tools*

Siehe auch:

Smooth, *Densify by count*, *Densify by interval*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: line, polygon]	Input line or polygon vector layer
Simplification method	`METHOD`	[enumeration] Default: 0	Simplification method. One of: • 0 — Distance (Douglas-Peucker) • 1 — Snap to grid • 2 — Area (Visvalingam)
Tolerance	`TOLERANCE`	[number] Default: 1.0	Threshold tolerance (in units of the layer): if the distance between two nodes is smaller than the tolerance value, the segment will be simplified and vertices will be removed.
Simplified	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output (simplified) vector layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… • Append to Layer… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Simplified	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	The output (simplified) vector layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:simplifygeometries`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Single sided buffer

Computes a buffer on lines by a specified distance on one side of the line only.

Buffer always results in a polygon layer.



Abb. 25.90: Left versus right side buffer on the same vector line layer

Siehe auch:

Buffer

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: line]	Input line vector layer
Distance	`DISTANCE`	[number] Default: 10.0	Buffer distance.
Side	`SIDE`	[enumeration] Default: 0	Which side to create the buffer on. One of: • 0 – Left • 1 – Right
Segments	`SEGMENTS`	[number] Default: 8	Controls the number of line segments to use to approximate a quarter circle when creating rounded offsets.
Join style	`JOIN_STYLE`	[enumeration] Default: 0	Specifies whether round, miter or beveled joins should be used when offsetting corners in a line. Options are: • 0 — Round • 1 — Miter • 2 — Bevel  Abb. 25.91: Round, miter, and bevel join styles
Miter limit	`MITER_LIMIT`	[number] Default: 2.0	Controls the maximum distance from the offset curve to use when creating a mitered join (only applicable for miter join styles). Minimum: 1.0
Buffer	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output (buffer) layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… • Append to Layer… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Buffer	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon]	Output (buffer) polygon layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:singlesidedbuffer`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Smooth

Smooths the geometries in a line or polygon layer by adding more **vertices and corners** to the feature geometries.

The iterations parameter dictates how many smoothing iterations will be applied to each geometry. A higher number of iterations results in smoother geometries with the cost of greater number of nodes in the geometries.

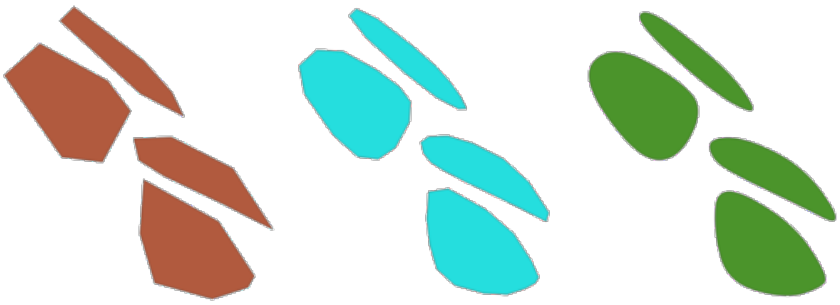


Abb. 25.92: Increasing number of iterations causes smoother geometries

The offset parameter controls how „tightly“ the smoothed geometries follow the original geometries. Smaller values results in a tighter fit, and larger values will create a looser fit.

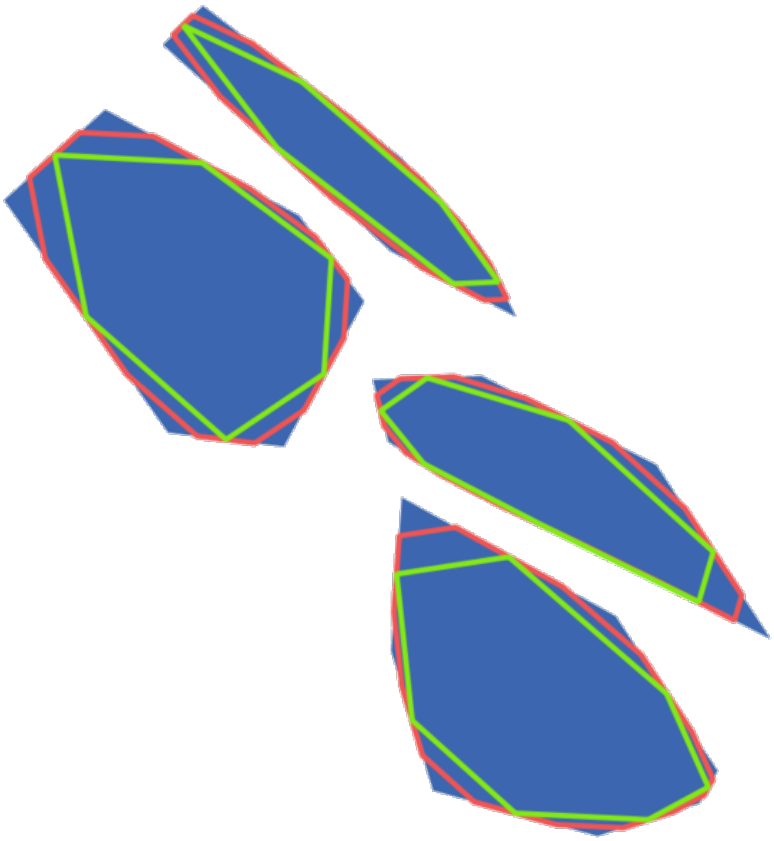


Abb. 25.93: Blue: the input layer. Offset 0.25 gives the red line, while offset 0.50 gives the green line.

The maximum angle parameter can be used to prevent smoothing of nodes with large angles. Any node where the angle of the segments to either side is larger than this will not be smoothed. For example, setting the maximum angle to 90 degrees or lower would preserve right angles in the geometry.

Allows *features in-place modification* of line and polygon features

Siehe auch:

Simplify, *Densify by count*, *Densify by interval*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: line, polygon]	Input line or polygon vector layer
Iterations	`ITERATIONS`	[number] Default: 1	Increasing the number of iterations will give smoother geometries (and more vertices).
Offset	`OFFSET`	[number] Default: 0.25	Increasing values will *move* the smoothed lines / boundaries further away from the input lines / boundaries.
Maximum node angle to smooth	`MAX_ANGLE`	[number] Default: 180.0	Every node below this value will be smoothed

Fortsetzung auf der nächsten Seite

Tab. 25.161 – Fortsetzung der vorherigen Seite

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Smoothed	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output (smoothed) layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… • Append to Layer… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Smoothed	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	Output (smoothed) vector layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:smoothgeometry`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Snap geometries to layer

Snaps the geometries in a layer either to the geometries from another layer, or to geometries within the same layer.

Matching is done based on a tolerance distance, and vertices will be inserted or removed as required to make the geometries match the reference geometries.

Allows *features in-place modification* of point, line, and polygon features

Siehe auch:

Snap points to grid

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Input vector layer
Reference layer	`REFERENCE_LAYER`	[vector: any]	Vector layer to snap to
Tolerance	`TOLERANCE`	[number] Default: 10.0	Control how close input vertices need to be to the reference layer geometries before they are snapped.

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Tab. 25.162 – Fortsetzung der vorherigen Seite

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Behavior	`BEHAVIOR`	[enumeration] Default: 0	Snapping can be done to an existing node or a segment (its closest point to the vertex to move). Available snapping options: • 0 — Prefer aligning nodes, insert extra vertices where required Prefer to snap to nodes, even when a segment may be closer than a node. New nodes will be inserted to make geometries follow each other exactly when inside allowable tolerance. • 1 — Prefer closest point, insert extra vertices where required Snap to closest point, regardless of it is a node or a segment. New nodes will be inserted to make geometries follow each other exactly when inside allowable tolerance. • 2 — Prefer aligning nodes, don't insert new vertices Prefer to snap to nodes, even when a segment may be closer than a node. No new nodes will be inserted. • 3 — Prefer closest point, don't insert new vertices Snap to closest point, regardless of it is a node or a segment. No new nodes will be inserted. • 4 — Move end points only, prefer aligning nodes Only snap start/end points of lines (point features will also be snapped, polygon features will not be modified), prefer to snap to nodes. • 5 — Move end points only, prefer closest point Only snap start/end points of lines (point features will also be snapped, polygon features will not be modified), snap to closest point • 6 — Snap end points to end points only Only snap the start/end points of lines to other start/end points of lines • 7 — Snap to anchor nodes (single layer only)
Snapped geometry	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output (snapped) layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Snapped geometry	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	Output (snapped) vector layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:snapgeometries`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Snap points to grid

Modifies the coordinates of geometries in a vector layer, so that all points or vertices are snapped to the closest point of a grid.

If the snapped geometry cannot be calculated (or is totally collapsed) the feature's geometry will be cleared.

Snapping can be performed on the X, Y, Z or M axis. A grid spacing of 0 for any axis will disable snapping for that axis.

Allows *features in-place modification* of point, line, and polygon features

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Bemerkung: Snapping to grid may generate an invalid geometry in some corner cases.

Siehe auch:

Snap geometries to layer

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Input vector layer
X Grid Spacing	`HSPACING`	[number] Default: 1.0	Grid spacing on the X axis
Y Grid Spacing	`VSPACING`	[number] Default: 1.0	Grid spacing on the Y axis
Z Grid Spacing	`ZSPACING`	[number] Default: 0.0	Grid spacing on the Z axis
M Grid Spacing	`MSPACING`	[number] Default: 0.0	Grid spacing on the M axis

Fortsetzung auf der nächsten Seite

Tab. 25.163 – Fortsetzung der vorherigen Seite

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Snapped	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output (snapped) layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… • Append to Layer… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Snapped	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	Output (snapped) vector layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:snappointstogrid`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Split lines by maximum length

Takes a line (or curve) layer and splits each feature into multiple parts, where each part is of a specified maximum length. Z and M values at the start and end of the new line substrings are linearly interpolated from existing values.

Allows *features in-place modification* of line features

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: line]	The input line vector layer
Maximum line length	`LENGTH`	[number] Default: 10.0	The maximum length of a line in the output.
Split	`OUTPUT`	[vector: line] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output line vector layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… • Append to Layer… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Split	`OUTPUT`	[vector: line]	The new line vector layer - the length of the feature geometries is less than or equal to the length specified in the LENGTH parameter.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:splitlinesbylength`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Subdivide

Subdivides the geometry. The returned geometry will be a collection containing subdivided parts from the original geometry, where no part has more than the specified maximum number of nodes.

This is useful for dividing a complex geometry into less complex parts, easier to spatially index and faster to perform spatial operations. Curved geometries will be segmentized before subdivision.

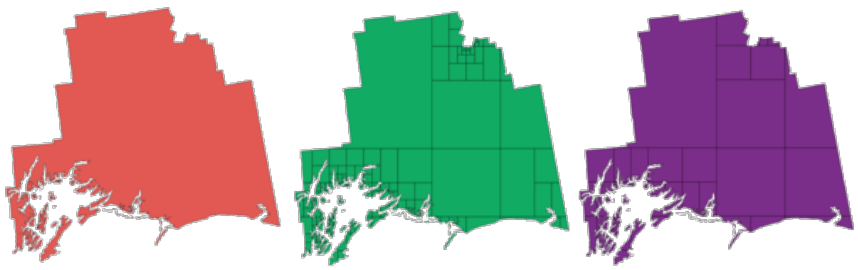


Abb. 25.94: Left the input layer, middle maximum nodes value is 100 and right maximum value is 200

Allows *features in-place modification* of point, line, and polygon features

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Bemerkung: Subdividing a geometry can generate geometry parts that may not be valid and may contain self-intersections.

Siehe auch:

Explode lines, *Line substring*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	The input vector layer
Maximum nodes in parts	`MAX_NODES`	[number] Default: 256	Maximum number of vertices each new geometry part is allowed to have. Fewer *sub-parts* for higher values.
Subdivided	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output (subdivided) vector layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… • Append to Layer… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Subdivided	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	Output vector layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:subdivide`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Swap X and Y coordinates

Switches the X and Y coordinate values in input geometries.

It can be used to repair geometries which have accidentally had their latitude and longitude values reversed.

Allows *features in-place modification* of point, line, and polygon features

Siehe auch:

Translate, *Rotate*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	The input vector layer
Swapped	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output vector layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… • Append to Layer… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Swapped	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	Output (swapped) vector layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:swapxy`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Tapered buffers

Creates tapered buffer along line geometries, using a specified start and end buffer diameter.

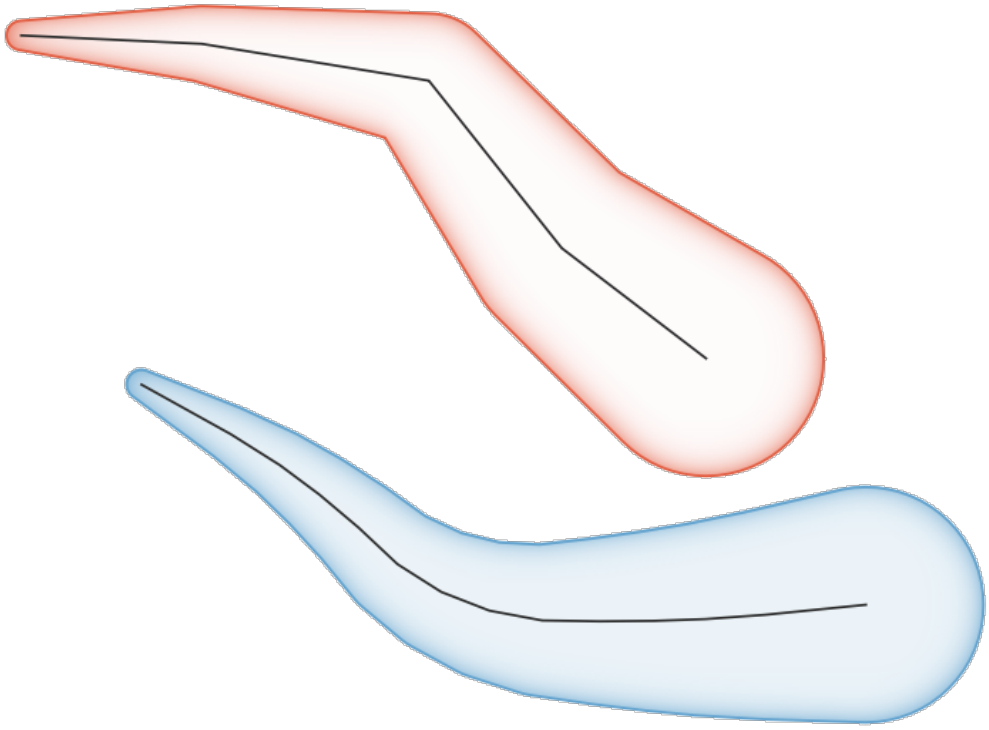


Abb. 25.95: Tapered buffer example

Siehe auch:

Variable width buffer (by M value), *Buffer*, *Create wedge buffers*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: line]	Input line vector layer
Start width	`START_WIDTH`	[number] Default: 0.0	Represents the radius of the buffer applied at the start point of the line feature
End width	`END_WIDTH`	[number] Default: 0.0	Represents the radius of the buffer applied at the end point of the line feature.
Segments	`SEGMENTS`	[number] Default: 16	Controls the number of line segments to use to approximate a quarter circle when creating rounded offsets.
Buffered	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output (buffer) layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… • Append to Layer… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Buffered	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon]	Output (buffer) polygon layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:taperedbuffer`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Tessellate

Tessellates a polygon geometry layer, dividing the geometries into triangular components.

The output layer consists of multipolygon geometries for each input feature, with each multipolygon consisting of multiple triangle component polygons.

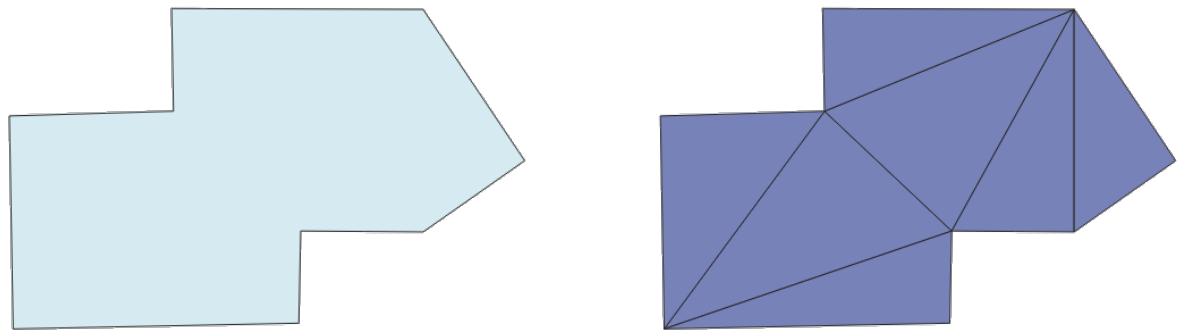


Abb. 25.96: Tessellated polygon (right)

Allows *features in-place modification* of polygon features

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: polygon]	Input polygon vector layer
Tesselated	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… • Append to Layer… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Tesselated	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon]	Output multipolygonZ layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `3d:tessellate`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Transect

Creates transects on vertices for (multi)linestring.

A transect is a line oriented from an angle (by default perpendicular) to the input polylines (at vertices).

Field(s) from feature(s) are returned in the transect with these new fields:

- TR_FID: ID of the original feature
- TR_ID: ID of the transect. Each transect have an unique ID
- TR_SEGMENT: ID of the segment of the linestring
- TR_ANGLE: Angle in degrees from the original line at the vertex
- TR_LENGTH: Total length of the transect returned
- TR_ORIENT: Side of the transect (only on the left or right of the line, or both side)

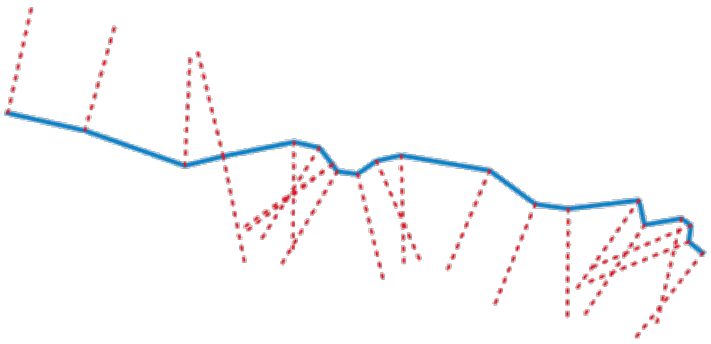


Abb. 25.97: Dashed red lines represent the transect of the input line layer

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: line]	Input line vector layer
Length of the transect	`LENGTH`	[number] Default: 5.0	Length in map unit of the transect
Angle in degrees from the original line at the vertices	`ANGLE`	[number] Default: 90.0	Change the angle of the transect
Side to create the transect	`SIDE`	[enumeration]	Choose the side of the transect. Available options are: • 0 — Left • 1 — Right • 2 — Both
Transect	`OUTPUT`	[vector: line] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output line layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Transect	`OUTPUT`	[vector: line]	Output line layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:transect`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Translate

Moves the geometries within a layer, by offsetting with a predefined X and Y displacement.

Z and M values present in the geometry can also be translated.

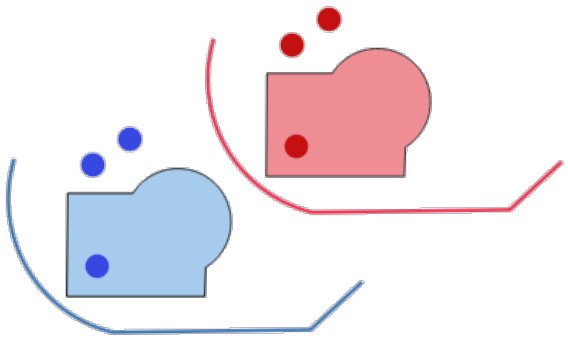


Abb. 25.98: Dashed lines represent the translated geometry of the input layer

Allows *features in-place modification* of point, line, and polygon features

Siehe auch:

Array of translated features, *Offset lines*, *Rotate*, *Swap X and Y coordinates*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Input vector layer
Offset distance (x-axis)	`DELTA_X`	[number] Default: 0.0	Displacement to apply on the X axis
Offset distance (y-axis)	`DELTA_Y`	[number] Default: 0.0	Displacement to apply on the Y axis
Offset distance (z-axis)	`DELTA_Z`	[number] Default: 0.0	Displacement to apply on the Z axis
Offset distance (m values)	`DELTA_M`	[number] Default: 0.0	Displacement to apply on the M axis
Translated	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output vector layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… • Append to Layer… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Translated	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	Output vector layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:translategeometry`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Variable width buffer (by M value)

Creates variable width buffers along lines, using the M value of the line geometries as the diameter of the buffer at each vertex.

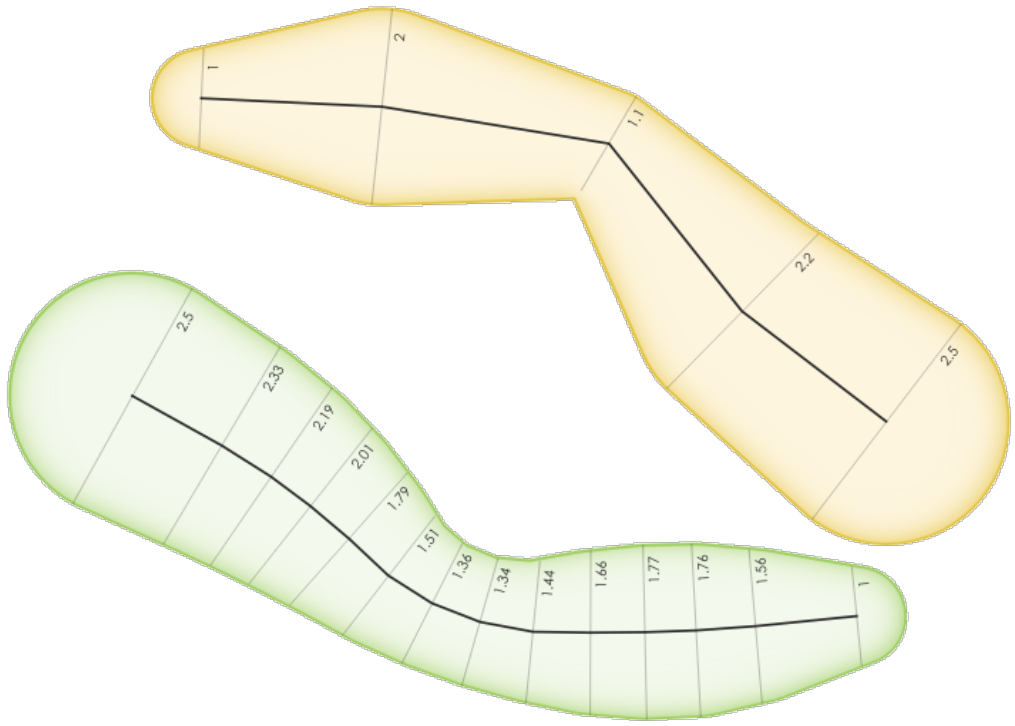


Abb. 25.99: Variable buffer example

Siehe auch:

Tapered buffers, *Buffer*, *Set M value*, *Variable distance buffer*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: line]	Input line vector layer
Segments	`SEGMENTS`	[number] Default: 16	Number of the buffer segments per quarter circle. It can be a unique value (same value for all the features), or it can be taken from features data (the value can depend on feature attributes).
Buffered	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output (buffer) layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… • Append to Layer… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Buffered	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon]	Variable buffer polygon layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:bufferbym`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Voronoi polygons

Takes a point layer and generates a polygon layer containing the Voronoi polygons (known also as Thiessen polygons) corresponding to those input points.

Any location within a Voronoi polygon is closer to the associated point than to any other point.

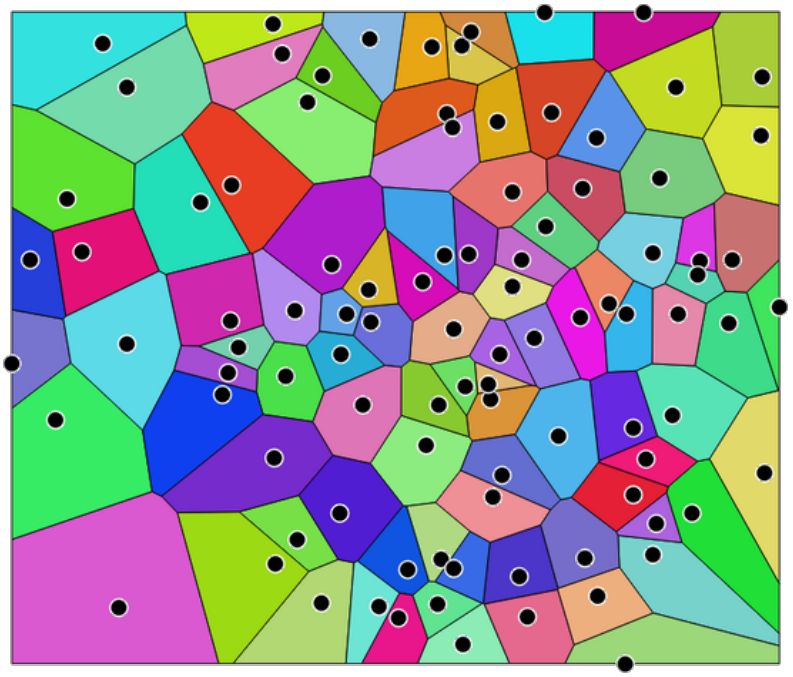


Abb. 25.100: Voronoi polygons

Default menu: *Vector* ► *Geometry Tools*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: point]	Input point vector layer
Buffer region (% of extent)	`BUFFER`	[number] Default: 0.0	The extent of the output layer will be this much bigger than the extent of the input layer
Voronoi polygons	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output layer (with the Voronoi polygons). One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Voronoi polygons	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon]	Voronoi polygons of the input point vector layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:voronoipolygons`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

25.1.19 Vector overlay

Clip

Clips a vector layer using the features of an additional polygon layer.

Only the parts of the features in the input layer that fall within the polygons of the overlay layer will be added to the resulting layer.

Warnung: Geometry modification only

This operation modifies only the features geometry. The attribute values of the features are **not modified**, although properties such as area or length of the features will be modified by the clipping operation. If such properties are stored as attributes, those attributes will have to be manually updated.

This algorithm uses spatial indexes on the providers, prepared geometries and apply a clipping operation if the geometry isn't wholly contained by the mask geometry.

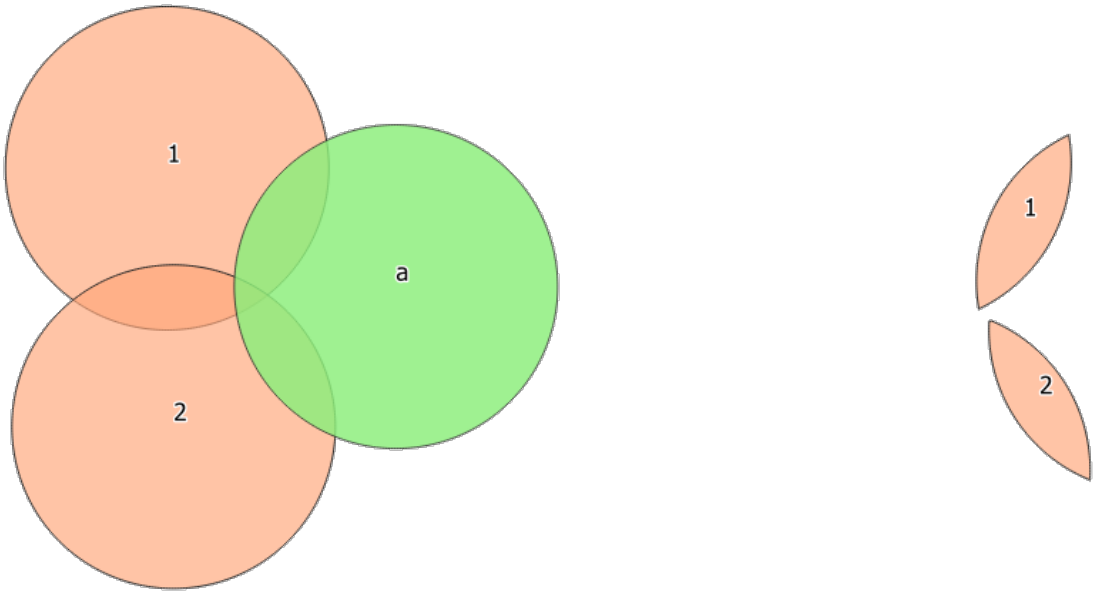


Abb. 25.101: Clipping operation between a two-features input layer and a single feature overlay layer (left) - resulting features are moved for clarity (right)

Allows *features in-place modification* of point, line, and polygon features

Default menu: *Vector* ► *Geoprocessing Tools*

Siehe auch:

Intersection, *Difference*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Layer containing the features to be clipped
Overlay layer	`OVERLAY`	[vector: polygon]	Layer containing the clipping features
Clipped	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the layer to contain the features from the input layer that are inside the overlay (clipping) layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Clipped	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	Layer containing features from the input layer split by the overlay layer.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:clip`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Difference

Extracts features from the input layer that don't fall within the boundaries of the overlay layer.

Input layer features that partially overlap the overlay layer feature(s) are split along the boundary of those feature(s) and only the portions outside the overlay layer features are retained.

Warnung: Geometry modification only

This operation modifies only the features geometry. The attribute values of the features are **not modified**, although properties such as area or length of the features will be modified by the clipping operation. If such properties are stored as attributes, those attributes will have to be manually updated.

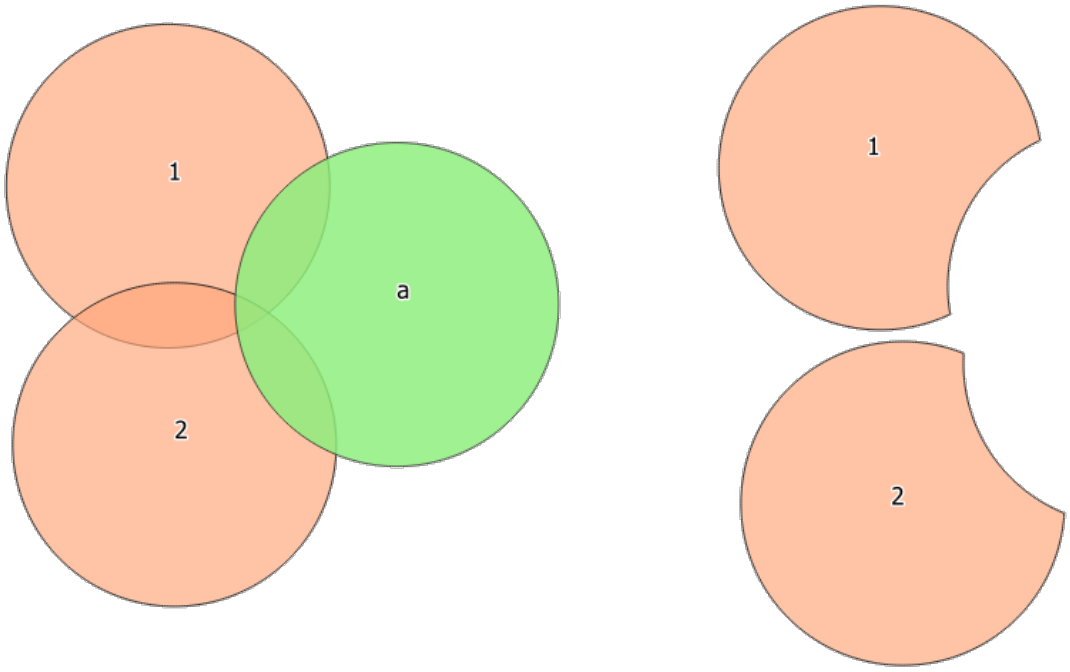


Abb. 25.102: Difference operation between a two-features input layer and a single feature overlay layer (left) - resulting features are moved for clarity (right)

Allows *features in-place modification* of point, line, and polygon features

Default menu: *Vector* ► *Geoprocessing Tools*

Siehe auch:

Symmetrical difference, *Clip*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Layer to extract (parts of) features from.
Overlay layer	`OVERLAY`	[vector: any]	Layer containing the geometries that will be subtracted from the input layer geometries. It is expected to have at least as many dimensions (point: 0D, line: 1D, polygon: 2D, volume: 3D) as the input layer geometries.
Difference	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the layer to contain the (parts of) features from the input layer that are not inside the overlay layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Difference	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	Layer containing (parts of) features from the input layer not overlapping the overlay layer.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:difference`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Extract/clip by extent

Creates a new vector layer that only contains features which fall within a specified extent.

Any features which intersect the extent will be included.

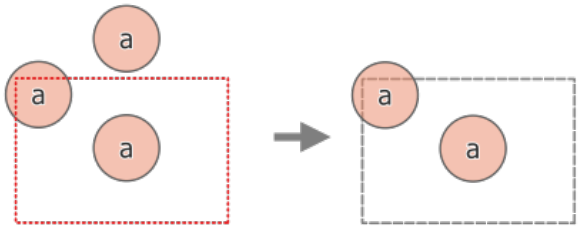
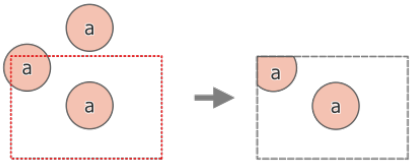


Abb. 25.103: Extract operation between a three-feature input layer ‚a' and a dashed extent (left) - resulting features with dashed extent for reference (right)

Siehe auch:

Clip

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Layer to extract (parts of) features from.
Extent (xmin, xmax, ymin, ymax)	`EXTENT`	[extent]	Extent for clipping. Available methods are: • Calculate from layer…: uses extent of a layer loaded in the current project • Use map canvas extent • Draw on canvas • Enter the coordinates as `xmin, xmax, ymin, ymax`
Clip features to extent	`CLIP`	[boolean] Default: False	If checked, output geometries will be automatically converted to multi geometries to ensure uniform output types. Moreover the geometries will be clipped to the extent chosen instead of taking the whole geometry as output.  Abb. 25.104: Extract operation between a three-feature input layer ‚a' and a dashed extent (left) - resulting features with dashed extent for reference (right)
Extracted	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the layer to contain the features from the input layer that are inside the clip extent. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Extracted	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	Layer containing the clipped features.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:extractbyextent`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Intersection

Extracts the portions of features from the input layer that overlap features in the overlay layer.

Features in the intersection layer are assigned the attributes of the overlapping features from both the input and overlay layers.

Warnung: Geometry modification only

This operation modifies only the features geometry. The attribute values of the features are **not modified**, although properties such as area or length of the features will be modified by the clipping operation. If such properties are stored as attributes, those attributes will have to be manually updated.

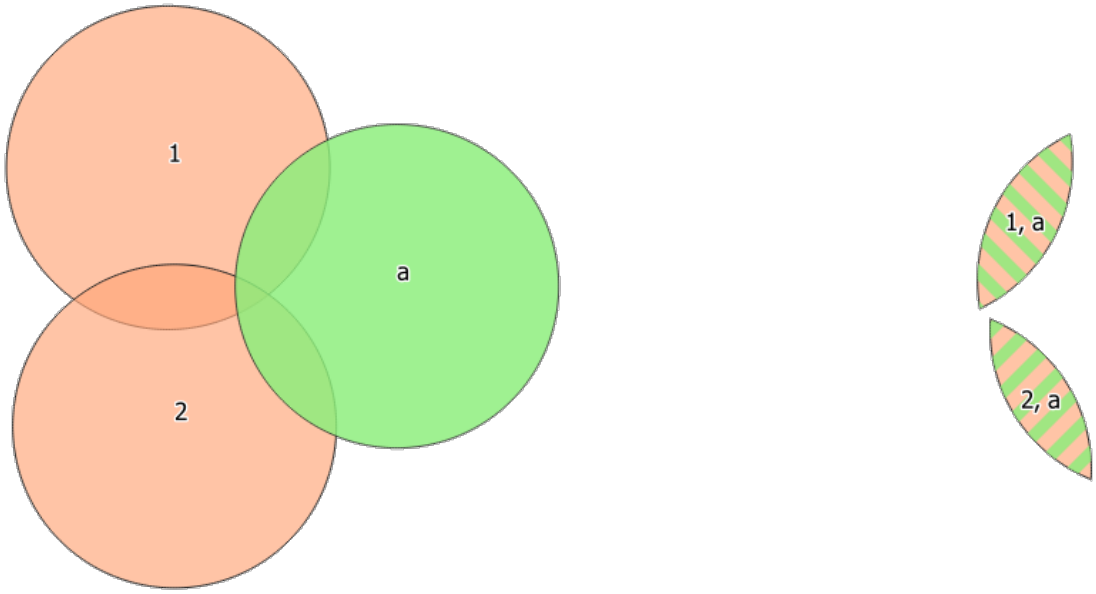


Abb. 25.105: The intersection operation: A two-features input layer and a single feature overlay layer (left) - resulting features are moved for clarity (right)

Default menu: *Vector* ► *Geoprocessing Tools*

Siehe auch:

Clip, *Difference*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Layer to extract (parts of) features from.
Overlay layer	`OVERLAY`	[vector: any]	Layer containing the features to check for overlap. Its features' geometry is expected to have at least as many dimensions (point: 0D, line: 1D, polygon: 2D, volume: 3D) as the input layer's.
Input fields to keep (leave empty to keep all fields) Optional	`INPUT_FIELDS`	[tablefield: any] [list] Default: None	Field(s) of the input layer to keep in the output. If no fields are chosen all fields are taken.
Overlay fields to keep (leave empty to keep all fields) Optional	`OVERLAY_FIELDS`	[tablefield: any] [list] Default: None	Field(s) of the overlay layer to keep in the output. If no fields are chosen all fields are taken.
Overlay fields prefix Optional	`OVERLAY_FIELDS_PREFIX`	[string]	Prefix to add to the field names of the intersect layer's fields to avoid name collisions with fields in the input layer.
Intersection	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the layer to contain (the parts of) the features from the input layer that overlap one or more features from the overlay layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Intersection	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	Layer containing (parts of) features from the input layer that overlap the overlay layer.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:intersection`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Line intersections

Creates point features where the lines from the two layers intersect.

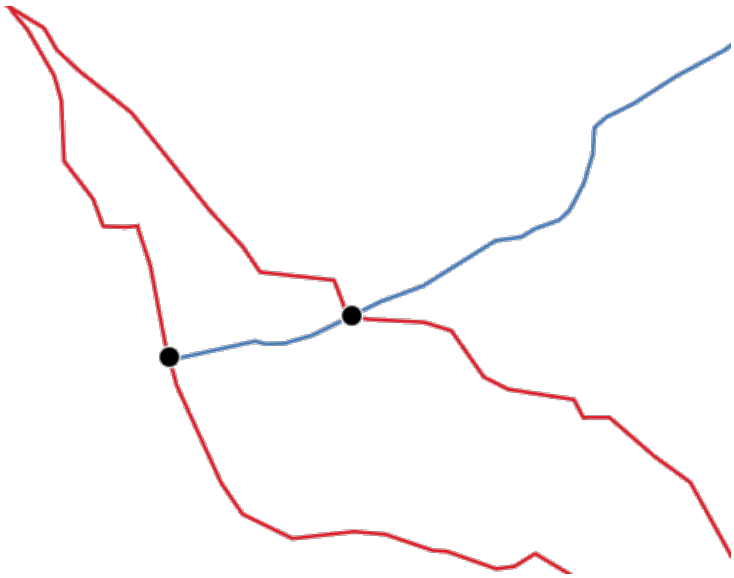


Abb. 25.106: Points of intersection

Default menu: *Vector* ► *Analysis Tools*

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: line]	Input line layer.
Intersect layer	`INTERSECT`	[vector: line]	Layer to use to find line intersections.
Input fields to keep (leave empty to keep all fields) Optional	`INPUT_FIELDS`	[tablefield: any] [list] Default: None	Field(s) of the input layer to keep in the output. If no fields are chosen all fields are taken.
Intersect fields to keep (leave empty to keep all fields) Optional	`INTERSECT_FIELDS`	[tablefield: any] [list] Default: None	Field(s) of the intersect layer to keep in the output. If no fields are chosen all fields are taken.
Intersection	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the layer to contain the intersection points of the lines from the input and overlay layers. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Intersect fields prefix Optional	`INTERSECT_FIELDS_PREFIX`	[string]	Prefix to add to the field names of the intersect layer's fields to avoid name collisions with fields in the input layer.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Intersections	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point]	Point vector layer with the intersections.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:lineintersections`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Split with lines

Splits the lines or polygons in one layer using the lines in another layer to define the breaking points. Intersection between geometries in both layers are considered as split points.

Output will contain multi geometries for split features.

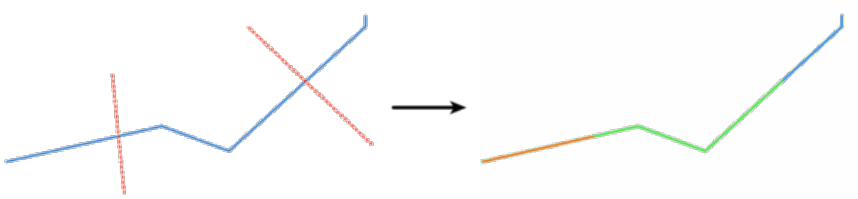


Abb. 25.107: Split lines

Allows *features in-place modification* of line and polygon features

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: line, polygon]	Layer containing the lines or polygons to split.
Split layer	`LINES`	[vector: line]	Line layer whose lines are used to define the breaking points.
Split	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the layer to contain the splitted (in case they are intersected by a line in the split layer) line/polygon features from the input layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Split	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	Output vector layer with split lines or polygons from input layer.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:splitwithlines`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Symmetrical difference

Creates a layer containing features from both the input and overlay layers but with the overlapping areas between the two layers removed.

The attribute table of the symmetrical difference layer contains attributes and fields from both the input and overlay layers.

Warnung: Geometry modification only

This operation modifies only the features geometry. The attribute values of the features are **not modified**, although properties such as area or length of the features will be modified by the clipping operation. If such properties are stored as attributes, those attributes will have to be manually updated.

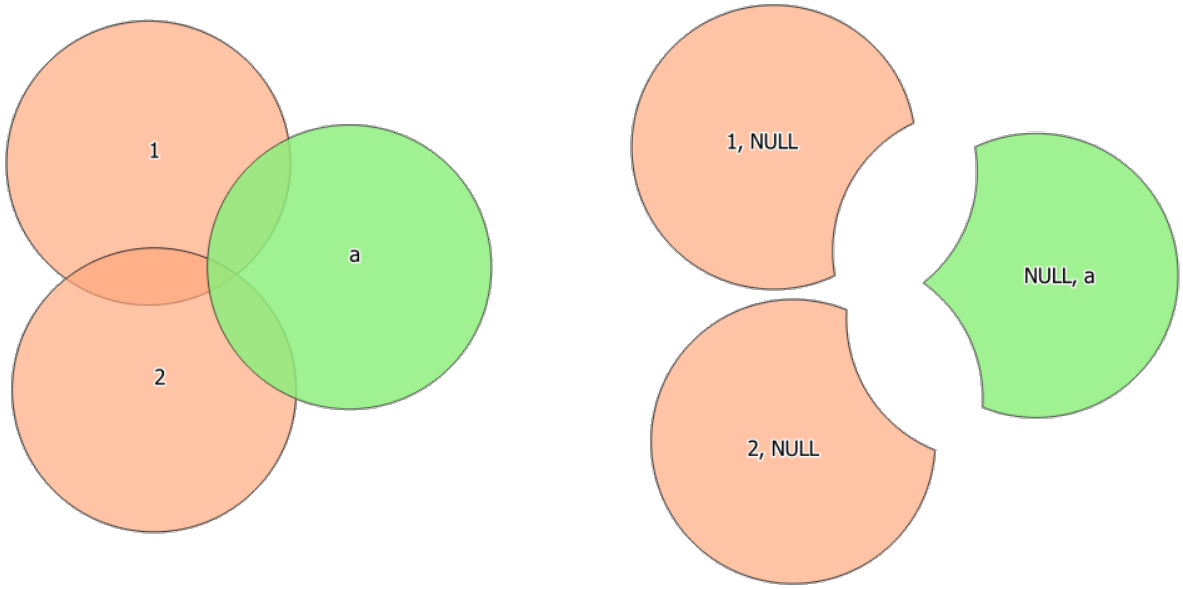


Abb. 25.108: Symmetrical difference operation between a two-features input layer and a single feature overlay layer (left) - resulting features are moved for clarity (right)

Default menu: *Vector* ► *Geoprocessing Tools*

Siehe auch:

Difference, *Clip*, *Intersection*

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	First layer to extract (parts of) features from.
Overlay layer	`OVERLAY`	[vector: any]	Second layer to extract (parts of) features from. Ideally the geometry type should be the same as input layer.
Symmetrical difference	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the layer to contain (the parts of) the features from the input and overlay layers that do not overlap features from the other layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Overlay fields prefix Optional	`OVERLAY_FIELDS_PREFIX`	[string]	Prefix to add to the field names of the overlay layer's fields to avoid name collisions with fields in the input layer.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Symmetrical difference	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	Layer containing (parts of) features from each layer not overlapping the other layer.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:symmetricaldifference`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Union

Checks overlaps between features within the input layer and creates separate features for overlapping and non-overlapping parts. The area of overlap will create as many identical overlapping features as there are features that participate in that overlap.

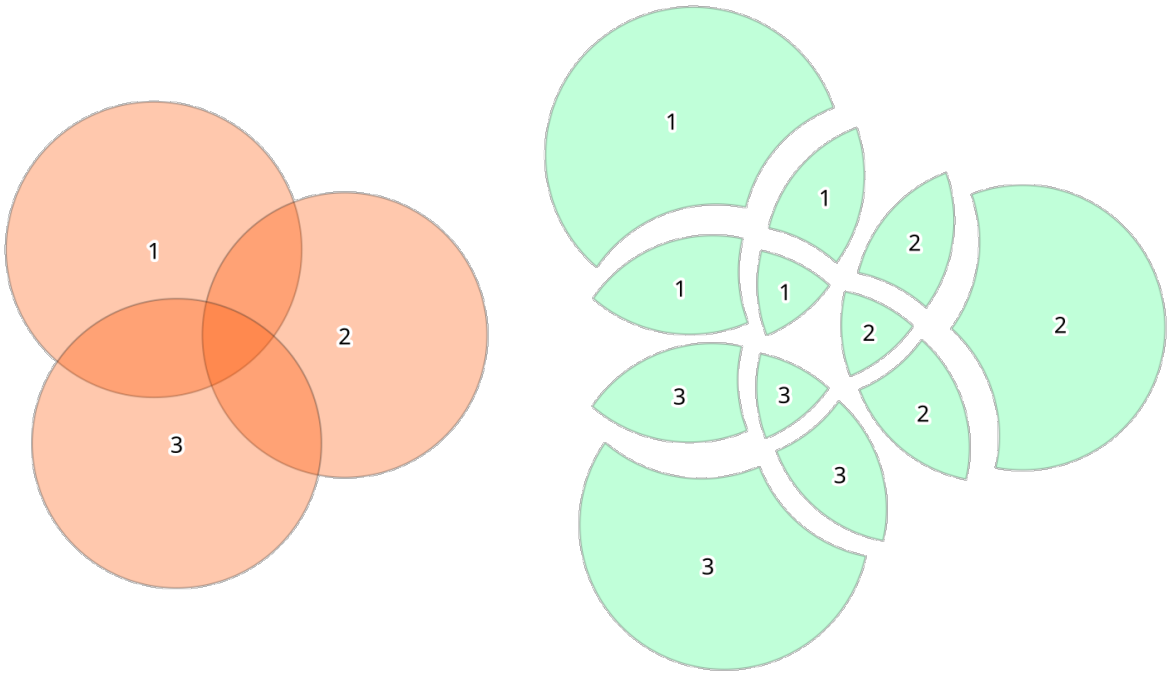


Abb. 25.109: Union operation with a single input layer of three overlapping features (left) - resulting features are moved for clarity (right)

An overlay layer can also be used, in which case features from each layer are split at their overlap with features from the other one, creating a layer containing all the portions from both input and overlay layers. The attribute table of the union layer is filled with attribute values from the respective original layer for non-overlapping features, and attribute values from both layers for overlapping features.

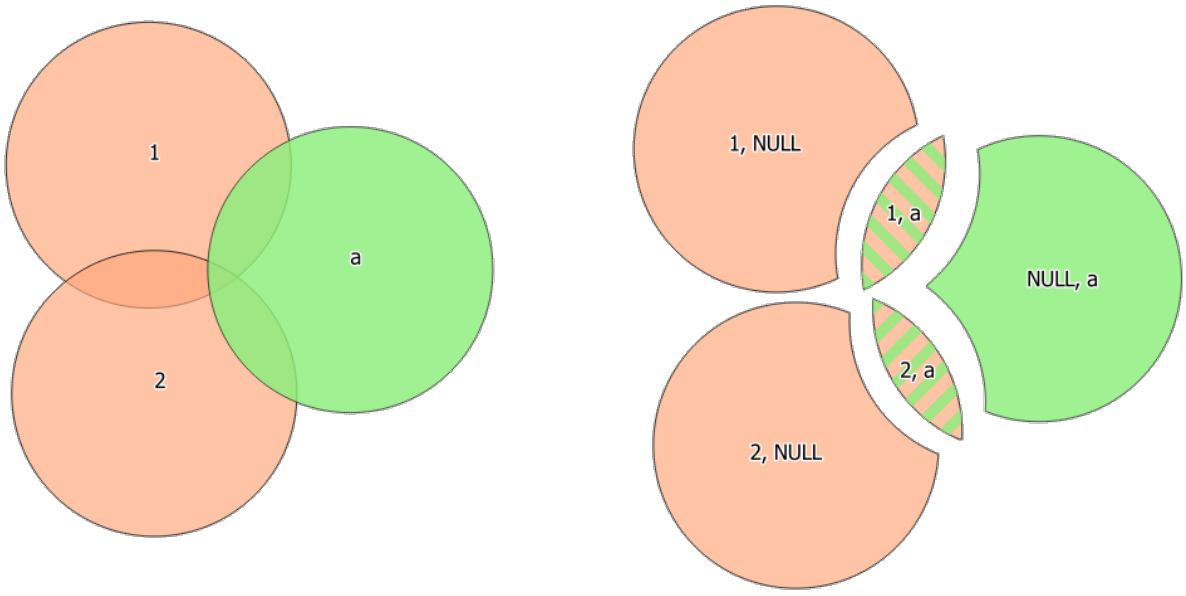


Abb. 25.110: Union operation between a two-features input layer and a single feature overlay layer (left) - resulting features are moved for clarity (right)

Bemerkung: For `union(A,B)` algorithm, if there are overlaps among geometries of layer A or among geometries of layer B, these are not resolved: you need to do `union(union(A,B))` to resolve all overlaps, i.e. run single

layer `union(X)` on the produced result `X=union(A,B)`.

Default menu: *Vector* ► *Geoprocessing Tools*

Siehe auch:

Clip, *Difference*, *Intersection*

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Input vector layer to split at any intersections.
Overlay layer Optional	`OVERLAY`	[vector: any]	Layer that will be combined to the first one. Ideally the geometry type should be the same as input layer.
Union	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the layer to contain the (split and duplicated) features from the input layer and the overlay layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Overlay fields prefix Optional	`OVERLAY_FIELDS_PREFIX`	[string]	Prefix to add to the field names of the overlay layer's fields to avoid name collisions with fields in the input layer.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Union	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	Layer containing all the overlapping and non-overlapping parts from the processed layer(s).

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:union`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

25.1.20 Vector selection

Extract by attribute

Creates two vector layers from an input layer: one will contain only matching features while the second will contain all the non-matching features.

The criteria for adding features to the resulting layer is based on the values of an attribute from the input layer.

Siehe auch:

Select by attribute

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Layer to extract features from.
Selection attribute	`FIELD`	[tablefield: any]	Filtering field of the layer
Operator	`OPERATOR`	[enumeration] Default: 0	Many different operators are available: • 0 — = • 1 — ≠ • 2 — >> • 3 — >= • 4 — < • 5 — <= • 6 — begins with • 7 — contains • 8 — is null • 9 — is not null • 10 — does not contain
Value Optional	`VALUE`	[string]	Value to be evaluated
Extracted (attribute)	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Create Temporary Layer]`	Specify the output vector layer for matching features. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Fortsetzung auf der nächsten Seite

Tab. 25.173 – Fortsetzung der vorherigen Seite

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Extracted (non-matching)	`FAIL_OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Skip output]`	Specify the output vector layer for non-matching features. One of: • Skip Output • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Extracted (attribute)	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	Vector layer with matching features from the input layer
Extracted (non-matching)	`FAIL_OUTPUT`	[same as input]	Vector layer with non-matching features from the input layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:extractbyattribute`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Extract by expression

Creates two vector layers from an input layer: one will contain only matching features while the second will contain all the non-matching features.

The criteria for adding features to the resulting layer is based on a QGIS expression. For more information about expressions see the *Ausdrücke*.

Siehe auch:

Select by expression

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Input vector layer
Expression	`EXPRESSION`	[expression]	Expression to filter the vector layer
Matching features	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Create Temporary Layer]`	Specify the output vector layer for matching features. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.
Non-matching	`FAIL_OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Skip output]`	Specify the output vector layer for non-matching features. One of: • Skip Output • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Matching features	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	Vector layer with matching features from the input layer
Non-matching	`FAIL_OUTPUT`	[same as input]	Vector layer with non-matching features from the input layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:extractbyexpression`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Extract by location

Creates a new vector layer that only contains matching features from an input layer.

The criteria for adding features to the resulting layer is based on the spatial relationship between each feature and the features in an additional layer.

Siehe auch:

Auswahl nach der Lage, *Extract within distance*

Exploring spatial relations

Geometrische Prädikate sind boolesche Funktionen, die verwendet werden, um die räumliche Beziehung eines Features zu einem anderen zu bestimmen, indem verglichen wird, ob und wie ihre Geometrien einen Teil des Raums teilen.

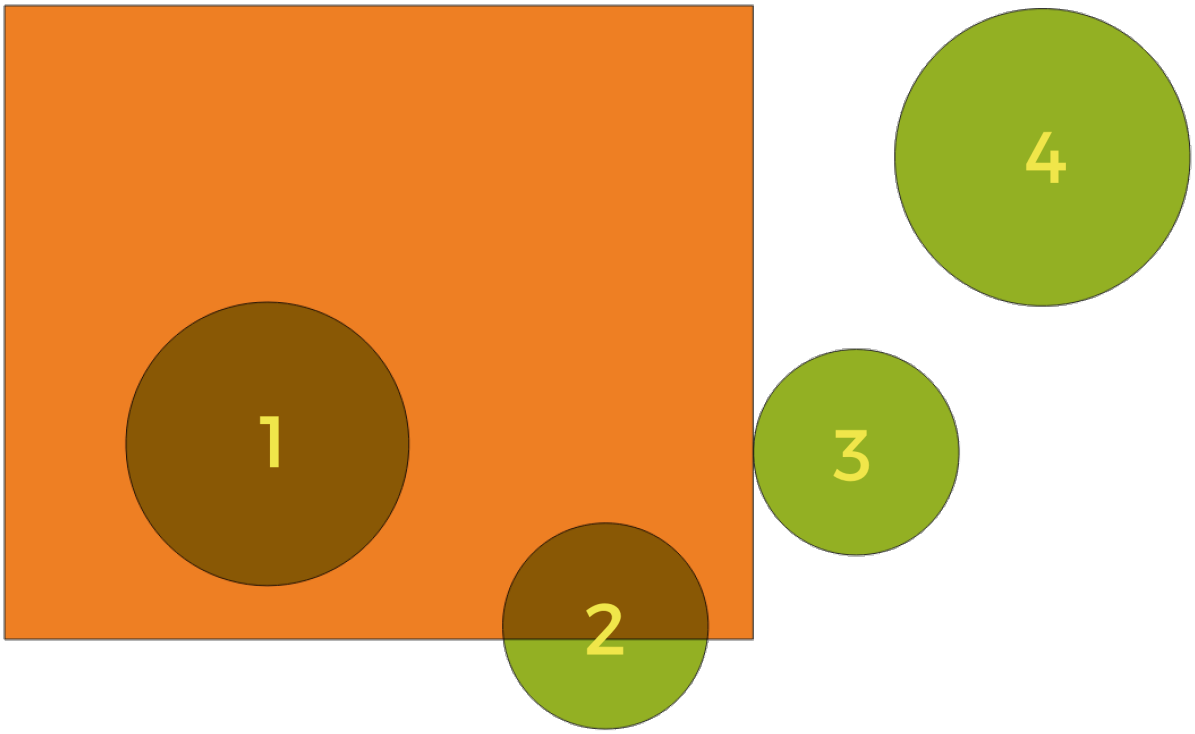


Abb. 25.111: Suche nach räumlichen Beziehungen zwischen Layern

Unter Verwendung der obigen Abbildung suchen wir nach den grünen Kreisen, indem wir sie räumlich mit dem orangefarbenen Rechteck-Feature vergleichen. Verfügbare geometrische Prädikate sind:

Schneidet Testet, ob eine Geometrie eine andere schneidet. Gibt 1 (wahr) zurück, wenn sich die Geometrien räumlich überschneiden (einen Teil des Raums teilen – überlappen oder berühren) und 0, wenn dies nicht der Fall ist. Im obigen Bild werden die Kreise 1, 2 und 3 zurückgegeben.

Enthält Gibt 1 (wahr) zurück, wenn und nur wenn keine Punkte von b außerhalb von a liegen und mindestens ein Punkt des Inneren von b innerhalb von a liegt. Im Bild wird kein Kreis zurückgegeben, sondern das Rechteck wäre es, wenn man es umgekehrt suchen würde, da es den Kreis 1 komplett enthält. Das ist das Gegenteil von *sind innerhalb*.

Getrennt Gibt 1 (wahr) zurück, wenn die Geometrien keinen Teil des Raums teilen (keine Überlappung, keine Berührung). Nur Kreis 4 wird zurückgegeben.

Gleich Gibt 1 (wahr) zurück, wenn und nur wenn die Geometrien genau gleich sind. Es werden keine Kreise zurückgegeben.

Berührt Testet, ob eine Geometrie eine andere berührt. Gibt 1 (wahr) zurück, wenn die Geometrien mindestens einen Punkt gemeinsam haben, aber ihre Innenräume sich nicht schneiden. Nur Kreis 3 wird zurückgegeben.

Überlappt Testet, ob eine Geometrie eine andere überlappt. Gibt 1 (wahr) zurück, wenn die Geometrien sich den Raum teilen, dieselbe Dimension haben, aber nicht vollständig ineinander liegen. Nur Kreis 2 wird zurückgegeben.

Sind innerhalb Testet, ob sich eine Geometrie in einer anderen befindet. Gibt 1 (wahr) zurück, wenn sich Geometrie a vollständig innerhalb von Geometrie b befindet. Nur Kreis 1 wird zurückgegeben.

Kreuzen Gibt 1 (wahr) zurück, wenn die bereitgestellten Geometrien einige, aber nicht alle inneren Punkte gemeinsam haben und die tatsächliche Kreuzung eine geringere Dimension als die höchste bereitgestellte Geometrie hat. Beispielsweise wird eine Linie, die ein Polygon kreuzt, als Linie gekreuzt (wahr). Zwei Linien, die sich kreuzen, kreuzen sich als Punkt (wahr). Zwei Polygone kreuzen sich als Polygon (falsch). Im Bild werden keine Kreise zurückgegeben.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Extract features from	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Input vector layer
Where the features (geometric predicate)	`PREDICATE`	[enumeration] [list] Default: [0]	Spatial condition for the selection. One or more of: • 0 — intersect • 1 — contain • 2 — disjoint • 3 — equal • 4 — touch • 5 — overlap • 6 — are within • 7 — cross If more than one condition is chosen, at least one of them (OR operation) has to be met for a feature to be extracted.
By comparing to the features from	`INTERSECT`	[vector: any]	Intersection vector layer
Extracted (location)	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output vector layer for the features that have the chosen spatial relationship(s) with one or more features in the comparison layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Extracted (location)	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	Vector layer with features from the input layer that have the chosen spatial relationship(s) with one or more features in the comparison layer.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:extractbylocation`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Extract within distance

`NEW in 3.22`

Creates a new vector layer that only contains matching features from an input layer. Features are copied wherever they are within the specified maximum distance from the features in an additional reference layer.

Siehe auch:

Select within distance, *Extract by location*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Extract features from	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Input vector layer to copy features from
By comparing to the features from	`REFERENCE`	[vector: any]	Vector layer whose features closeness is used
Where the features are within	`DISTANCE`	[number] Default: 100	The maximum distance around reference features to select input features within
Modify current selection by	`METHOD`	[enumeration] Default: 0	How the selection of the algorithm should be managed. One of: • 0 — creating new selection • 1 — adding to current selection • 2 — selecting within current selection • 3 — removing from current selection
Extracted (location)	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output vector layer for the features that are within the set distance from reference features. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Extracted (location)	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	Vector layer with features from the input layer matching the condition of distance from reference features

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:extractwithindistance`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Random extract

Takes a vector layer and generates a new one that contains only a subset of the features in the input layer.

The subset is defined randomly, based on feature IDs, using a percentage or count value to define the total number of features in the subset.

Siehe auch:

Random selection

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Source vector layer to select the features from
Method	`METHOD`	[enumeration] Default: 0	Random selection methods. One of: • 0 — Number of selected features • 1 — Percentage of selected features
Number/percentage of selected features	`NUMBER`	[number] Default: 10	Number or percentage of features to select
Extracted (random)	`OUTPUT`	[vector: any] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output vector layer for the randomly selected features. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Extracted (random)	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	Vector layer containing randomly selected features from the input layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:randomextract`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Random extract within subsets

Takes a vector layer and generates a new one that contains only a subset of the features in the input layer.

The subset is defined randomly, based on feature IDs, using a percentage or count value to define the total number of features in the subset. The percentage/count value is not applied to the whole layer, but instead to each category. Categories are defined according to a given attribute.

Siehe auch:

Random selection within subsets

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Vector layer to select the features from
ID field	`FIELD`	[tablefield: any]	Category of the source vector layer to select the features from
Method	`METHOD`	[enumeration] Default: 0	Random selection method. One of: • 0 — Number of selected features • 1 — Percentage of selected features
Number/percentage of selected features	`NUMBER`	[number] Default: 10	Number or percentage of features to select
Extracted (random stratified)	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output vector layer for the randomly selected features. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Extracted (random stratified)	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	Vector layer containing randomly selected features from the input layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:randomextractwithinsubsets`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Random selection

Takes a vector layer and selects a subset of its features. No new layer is generated by this algorithm.

The subset is defined randomly, based on feature IDs, using a percentage or count value to define the total number of features in the subset.

Default menu: *Vector ► Research Tools*

Siehe auch:

Random extract

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Vector layer for the selection
Method	`METHOD`	[enumeration] Default: 0	Random selection method. One of: • 0 — Number of selected features • 1 — Percentage of selected features
Number/percentage of selected features	`NUMBER`	[number] Default: 10	Number or percentage of features to select

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[same as input]	The input layer with features selected

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:randomselection`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Random selection within subsets

Takes a vector layer and selects a subset of its features. No new layer is generated by this algorithm.

The subset is defined randomly, based on feature IDs, using a percentage or count value to define the total number of features in the subset.

The percentage/count value is not applied to the whole layer, but instead to each category.

Categories are defined according to a given attribute, which is also specified as an input parameter for the algorithm.

No new outputs are created.

Default menu: *Vector ► Research Tools*

Siehe auch:

Random extract within subsets

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Vector layer to select features in
ID field	`FIELD`	[tablefield: any]	Category of the input layer to select the features from
Method	`METHOD`	[enumeration] Default: 0	Random selection method. One of: • 0 — Number of selected features • 1 — Percentage of selected features
Number/percentage of selected features	`NUMBER`	[number] Default: 10	Number or percentage of features to select

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[same as input]	The input layer with features selected

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:randomselectionwithinsubsets`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Select by attribute

Erstellt eine Auswahl in einem Vektorlayer.

The criteria for selecting features is based on the values of an attribute from the input layer.

Siehe auch:

Extract by attribute

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Vector layer to select features in
Selection attribute	`FIELD`	[tablefield: any]	Filtering field of the layer
Operator	`OPERATOR`	[enumeration] Default: 0	Many different operators are available: • 0 — = • 1 — ≠ • 2 — >>br>• 3 — >= • 4 — < • 5 — <= • 6 — begins with • 7 — contains • 8 — is null • 9 — is not null • 10 — does not contain
Value Optional	`VALUE`	[string]	Value to be evaluated
Modify current selection by	`METHOD`	[enumeration] Default: 0	How the selection of the algorithm should be managed. One of: • 0 — creating new selection • 1 — adding to current selection • 2 — removing from current selection • 3 — selecting within current selection

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[same as input]	The input layer with features selected

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:selectbyattribute`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Select by expression

Erstellt eine Auswahl in einem Vektorlayer.

The criteria for selecting features is based on a QGIS expression. For more information about expressions see the *Ausdrücke*.

Siehe auch:

Extract by expression

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Input vector layer
Expression	`EXPRESSION`	[expression]	Expression to filter the input layer
Modify current selection by	`METHOD`	[enumeration] Default: 0	How the selection of the algorithm should be managed. One of: • 0 — creating new selection • 1 — adding to current selection • 2 — removing from current selection • 3 — selecting within current selection

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[same as input]	The input layer with features selected

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:selectbyexpression`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Auswahl nach der Lage

Erstellt eine Auswahl in einem Vektorlayer.

Die Kriterien für die Auswahl von Features basieren auf der räumlichen Beziehung zwischen jedem Feature und den Features in eines zusätzlichen Layers.

Default menu: *Vector ► Research Tools*

Siehe auch:

Extract by location, *Select within distance*

Exploring spatial relations

Geometrische Prädikate sind boolesche Funktionen, die verwendet werden, um die räumliche Beziehung eines Features zu einem anderen zu bestimmen, indem verglichen wird, ob und wie ihre Geometrien einen Teil des Raums teilen.

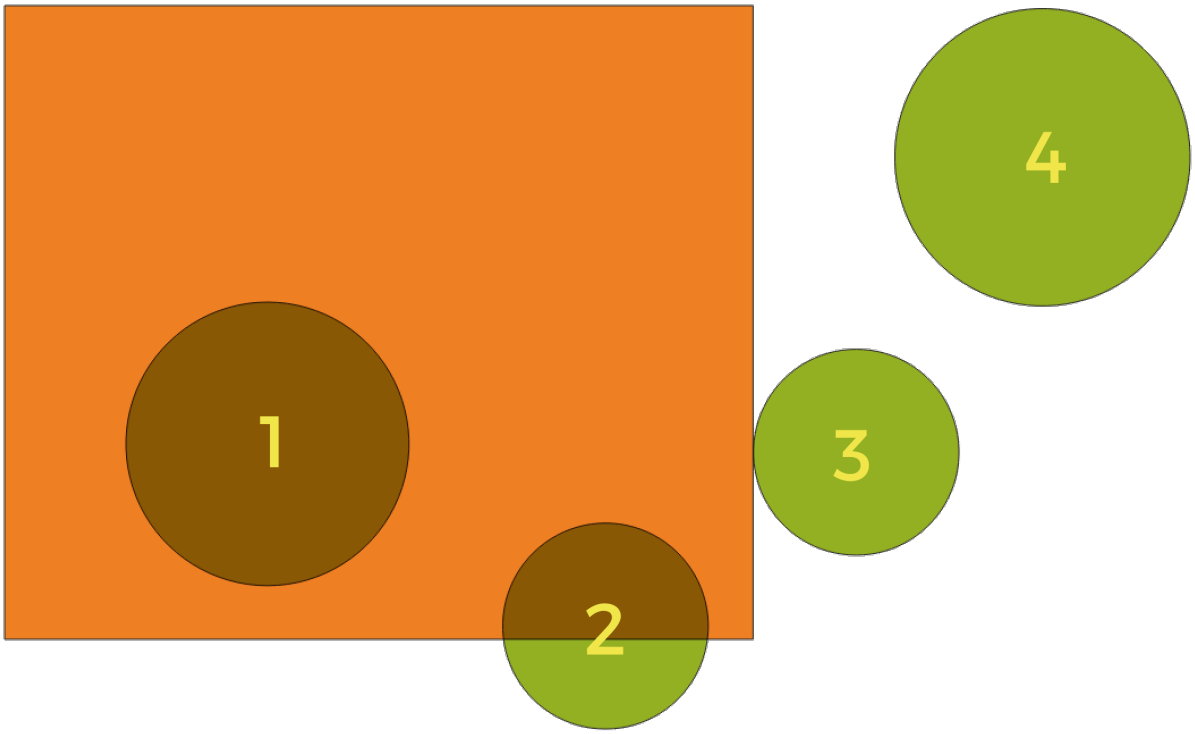


Abb. 25.112: Suche nach räumlichen Beziehungen zwischen Layern

Unter Verwendung der obigen Abbildung suchen wir nach den grünen Kreisen, indem wir sie räumlich mit dem orangefarbenen Rechteck-Feature vergleichen. Verfügbare geometrische Prädikate sind:

Schneidet Testet, ob eine Geometrie eine andere schneidet. Gibt 1 (wahr) zurück, wenn sich die Geometrien räumlich überschneiden (einen Teil des Raums teilen – überlappen oder berühren) und 0, wenn dies nicht der Fall ist. Im obigen Bild werden die Kreise 1, 2 und 3 zurückgegeben.

Enthält Gibt 1 (wahr) zurück, wenn und nur wenn keine Punkte von b außerhalb von a liegen und mindestens ein Punkt des Inneren von b innerhalb von a liegt. Im Bild wird kein Kreis zurückgegeben, sondern das Rechteck wäre es, wenn man es umgekehrt suchen würde, da es den Kreis 1 komplett enthält. Das ist das Gegenteil von *sind innerhalb*.

Getrennt Gibt 1 (wahr) zurück, wenn die Geometrien keinen Teil des Raums teilen (keine Überlappung, keine Berührung). Nur Kreis 4 wird zurückgegeben.

Gleich Gibt 1 (wahr) zurück, wenn und nur wenn die Geometrien genau gleich sind. Es werden keine Kreise zurückgegeben.

Berührt Testet, ob eine Geometrie eine andere berührt. Gibt 1 (wahr) zurück, wenn die Geometrien mindestens einen Punkt gemeinsam haben, aber ihre Innenräume sich nicht schneiden. Nur Kreis 3 wird zurückgegeben.

Überlappt Testet, ob eine Geometrie eine andere überlappt. Gibt 1 (wahr) zurück, wenn die Geometrien sich den Raum teilen, dieselbe Dimension haben, aber nicht vollständig ineinander liegen. Nur Kreis 2 wird zurückgegeben.

Sind innerhalb Testet, ob sich eine Geometrie in einer anderen befindet. Gibt 1 (wahr) zurück, wenn sich Geometrie a vollständig innerhalb von Geometrie b befindet. Nur Kreis 1 wird zurückgegeben.

Kreuzen Gibt 1 (wahr) zurück, wenn die bereitgestellten Geometrien einige, aber nicht alle inneren Punkte gemeinsam haben und die tatsächliche Kreuzung eine geringere Dimension als die höchste bereitgestellte Geometrie hat. Beispielsweise wird eine Linie, die ein Polygon kreuzt, als Linie gekreuzt (wahr). Zwei Linien, die sich kreuzen, kreuzen sich als Punkt (wahr). Zwei Polygone kreuzen sich als Polygon (falsch). Im Bild werden keine Kreise zurückgegeben.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Select features from	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Input vector layer
Where the features (geometric predicate)	`PREDICATE`	[enumeration] [list] Default: [0]	Spatial condition for the selection. One or more of: • 0 — intersect • 1 — contain • 2 — disjoint • 3 — equal • 4 — touch • 5 — overlap • 6 — are within • 7 — cross If more than one condition is chosen, at least one of them (OR operation) has to be met for a feature to be extracted.
By comparing to the features from	`INTERSECT`	[vector: any]	Intersection vector layer
Modify current selection by	`METHOD`	[enumeration] Default: 0	How the selection of the algorithm should be managed. One of: • 0 — creating new selection • 1 — adding to current selection • 2 — selecting within current selection • 3 — removing from current selection

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[same as input]	The input layer with features selected

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:selectbylocation`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Select within distance

`NEW in 3.22`

creates a selection in a vector layer. Features are selected wherever they are within the specified maximum distance from the features in an additional reference layer.

Siehe auch:

Extract within distance, *Auswahl nach der Lage*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Select features from	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Input vector layer to select features from
By comparing to the features from	`REFERENCE`	[vector: any]	Vector layer whose features closeness is used
Where the features are within	`DISTANCE`	[number] Default: 100	The maximum distance around reference features to select input features
Modify current selection by	`METHOD`	[enumeration] Default: 0	How the selection of the algorithm should be managed. One of: • 0 — creating new selection • 1 — adding to current selection • 2 — selecting within current selection • 3 — removing from current selection

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[same as input]	The input layer with features selected

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:selectwithindistance`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

25.1.21 Vector table

Add autoincremental field

Adds a new integer field to a vector layer, with a sequential value for each feature.

This field can be used as a unique ID for features in the layer. The new attribute is not added to the input layer but a new layer is generated instead.

The initial starting value for the incremental series can be specified. Optionally, the incremental series can be based on grouping fields and a sort order for features can also be specified.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	The input vector layer.
Field name	`FIELD_NAME`	[string] Default: ‚AUTO‘	Name of the field with autoincremental values
Start values at Optional	`START`	[number] Default: 0	Choose the initial number of the incremental count
Modulus value `NEW in 3.22` Optional	`MODULUS`	[number] Default: 0	Specifying an optional modulus value will restart the count to START whenever the field value reaches the modulus value. `0` means no restart.
Group values by Optional	`GROUP_FIELDS`	[tablefield: any] [list]	Select grouping field(s): instead of a single count run for the whole layer, a separate count is processed for each value returned by the combination of these fields.
Sort expression Optional	`SORT_EXPRESSION`	[expression]	Use an expression to sort the features in the layer either globally or if set, based on group fields.
Sort ascending	`SORT_ASCENDING`	[boolean] Default: True	When a `sort expression` is set, use this option to control the order in which features are assigned values.
Sort nulls first	`SORT_NULLS_FIRST`	[boolean] Default: False	When a `sort expression` is set, use this option to set whether *Null* values are counted first or last.

Fortsetzung auf der nächsten Seite

Tab. 25.181 – Fortsetzung der vorherigen Seite

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Incremented	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output vector layer with the auto increment field. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… • Append to Layer… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Incremented	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	Vector layer with auto incremental field

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:addautoincrementalfield`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Add field to attributes table

Adds a new field to a vector layer.

The name and characteristics of the attribute are defined as parameters.

The new attribute is not added to the input layer but a new layer is generated instead.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	The input layer
Field name	`FIELD_NAME`	[string]	Name of the new field
Field type	`FIELD_TYPE`	[enumeration] Default: 0	Type of the new field. You can choose between: • 0 — Integer • 1 — Float • 2 — String
Field length	`FIELD_LENGTH`	[number] Default: 10	Length of the field
Field precision	`FIELD_PRECISION`	[number] Default: 0	Precision of the field. Useful with Float field type.

Fortsetzung auf der nächsten Seite

Tab. 25.182 – Fortsetzung der vorherigen Seite

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Added	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output vector layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… • Append to Layer… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Added	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	Vector layer with new field added

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:addfieldtoattributestable`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Add unique value index field

Takes a vector layer and an attribute and adds a new numeric field.

Values in this field correspond to values in the specified attribute, so features with the same value for the attribute will have the same value in the new numeric field.

This creates a numeric equivalent of the specified attribute, which defines the same classes.

The new attribute is not added to the input layer but a new layer is generated instead.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	The input layer.
Class field	`FIELD`	[tablefield: any]	Features that have the same value for this field will get the same index.
Output field name	`FIELD_NAME`	[string] Default: ‚NUM_FIELD‘	Name of the new field containing the indexes.

Fortsetzung auf der nächsten Seite

Tab. 25.183 – Fortsetzung der vorherigen Seite

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Layer with index field	`OUTPUT`	[vector: any] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Vector layer with the numeric field containing indexes. One of: • Skip Output • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.
Class summary	`SUMMARY_OUTPUT`	[table] Default: `[Skip output]`	Specify the table to contain the summary of the class field mapped to the corresponding unique value. One of: • Skip Output • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Layer with index field	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	Vector layer with the numeric field containing indexes.
Class summary	`SUMMARY_OUTPUT`	[table]	Table with summary of the class field mapped to the corresponding unique value.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:adduniquevalueindexfield`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Add X/Y fields to layer

Adds X and Y (or latitude/longitude) fields to a point layer. The X/Y fields can be calculated in a different CRS to the layer (e.g. creating latitude/longitude fields for a layer in a projected CRS).

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: point]	The input layer.
Coordinate system	`CRS`	[crs] Default: „EPSG:4326“	Coordinate reference system to use for the generated x and y fields.
Field prefix Optional	`PREFIX`	[string]	Prefix to add to the new field names to avoid name collisions with fields in the input layer.
Added fields	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… • Append to Layer… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Added fields	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point]	The output layer - identical to the input layer but with two new double fields, `x` and `y`.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:addxyfieldstolayer`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Advanced Python field calculator

Adds a new attribute to a vector layer, with values resulting from applying an expression to each feature.

The expression is defined as a Python function.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Input vector layer
Result field name	`FIELD_NAME`	[string] Default: ‚NewField‘	Name of the new field

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Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Field type	`FIELD_TYPE`	[enumeration] Default: 0	Type of the new field. One of: • 0 — Integer • 1 — Float • 2 — String
Field length	`FIELD_LENGTH`	[number] Default: 10	Length of the field
Field precision	`FIELD_PRECISION`	[number] Default: 3	Precision of the field. Useful with Float field type.
Global expression Optional	`GLOBAL`	[string]	The code in the global expression section will be executed only once before the calculator starts iterating through all the features of the input layer. Therefore, this is the correct place to import necessary modules or to calculate variables that will be used in subsequent calculations.
Formula	`FORMULA`	[string]	The Python formula to evaluate. Example: To calculate the area of an input polygon layer you can add: `value = $geom.area()`
Calculated	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the vector layer with the new calculated field. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Calculated	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	Vector layer with the new calculated field

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:advancedpythonfieldcalculator`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Drop field(s)

Takes a vector layer and generates a new one that has the same features but without the selected columns.

Siehe auch:

Retain fields

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Input vector layer to drop field(s) from
Fields to drop	`COLUMN`	[tablefield: any] [list]	The field(s) to drop
Remaining fields	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output vector layer with the remaining fields. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… • Append to Layer… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Remaining fields	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	Vector layer with the remaining fields

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:deletecolumn`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Explode HStore Field

Creates a copy of the input layer and adds a new field for every unique key in the HStore field.

The expected field list is an optional comma separated list. If this list is specified, only these fields are added and the HStore field is updated. By default, all unique keys are added.

The PostgreSQL HStore is a simple key-value store used in PostgreSQL and OGR (when reading an OSM file with the `other_tags` field.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Input vector layer
HStore field	`FIELD`	[tablefield: any]	The field(s) to drop
Expected list of fields separated by a comma Optional	`EXPECTED_FIELDS`	[string] Default: ‚‘	Comma-separated list of fields to extract. The HStore field will be updated by removing these keys.
Exploded	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specify the output vector layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Exploded	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	Output vector layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:explodehstorefield`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Extract binary field

Extracts contents from a binary field, saving them to individual files. Filenames can be generated using values taken from an attribute in the source table or based on a more complex expression.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Input vector layer containing the binary data
Binary field	`FIELD`	[tablefield: any]	Field containing the binary data
File name	`FILENAME`	[expression]	Field or expression-based text to name each output file
Destination folder	`FOLDER`	[folder] Default: `[Save to temporary folder]`	Folder in which to store the output files. One of: • Save to a Temporary Directory • Save to Directory

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Folder	`FOLDER`	[folder]	The folder that contains the output files.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:extractbinary`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Field calculator

Opens the field calculator (see *Ausdrücke*). You can use all the supported expressions and functions.

A new layer is created with the result of the expression.

The field calculator is very useful when used in *Die Grafische Modellierung*.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	The layer to calculate on
Output field name	`FIELD_NAME`	[string]	The name of the field for the results
Output field type	`FIELD_TYPE`	[enumeration] Default: 0	The type of the field. One of: • 0 — Float • 1 — Integer • 2 — String • 3 — Date
Output field width	`FIELD_LENGTH`	[number] Default: 10	The length of the result field (minimum 0)
Field precision	`FIELD_PRECISION`	[number] Default: 3	The precision of the result field (minimum 0, maximum 15)
Create new field	`NEW_FIELD`	[boolean] Default: True	Should the result field be a new field
Formula	`FORMULA`	[expression]	The formula to use to calculate the result
Output file	`OUTPUT`	[vector: any] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specification of the output layer. • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… • Append to Layer… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Calculated	`OUTPUT`	[vector: any]	Output layer with the calculated field values

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:fieldcalculator`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Refactor fields

Allows editing the structure of the attribute table of a vector layer.

Fields can be modified in their type and name, using a fields mapping.

The original layer is not modified. A new layer is generated, which contains a modified attribute table, according to the provided fields mapping.

Bemerkung: When using a template layer with *constraints* on fields, the information is displayed in the widget with a coloured background and tooltip. Treat this information as a hint during configuration. No constraints will be added on an output layer nor will they be checked or enforced by the algorithm.

The Refactor fields algorithm allows to:

- Change field names and types
- Add and remove fields
- Reorder fields
- Calculate new fields based on expressions
- Load field list from another layer

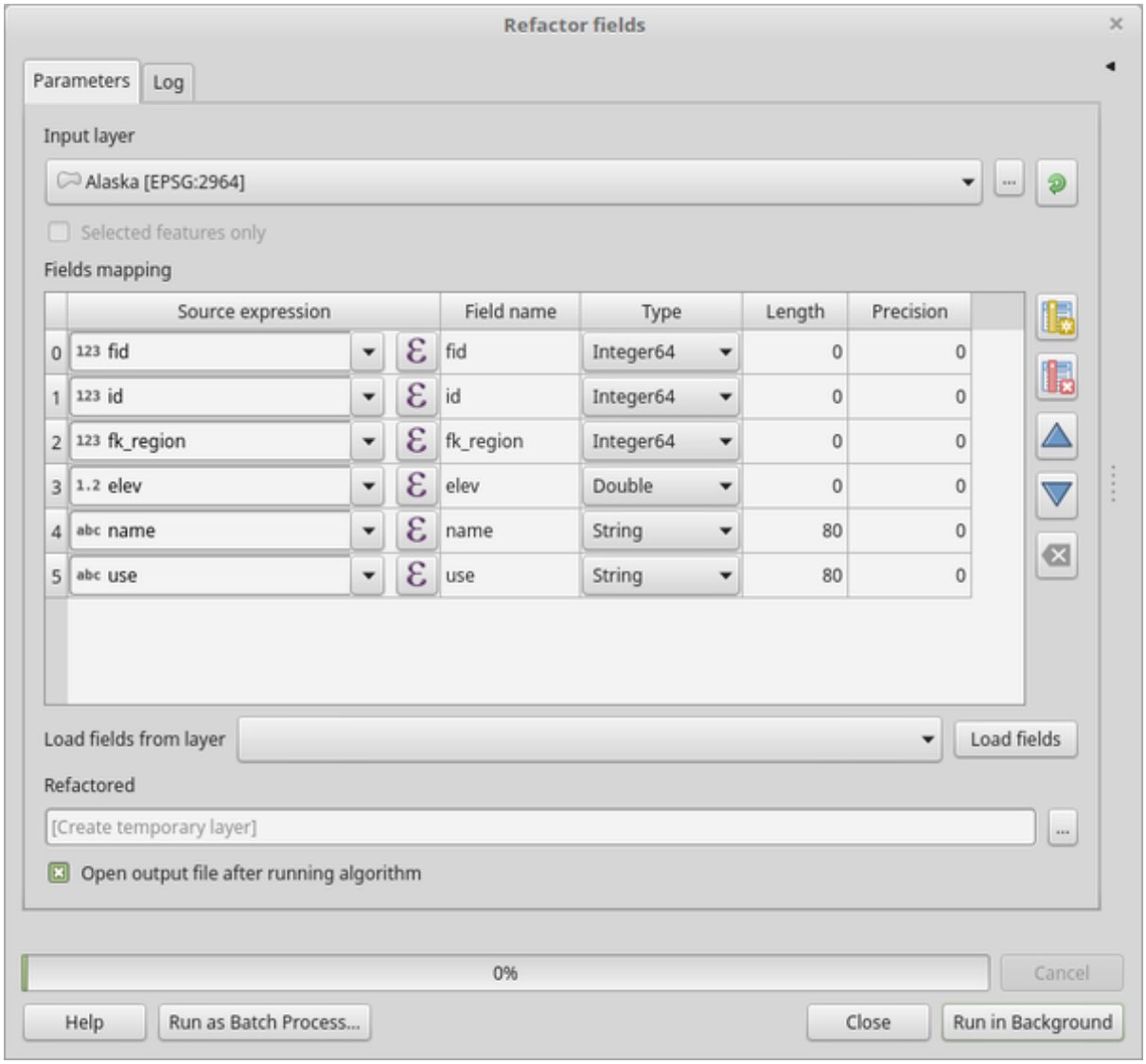


Abb. 25.113: Refactor fields dialog

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	The layer to modify

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Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Fields mapping	`FIELDS_MAPPING`	[list]	List of output fields with their definitions. The embedded table lists all the fields of the source layer and allows you to edit them: • Click  to create a new field. • Click  to remove a field. • Use  and  to change the selected field order. • Click  to reset to the default view. For each of the fields you'd like to reuse, you need to fill the following options: ***Source expression*** **(`expression`) [expression]** Field or expression from the input layer. ***Field name*** **(`name`) [string]** Name of the field in the output layer. By default input field name is kept. ***Type*** **(`type`) [enumeration]** Data type of the output field. Available types depend on the output layer provider. ***Length*** **(`length`) [number]** Length of the output field. ***Precision*** **(`precision`) [number]** Precision of the output field. ***Constraints*** **(`constraints`) [string]** When using a template layer, indicates whether there are constraints applied to the template field. Hover over the cell to display the constraints. ***Load fields from template layer*** Allows to select a layer from the current project as a template and (with *Load fields*) fill the above „Fields mapping“ options with its fields and their definitions.
Refactored	`OUTPUT`	[vector: any] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specification of the output layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… • Append to Layer… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Refactored	`OUTPUT`	[vector: any]	Output layer with refactored fields

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:refactorfields`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Rename field

Renames an existing field from a vector layer.

The original layer is not modified. A new layer is generated where the attribute table contains the renamed field.

Siehe auch:

Refactor fields

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	The input vector layer
Field to rename	`FIELD`	[tablefield: any]	The field to be altered
New field name	`NEW_NAME`	[string]	The new field name
Renamed	`OUTPUT`	[vector: same as input] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specification of the output layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… • Append to Layer… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Renamed	`OUTPUT`	[vector: same as input]	Output layer with the renamed field

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:renametablefield`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Retain fields

`NEW in 3.18`

Takes a vector layer and generates a new one that retains only the selected fields. All other fields will be dropped.

Siehe auch:

Drop field(s)

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	The input vector layer
Fields to retain	`FIELDS`	[tablefield: any][list]	List of fields to keep in the layer
Retained fields	`OUTPUT`	[vector: same as input] Default: `[Create temporary layer]`	Specification of the output layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… • Append to Layer… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Retained fields	`OUTPUT`	[vector: same as input]	Output layer with the retained fields

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:retainfields`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Text to float

Modifies the type of a given attribute in a vector layer, converting a text attribute containing numeric strings into a numeric attribute (e.g. ‚1‘ to `1.0`).

The algorithm creates a new vector layer so the source one is not modified.

If the conversion is not possible the selected column will have `NULL` values.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	The input vector layer.
Text attribute to convert to float	`FIELD`	[tablefield: string]	The string field for the input layer that is to be converted to a float field.
Float from text	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Create Temporary Layer]`	Specify the output layer. One of: • Create Temporary Layer (`TEMPORARY_OUTPUT`) • Save to File… • Save to Geopackage… • Save to Database Table… • Append to Layer… The file encoding can also be changed here.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Float from text	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	Output vector layer with the string field converted into a float field

Python code

Algorithm ID: `qgis:texttofloat`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

25.1.22 Vector Tiles

Write vector tiles (MBTiles)

Exports one or more vector layers to vector tiles, a data format optimized for fast map rendering and small data size.

MBTiles is a specification for storing tiled map data in SQLite databases for immediate usage and for transfer. MBTiles files are known as tilesets.

Parameters

Label	Name	Type	Description
Input layers	`INPUT`	[vector: any][list]	A list of layers to combine to generate the vector tiles
Minimum zoom level	`MIN_ZOOM`	[number] Default: 0	The lowest zoom level for which the tileset provides data. Set between 0 and 24.
Maximum zoom level	`MAX_ZOOM`	[number] Default: 3	The highest zoom level for which the tileset provides data. Set between 0 and 24.
Extent Optional	`EXTENT`	[extent] Default: Not set	The maximum extent of the rendered map area. Bounds must define an area covered by all zoom levels.
Metadata: Name Optional	`META_NAME`	[string]	Name of the tileset
Metadata: Description Optional	`META_DESCRIPTION`	[string]	A description of the tileset's contents
Metadata: Attribution Optional	`META_ATTRIBUTION`	[string]	An attribution string, which explains the sources of data and/or style for the map.
Metadata: Version Optional	`META_VERSION`	[string]	The version of the tileset. This refers to a revision of the tileset itself, not of the MBTiles specification.
Metadata: Type Optional	`META_TYPE`	[string]	Type of tileset. Possible values are `overlay` or `baselayer`.
Metadata: Center Optional	`META_CENTER`	[string]	The center (string of comma-separated numbers: the longitude, latitude, and zoom level) of the default view of the map. Example: `-122.1906,37.7599,11`
Destination MBTiles	`OUTPUT`	[vector tiles] Default: [Save to temporary file]	Specification of the output MBTiles file. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Outputs

Label	Name	Type	Description
Destination MBTiles	`OUTPUT`	[file]	Output vector tiles `.mbtiles` file.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:writevectortiles_mbtiles`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Write vector tiles (XYZ)

Exports one or more vector layers to vector tiles, a data format optimized for fast map rendering and small data size.

Parameters

Label	Name	Type	Description
File template	`XYZ_TEMPLATE`	[string] Default: ‚{z}/{x}/{y}.pbf‘	Template to generate the vector tiles url
Input layers	`INPUT`	[vector: any][list]	A list of layers to combine to generate the vector tiles
Minimum zoom level	`MIN_ZOOM`	[number] Default: 0	The lowest zoom level for which the tileset provides data. Set between 0 and 24.
Maximum zoom level	`MAX_ZOOM`	[number] Default: 3	The highest zoom level for which the tileset provides data. Set between 0 and 24.
Extent Optional	`EXTENT`	[extent] Default: Not set	The maximum extent of the rendered map area. Bounds must define an area covered by all zoom levels.
Output directory	`OUTPUT_DIRECTORY`	[folder] Default: [Save to temporary folder]	Specification of the output vector tiles folder. One of: • Save to a Temporary Directory • Save to Directory

Outputs

Label	Name	Type	Description
Output directory	`OUTPUT_DIRECTORY`	[folder]	A folder containing different subsets of the vector tiles files (`.pbf`) stored in subfolders corresponding to the zoom levels.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `native:writevectortiles_xyz`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

25.2 GDAL-Algorithmen Bereitstellung

GDAL (Geospatial Data Abstraction Library) ist eine Übersetzerbibliothek für Raster- und Vektor-Geodatenformate. Die Algorithmen im Verarbeitungsrahmen sind von den GDAL-Rasterprogrammen und GDAL-Vektorprogrammen abgeleitet.

25.2.1 Raster analysis

Aspect

Generates an aspect map from any GDAL-supported elevation raster. Aspect is the compass direction that a slope faces. The pixels will have a value from 0-360° measured in degrees from north indicating the azimuth. On the northern hemisphere, the north side of slopes is often shaded (small azimuth from 0°-90°), while the southern side receives more solar radiation (higher azimuth from 180°-270°).

This algorithm is derived from the GDAL DEM utility.

Default menu: *Raster* ► *Analysis*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[raster]	Input elevation raster layer
Band number	`BAND`	[raster band] Default: 1	The number of the band to use as elevation
Return trigonometric angle instead of azimuth	`TRIG_ANGLE`	[boolean] Default: False	Activating the trigonometric angle results in different categories: 0° (East), 90° (North), 180° (West), 270° (South).
Return 0 for flat instead of -9999	`ZERO_FLAT`	[boolean] Default: False	Activating this option will insert a 0-value for the value -9999 on flat areas.
Compute edges	`COMPUTE_EDGES`	[boolean] Default: False	Generates edges from the elevation raster
Use Zevenbergen&Thorne formula instead of the Horn's one	`ZEVENBERGEN`	[boolean] Default: False	Activates Zevenbergen&Thorne formula for smooth landscapes
Aspect	`OUTPUT`	[raster] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Output raster layer. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Additional creation options Optional	`OPTIONS`	[string] Default: ‚‘	For adding one or more creation options that control the raster to be created (colors, block size, file compression…). For convenience, you can rely on predefined profiles (see *GDAL driver options section*). For Batch Process: separate multiple options with a pipe character (|).

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Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Additional command-line parameters Optional	EXTRA	[string] Default: None	Add extra GDAL command line options

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Aspect	OUTPUT	[raster]	Output raster with angle values in degrees

Python code

Algorithm ID: `gdal:aspect`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Color relief

Generates a color relief map from any GDAL-supported elevation raster. Color reliefs can particularly be used to depict elevations. The Algorithm outputs a 4-band raster with values computed from the elevation and a text-based color configuration file. By default, the colors between the given elevation values are blended smoothly and the result is a nice colorized elevation raster.

This algorithm is derived from the GDAL DEM utility.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	INPUT	[raster]	Input elevation raster layer
Band number	BAND	[raster band] Default: 1	The number of the band to use as elevation
Compute edges	COMPUTE_EDGES	[boolean] Default: False	Generates edges from the elevation raster
Color configuration file	COLOR_TABLE	[file]	A text-based color configuration file
Matching mode	MATCH_MODE	[enumeration] Default: 2	One of: • 0 — Use strict color matching • 1 — Use closest RGBA quadruples • 2 — Use smoothly blended colours

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Tab. 25.193 – Fortsetzung der vorherigen Seite

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Additional creation options Optional	`OPTIONS`	[string] Default: ,‘	For adding one or more creation options that control the raster to be created (colors, block size, file compression…). For convenience, you can rely on predefined profiles (see *GDAL driver options section*). For Batch Process: separate multiple options with a pipe character (`|`).
Additional command-line parameters Optional	`EXTRA`	[string] Default: None	Add extra GDAL command line options
Color relief	`OUTPUT`	[raster] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Output raster layer. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Color relief	`OUTPUT`	[raster]	A 4-band output raster

Python code

Algorithm ID: `gdal:colorrelief`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Fill nodata

Fill raster regions with no data values by interpolation from edges. The values for the no-data regions are calculated by the surrounding pixel values using inverse distance weighting. After the interpolation a smoothing of the results takes place. Input can be any GDAL-supported raster layer. This algorithm is generally suitable for interpolating missing regions of fairly continuously varying rasters (such as elevation models for instance). It is also suitable for filling small holes and cracks in more irregularly varying images (like airphotos). It is generally not so great for interpolating a raster from sparse point data.

This algorithm is derived from the GDAL fillnodata utility.

Default menu: *Raster* ► *Analysis*

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[raster]	Input raster layer
Band number	`BAND`	[raster band] Default: 1	The band to operate on. Nodata values must be represented by the value 0.
Maximum distance (in pixels) to search out for values to interpolate	`DISTANCE`	[number] Default: 10	The number of pixels to search in all directions to find values to interpolate from
Number of smoothing iterations to run after the interpolation	`ITERATIONS`	[number] Default: 0	The number of 3x3 filter passes to run (0 or more) to smoothen the results of the interpolation.
Do not use default validity mask for the input band	`NO_MASK`	[boolean] Default: False	Activates the user-defined validity mask
Validity mask	`MASK_LAYER`	[raster]	A raster layer that defines the areas to fill.
Filled	`OUTPUT`	[raster] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specification of the output raster layer. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Additional creation options Optional	`OPTIONS`	[string] Default: ‚‘	For adding one or more creation options that control the raster to be created (colors, block size, file compression…). For convenience, you can rely on predefined profiles (see *GDAL driver options section*). For Batch Process: separate multiple options with a pipe character (|).
Additional command-line parameters Optional	`EXTRA`	[string] Default: None	Add extra GDAL command line options

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Filled	`OUTPUT`	[raster]	Output raster

Python code

Algorithm ID: `gdal:fillnodata`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Grid (Data metrics)

Computes some data metrics using the specified window and output grid geometry.

This algorithm is derived from the GDAL grid utility.

Default menu: *Raster* ► *Analysis*

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GDAL grid tutorial

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Point layer	`INPUT`	[vector: point]	Input point vector layer

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Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Data metric to use	METRIC	[enumeration] Default: 0	One of: • 0 — Minimum, minimum value found in grid node search ellipse • 1 — Maximum, maximum value found in grid node search ellipse • 2 — Range, a difference between the minimum and maximum values found in grid node search ellipse • 3 — Count, a number of data points found in grid node search ellipse • 4 — Average distance, an average distance between the grid node (center of the search ellipse) and all of the data points found in grid node search ellipse • 5 — Average distance between points, an average distance between the data points found in grid node search ellipse. The distance between each pair of points within ellipse is calculated and average of all distances is set as a grid node value
The first radius of search ellipse	RADIUS_1	[number] Default: 0.0	The first radius (X axis if rotation angle is 0) of the search ellipse
The second radius of search ellipse	RADIUS_2	[number] Default: 0.0	The second radius (Y axis if rotation angle is 0) of the search ellipse
Angle of search ellipse rotation in degrees (counter clockwise)	ANGLE	[number] Default: 0.0	Angle of ellipse rotation in degrees. Ellipse rotated counter clockwise.
Minimum number of data points to use	MIN_POINTS	[number] Default: 0.0	Minimum number of data points to average. If less amount of points found the grid node considered empty and will be filled with NODATA marker.
Nodata	NODATA	[number] Default: 0.0	No data marker to fill empty points
Interpolated (data metrics)	OUTPUT	[raster] Default: [Save to temporary file]	Specify the output raster layer with interpolated values. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

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Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Z value from field Optional	`Z_FIELD`	[tablefield: numeric]	Field for the interpolation
Additional creation options Optional	`OPTIONS`	[string] Default: ,‘	For adding one or more creation options that control the raster to be created (colors, block size, file compression…). For convenience, you can rely on predefined profiles (see *GDAL driver options section*). For Batch Process: separate multiple options with a pipe character (|).
Additional command-line parameters Optional	`EXTRA`	[string] Default: None	Add extra GDAL command line options
Output data type	`DATA_TYPE`	[enumeration] Default: 5	Defines the data type of the output raster file. Options: • 0 — Byte • 1 — Int16 • 2 — UInt16 • 3 — UInt32 • 4 — Int32 • 5 — Float32 • 6 — Float64 • 7 — CInt16 • 8 — CInt32 • 9 — CFloat32 • 10 — CFloat64

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Interpolated (data metrics)	`OUTPUT`	[raster]	Output raster with interpolated values

Python code

Algorithm ID: `gdal:griddatametrics`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Grid (IDW with nearest neighbor searching)

Computes the Inverse Distance to a Power gridding combined to the nearest neighbor method. Ideal when a maximum number of data points to use is required.

This algorithm is derived from the GDAL grid utility.

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GDAL grid tutorial

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Point layer	`INPUT`	[vector: point]	Input point vector layer
Weighting power	`POWER`	[number] Default: 2.0	Weighting power
Smoothing	`SMOOTHING`	[number] Default: 0.0	Smoothing parameter
The radius of the search circle	`RADIUS`	[number] Default: 1.0	The radius of the search circle
Maximum number of data points to use	`MAX_POINTS`	[number] Default: 12	Do not search for more points than this number.
Minimum number of data points to use	`MIN_POINTS`	[number] Default: 0	Minimum number of data points to average. If less amount of points found the grid node considered empty and will be filled with NODATA marker.
Nodata	`NODATA`	[number] Default: 0.0	No data marker to fill empty points
Interpolated (IDW with NN search)	`OUTPUT`	[raster] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specify the output raster layer with interpolated values. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Z value from field Optional	`Z_FIELD`	[tablefield: numeric]	Field for the interpolation
Additional creation options Optional	`OPTIONS`	[string] Default: ,‘	For adding one or more creation options that control the raster to be created (colors, block size, file compression…). For convenience, you can rely on predefined profiles (see *GDAL driver options section*). For Batch Process: separate multiple options with a pipe character (|).
Additional command-line parameters Optional	`EXTRA`	[string] Default: None	Add extra GDAL command line options

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Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Output data type	`DATA_TYPE`	[enumeration] Default: 5	Defines the data type of the output raster file. Options: • 0 — Byte • 1 — Int16 • 2 — UInt16 • 3 — UInt32 • 4 — Int32 • 5 — Float32 • 6 — Float64 • 7 — CInt16 • 8 — CInt32 • 9 — CFloat32 • 10 — CFloat64

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Interpolated (IDW with NN search)	`OUTPUT`	[raster]	Output raster with interpolated values

Python code

Algorithm ID: `gdal:gridinversedistancenearestneighbor`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Grid (Inverse distance to a power)

The Inverse Distance to a Power gridding method is a weighted average interpolator.

You should supply the input arrays with the scattered data values including coordinates of every data point and output grid geometry. The function will compute interpolated value for the given position in output grid.

This algorithm is derived from the GDAL grid utility.

Default menu: *Raster* ► *Analysis*

Siehe auch:

GDAL grid tutorial

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Point layer	`INPUT`	[vector: point]	Input point vector layer
Weighting power	`POWER`	[number] Default: 2.0	Weighting power
Smothing	`SMOOTHING`	[number] Default: 0.0	Smoothing parameter
The first radius of search ellipse	`RADIUS_1`	[number] Default: 0.0	The first radius (X axis if rotation angle is 0) of the search ellipse
The second radius of search ellipse	`RADIUS_2`	[number] Default: 0.0	The second radius (Y axis if rotation angle is 0) of the search ellipse
Angle of search ellipse rotation in degrees (counter clockwise)	`ANGLE`	[number] Default: 0.0	Angle of ellipse rotation in degrees. Ellipse rotated counter clockwise.
Maximum number of data points to use	`MAX_POINTS`	[number] Default: 0	Do not search for more points than this number.
Minimum number of data points to use	`MIN_POINTS`	[number] Default: 0	Minimum number of data points to average. If less amount of points found the grid node considered empty and will be filled with NODATA marker.
Nodata	`NODATA`	[number] Default: 0.0	No data marker to fill empty points
Interpolated (IDW)	`OUTPUT`	[raster] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specify the output raster layer with interpolated values. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Z value from field Optional	`Z_FIELD`	[tablefield: numeric]	Field for the interpolation
Additional creation options Optional	`OPTIONS`	[string] Default: ‚‘	For adding one or more creation options that control the raster to be created (colors, block size, file compression…). For convenience, you can rely on predefined profiles (see *GDAL driver options section*). For Batch Process: separate multiple options with a pipe character (|).
Additional command-line parameters Optional	`EXTRA`	[string] Default: None	Add extra GDAL command line options

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Tab. 25.201 – Fortsetzung der vorherigen Seite

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Output data type	`DATA_TYPE`	[enumeration] Default: 5	Defines the data type of the output raster file. Options: • 0 — Byte • 1 — Int16 • 2 — UInt16 • 3 — UInt32 • 4 — Int32 • 5 — Float32 • 6 — Float64 • 7 — CInt16 • 8 — CInt32 • 9 — CFloat32 • 10 — CFloat64

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Interpolated (IDW)	`OUTPUT`	[raster]	Output raster with interpolated values

Python code

Algorithm ID: `gdal:gridinversedistance`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Grid (Linear)

The Linear method perform linear interpolation by computing a Delaunay triangulation of the point cloud, finding in which triangle of the triangulation the point is, and by doing linear interpolation from its barycentric coordinates within the triangle. If the point is not in any triangle, depending on the radius, the algorithm will use the value of the nearest point or the NODATA value.

This algorithm is derived from the GDAL grid utility.

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Point layer	`INPUT`	[vector: point]	Input point vector layer

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Tab. 25.202 – Fortsetzung der vorherigen Seite

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Search distance	`RADIUS`	[number] Default: -1.0	In case the point to be interpolated does not fit into a triangle of the Delaunay triangulation, use that maximum distance to search a nearest neighbour, or use nodata otherwise. If set to `-1`, the search distance is infinite. If set to `0`, no data value will be used.
Nodata	`NODATA`	[number] Default: 0.0	No data marker to fill empty points
Interpolated (Linear)	`OUTPUT`	[raster] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specify the output raster layer with interpolated values. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Z value from field Optional	`Z_FIELD`	[tablefield: numeric]	Field for the interpolation
Additional creation options Optional	`OPTIONS`	[string] Default: ‚‘	For adding one or more creation options that control the raster to be created (colors, block size, file compression…). For convenience, you can rely on predefined profiles (see *GDAL driver options section*). For Batch Process: separate multiple options with a pipe character (`|`).
Additional command-line parameters Optional	`EXTRA`	[string] Default: None	Add extra GDAL command line options
Output data type	`DATA_TYPE`	[enumeration] Default: 5	Defines the data type of the output raster file. Options: • 0 — Byte • 1 — Int16 • 2 — UInt16 • 3 — UInt32 • 4 — Int32 • 5 — Float32 • 6 — Float64 • 7 — CInt16 • 8 — CInt32 • 9 — CFloat32 • 10 — CFloat64

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Interpolated (Linear)	`OUTPUT`	[raster]	Output raster with interpolated values

Python code

Algorithm ID: `gdal:gridlinear`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Grid (Moving average)

The Moving Average is a simple data averaging algorithm. It uses a moving window of elliptic form to search values and averages all data points within the window. Search ellipse can be rotated by specified angle, the center of ellipse located at the grid node. Also the minimum number of data points to average can be set, if there are not enough points in window, the grid node considered empty and will be filled with specified NODATA value.

This algorithm is derived from the GDAL grid utility.

Default menu: *Raster* ► *Analysis*

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GDAL grid tutorial

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Point layer	`INPUT`	[vector: point]	Input point vector layer
The first radius of search ellipse	`RADIUS_1`	[number] Default: 0.0	The first radius (X axis if rotation angle is 0) of the search ellipse
The second radius of search ellipse	`RADIUS_2`	[number] Default: 0.0	The second radius (Y axis if rotation angle is 0) of the search ellipse
Angle of search ellipse rotation in degrees (counter clockwise)	`ANGLE`	[number] Default: 0.0	Angle of ellipse rotation in degrees. Ellipse rotated counter clockwise.
Minimum number of data points to use	`MIN_POINTS`	[number] Default: 0.0	Minimum number of data points to average. If less amount of points found the grid node considered empty and will be filled with NODATA marker.
Nodata	`NODATA`	[number] Default: 0.0	No data marker to fill empty points

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Tab. 25.204 – Fortsetzung der vorherigen Seite

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Interpolated (moving average)	`OUTPUT`	[raster] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specify the output raster layer. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Z value from field Optional	`Z_FIELD`	[tablefield: numeric]	Field for the interpolation
Additional creation options Optional	`OPTIONS`	[string] Default: ‚‘	For adding one or more creation options that control the raster to be created (colors, block size, file compression…). For convenience, you can rely on predefined profiles (see *GDAL driver options section*). For Batch Process: separate multiple options with a pipe character (`|`).
Additional command-line parameters Optional	`EXTRA`	[string] Default: None	Add extra GDAL command line options
Output data type	`DATA_TYPE`	[enumeration] Default: 5	Defines the data type of the output raster file. Options: • 0 — Byte • 1 — Int16 • 2 — UInt16 • 3 — UInt32 • 4 — Int32 • 5 — Float32 • 6 — Float64 • 7 — CInt16 • 8 — CInt32 • 9 — CFloat32 • 10 — CFloat64

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Interpolated (moving average)	`OUTPUT`	[raster]	Output raster with interpolated values

Python code

Algorithm ID: `gdal:gridaverage`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Grid (Nearest neighbor)

The Nearest Neighbor method doesn't perform any interpolation or smoothing, it just takes the value of nearest point found in grid node search ellipse and returns it as a result. If there are no points found, the specified NODATA value will be returned.

This algorithm is derived from the GDAL grid utility.

Default menu: *Raster* ► *Analysis*

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GDAL grid tutorial

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Point layer	`INPUT`	[vector: point]	Input point vector layer
The first radius of search ellipse	`RADIUS_1`	[number] Default: 0.0	The first radius (X axis if rotation angle is 0) of the search ellipse
The second radius of search ellipse	`RADIUS_2`	[number] Default: 0.0	The second radius (Y axis if rotation angle is 0) of the search ellipse
Angle of search ellipse rotation in degrees (counter clockwise)	`ANGLE`	[number] Default: 0.0	Angle of ellipse rotation in degrees. Ellipse rotated counter clockwise.
Nodata	`NODATA`	[number] Default: 0.0	No data marker to fill empty points
Interpolated (Nearest neighbour)	`OUTPUT`	[raster] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specify the output raster layer with interpolated values. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Z value from field Optional	`Z_FIELD`	[tablefield: numeric]	Field for the interpolation
Additional creation options Optional	`OPTIONS`	[string] Default: ,‘	For adding one or more creation options that control the raster to be created (colors, block size, file compression…). For convenience, you can rely on predefined profiles (see *GDAL driver options section*). For Batch Process: separate multiple options with a pipe character (|).
Additional command-line parameters Optional	`EXTRA`	[string] Default: None	Add extra GDAL command line options
Output data type	`DATA_TYPE`	[enumeration] Default: 5	Defines the data type of the output raster file. Options: • 0 — Byte • 1 — Int16 • 2 — UInt16 • 3 — UInt32 • 4 — Int32 • 5 — Float32 • 6 — Float64 • 7 — CInt16 • 8 — CInt32 • 9 — CFloat32 • 10 — CFloat64

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Interpolated (Nearest neighbour)	`OUTPUT`	[raster]	Output raster with interpolated values

Python code

Algorithm ID: `gdal:gridnearestneighbor`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Hillshade

Outputs a raster with a nice shaded relief effect. It's very useful for visualizing the terrain. You can optionally specify the azimuth and altitude of the light source, a vertical exaggeration factor and a scaling factor to account for differences between vertical and horizontal units.

This algorithm is derived from the GDAL DEM utility .

Default menu: *Raster* ► *Analysis*

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[raster]	Input Elevation raster layer
Band number	`BAND`	[raster band] Default: 1	Band containing the elevation information
Z factor (vertical exaggeration)	`Z_FACTOR`	[number] Default: 1.0	The factor exaggerates the height of the output elevation raster
Scale (ratio of vert. units to horiz.)	`SCALE`	[number] Default: 1.0	The ratio of vertical units to horizontal units
Azimuth of the light	`AZIMUTH`	[number] Default: 315.0	Defines the azimuth of the light shining on the elevation raster in degrees. If it comes from the top of the raster the value is 0, if it comes from the east it is 90 a.s.o.
Altitude of the light	`ALTITUDE`	[number] Default: 45.0	Defines the altitude of the light, in degrees. 90 if the light comes from above the elevation raster, 0 if it is raking light.
Compute edges	`COMPUTE_EDGES`	[boolean] Default: False	Generates edges from the elevation raster
Use Zevenbergen&Thorne formula (instead of the Horn's one)	`ZEVENBERGEN`	[boolean] Default: False	Activates Zevenbergen&Thorne formula for smooth landscapes
Combined shading	`COMBINED`	[boolean] Default: False	
Multidirectional shading	`MULTIDIRECTIONAL`	[boolean] Default: False	
Hillshade	`OUTPUT`	[raster] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specify the output raster layer with interpolated values. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Additional creation options Optional	`OPTIONS`	[string] Default: ‚‘	For adding one or more creation options that control the raster to be created (colors, block size, file compression…). For convenience, you can rely on predefined profiles (see *GDAL driver options section*). For Batch Process: separate multiple options with a pipe character (|).
Additional command-line parameters Optional	`EXTRA`	[string] Default: None	Add extra GDAL command line options

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Hillshade	`OUTPUT`	[raster]	Output raster with interpolated values

Python code

Algorithm ID: `gdal:hillshade`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Near black

Converts nearly black/white borders to black.

This algorithm will scan an image and try to set all pixels that are nearly or exactly black, white or one or more custom colors around the collar to black or white. This is often used to „fix up“ lossy compressed airphotos so that color pixels can be treated as transparent when mosaicking.

This algorithm is derived from the GDAL nearblack utility.

Default menu: *Raster* ► *Analysis*

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[raster]	Input Elevation raster layer

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Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
How far from black (white)	`NEAR`	[number] Default: 15	Select how far from black, white or custom colors the pixel values can be and still considered near black, white or custom color.
Search for nearly white pixels instead of nearly black	`WHITE`	[boolean] Default: False	Search for nearly white (255) pixels instead of nearly black pixels
Nearblack	`OUTPUT`	[raster] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specify the output raster layer. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Additional creation options Optional	`OPTIONS`	[string] Default: ‚‘	For adding one or more creation options that control the raster to be created (colors, block size, file compression…). For convenience, you can rely on predefined profiles (see *GDAL driver options section*). For Batch Process: separate multiple options with a pipe character (|).
Additional command-line parameters Optional	`EXTRA`	[string] Default: None	Add extra GDAL command line options

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Nearblack	`OUTPUT`	[raster]	Output raster

Python code

Algorithm ID: `gdal:nearblack`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Proximity (raster distance)

Generates a raster proximity map indicating the distance from the center of each pixel to the center of the nearest pixel identified as a target pixel. Target pixels are those in the source raster for which the raster pixel value is in the set of target pixel values.

This algorithm is derived from the GDAL proximity utility.

Default menu: *Raster* ► *Analysis*

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[raster]	Input Elevation raster layer
Band number	`BAND`	[raster band] Default: 1	Band containing the elevation information
A list of pixel values in the source image to be considered target pixels Optional	`VALUES`	[string] Default: ‚‘	A list of target pixel values in the source image to be considered target pixels. If not specified, all non-zero pixels will be considered target pixels.
Distance units	`UNITS`	[enumeration] Default: 1	Indicate whether distances generated should be in pixel or georeferenced coordinates. One of: • 0 — Georeferenced coordinates • 1 — Pixel coordinates
The maximum distance to be generated Optional	`MAX_DISTANCE`	[number] Default: 0.0	The maximum distance to be generated. The nodata value will be used for pixels beyond this distance. If a nodata value is not provided, the output band will be queried for its nodata value. If the output band does not have a nodata value, then the value 65535 will be used. Distance is interpreted according to the value of *Distance units*.
Value to be applied to all pixels that are within the maxdist of target pixels Optional	`REPLACE`	[number] Default: 0.0	Specify a value to be applied to all pixels that are closer than the maximum distance from target pixels (including the target pixels) instead of a distance value.
Nodata value to use for the destination proximity raster Optional	`NODATA`	[number] Default: 0.0	Specify the nodata value to use for the output raster
Proximity map	`OUTPUT`	[raster] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specify the output raster layer. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Additional creation options Optional	`OPTIONS`	[string] Default: ,‘	For adding one or more creation options that control the raster to be created (colors, block size, file compression…). For convenience, you can rely on predefined profiles (see *GDAL driver options section*). For Batch Process: separate multiple options with a pipe character (|).
Additional command-line parameters Optional	`EXTRA`	[string] Default: None	Add extra GDAL command line options
Output data type	`DATA_TYPE`	[enumeration] Default: 5	Defines the data type of the output raster file. Options: • 0 — Byte • 1 — Int16 • 2 — UInt16 • 3 — UInt32 • 4 — Int32 • 5 — Float32 • 6 — Float64 • 7 — CInt16 • 8 — CInt32 • 9 — CFloat32 • 10 — CFloat64

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Proximity map	`OUTPUT`	[raster]	Output raster

Python code

Algorithm ID: `gdal:proximity`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Roughness

Outputs a single-band raster with values computed from the elevation. Roughness is the degree of irregularity of the surface. It's calculated by the largest inter-cell difference of a central pixel and its surrounding cell. The determination of the roughness plays a role in the analysis of terrain elevation data, it's useful for calculations of the river morphology, in climatology and physical geography in general.

This algorithm is derived from the GDAL DEM utility.

Default menu: *Raster* ► *Analysis*

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[raster]	Input elevation raster layer
Band number	`BAND`	[raster band] Default: 1	The number of the band to use as elevation
Compute edges	`COMPUTE_EDGES`	[boolean] Default: False	Generates edges from the elevation raster
Roughness	`OUTPUT`	[raster] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specify the output raster layer. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Additional creation options Optional	`OPTIONS`	[string] Default: ‚‘	For adding one or more creation options that control the raster to be created (colors, block size, file compression…). For convenience, you can rely on predefined profiles (see *GDAL driver options section*). For Batch Process: separate multiple options with a pipe character (|).

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Roughness	`OUTPUT`	[raster]	Single-band output roughness raster. The value -9999 is used as nodata value.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `gdal:roughness`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Sieve

Removes raster polygons smaller than a provided threshold size (in pixels) and replaces them with the pixel value of the largest neighbour polygon. It is useful if you have a large amount of small areas on your raster map.

This algorithm is derived from the GDAL sieve utility.

Default menu: *Raster* ► *Analysis*

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[raster]	Input elevation raster layer
Threshold	`THRESHOLD`	[number] Default: 10	Only raster polygons smaller than this size will be removed
Use 8-connectedness	`EIGHT_CONNECTEDNESS`	[boolean] Default: False	Use eight connectedness instead of four connectedness
Do not use the default validity mask for the input band	`NO_MASK`	[boolean] Default: False	
Validity mask Optional	`MASK_LAYER`	[raster]	Validity mask to use instead of the default
Sieved	`OUTPUT`	[raster] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specify the output raster layer. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Additional command-line parameters Optional	`EXTRA`	[string] Default: None	Add extra GDAL command line options

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Sieved	`OUTPUT`	[raster]	Output raster layer.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `gdal:sieve`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Slope

Generates a slope map from any GDAL-supported elevation raster. Slope is the angle of inclination to the horizontal. You have the option of specifying the type of slope value you want: degrees or percent slope.

This algorithm is derived from the GDAL DEM utility.

Default menu: *Raster* ► *Analysis*

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[raster]	Input Elevation raster layer
Band number	`BAND`	[raster band] Default: 1	Band containing the elevation information
Ratio of vertical units to horizontal	`SCALE`	[number] Default: 1.0	The ratio of vertical units to horizontal units
Slope expressed as percent (instead of degrees)	`AS_PERCENT`	[boolean] Default: False	Express slope as percent instead of degrees
Compute edges	`COMPUTE_EDGES`	[boolean] Default: False	Generates edges from the elevation raster
Use Zevenbergen&Thorne formula (instead of the Horn's one)	`ZEVENBERGEN`	[boolean] Default: False	Activates Zevenbergen&Thorne formula for smooth landscapes
Slope	`OUTPUT`	[raster] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specify the output raster layer. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Additional creation options Optional	`OPTIONS`	[string] Default: ,‘	For adding one or more creation options that control the raster to be created (colors, block size, file compression…). For convenience, you can rely on predefined profiles (see *GDAL driver options section*). For Batch Process: separate multiple options with a pipe character (|).
Additional command-line parameters Optional	`EXTRA`	[string] Default: None	Add extra GDAL command line options

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Slope	`OUTPUT`	[raster]	Output raster

Python code

Algorithm ID: `gdal:slope`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Terrain Ruggedness Index (TRI)

Outputs a single-band raster with values computed from the elevation. TRI stands for Terrain Ruggedness Index, which is defined as the mean difference between a central pixel and its surrounding cells.

This algorithm is derived from the GDAL DEM utility.

Default menu: *Raster* ► *Analysis*

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[raster]	Input elevation raster layer
Band number	`BAND`	[raster band] Default: 1	The number of the band to use as elevation
Compute edges	`COMPUTE_EDGES`	[boolean] Default: False	Generates edges from the elevation raster

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Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Terrain Ruggedness Index	`OUTPUT`	[raster] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specify the output raster layer. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Additional creation options Optional	`OPTIONS`	[string] Default: ‚‘	For adding one or more creation options that control the raster to be created (colors, block size, file compression…). For convenience, you can rely on predefined profiles (see *GDAL driver options section*). For Batch Process: separate multiple options with a pipe character (`|`).

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Terrain Ruggedness Index	`OUTPUT`	[raster]	Output ruggedness raster. The value -9999 is used as nodata value.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `gdal:triterrainruggednessindex`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Topographic Position Index (TPI)

Outputs a single-band raster with values computed from the elevation. TPI stands for Topographic Position Index, which is defined as the difference between a central pixel and the mean of its surrounding cells.

This algorithm is derived from the GDAL DEM utility.

Default menu: *Raster* ► *Analysis*

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[raster]	Input elevation raster layer
Band number	`BAND`	[raster band] Default: 1	The number of the band to use for elevation values
Compute edges	`COMPUTE_EDGES`	[boolean] Default: False	Generates edges from the elevation raster
Terrain Ruggedness Index	`OUTPUT`	[raster] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specify the output raster layer. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Additional creation options Optional	`OPTIONS`	[string] Default: ,‘	For adding one or more creation options that control the raster to be created (colors, block size, file compression…). For convenience, you can rely on predefined profiles (see *GDAL driver options section*). For Batch Process: separate multiple options with a pipe character (`|`).

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Terrain Ruggedness Index	`OUTPUT`	[raster]	Output raster.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `gdal:tpitopographicpositionindex`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

25.2.2 Raster conversion

gdal2xyz

Converts raster data to XYZ ASCII file format.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[raster]	Raster layer to convert
Band number	`BAND`	[raster band] Default: The first band of the input layer	If the raster is multiband, choose the band you want to convert
Output comma-separated values	`CSV`	[boolean] Default: False	Sets whether the output file should be of type comma-separated values (csv).
XYZ ASCII file	`OUTPUT`	[file] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specification of the output file. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
XYZ ASCII file	`INPUT`	[table]	Table file containing the values exported from the raster band.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `gdal:gdal2xyz`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

PCT to RGB

Converts an 8 bit paletted image to a 24 bit RGB. It will convert a pseudocolor band from the input file to an RGB file of the desired format.

This algorithm is derived from the GDAL pct2rgb utility.

Default menu: *Raster* ► *Conversion*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[raster]	Input 8 bit raster image
Band number	`BAND`	[raster band] Default: The first band of the input layer	If the raster is multiband, choose the band you want to convert
Generate a RGBA file	`RGBA`	[boolean] Default: False	Sets whether the output file should be of type RGBA.
PCT to RGB	`OUTPUT`	[file] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specification of the output file. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
PCT to RGB	`OUTPUT`	[raster]	24 bit RGB raster image

Python code

Algorithm ID: `gdal:pcttorgb`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Polygonize (raster to vector)

Creates vector polygons for all connected regions of pixels in the raster sharing a common pixel value. Each polygon is created with an attribute indicating the pixel value of that polygon.

This algorithm is derived from the GDAL polygonize utility.

Default menu: *Raster* ► *Conversion*

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[raster]	Input raster layer
Band number	`BAND`	[raster band] Default: The first band of the input layer	If the raster is multiband, choose the band you want to use

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Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Name of the field to create	`FIELD`	[string] Default: ‚DN'	Specify the field name for the attributes of the connected regions.
Use 8-connectedness	`EIGHT_CONNECTEDNESS`	[boolean] Default: False	If not set, raster cells must have a common border to be considered connected (*4-connected*). If set, touching raster cells are also considered connected (*8-connected*).
Vectorized	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specification of the output (polygon) vector layer. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Additional command-line parameters Optional	`EXTRA`	[string] Default: None	Add extra GDAL command line options

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Vectorized	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon]	Output vector layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `gdal:polygonize`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Rearrange bands

Creates a new raster using selected band(s) from a given raster layer. The algorithm also makes it possible to reorder the bands for the newly-created raster.

This algorithm is derived from the GDAL translate utility.

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[raster]	Input raster layer
Selected band(s)	`BANDS`	[raster band] [list] Default: None	Ordered list of the bands to use to create the new raster
Converted	`OUTPUT`	[raster] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specification of the output raster. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Additional creation options Optional	`OPTIONS`	[string] Default: ‚‘	For adding one or more creation options that control the raster to be created (colors, block size, file compression…). For convenience, you can rely on predefined profiles (see *GDAL driver options section*). For Batch Process: separate multiple options with a pipe character (|).
Output data type	`DATA_TYPE`	[enumeration] Default: 0	Defines the data type of the output raster file. Options: • 0 — Use Input Layer Data Type • 1 — Byte • 2 — Int16 • 3 — UInt16 • 4 — UInt32 • 5 — Int32 • 6 — Float32 • 7 — Float64 • 8 — CInt16 • 9 — CInt32 • 10 — CFloat32 • 11 — CFloat64

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Converted	`OUTPUT`	[raster]	Output raster layer with rearranged bands.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `gdal:rearrange_bands`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

RGB to PCT

Converts a 24 bit RGB image into a 8 bit paletted. Computes an optimal pseudo-color table for the given RGB-image using a median cut algorithm on a downsampled RGB histogram. Then it converts the image into a pseudo-colored image using the color table. This conversion utilizes Floyd-Steinberg dithering (error diffusion) to maximize output image visual quality.

If you want to classify a raster map and want to reduce the number of classes it can be helpful to downsample your image with this algorithm before.

This algorithm is derived from the GDAL rgb2pct utility.

Default menu: *Raster* ► *Conversion*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[raster]	Input (RGB) raster layer
Number of colors	`NCOLORS`	[number] Default: 2	The number of colors the resulting image will contain. A value from 2-256 is possible.
RGB to PCT	`OUTPUT`	[raster] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specification of the output raster. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
RGB to PCT	`OUTPUT`	[raster]	Output raster layer.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `gdal:rgbtopct`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Translate (convert format)

Converts raster data between different formats.

This algorithm is derived from the GDAL translate utility.

Default menu: *Raster* ► *Conversion*

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[raster]	Input raster layer
Override the projection of the output file Optional	`TARGET_CRS`	[crs]	Specify a projection for the output file
Assign a specified nodata value to output bands Optional	`NODATA`	[number] Default: Not set	Defines the value to use for nodata in the output raster
Copy all subdatasets of this file to individual output files	`COPY_SUBDATASETS`	[boolean] Default: False	Create individual files for subdatasets
Converted	`OUTPUT`	[raster] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specification of the output (translated) raster layer. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Additional creation options Optional	`OPTIONS`	[string] Default: ,‘	For adding one or more creation options that control the raster to be created (colors, block size, file compression…). For convenience, you can rely on predefined profiles (see *GDAL driver options section*). For Batch Process: separate multiple options with a pipe character (|).
Additional command-line parameters Optional	`EXTRA`	[string] Default: None	Add extra GDAL command line options
Output data type	`DATA_TYPE`	[enumeration] Default: 0	Defines the data type of the output raster file. Options: • 0 — Use Input Layer Data Type • 1 — Byte • 2 — Int16 • 3 — UInt16 • 4 — UInt32 • 5 — Int32 • 6 — Float32 • 7 — Float64 • 8 — CInt16 • 9 — CInt32 • 10 — CFloat32 • 11 — CFloat64

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Converted	`OUTPUT`	[raster]	Output (translated) raster layer.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `gdal:translate`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

25.2.3 Raster extraction

Clip raster by extent

Clips any GDAL-supported raster file to a given extent.

This algorithm is derived from the GDAL translate utility.

Default menu: *Raster* ► *Extraction*

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[raster]	The input raster
Clipping extent	`EXTENT`	[extent]	Extent that should be used for the output raster. Only pixels within the specified bounding box will be included in the output. Available methods are: • Calculate from layer…: uses extent of a layer loaded in the current project • Use map canvas extent • Draw on canvas • Enter the coordinates as `xmin, xmax, ymin, ymax`
Override the projection for the output file `NEW in 3.18`	`OVERCRS`	[boolean] Default: False	If checked, the output file is assigned the input layer CRS.
Assign a specified nodata value to output bands Optional	`NODATA`	[number] Default: None	Defines a value that should be inserted for the nodata values in the output raster
Clipped (extent)	`OUTPUT`	[raster] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specification of the output raster layer. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Additional creation options Optional	`OPTIONS`	[string] Default: ,‘	For adding one or more creation options that control the raster to be created (colors, block size, file compression…). For convenience, you can rely on predefined profiles (see *GDAL driver options section*). For Batch Process: separate multiple options with a pipe character (|).
Output data type	`DATA_TYPE`	[enumeration] Default: 0	Defines the format of the output raster file. Optionen: • 0 — Use Input Layer Data Type • 1 — Byte • 2 — Int16 • 3 — UInt16 • 4 — UInt32 • 5 — Int32 • 6 — Float32 • 7 — Float64 • 8 — CInt16 • 9 — CInt32 • 10 — CFloat32 • 11 — CFloat64
Additional command-line parameters Optional	`EXTRA`	[string] Default: None	Add extra GDAL command line options

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Clipped (extent)	`OUTPUT`	[raster]	Output raster layer clipped by the given extent

Python code

Algorithm ID: `gdal:cliprasterbyextent`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Clip raster by mask layer

Clips any GDAL-supported raster by a vector mask layer.

This algorithm is derived from the GDAL warp utility.

Default menu: *Raster* ► *Extraction*

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[raster]	The input raster
Mask layer	`MASK`	[vector: polygon]	Vector mask for clipping the raster
Source CRS	`SOURCE_CRS`	[crs]	Set the coordinate reference to use for the input raster
Target CRS	`TARGET_CRS`	[crs]	Set the coordinate reference to use for the mask layer
Assign a specified nodata value to output bands Optional	`NODATA`	[number] Default: None	Defines a value that should be inserted for the nodata values in the output raster
Create an output alpha band	`ALPHA_BAND`	[boolean] Default: False	Creates an alpha band for the result. The alpha band then includes the transparency values of the pixels.
Match the extent of the clipped raster to the extent of the mask layer	`CROP_TO_CUTLINE`	[boolean] Default: True	Applies the vector layer extent to the output raster if checked.
Keep resolution of input raster	`KEEP_RESOLUTION`	[boolean] Default: False	The resolution of the output raster will not be changed
Set output file resolution	`SET_RESOLUTION`	[boolean] Default: False	Shall the output resolution (cell size) be specified
X Resolution to output bands Optional	`X_RESOLUTION`	[number] Default: None	The width of the cells in the output raster
Y Resolution to output band Optional	`Y_RESOLUTION`	[number] Default: None	The height of the cells in the output raster
Use multithreaded warping implementation	`MULTITHREADING`	[boolean] Default: False	Two threads will be used to process chunks of image and perform input/output operation simultaneously. Note that computation is not multithreaded itself.
Clipped (mask)	`OUTPUT`	[raster] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specification of the output raster layer. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Additional creation options Optional	`OPTIONS`	[string] Default: ,‘	For adding one or more creation options that control the raster to be created (colors, block size, file compression…). For convenience, you can rely on predefined profiles (see *GDAL driver options section*). For Batch Process: separate multiple options with a pipe character (|).
Output data type	`DATA_TYPE`	[enumeration] Default: 0	Defines the format of the output raster file. Optionen: • 0 — Use Input Layer Data Type • 1 — Byte • 2 — Int16 • 3 — UInt16 • 4 — UInt32 • 5 — Int32 • 6 — Float32 • 7 — Float64 • 8 — CInt16 • 9 — CInt32 • 10 — CFloat32 • 11 — CFloat64
Additional command-line parameters Optional	`EXTRA`	[string] Default: None	Add extra GDAL command line options

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Clipped (mask)	`OUTPUT`	[raster]	Output raster layer clipped by the vector layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `gdal:cliprasterbymasklayer`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Contour

Extracts contour lines from any GDAL-supported elevation raster.

This algorithm is derived from the GDAL contour utility.

Default menu: *Raster* ► *Extraction*

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[raster]	Input raster
Band number	`BAND`	[raster band] Default: 1	Raster band to create the contours from
Interval between contour lines	`INTERVAL`	[number] Default: 10.0	Defines the interval between the contour lines in the given units of the elevation raster (minimum value 0)
Attribute name (if not set, no elevation attribute is attached) Optional	`FIELD_NAME`	[string] Default: ‚ELEV‘	Provides a name for the attribute in which to put the elevation.
Offset from zero relative to which to interpret intervals Optional	`OFFSET`	[number] Default: 0.0	
Contours	`OUTPUT`	[vector: line] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specification of the output vector layer. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Produce 3D vector	`CREATE_3D`	[boolean] Default: False	Forces production of 3D vectors instead of 2D. Includes elevation at every vertex.
Treat all raster values as valid	`IGNORE_NODATA`	[boolean] Default: False	Ignores any nodata values in the dataset.
Input pixel value to treat as „nodata“ Optional	`NODATA`	[number] Default: None	Defines a value that should be inserted for the nodata values in the output raster
Additional command-line parameters Optional	`EXTRA`	[string] Default: None	Add extra GDAL command line options. Refer to the corresponding GDAL utility documentation.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Contours	`OUTPUT`	[vector: line]	Output vector layer with contour lines

Python code

Algorithm ID: `gdal:contour`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Contour Polygons

Extracts contour polygons from any GDAL-supported elevation raster.

This algorithm is derived from the GDAL contour utility.

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[raster]	Input raster
Band number	`BAND`	[raster band] Default: 1	Raster band to create the contours from
Interval between contour lines	`INTERVAL`	[number] Default: 10.0	Defines the interval between the contour lines in the given units of the elevation raster (minimum value 0)
Offset from zero relative to which to interpret intervals Optional	`OFFSET`	[number] Default: 0.0	
Attribute name for minimum elevation of contour polygon Optional	`FIELD_NAME_MIN`	[string] Default: ‚ELEV_MIN‘	Provides a name for the attribute in which to put the minimum elevation of contour polygon. If not provided no minimum elevation attribute is attached.
Attribute name for maximum elevation of contour polygon Optional	`FIELD_NAME_MAX`	[string] Default: ‚ELEV_MAX‘	Provides a name for the attribute in which to put the maximum elevation of contour polygon. If not provided no maximum elevation attribute is attached.
Contours	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specification of the output vector layer. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Produce 3D vector	`CREATE_3D`	[boolean] Default: False	Forces production of 3D vectors instead of 2D. Includes elevation at every vertex.
Treat all raster values as valid	`IGNORE_NODATA`	[boolean] Default: False	Ignores any nodata values in the dataset.
Input pixel value to treat as „nodata“ Optional	`NODATA`	[number] Default: None	Defines a value that should be inserted for the nodata values in the output raster
Additional command-line parameters Optional	`EXTRA`	[string] Default: None	Add extra GDAL command line options. Refer to the corresponding GDAL utility documentation.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Contours	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon]	Output vector layer with contour polygons

Python code

Algorithm ID: `gdal:contour_polygon`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

25.2.4 Raster miscellaneous

Build overviews (pyramids)

To speed up rendering time of raster layers overviews (pyramids) can be created. Overviews are lower resolution copies of the data which QGIS uses depending of the level of zoom.

This algorithm is derived from the GDAL addo utility.

Default menu: *Raster* ► *Miscellaneous*

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[raster]	Input raster layer
Remove all existing overviews	`CLEAN`	[boolean] Default: False	Removes existing overviews from the raster. By default these are not removed.

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Overview levels	`LEVELS`	[string] Default: ‚2 4 8 16‘	Defines the number of overview levels calculated by the original resolution of the input raster layer. By default 4 levels will be taken into consideration.
Resampling method Optional	`RESAMPLING`	[enumeration] Default: 0	Calculates the overviews with a defined resampling method. Possible resampling methods are: • 0 – Nearest Neighbour (`nearest`) • 1 – Average (`average`) • 2 – Gaussian (`gauss`) • 3 – Cubic Convolution (`cubic`) • 4 – B-Spline Convolution (`cubicspline`) • 5 – Lanczos Windowed Sinc (`lanczos`) • 6 – Average MP (`average_mp`) • 7 – Average in Mag/Phase Space (`average_magphase`) • 8 – Mode (`mode`)
Overviews format Optional	`FORMAT`	[enumeration] Default: 0	The overviews can be stored internally, or externally as GTiff or ERDAS Imagine file. By default the overviews are stored in the output raster. Possible formats methods are: • 0 – Internal (if possible) • 1 – External (GTiff .ovr) • 2 – External (ERDAS Imagine .aux)
Additional command-line parameters Optional	`EXTRA`	[string] Default: None	Add extra GDAL command line options

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Pyramidized	`OUTPUT`	[raster]	Output raster layer with overviews

Python code

Algorithm ID: `gdal:overviews`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Build virtual raster

Builds a VRT (Virtual Dataset) that is a mosaic of the list of input GDAL-supported rasters. With a mosaic you can merge several raster files.

This algorithm is derived from the GDAL buildvrt utility.

Default menu: *Raster* ► *Miscellaneous*

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layers	`INPUT`	[raster] [list]	GDAL-supported raster layers.
Resolution	`RESOLUTION`	[enumeration] Default: 0	The output resolution of the mosaic. By default the average resolution of the raster files will be chosen. Optionen: • 0 — Average (`average`) • 1 — Highest (`highest`) • 2 — Lowest (`lowest`)
Place each input file into a separate band	`SEPARATE`	[boolean] Default: False	With ‚True' you can define that each raster file goes into a separated stacked band in the VRT band.
Allow projection difference	`PROJ_DIFFERENCE`	[boolean] Default: False	Allows that the output bands have different projections derived from the projection of the input raster layers.
Virtual	`OUTPUT`	[raster] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specification of the output raster layer. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Add alpha mask band to VRT when source raster has none	`ADD_ALPHA`	[boolean] Default: False	Adds an alpha mask band to the VRT when the source raster has none.
Override projection for the output file Optional	`ASSIGN_CRS`	[crs] Default: None	Overrides the projection for the output file. No reprojection is done.
Resampling algorithm	`RESAMPLING`	[enumeration] Default: 0	The resampling algorithm to be used Options: • 0 — Nearest Neighbour (`nearest`) • 1 — Bilinear (`bilinear`) • 2 — Cubic Convolution (`cubic`) • 3 — B-Spline Convolution (`cubicspline`) • 4 — Lanczos Windowed Sinc (`lanczos`) • 5 — Average (`average`) • 6 — Mode (`mode`)
Nodata value(s) for input bands (space separated) Optional	`SRC_NODATA`	[string] Default: None	Space separated Nodata value(s) for input band(s)
Additional command-line parameters	`EXTRA`	[string] Default: None	Add extra GDAL command line options

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Virtual	`OUTPUT`	[raster]	Output raster layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `gdal:buildvirtualraster`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

gdal2tiles

Generates a directory with small tiles and metadata, following the OSGeo Tile Map Service Specification. See also the OpenGIS Web Map Tile Service Implementation Standard. Simple web pages with viewers based on Google Maps, OpenLayers and Leaflet are generated as well. To explore your maps on-line in the web browser, you only need to upload the generated directory onto a web server.

This algorithm also creates the necessary metadata for Google Earth (KML SuperOverlay), in case the supplied map uses `EPSG:4326` projection.

ESRI world files and embedded georeferencing is used during tile generation, but you can publish a picture without proper georeferencing too.

This algorithm is derived from the GDAL gdal2tiles utility.

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[raster]	GDAL-supported raster layer.
Tile cutting profile	`PROFILE`	[enumeration] Default: 0	One of: • 0 — Mercator (`mercator`) • 1 — Geodetic (`geodetic`) • 2 — Raster (`raster`)
Zoom levels to render Optional	`ZOOM`	[string] Default: ‚‘	
Web viewer to generate	`VIEWER`	[enumerate] Default: 0	One of: • 0 — All (`all`) • 1 — GoogleMaps (`google`) • 2 — OpenLayers (`openlayers`) • 3 — Leaflet (`leaflet`) • 4 — None (`none`)
Title of the map Optional	`TITLE`	[string] Default: ‚‘	
Copyright of the map	`COPYRIGHT`	[string] Default: ‚‘	
Output directory	`OUTPUT`	[folder] Default: `[Save to temporary folder]`	Specify the output folder for the tiles. One of: • Save to a Temporary Directory • Save to Directory

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Resampling method	`RESAMPLING`	[enumeration] Default: 0	The resampling algorithm to be used Options: • 0 — Average (`average`) • 1 — Nearest neighbour (`near`) • 2 — Bilinear (`bilinear`) • 3 — Cubic (`cubic`) • 4 — Cubic spline (`cubicspline`) • 5 — Lanczos Windowed sinc (`lanczos`) • 6 — Antialias (`antialias`)
The spatial reference system used for the source input data Optional	`SOURCE_CRS`	[crs] Default: None	
Transparency value to assign to the input data Optional	`NODATA`	[number] Default: 0.0	
URL address where the generated tiles are going to be published Optional	`URL`	[string] Default: ‚Äò	
Google Maps API key (http://code.google.com/apis/maps/signup.html) Optional	`GOOGLE_KEY`	[string] Default: ‚Äò	Your Google maps API key.
Bing Maps API key (https://www.bingmapsportal.com/) Optional	`BING_KEY`	[string] Default: ‚Äò	Your Bing maps API key.
Generate only missing files	`RESUME`	[boolean] Default: False	
Generate KML for Google Earth	`KML`	[boolean] Default: False	
Avoid automatic generation of KML files for EPSG:4326	`NO_KML`	[boolean] Default: False	

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Output directory	`OUTPUT`	[folder]	The output folder (for the tiles)

Python code

Algorithm ID: `gdal:gdal2tiles`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Merge

Merges raster files in a simple way. Here you can use a pseudocolor table from an input raster and define the output raster type. All the images must be in the same coordinate system.

This algorithm is derived from the GDAL merge utility.

Default menu: *Raster* ► *Miscellaneous*

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layers	`INPUT`	[raster] [list]	Input raster layers
Grab pseudocolor table from first layer	`PCT`	[boolean] Default: False	The pseudocolor table from the first layer will be used for the coloring
Place each input file into a separate band	`SEPARATE`	[boolean] Default: False	Place each input file into a separate band
Output data type	`DATA_TYPE`	[enumeration] Default: 5	Defines the format of the output raster file. Options: • 0 — Byte • 1 — Int16 • 2 — UInt16 • 3 — UInt32 • 4 — Int32 • 5 — Float32 • 6 — Float64 • 7 — CInt16 • 8 — CInt32 • 9 — CFloat32 • 10 — CFloat64

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Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Merged	`OUTPUT`	[raster] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specification of the output raster layer. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input pixel value to treat as „nodata“ Optional	`NODATA_INPUT`	[number] Default: None	Ignores pixels from files being merged in with this pixel value
Assign specified „nodata“ value to output Optional	`NODATA_OUTPUT`	[number] Default: None	Assigns the specified nodata value to output bands.
Additional creation options Optional	`OPTIONS`	[string] Default: ‚‘	For adding one or more creation options that control the raster to be created (colors, block size, file compression…). For convenience, you can rely on predefined profiles (see *GDAL driver options section*). For Batch Process: separate multiple options with a pipe character (`|`).
Additional command-line parameters	`EXTRA`	[string] Default: None	Add extra GDAL command line options

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Merged	`OUTPUT`	[raster]	Output raster layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `gdal:merge`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Pansharpening

Performs a pan-sharpening operation. It can create a „classic“ output dataset (such as GeoTIFF), or a VRT dataset describing the pan-sharpening operation.

See GDAL Pansharpen.

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Spectral dataset	`SPECTRAL`	[raster]	Input (spectral) raster layer
Panchromatic dataset	`PANCHROMATIC`	[raster]	Input (panchromatic) raster layer
Ergebnis	`OUTPUT`	[raster] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specify the output (sharpened) raster layer. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Resampling algorithm	`RESAMPLING`	[enumeration] Default: 2	The resampling algorithm to be used Options: • 0 — Nearest Neighbour (`nearest`) • 1 — Bilinear (`bilinear`) • 2 — Cubic (`cubic`) • 3 — Cubic Spline (`cubicspline`) • 4 — Lanczos Windowed Sinc (`lanczos`) • 5 — Average (`average`)
Additional creation options Optional	`OPTIONS`	[string] Default: ‚‘	For adding one or more creation options that control the raster to be created (colors, block size, file compression…). For convenience, you can rely on predefined profiles (see *GDAL driver options section*). For Batch Process: separate multiple options with a pipe character (`|`).
Additional command-line parameters Optional	`EXTRA`	[string] Default: None	Add extra GDAL command line options

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Ergebnis	`OUTPUT`	[raster]	Output (sharpened) raster layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `gdal:pansharp`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Raster calculator

Command line raster calculator with numpy syntax. Use any basic arithmetic supported by numpy arrays, such as +, -, *, and / along with logical operators, such as >. Note that all input rasters must have the same dimensions, but no projection checking is performed.

See the GDAL Raster Calculator utility docs.

Siehe auch:

Raster calculator

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer A	`INPUT_A`	[raster]	First input raster layer (mandatory)
Number of raster band for A	`BAND_A`	[raster band]	Band for input layer A (mandatory)
Input layer B Optional	`INPUT_B`	[raster] Default: None	Second input raster layer
Number of raster band for B Optional	`BAND_B`	[raster band]	Band for input layer B
Input layer C Optional	`INPUT_C`	[raster] Default: None	Third input raster layer
Number of raster band for C Optional	`BAND_C`	[raster band]	Band for input layer C
Input layer D Optional	`INPUT_D`	[raster] Default: None	Fourth input raster layer
Number of raster band for D Optional	`BAND_D`	[raster band]	Band for input layer D
Input layer E Optional	`INPUT_E`	[raster] Default: None	Fifth input raster layer

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Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Number of raster band for E Optional	`BAND_E`	[raster band]	Band for input layer E
Input layer F Optional	`INPUT_F`	[raster]	Sixth input raster layer
Number of raster band for F Optional	`BAND_F`	[raster band] Default: None	Band for input layer F
Calculation in gdalnumeric syntax using +-/* or any numpy array functions (i.e. logical_and())	`FORMULA`	[string] Default: ‚	The calculation formula. Examples: • `A*(A>0)` — outputs the value of the raster A if the value of A is greater than 0. If not, outputs 0. • `A*(A>0 and A>B)` — outputs the value of A if that value is bigger than 0 and bigger than the value of B. If not, outputs 0. • `A*logical_or(A<=177, A>=185)` — outputs the value of A if A <= 177 or A >= 185. If not, outputs 0. • `sqrt(A*A+B*B)` — Outputs the square root of the sum of the value of A squared and the value of B squared.
Set output nodata value Optional	`NO_DATA`	[number] Default: None	Value to use for nodata
Output raster type	`RTYPE`	[enumeration] Default: 5	Defines the format of the output raster file. Options: • 0 — Byte • 1 — Int16 • 2 — UInt16 • 3 — UInt32 • 4 — Int32 • 5 — Float32 • 6 — Float64
Calculated	`OUTPUT`	[raster] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specify the output (calculated) raster layer. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Additional creation options Optional	`OPTIONS`	[string] Default: ‚‘	For adding one or more creation options that control the raster to be created (colors, block size, file compression…). For convenience, you can rely on predefined profiles (see *GDAL driver options section*). For Batch Process: separate multiple options with a pipe character (|).
Additional command-line parameters Optional	`EXTRA`	[string] Default: ‚‘	Add extra GDAL command line options

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Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Calculated	`OUTPUT`	[raster]	Output (calculated) raster layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `gdal:rastercalculator`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Raster information

The gdalinfo program lists various information about a GDAL supported raster dataset.

This algorithm is derived from the GDAL info utility.

Default menu: *Raster* ► *Miscellaneous*

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[raster]	Input raster layer
Force computation of the actual min/max values for each band	`MIN_MAX`	[boolean] Default: False	Forces computation of the actual min/max values for each band in the dataset

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Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Read and display image statistics (force computation if necessary)	`STATS`	[boolean] Default: False	Reads and displays image statistics. Forces computation if no statistics are stored in an image.
Suppress GCP info	`NO_GCP`	[boolean] Default: False	Suppresses ground control points list printing. It may be useful for datasets with huge amount of GCPs, such as L1B AVHRR or HDF4 MODIS which contain thousands of them.
Suppress metadata info	`NO_METADATA`	[boolean] Default: False	Suppresses metadata printing. Some datasets may contain a lot of metadata strings.
Layer information	`OUTPUT`	[html] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specify the HTML file for output. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Additional command-line parameters Optional	`EXTRA`	[string] Default: None	Add extra GDAL command line options

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Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Layer information	`OUTPUT`	[html]	The HTML file containing information about the input raster layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `gdal:gdalinfo`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Retile

Retiles a set of input tiles. All the input tiles must be georeferenced in the same coordinate system and have a matching number of bands. Optionally pyramid levels are generated.

This algorithm is derived from the GDAL Retile utility.

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input files	`INPUT`	[raster] [list]	The input raster files
Tile width	`TILE_SIZE_X`	[number] Default: 256	Width of the tiles in pixels (minimum 0)
Tile height	`TILE_SIZE_Y`	[number] Default: 256	Height of the tiles in pixels (minimum 0)
Overlap in pixels between consecutive tiles	`OVERLAP`	[number] Default: 0	
Number of pyramid levels to build	`LEVELS`	[number] Default: 1	Minimum: 0
Output directory	`OUTPUT`	[folder] Default: `[Save to temporary folder]`	Specify the output folder for the tiles. One of: • Save to a Temporary Directory • Save to Directory
CSV file containing the tile(s) georeferencing information	`OUTPUT_CSV`	[file] Default: `[Skip output]`	Specify the output file for the tiles. One of: • Skip Output • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Source coordinate reference system Optional	`SOURCE_CRS`	[crs] Default: None	
Resampling method	`RESAMPLING`	[enumeration] Default: 0	The resampling algorithm to be used Options: • 0 — Nearest Neighbour (`nearest`) • 1 — Bilinear (`bilinear`) • 2 — Cubic (`cubic`) • 3 — Cubic Spline (`cubicspline`) • 4 — Lanczos Windowed Sinc (`lanczos`)
Column delimiter used in the CSV file Optional	`DELIMITER`	[string] Default: „;	Delimiter to use in the CSV file containing the tile(s) georeferencing information

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Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Additional creation options Optional	`OPTIONS`	[string] Default: ‚‘	For adding one or more creation options that control the raster to be created (colors, block size, file compression…). For convenience, you can rely on predefined profiles (see *GDAL driver options section*). For Batch Process: separate multiple options with a pipe character (|).
Additional command-line parameters Optional	`EXTRA`	[string] Default: ‚‘	Add extra GDAL command line options
Output data type	`DATA_TYPE`	[enumeration] Default: 5	Defines the format of the output raster file. Options: • 0 — Byte • 1 — Int16 • 2 — UInt16 • 3 — UInt32 • 4 — Int32 • 5 — Float32 • 6 — Float64 • 7 — CInt16 • 8 — CInt32 • 9 — CFloat32 • 10 — CFloat64
Build only the pyramids	`ONLY_PYRAMIDS`	[boolean] Default: False	
Use separate directory for each tile row	`DIR_FOR_ROW`	[boolean] Default: False	

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Output directory	`OUTPUT`	[folder]	The output folder for the tiles.
CSV file containing the tile(s) georeferencing information	`OUTPUT_CSV`	[file]	The CSV file with georeferencing information for the tiles.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `gdal:retile`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Tile index

Builds a vector layer with a record for each input raster file, an attribute containing the filename, and a polygon geometry outlining the raster. This output is suitable for use with MapServer as a raster tileindex.

This algorithm is derived from the GDAL Tile Index utility.

Default menu: *Raster* ► *Miscellaneous*

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input files	`LAYERS`	[raster] [list]	The input raster files. Can be multiple files.
Field name to hold the file path to the indexed rasters Optional	`PATH_FIELD_NAME`	[string] Default: ‚location‘	The output field name to hold the file path/location to the indexed rasters.
Store absolute path to the indexed rasters	`ABSOLUTE_PATH`	[boolean] Default: False	Set whether the absolute path to the raster files is stored in the tile index file. By default the raster filenames will be put in the file exactly as they are specified in the command.
Skip files with different projection reference	`PROJ_DIFFERENCE`	[boolean] Default: False	Only files with same projection as files already inserted in the tile index will be inserted. Default does not check projection and accepts all inputs.
Tile index	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specify the polygon vector layer to write the index to. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Transform geometries to the given CRS Optional	`TARGET_CRS`	[crs]	Geometries of input files will be transformed to the specified target coordinate reference system. Default creates simple rectangular polygons in the same coordinate reference system as the input rasters.
The name of the field to store the SRS of each tile Optional	`CRS_FIELD_NAME`	[string]	The name of the field to store the SRS of each tile
The format in which the CRS of each tile must be written	`CRS_FORMAT`	[enumeration] Default: 0	Format for the CRS. One of: • 0 – Auto (`AUTO`) • 1 – Well-known text (`WKT`) • 2 – EPSG (`EPSG`) • 3 – Proj.4 (`PROJ`)

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Tile index	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon]	The polygon vector layer with the tile index.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `gdal:tileindex`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Viewshed

Calculates a viewshed raster from an input raster DEM using method defined in Wang2000 for a user defined point.

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[raster]	Input elevation raster layer
Band number	`BAND`	[raster band] Default: 1	The number of the band to use as elevation
Observer location	`OBSERVER`	[point]	The location of the observer
Observer height	`OBSERVER_HEIGHT`	[number] Default: 1.0	The altitude of the observer, in the DEM units
Target height	`TARGET_HEIGHT`	[number] Default: 1.0	The altitude of the target element, in the DEM units
Maximum distance from observer to compute visibility	`MAX_DISTANCE`	[number] Default: 100.0	Maximum distance from observer to compute visibility, in the DEM units
Ergebnis	`OUTPUT`	[raster] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Output raster layer. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Additional creation options Optional	`OPTIONS`	[string] Default: ,‘	For adding one or more creation options that control the raster to be created (colors, block size, file compression…). For convenience, you can rely on predefined profiles (see *GDAL driver options section*). For Batch Process: separate multiple options with a pipe character (|).
Additional command-line parameters	`EXTRA`	[string] Default: None	Add extra GDAL command line options

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Ergebnis	`OUTPUT`	[raster]	The raster layer displaying the viewshed.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `gdal:viewshed`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

25.2.5 Rasterprojektionen

Projektion zuweisen

Wendet ein Koordinatenbezugssystem auf ein Rasterdatensatz an.

This algorithm is derived from the GDAL edit utility.

Default menu: *Raster* ► *Projections*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT_LAYER`	[raster]	Input raster layer
Desired CRS	`CRS`	[crs]	The projection (CRS) of the output layer

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Layer with projection	`OUTPUT`	[raster]	The output raster layer (with the new projection information)

Python code

Algorithm ID: `gdal:assignprojection`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Projektion extrahieren

Extracts the projection of a raster file and writes it into a *world* file with extension `.wld`.

This algorithm is derived from the GDAL srsinfo utility.

Default menu: *Raster* ► *Projections*

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input file	`INPUT_LAYER`	[raster]	Input raster The raster layer has to be file based, as the algorithm uses the path to the raster file as the location of the generated `.wld` file. Using a non-file raster layer will lead to an error.
Create also .prj file	`PRJ_FILE_CREATE`	[boolean] Default: False	If this is activated a `.prj` file containing the projection information is also created.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
World file	`WORLD_FILE`	[file]	Text file with extension `.wld` containing transformation parameters for the raster file.
ESRI Shapefile prj file	`PRJ_FILE`	[file]	Text file with `.prj` extension that describes the CRS. Will be `None` if *Create also .prj file* is False.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `gdal:extractprojection`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Warp (reproject)

Reprojects a raster layer into another Coordinate Reference System (CRS). The output file resolution and the resampling method can be chosen.

This algorithm is derived from the GDAL warp utility.

Default menu: *Raster* ► *Projections*

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[raster]	Input raster layer to reproject
Source CRS Optional	`SOURCE_CRS`	[crs]	Defines the CRS of the input raster layer
Target CRS Optional	`TARGET_CRS`	[crs] Default: `EPSG:4326`	The CRS of the output layer
Resampling method to use	`RESAMPLING`	[enumeration] Default: 0	Pixel value resampling method to use. Options: • 0 — Nearest neighbour • 1 — Bilinear • 2 — Cubic • 3 — Cubic spline • 4 — Lanczos windowed sinc • 5 — Average • 6 — Mode • 7 — Maximum • 8 — Minimum • 9 — Median • 10 — First quartile • 11 — Third quartile
Nodata value for output bands Optional	`NODATA`	[number] Default: None	Sets nodata value for output bands. If not provided, then nodata values will be copied from the source dataset.
Output file resolution in target georeferenced units Optional	`TARGET_RESOLUTION`	[number] Default: None	Defines the output file resolution of reprojection result

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Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Reprojected	`OUTPUT`	[raster] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specification of the output raster layer. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Additional creation options Optional	`OPTIONS`	[string] Default: ,‘	For adding one or more creation options that control the raster to be created (colors, block size, file compression…). For convenience, you can rely on predefined profiles (see *GDAL driver options section*). For Batch Process: separate multiple options with a pipe character (|).
Output data type	`DATA_TYPE`	[enumeration] Default: 0	Defines the format of the output raster file. Options: • 0 — Use input layer data type • 1 — Byte • 2 — Int16 • 3 — UInt16 • 4 — UInt32 • 5 — Int32 • 6 — Float32 • 7 — Float64 • 8 — CInt16 • 9 — CInt32 • 10 — CFloat32 • 11 — CFloat64
Georeferenced extents of output file to be created Optional	`TARGET_EXTENT`	[extent]	Sets the georeferenced extent of the output file to be created (in the *Target CRS* by default. In the *CRS of the target raster extent*, if specified). Available methods are: • Calculate from layer…: uses extent of a layer loaded in the current project • Use map canvas extent • Draw on canvas • Enter the coordinates as `xmin, xmax, ymin, ymax`
CRS of the target raster extent Optional	`TARGET_EXTENT_CRS`	[crs]	Specifies the CRS in which to interpret the coordinates given for the extent of the output file. This must not be confused with the target CRS of the output dataset. It is instead a convenience e.g. when knowing the output coordinates in a geodetic long/lat CRS, but wanting a result in a projected coordinate system.

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Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Use multithreaded warping implementation	`MULTITHREADING`	[boolean] Default: False	Two threads will be used to process chunks of the image and perform input/output operations simultaneously. Note that the computation itself is not multithreaded.
Additional command-line parameters Optional	`EXTRA`	[string] Default: None	Add extra GDAL command line options.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Reprojected	`OUTPUT`	[raster] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Reprojected output raster layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `gdal:warpreproject`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

25.2.6 Vector conversion

Convert format

Converts any OGR-supported vector layer into another OGR-supported format.

This algorithm is derived from the ogr2ogr utility.

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Input vector layer
Converted	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	Specification of the output vector layer. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File… For `Save to File`, the output format has to be specified. All GDAL vector formats are supported. For `Save to a Temporary File` the QGIS default vector format will be used.

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Additional creation options Optional	`OPTIONS`	[string] Default: ‚‘ (no additional options)	Additional GDAL creation options.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Converted	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	The output vector layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `gdal:convertformat`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Rasterize (overwrite with attribute)

Overwrites a raster layer with values from a vector layer. New values are assigned based on the attribute value of the overlapping vector feature.

This algorithm is derived from the GDAL rasterize utility.

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Input vector layer
Input raster layer	`INPUT_RASTER`	[raster]	Input raster layer
Field to use for a burn-in value Optional	`FIELD`	[tablefield: numeric]	Defines the attribute field to use to set the pixels values

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Add burn in values to existing raster values	`ADD`	[boolean] Default: False	If False, pixels are assigned the selected field's value. If True, the selected field's value is added to the value of the input raster layer.
Additional command-line parameters Optional	`EXTRA`	[string] Default: ‚Äò	Add extra GDAL command line options

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Rasterized	`OUTPUT`	[raster]	The overwritten input raster layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `gdal:rasterize_over`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Rasterize (overwrite with fixed value)

Overwrites parts of a raster layer with a fixed value. The pixels to overwrite are chosen based on the supplied (overlapping) vector layer.

This algorithm is derived from the GDAL rasterize utility.

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Input vector layer
Input raster layer	`INPUT_RASTER`	[raster]	Input raster layer
A fixed value to burn	`BURN`	[number] Default: 0.0	The value to burn

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Add burn in values to existing raster values	`ADD`	[boolean] Default: False	If False, pixels are assigned the fixed value. If True, the fixed value is added to the value of the input raster layer.
Additional command-line parameters Optional	`EXTRA`	[string] Default: ‚‘	Add extra GDAL command line options

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Rasterized	`OUTPUT`	[raster]	The overwritten input raster layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `gdal:rasterize_over_fixed_value`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Rasterize (vector to raster)

Converts vector geometries (points, lines and polygons) into a raster image.

This algorithm is derived from the GDAL rasterize utility.

Default menu: *Raster* ► *Conversion*

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Input vector layer
Field to use for a burn-in value Optional	`FIELD`	[tablefield: numeric]	Defines the attribute field from which the attributes for the pixels should be chosen
A fixed value to burn Optional	`BURN`	[number] Default: 0.0	A fixed value to burn into a band for all features.

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Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Burn value extracted from the „Z“ values of the feature NEW in 3.20 Optional	USE_Z	[boolean] Default: False	Indicates that a burn value should be extracted from the „Z“ values of the feature. Works with points and lines (linear interpolation along each segment). For polygons, works properly only if they are flat (same Z value for all vertices)
Output raster size units	UNITS	[enumeration] Default: 0	Units to use when defining the output raster size/resolution. One of: • 0 — Pixels • 1 — Georeferenced units
Width/Horizontal resolution	WIDTH	[number] Default: 0.0	Sets the width (if size units is „Pixels“) or horizontal resolution (if size units is „Georeferenced units“) of the output raster. Minimum value: 0.0.
Height/Vertical resolution	HEIGHT	[number] Default: 0.0	Sets the height (if size units is „Pixels“) or vertical resolution (if size units is „Georeferenced units“) of the output raster.
Output extent Optional	EXTENT	[extent]	Extent of the output raster layer. If the extent is not specified, the minimum extent that covers the selected reference layer(s) will be used. Available methods are: • Calculate from layer…: uses extent of a layer loaded in the current project • Use map canvas extent • Draw on canvas • Enter the coordinates as xmin, xmax, ymin, ymax
Assign a specified nodata value to output bands Optional	NODATA	[number] Default: 0.0	Assigns a specified nodata value to output bands
Rasterized	OUTPUT	[raster] Default: [Save to temporary file]	Specification of the output raster layer. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File… For Save to File, the output format has to be specified. All GDAL raster formats are supported. For Save to a Temporary File the QGIS default raster format will be used.

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Additional creation options Optional	`OPTIONS`	[string] Default: ‚‘	For adding one or more creation options that control the raster to be created (colors, block size, file compression…). For convenience, you can rely on predefined profiles (see *GDAL driver options section*). For Batch Process: separate multiple options with a pipe character (|).
Output data type	`DATA_TYPE`	[enumeration] Default: 5	Defines the format of the output raster file. Optionen: • 0 — Byte • 1 — Int16 • 2 — UInt16 • 3 — UInt32 • 4 — Int32 • 5 — Float32 • 6 — Float64 • 7 — CInt16 • 8 — CInt32 • 9 — CFloat32 • 10 — CFloat64
Pre-initialize the output image with value Optional	`INIT`	[number]	Pre-initializes the output image bands with this value. Not marked as the nodata value in the output file. The same value is used in all the bands.
Invert rasterization	`INVERT`	[boolean] Default: False	Burns the fixed burn value, or the burn value associated with the first feature into all parts of the image not inside the provided polygon.
Additional command-line parameters Optional	`EXTRA`	[string] Default: ‚‘	Add extra GDAL command line options

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Rasterized	`OUTPUT`	[raster]	Output raster layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `gdal:rasterize`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

25.2.7 Vector geoprocessing

Buffer vectors

Create buffers around the features of a vector layer.

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	The input vector layer
Geometry column name	`GEOMETRY`	[string] Default: ‚geometry‘	The name of the input layer geometry column to use
Buffer distance	`DISTANCE`	[number] Default: 10.0	Minimum: 0.0
Dissolve by attribute Optional	`FIELD`	[tablefield: any] Default: None	Field to use for dissolving
Dissolve results	`DISSOLVE`	[boolean] Default: False	**If set, the result is dissolved.** If no field is set for dissolving, all the buffers are dissolved into one feature.
Produce one feature for each geometry in any kind of geometry collection in the source file	`EXPLODE_COLLECTIONS`	[boolean] Default: False	
Buffer	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specify the output buffer layer. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Additional creation options Optional	`OPTIONS`	[string] Default: ‚ (no additional options)	Additional GDAL creation options.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Buffer	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon]	The output buffer layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `gdal:buffervectors`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Clip vector by extent

Clips any OGR-supported vector file to a given extent.

This algorithm is derived from the GDAL ogr2ogr utility.

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	The input vector layer
Clip extent	`EXTENT`	[extent]	Defines the bounding box that should be used for the output vector file. It has to be defined in target CRS coordinates. Available methods are: • Calculate from layer…: uses extent of a layer loaded in the current project • Use map canvas extent • Draw on canvas • Enter the coordinates as `xmin, xmax, ymin, ymax`
Clipped (extent)	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specify the output (clipped) layer. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Additional creation options Optional	`OPTIONS`	[string] Default: ‚‘ (no additional options)	Additional GDAL creation options.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Clipped (extent)	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	The output (clipped) layer. The default format is „ESRI Shapefile“.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `gdal:clipvectorbyextent`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Clip vector by mask layer

Clips any OGR-supported vector layer by a mask polygon layer.

This algorithm is derived from the GDAL ogr2ogr utility.

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	The input vector layer
Mask layer	`MASK`	[vector: polygon]	Layer to be used as clipping extent for the input vector layer.
Clipped (mask)	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	The output (masked) layer. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Additional creation options Optional	`OPTIONS`	[string] Default: ‚‘ (no additional options)	Additional GDAL creation options.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Clipped (mask)	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	The output (masked) layer. The default format is „ESRI Shapefile“.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `gdal:clipvectorbypolygon`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Dissolve

Dissolve (combine) geometries that have the same value for a given attribute / field. The output geometries are multipart.

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	The input layer to dissolve
Dissolve field Optional	`FIELD`	[tablefield: any]	The field of the input layer to use for dissolving
Geometry column name	`GEOMETRY`	[string] Default: ‚geometry‘	The name of the input layer geometry column to use for dissolving.
Dissolved	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specify the output layer. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Produce one feature for each geometry in any kind of geometry collection in the source file	`EXPLODE_COLLECTIONS`	[boolean] Default: False	Produce one feature for each geometry in any kind of geometry collection in the source file
Keep input attributes	`KEEP_ATTRIBUTES`	[boolean] Default: False	Keep all attributes from the input layer
Count dissolved features	`COUNT_FEATURES`	[boolean] Default: False	Count the dissolved features and include it in the output layer.
Compute area and perimeter of dissolved features	`COMPUTE_AREA`	[boolean] Default: False	**Compute the area and perimeter of dissolved features and** include them in the output layer
Compute min/max/sum/mean for attribute	`COMPUTE_STATISTICS`	[boolean] Default: False	Calculate statistics (min, max, sum and mean) for the numeric attribute specified and include them in the output layer
Numeric attribute to calculate statistics on Optional	`STATISTICS_ATTRIBUTE`	[tablefield: numeric]	The numeric attribute to calculate statistics on
Additional creation options Optional	`OPTIONS`	[string] Default: ‘ ’ (no additional options)	Additional GDAL creation options.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Dissolved	`OUTPUT`	[same as input]	**The output multipart geometry layer (with dissolved** geometries)

Python code

Algorithm ID: `gdal:dissolve`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Offset curve

Offsets lines by a specified distance. Positive distances will offset lines to the left, and negative distances will offset them to the right.

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: line]	The input line layer
Geometry column name	`GEOMETRY`	[string] Default: ‚geometry‘	The name of the input layer geometry column to use
Offset distance (left-sided: positive, right-sided: negative)	`DISTANCE`	[number] Default: 10.0	
Offset curve	`OUTPUT`	[vector: line] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specify the output line layer. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Additional creation options Optional	`OPTIONS`	[string] Default: ‚ (no additional options)	Additional GDAL creation options.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Offset curve	`OUTPUT`	[vector: line]	The output offset curve layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `gdal:offsetcurve`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

One side buffer

Creates a buffer on one side (right or left) of the lines in a line vector layer.

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: line]	The input line layer
Geometry column name	`GEOMETRY`	[string] Default: ‚geometry‘	The name of the input layer geometry column to use
Buffer distance	`DISTANCE`	[number] Default: 10.0	
Buffer side	`BUFFER_SIDE`	[enumeration] Default: 0	One of: • 0 — Right • 1 — Left
Dissolve by attribute Optional	`FIELD`	[tablefield: any] Default: None	Field to use for dissolving
Dissolve all results	`DISSOLVE`	[boolean] Default: False	**If set, the result is dissolved.** If no field is set for dissolving, all the buffers are dissolved into one feature.
Produce one feature for each geometry in any kind of geometry collection in the source file	`EXPLODE_COLLECTIONS`	[boolean] Default: False	
One-sided buffer	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specify the output buffer layer. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Additional creation options Optional	`OPTIONS`	[string] Default: ‚ (no additional options)	Additional GDAL creation options.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
One-sided buffer	`OUTPUT`	[vector: polygon]	The output buffer layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `gdal:onesidebuffer`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Points along lines

Generates a point on each line of a line vector layer at a distance from start. The distance is provided as a fraction of the line length.

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: line]	The input line layer
Geometry column name	`GEOMETRY`	[string] Default: ‚geometry‘	The name of the input layer geometry column to use
Distance from line start represented as a fraction of line length	`DISTANCE`	[number] Default: 0.5 (middle of the line)	
Points along lines	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specify the output point layer. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Additional creation options Optional	`OPTIONS`	[string] Default: ‚ (no additional options)	Additional GDAL creation options.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Points along line	`OUTPUT`	[vector: point]	The output point layer

Python code

Algorithm ID: `gdal:pointsalonglines`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

25.2.8 Vector miscellaneous

Build virtual vector

Creates a virtual vector layer that contains a set of vector layers. The output virtual vector layer will not be opened in the current project.

This algorithm is especially useful in case another algorithm needs multiple layers but accept only one `vrt` in which the layers are specified.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input datasources	`INPUT`	[vector: any] [list]	Select the vector layers you want to use to build the virtual vector
Create „unioned“ VRT	`UNIONED`	[boolean] Default: False	Check if you want to unite all the vectors in a single `vrt` file
Virtual vector	`OUTPUT`	[same as input] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specify the output layer containing only the duplicates. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File…

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Virtual vector	`OUTPUT`	[vector: any]	The output virtual vector made from the chosen sources

Python code

Algorithm ID: `gdal:buildvirtualvector`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Execute SQL

Runs a simple or complex query with SQL syntax on the source layer. The result of the query will be added as a new layer.

This algorithm is derived from the GDAL ogr2ogr utility.

Parameter

Basic parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	OGR-supported input vector layer
SQL expression	`SQL`	[string]	Defines the SQL query, for example `SELECT * FROM my_table WHERE name is not null`.
SQL dialect	`DIALECT`	[enumeration] Default: 0	SQL dialect to use. One of: • 0 — None • 1 — OGR SQL • 2 — SQLite
SQL result	`OUTPUT`	[vector: any]	Specification of the output layer. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File… For `Save to File`, the output format has to be specified. All GDAL vector formats are supported. For `Save to a Temporary File` the default output vector layer format will be used.

Advanced parameters

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Additional creation options Optional	`OPTIONS`	[string] Default: ‚‘ (no additional options)	Additional GDAL creation options.

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
SQL result	`OUTPUT`	[vector: any]	Vector layer created by the query

Python code

Algorithm ID: `gdal:executesql`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Export to PostgreSQL (available connections)

Imports vector layers inside a PostgreSqL database on the basis of an available connection. The connection has to *be defined properly* beforehand. Be aware that the checkboxes ‚Save Username' and ‚Save Password' are activated. Then you can use the algorithm.

This algorithm is derived from the GDAL ogr2ogr utility.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Database (connection name)	`DATABASE`	[string]	The PostgreSQL database to connect to
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	OGR-supported vector layer to export to the database
Shape encoding Optional	`SHAPE_ENCODING`	[string] Default: ‚'	Sets the encoding to apply to the data
Output geometry type	`GTYPE`	[enumeration] Default: 0	Defines the output geometry type. One of: • 0 — • 1 — NONE • 2 — GEOMETRY • 3 — POINT • 4 — LINESTRING • 5 — POLYGON • 6 — GEOMETRYCOLLECTION • 7 — MULTIPOINT • 8 — MULTIPOLYGON • 9 — MULTILINESTRING
Assign an output CRS Optional	`A_SRS`	[crs] Default: None	Defines the output CRS of the database table
Reproject to this CRS on output Optional	`T_SRS`	[crs] Default: None	Reprojects/transforms to this CRS on output

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Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Override source CRS Optional	`S_SRS`	[crs] Default: None	Overrides the input layer CRS
Schema (schema name) Optional	`SCHEMA`	[string] Default: ‚public‘	Defines the schema for the database table
Table to export to (leave blank to use layer name) Optional	`TABLE`	[string] Default: ‚‘	Defines a name for the table that will be imported into the database. By default the table name is the name of the input vector file.
Primary Key (new field) Optional	`PK`	[string] Default: ‚id‘	Defines which attribute field will be the primary key of the database table
Primary Key (existing field, used if the above option is left empty) Optional	`PRIMARY_KEY`	[tablefield: any] Default: None	Defines which attribute field in the exported layer will be the primary key of the database table
Geometry column name Optional	`GEOCOLUMN`	[string] Default: ‚geom‘	Defines in which attribute field of the database there will be the geometry information
Vector dimensions Optional	`DIM`	[enumeration] Default: 0 (2D)	Defines if the vector file to be imported has 2D or 3D data. One of: • 0 — 2 • 1 — 3
Distance tolerance for simplification Optional	`SIMPLIFY`	[string] Default: ‚‘	Defines a distance tolerance for the simplification of the vector geometries to be imported. By default there is no simplification.
Maximum distance between 2 nodes (densification) Optional	`SEGMENTIZE`	[string] Default: ‚‘	The maximum distance between two nodes. Used to create intermediate points. By default there is no densification.
Select features by extent (defined in input layer CRS) Optional	`SPAT`	[extent] Default: None	You can select features from a given extent that will be in the output table. Available methods are: • Calculate from layer…: uses extent of a layer loaded in the current project • Use map canvas extent • Draw on canvas • Enter the coordinates as `xmin, xmax, ymin, ymax`
Clip the input layer using the above (rectangle) extent Optional	`CLIP`	[boolean] Default: False	The input layer will be clipped by the extent you defined before

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Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Select features using a SQL „WHERE“ statement (Ex: column=“value“) Optional	WHERE	[string] Default: ‚	Defines with a SQL „WHERE“ statement which features should be selected from the input layer
Group N features per transaction (Default: 2000) Optional	GT	[string] Default: ‚	You can group the input features in transactions where N defines the size. By default N limits the transaction size to 20000 features.
Overwrite existing table Optional	OVERWRITE	[boolean] Default: True	If there is a table with the same name in the database, and if this option is set to True, the table will be overwritten.
Append to existing table Optional	APPEND	[boolean] Default: False	If checked / True the vector data will be appended to an existing table. New fields found in the input layer are ignored. By default a new table will be created.
Append and add new fields to existing table Optional	ADDFIELDS	[boolean] Default: False	If activated the vector data will be appended to an existing table, there won’t be a new table created. New fields found in input layer are added to the table. By default a new table will be created.
Do not launder columns/table names Optional	LAUNDER	[boolean] Default: False	With this option checked you can prevent the default behaviour (converting column names to lowercase, removing spaces and other invalid characters).
Do not create Spatial Index Optional	INDEX	[boolean] Default: False	Prevents a spatial index for the output table from being created. By default, a spatial index is added.
Continue after a failure, skipping the failed feature Optional	SKIPFAILURES	[boolean] Default: False	
Promote to Multipart Optional	PROMOTETOMULTI	[boolean] Default: True	Casts features geometry type to multipart in the output table
Keep width and precision of input attributes Optional	PRECISION	[boolean] Default: True	Avoids modifying column attributes to comply with input data
Additional creation options Optional	OPTIONS	[string] Default: ‚ (no additional options)	Additional GDAL creation options.

Ausgaben

This algorithm has no output.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `gdal:importvectorintopostgisdatabaseavailableconnections`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Export to PostgreSQL (new connection)

Imports vector layers inside a PostGreSQL database. A new connection to the PostGIS database must be created.

This algorithm is derived from the GDAL ogr2ogr utility.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	OGR-supported vector layer to export to the database
Shape encoding Optional	`SHAPE_ENCODING`	[string] Default: ‚‘	Sets the encoding to apply to the data
Output geometry type	`GTYPE`	[enumeration] Default: 0	Defines the output geometry type. One of: • 0 — • 1 — NONE • 2 — GEOMETRY • 3 — POINT • 4 — LINESTRING • 5 — POLYGON • 6 — GEOMETRYCOLLECTION • 7 — MULTIPOINT • 8 — MULTIPOLYGON • 9 — MULTILINESTRING
Assign an output CRS Optional	`A_SRS`	[crs] Default: None	Defines the output CRS of the database table
Reproject to this CRS on output Optional	`T_SRS`	[crs] Default: None	Reprojects/transforms to this CRS on output
Override source CRS Optional	`S_SRS`	[crs] Default: None	Overrides the input layer CRS
Host Optional	`HOST`	[string] Default: ‚localhost‘	Name of the database host
Port Optional	`PORT`	[string] Default: ‚5432‘	Port number the PostgreSQL database server listens on

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Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Username Optional	USER	[string] Default: ‚	User name used to log in to the database
Database name Optional	DBNAME	[string] Default: ‚	Name of the database
Password Optional	PASSWORD	[string] Default: ‚	Password used with Username to connect to the database
Schema (schema name) Optional	SCHEMA	[string] Default: ‚public‘	Defines the schema for the database table
Table name, leave blank to use input name Optional	TABLE	[string] Default: ‚	Defines a name for the table that will be imported into the database. By default the table name is the name of the input vector file.
Primary Key (new field) Optional	PK	[string] Default: ‚id‘	Defines which attribute field will be the primary key of the database table
Primary Key (existing field, used if the above option is left empty) Optional	PRIMARY_KEY	[tablefield: any] Default: None	Defines which attribute field in the exported layer will be the primary key of the database table
Geometry column name Optional	GEOCOLUMN	[string] Default: ‚geom‘	Defines in which attribute field to store the geometry information
Vector dimensions Optional	DIM	[enumeration] Default: 0 (2D)	Defines if the vector file to be imported has 2D or 3D data. One of: • 0 — 2D • 1 — 3D
Distance tolerance for simplification Optional	SIMPLIFY	[string] Default: ‚	Defines a distance tolerance for the simplification of the vector geometries to be imported. By default no simplification there is no simplification.
Maximum distance between 2 nodes (densification) Optional	SEGMENTIZE	[string] Default: ‚	The maximum distance between two nodes. Used to create intermediate points. By default there is no densification.
Select features by extent (defined in input layer CRS) Optional	SPAT	[extent] Default: None	You can select features from a given extent that will be in the output table. Available methods are: • Calculate from layer…: uses extent of a layer loaded in the current project • Use map canvas extent • Draw on canvas • Enter the coordinates as `xmin, xmax, ymin, ymax`
Clip the input layer using the above (rectangle) extent Optional	CLIP	[boolean] Default: False	The input layer will be clipped by the extent you defined before

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Tab. 25.264 – Fortsetzung der vorherigen Seite

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Fields to include (leave empty to use all fields) Optional	FIELDS	[string] [list] Default: []	Defines fields to keep from the imported vector file. If none is selected, all the fields are imported.
Select features using a SQL „WHERE“ statement (Ex: column=“value“) Optional	WHERE	[string] Default: ‚	Defines with a SQL „WHERE“ statement which features should be selected for the output table
Group N features per transaction (Default: 2000) Optional	GT	[string] Default: ‚	You can group the input features in transactions where N defines the size. By default N limits the transaction size to 20000 features.
Overwrite existing table Optional	OVERWRITE	[boolean] Default: True	If there is a table with the same name in the database, and if this option is set to True, the table will be overwritten.
Append to existing table Optional	APPEND	[boolean] Default: False	If checked / True the vector data will be appended to an existing table. New fields found in the input layer are ignored. By default a new table will be created.
Append and add new fields to existing table Optional	ADDFIELDS	[boolean] Default: False	If activated the vector data will be appended to an existing table, there won’t be created a new table. New fields found in input layer are added to the table. By default a new table will be created.
Do not launder columns/table names Optional	LAUNDER	[boolean] Default: False	With this option checked you can prevent the default behaviour (converting column names to lowercase, removing spaces and other invalid characters).
Do not create Spatial Index Optional	INDEX	[boolean] Default: False	Prevents a spatial index for the output table from being created. By default, a spatial index is added.
Continue after a failure, skipping the failed feature Optional	SKIPFAILURES	[boolean] Default: False	
Promote to Multipart Optional	PROMOTETOMULTI	[boolean] Default: True	Casts features geometry type to multipart in the output table
Keep width and precision of input attributes Optional	PRECISION	[boolean] Default: True	Avoids modifying column attributes to comply with input data
Additional creation options Optional	OPTIONS	[string] Default: ‚ (no additional options)	Additional GDAL creation options.

Ausgaben

This algorithm has no output.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `gdal:importvectorintopostgisdatabasenewconnection`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

Vector Information

Creates an information file that lists information about an OGR-supported data source. The output will be shown in a ‚Result' window and can be written into a HTML-file. The information includes the geometry type, feature count, the spatial extent, the projection information and many more.

This algorithm is derived from the GDAL ogrinfo utility.

Parameter

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Input layer	`INPUT`	[vector: any]	Input vector layer
Summary output only Optional	`SUMMARY_ONLY`	[boolean] Default: True	
Suppress metadata info Optional	`NO_METADATA`	[boolean] Default: False	
Layer information	`OUTPUT`	[html] Default: `[Save to temporary file]`	Specify the output HTML file that includes the file information. One of: • Save to a Temporary File • Save to File… If no HTML-file is defined the output will be written to a temporary file

Ausgaben

Label	Name	Type	Beschreibung
Layer information	`OUTPUT`	[html]	The output HTML-file that includes the file information.

Python code

Algorithm ID: `gdal:ogrinfo`

```
import processing
processing.run("algorithm_id", {parameter_dictionary})
```

The *algorithm id* is displayed when you hover over the algorithm in the Processing Toolbox. The *parameter dictionary* provides the parameter NAMEs and values. See *Verarbeitung Algorithmen von der Konsole aus verwenden* for details on how to run processing algorithms from the Python console.

25.3 OTB Anwendungs Bereitstellung

OTB (Orfeo ToolBox) ist eine Bildverarbeitungsbibliothek für Fernerkundungsdaten. Sie stellt auch Anwendungen zur Verfügung, die Bildverarbeitungsfunktionen bereitstellen. Die Liste der Anwendungen und ihre Dokumentation sind im OTB CookBook verfügbar.

KAPITEL 26

Plugins

26.1 QGIS Plugins

QGIS has been designed with a plugin architecture. This allows many new features and functions to be easily added to the application. Some of the features in QGIS are actually implemented as plugins.

26.1.1 Kernerweiterungen und externe Erweiterungen

QGIS Plugins sind entweder als **Core-Plugins** oder **Externe Plugins** implementiert.

Core Plugins are maintained by the QGIS Development Team and are automatically part of every QGIS distribution. They are written in one of two languages: **C++** or **Python**.

Most of External Plugins are currently written in Python. They are stored either in the ‚Official' QGIS Repository at https://plugins.qgis.org/plugins/ or in external repositories and are maintained by the individual authors. Detailed documentation about the usage, minimum QGIS version, home page, authors,and other important information are provided for the plugins in the Official repository. For other external repositories, documentation might be available with the external plugins themselves. External plugins documentation is not included in this manual.

To install or activate a plugin, go to *Plugins* menu and select  *Manage and install plugins…*. Installed external python plugins are placed under the `python/plugins` folder of the active *user profile* path.

Pfade zu benutzerdefinierten C ++ Plugins Bibliotheken können auch unter *Einstellungen* ► *Optionen* ► *System* hinzugefgt werden.

Bemerkung: According to the *plugin manager settings*, QGIS main interface can display an icon on the right of the status bar to inform you that there are updates for your installed plugins or new plugins available.

26.1.2 Der Erweiterungen Dialog

The tabs in the Plugins dialog allow the user to install, uninstall and upgrade plugins in different ways. Each plugin has some metadata displayed in the right panel:

- Informationen darüber, ob das Plugin experimentell ist
- Beschreibung
- Bewertungen (Sie können eine Bewertung für Ihre bevorzugte Erweiterung abgeben!)
- Elemente
- einige nützliche Links wie die Homepage, die Fehlerverfolgung und das Quellcode-Repositum
- Autoren
- verfügbare Version

At the top of the dialog, a *Search* function helps you find any plugin using metadata information (author, name, description…). It is available in nearly every tab (except *Settings*).

The Settings tab

The *Settings* tab is the main place you can configure which plugins can be displayed in your application. You can use the following options:

- *Beim Start nach Aktualisierungen suchen*. Wann immer ein neues Plugin oder ein Pluginupdate zur Verfügung steht wird QGIS Sie ‚bei jedem QGIS-Start', ‚einmal am Tag', ‚alle drei Tage', ‚jede Woche', ‚alle zwei Wochen' oder ‚jeden Monat' informieren.
- *Auch experimentelle Erweiterungen zeigen*. QGIS wird Ihnen Plugins in frühen Entwicklungsphasen zeigen, die im Allgemeinen für den Produktiveinsatz ungeeignet sind.
- *Show also deprecated plugins*. Because they use functions that are no longer available in QGIS, these plugins are set deprecated and generally unsuitable for production use. They appear among invalid plugins list.

By default, QGIS provides you with its official plugin repository with the URL https://plugins.qgis.org/plugins/plugins.xml?qgis=3.0 (in case of QGIS 3.0) in the *Plugin repositories* section. To add external author repositories, click *Add…* and fill in the *Repository Details* form with a name and the URL. The URL can be of `http://` or `file://` protocol type.

The default QGIS repository is an open repository and you don't need any authentication to access it. You can however deploy your own plugin repository and require an authentication (basic authentication, PKI). You can get more information on QGIS authentication support in *Authentifizierung* chapter.

If you do not want one or more of the added repositories, they can be disabled from the Settings tab via the *Edit…* button, or completely removed with the *Delete* button.

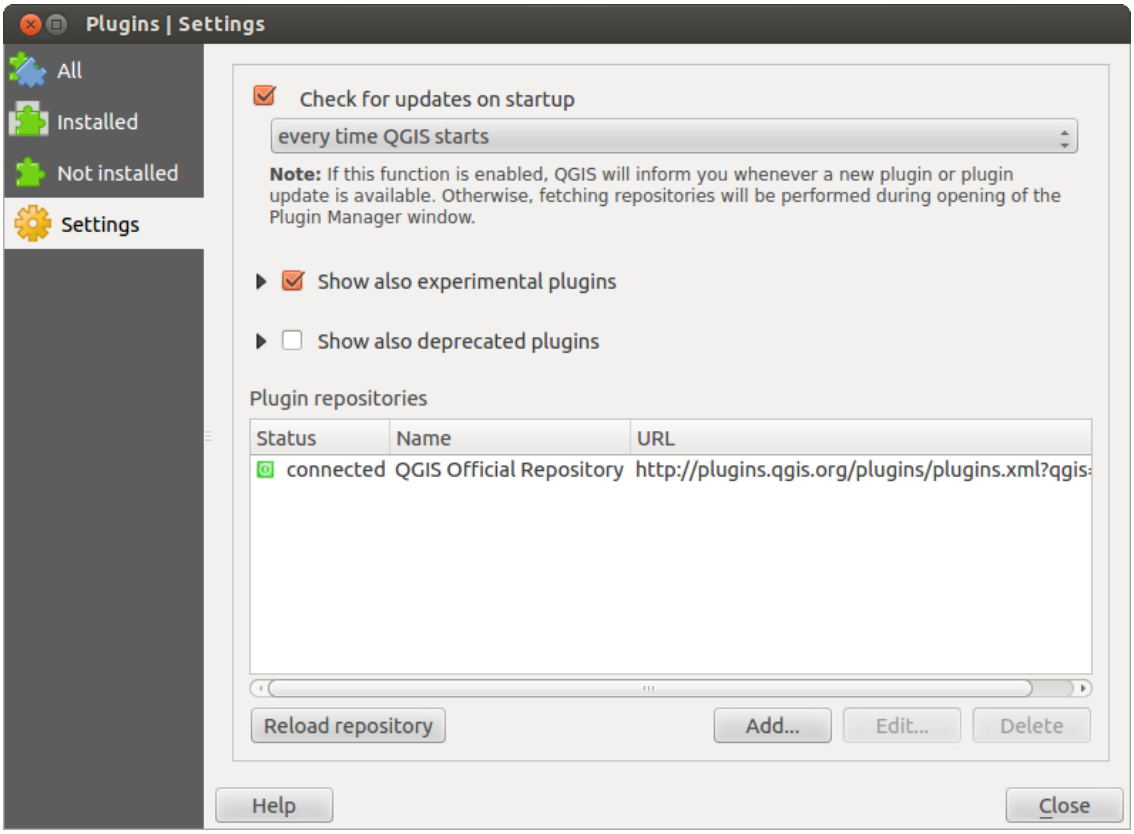


Abb. 26.1: The *Settings* tab

The All tab

In the *All* tab, all the available plugins are listed, including both core and external plugins. Use *Upgrade All* to look for new versions of the plugins. Furthermore, you can use *Install Plugin* if a plugin is listed but not installed, *Uninstall Plugin* as well as *Reinstall Plugin* if a plugin is installed. An installed plugin can be temporarily de/activated using the checkbox.

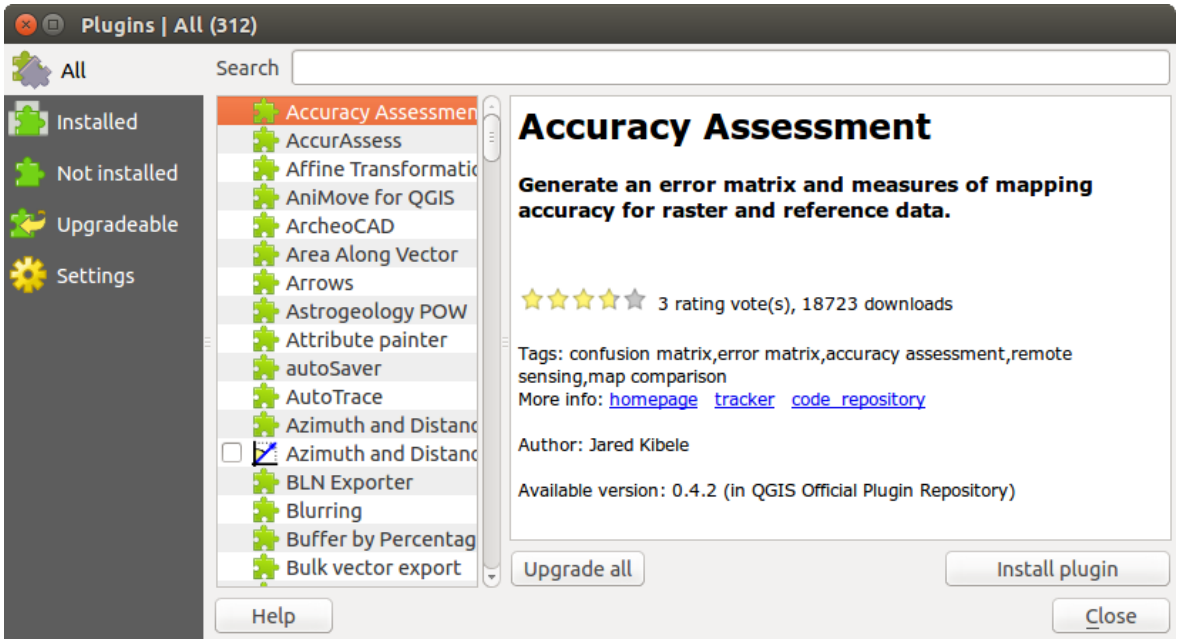


Abb. 26.2: The *All* tab

The Installed tab

In the *Installed* tab, you'll find listed the Core plugins, that you can not uninstall. You can extend this list with external plugins that can be uninstalled and reinstalled any time, using the *Uninstall Plugin* and *Reinstall Plugin* buttons. You can *Upgrade All* the plugins here as well.

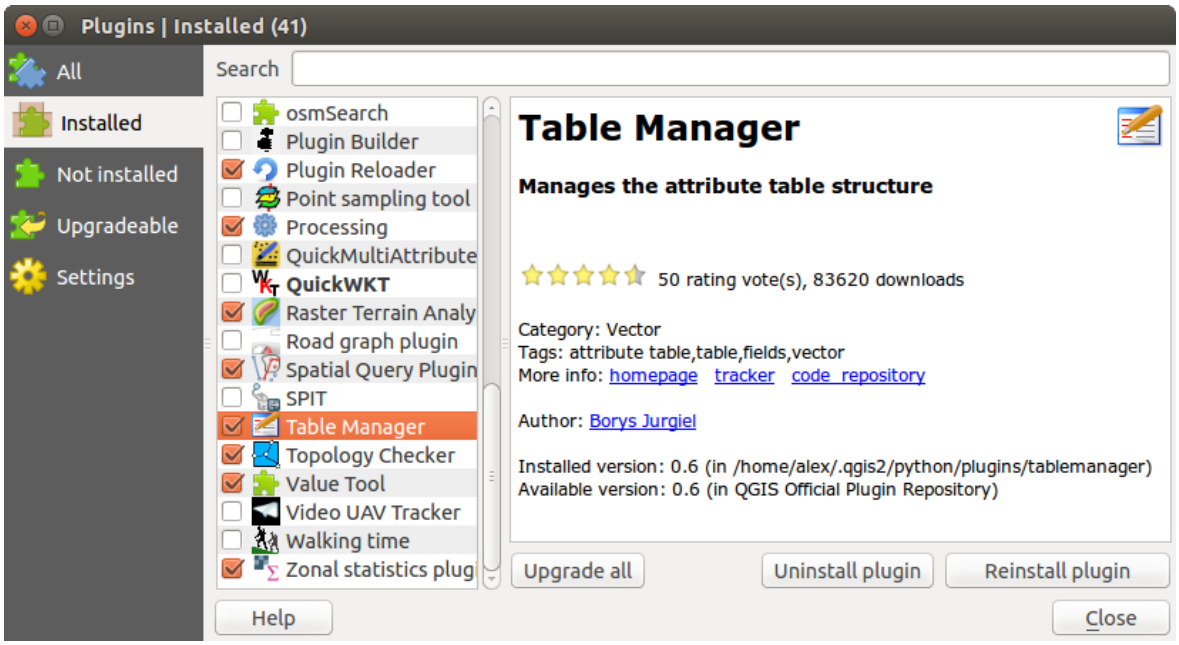


Abb. 26.3: The *Installed* tab

The Not installed tab

The *Not installed* tab lists all plugins available that are not installed. You can use the *Install Plugin* button to implement a plugin into QGIS.

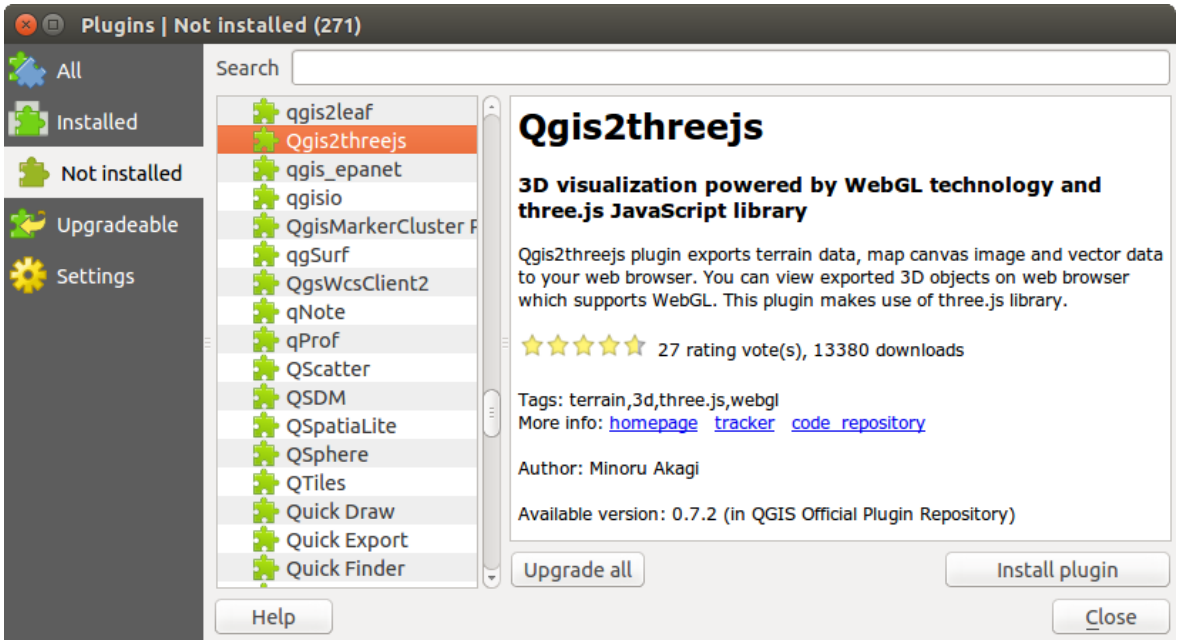


Abb. 26.4: The *Not installed* tab

The Upgradeable and New tabs

The *Upgradeable* and *New* tabs are enabled when new plugins are added to the repository or a new version of an installed plugin is released. If you activated *Show also experimental plugins* in the *Settings* menu, those also appear in the list giving you opportunity to early test upcoming tools.

Installation can be done with the *Install Plugin*, *Upgrade Plugin* or *Upgrade All* buttons.

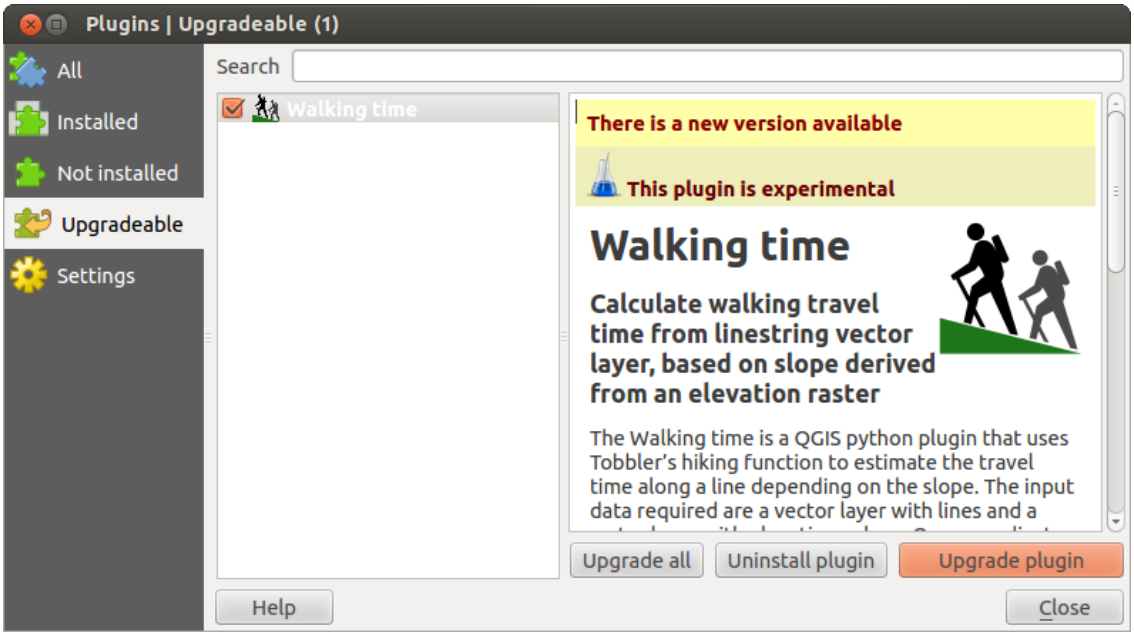


Abb. 26.5: The *Upgradeable* tab

The Invalid tab

The *Invalid* tab lists all installed plugins that are currently broken for any reason (missing dependency, errors while loading, incompatible functions with QGIS version…). You can try the *Reinstall Plugin* button to fix an invalidated plugin but most of the times the fix will be elsewhere (install some libraries, look for another compatible plugin or help to upgrade the broken one).

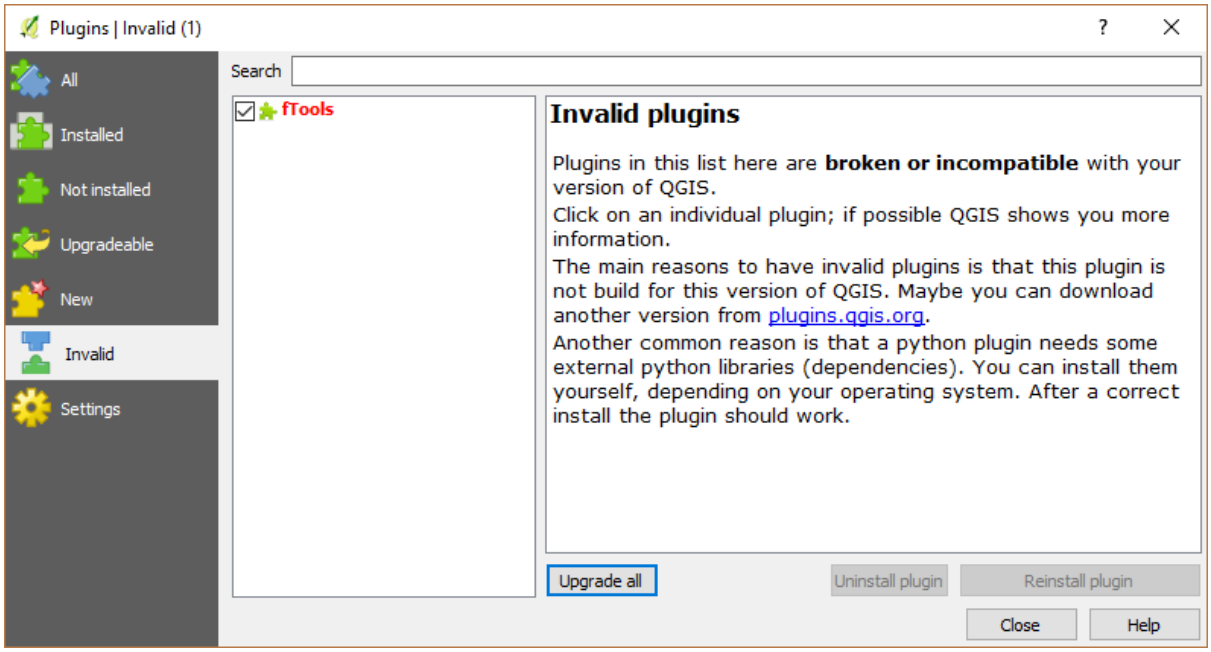


Abb. 26.6: The *Invalid* tab

The Install from ZIP tab

The *Install from ZIP* tab provides a file selector widget to import plugins in a zipped format, e.g. plugins downloaded directly from their repository.

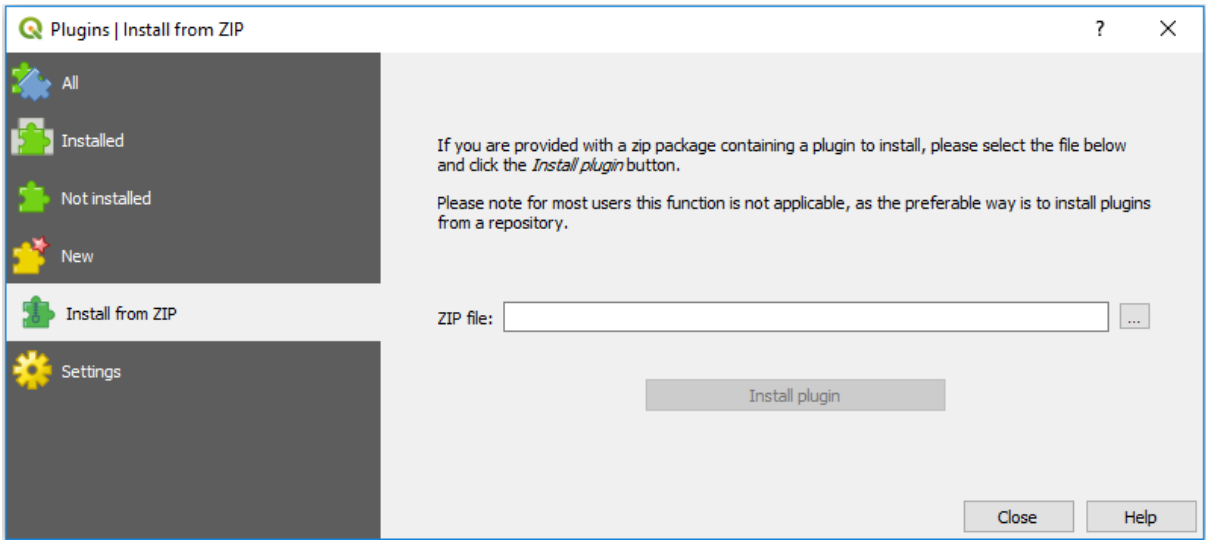


Abb. 26.7: The *Install from zip* tab

26.2 Using QGIS Core Plugins

26.2.1 DB Manager Plugin

The DB Manager Plugin is intended to be the main tool to integrate and manage spatial database formats supported by QGIS (PostGIS, SpatiaLite, GeoPackage, Oracle Spatial, Virtual layers) in one user interface. The DB Manager Plugin provides several features. You can drag layers from the QGIS Browser into the DB Manager, and it will import your layer into your spatial database. You can drag and drop tables between spatial databases and they will get imported.

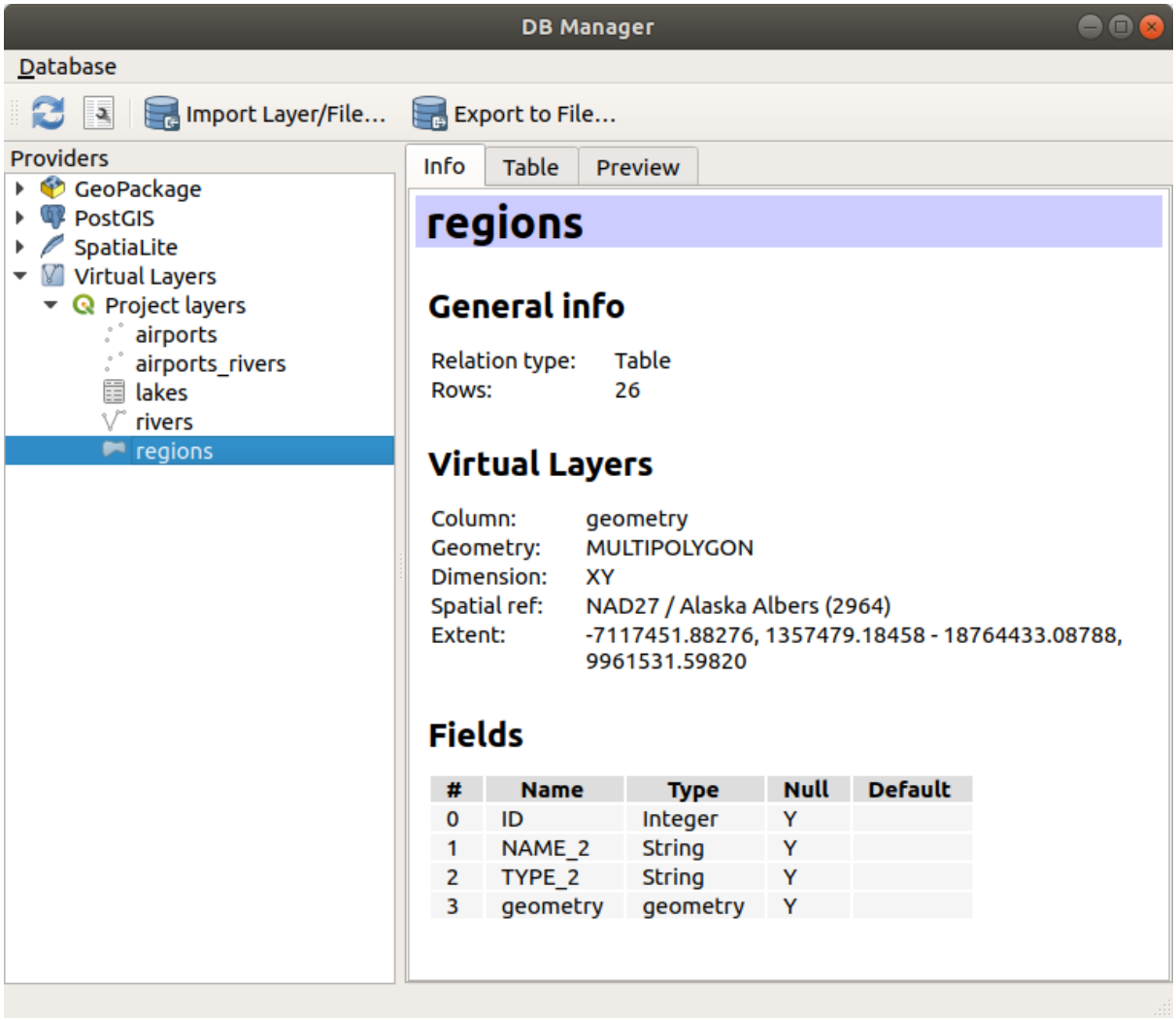


Abb. 26.8: DB Manager dialog

The *Database* menu allows you to connect to an existing database, to start the SQL window and to exit the DB Manager Plugin. Once you are connected to an existing database, the menus *Schema* (relevant for DBMSs, such as PostGIS / PostgreSQL) and *Table* will appear.

The *Schema* menu includes tools to create and delete (only if empty) schemas and, if topology is available (e.g. with PostGIS topology), to start a *TopoViewer*.

The *Table* menu allows you to create and edit tables and to delete tables and views. It is also possible to empty tables and to move tables between schemas. You can *Run Vacuum Analyze* for the selected table. *Vacuum* reclaims space and makes it available for reuse, and *analyze* updates statistics that is used to determine the most efficient way to execute a query. *Change Logging…* allows you to add change logging support to a table. Finally, you can *Import Layer/File…* and *Export to File…*.

Bemerkung: Using the DB Manager it is possible to add comments for tables and columns of a PostgreSQL Database.

The *Providers* window lists all existing databases supported by QGIS. With a double-click, you can connect to the database. With the right mouse button, you can rename and delete existing schemas and tables. Tables can also be added to the QGIS canvas with the context menu.

If connected to a database, the **main** window of the DB Manager offers four tabs. The *Info* tab provides information about the table and its geometry, as well as about existing fields, constraints and indexes. It allows you to create a

spatial index on a the selected table. The *Table* tab shows the table, and the *Preview* tab renders the geometries as preview. When you open an *SQL Window*, it will be placed in a new tab.

Working with the SQL Window

You can use the DB Manager to execute SQL queries against your spatial database. Queries can be saved and loaded, and there the *SQL Query Builder* will help you formulate your queries. You can even view spatial output by checking *Load as new layer* and specifying *Column(s) with unique values* (IDs), *Geometry column* and *Layer name (prefix)*. It is possible to highlight a portion of the SQL to only execute that portion when pressing `Ctrl+R` or clicking the *Execute* button.

The *Query History* button stores the last 20 queries of each database and provider.

Double clicking on an entry will add the string to the SQL window.

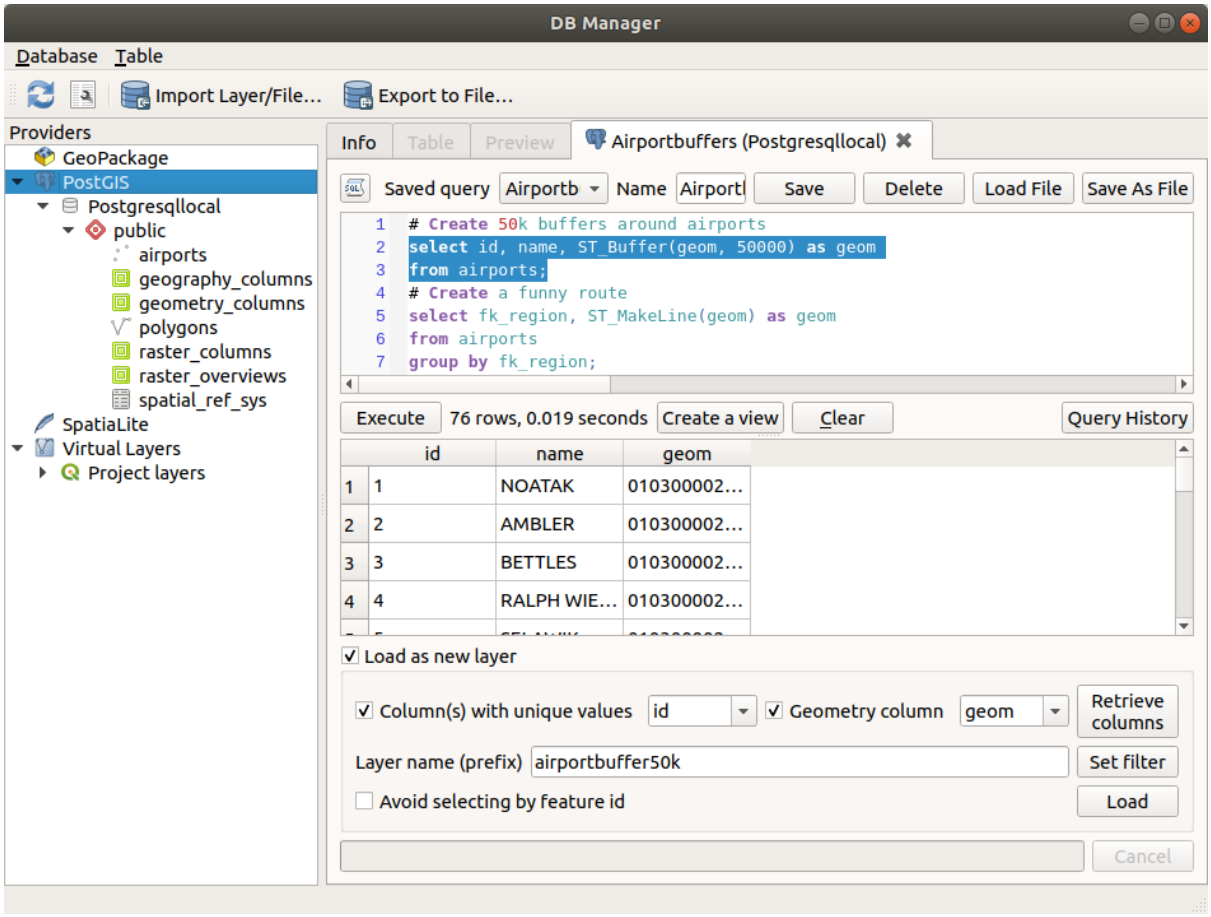


Abb. 26.9: Executing SQL queries in the DB Manager SQL window

Bemerkung: The SQL Window can also be used to create Virtual Layers. In that case, instead of selecting a database, select **QGIS Layers** under **Virtual Layers** before opening the SQL Window. See *Creating virtual layers* for instructions on the SQL syntax to use.

26.2.2 Geometry Checker Plugin

Geometry Checker is a powerful core plugin to check and fix the geometry validity of a layer. It is available from the *Vector* menu ( *Check Geometries…*).

Configuring the checks

The *Check Geometries* dialog shows different grouped settings in the first tab (*Setup*):

- *Input vector layers*: to select the layers to check. A ☑ *Only selected features* checkbox can be used to restrict the checking to the geometries of the selected features.
- *Allowed geometry types* gives the chance to restrict the geometry type of the input layer(s) to:
  - ☑ Point
  - ☑ Multipoint
  - ☑ Line
  - ☑ Multiline
  - ☑ Polygon
  - ☑ Multipolygon
- *Geometry validity*. Depending on geometry types you can choose between:
  - ☑ *Self intersections*
  - ☑ *Duplicate nodes*
  - ☑ *Self contacts*
  - ☑ *Polygon with less than 3 nodes*.
- *Geometry properties*. Depending on geometry types, different options are available:
  - ☑ *Polygons and multipolygons may not contain any holes*
  - ☑ *Multipart objects must consist of more than one part*
  - ☑ *Lines must not have dangles*
- *Geometry conditions*. Allows you to add some condition to validate the geometries with:
  - ☑ *Minimal segment length (map units)* 1,00
  - ☑ *Minimum angle between segment (deg)* 1,00
  - ☑ *Minimal polygon area (map units sqr.)* 1,00
  - ☑ *No sliver polygons* with a *Maximum thinness* 1,00 and a ☑ *Max. area (map units sqr.)* 1,00
- *Topology checks*. Depending on geometry types, many different options are available:
  - ☑ *Checks for duplicates*
  - ☑ *Checks for features within other features*
  - ☑ *Checks for overlaps smaller than* 1,00
  - ☑ *Checks for gaps smaller than* 1,00

  - *Points must be covered by lines*
  - *Points must properly lie inside a polygon*
  - *Lines must not intersect any other lines*
  - *Lines must not intersect with features of layer*
  - *Polygons must follow boundaries of layer*
- *Tolerance*. You can define the tolerance of the check in map layer units.
- *Output vector layer* gives the choice to:
  - *Modify input layer*
  - *Create new layers*

When you are happy with the configuration, you can click on the *Run* button.

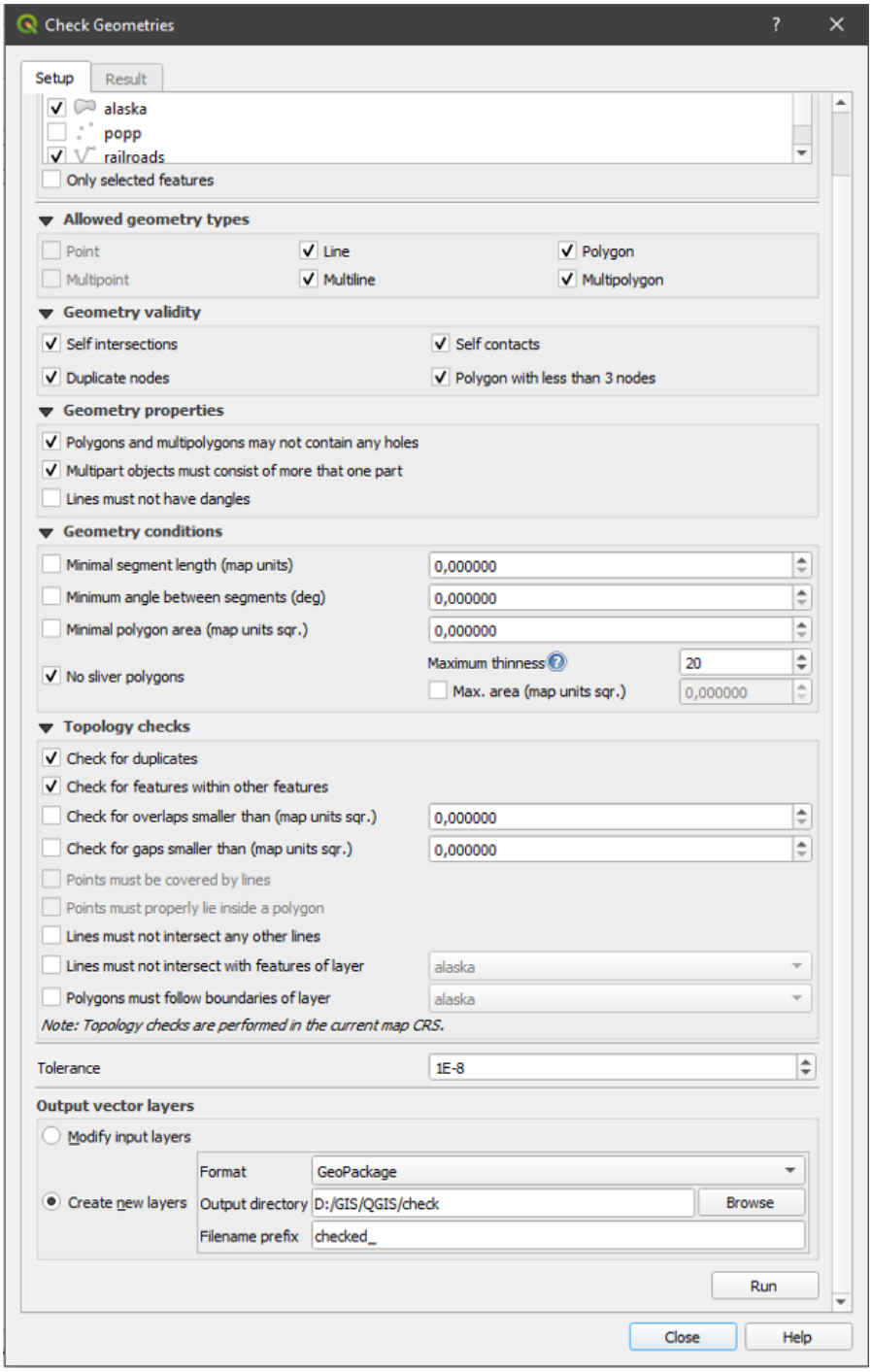


Abb. 26.10: The Geometry Checker Plugin

The *Geometry Checker Plugin* can find the following errors:

- Self intersections: a polygon with a self intersection
- Duplicate nodes: two duplicates nodes in a segment
- Holes: hole in a polygon
- Segment length: a segment length lower than a threshold
- Minimum angle: two segments with an angle lower than a threshold
- Minimum area: polygon area lower than a threshold

- Silver polygon: this error come from very small polygon (with small area) with a large perimeter
- Duplicates features
- Feature within feature
- Overlaps: polygon overlapping
- Gaps: gaps between polygons

The following figure shows the different checks made by the plugin.

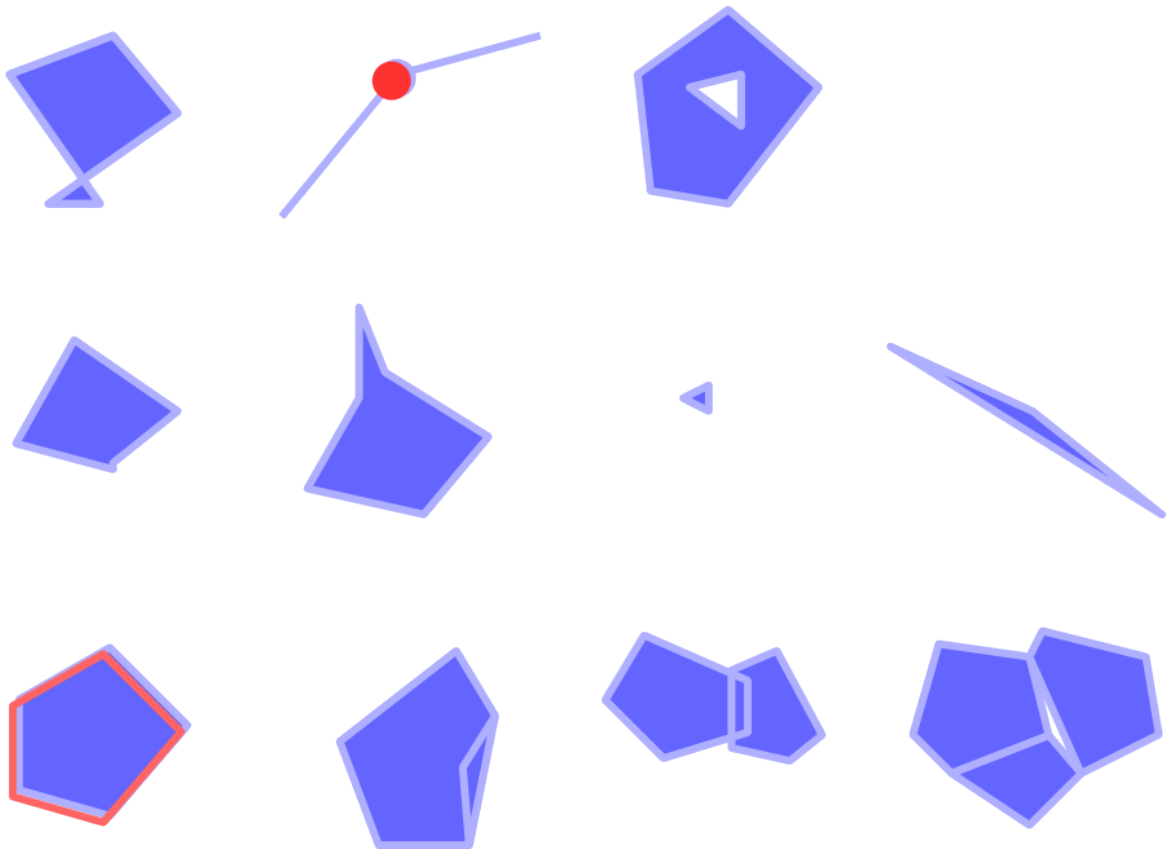


Abb. 26.11: Some checks supported by the plugin

Analysing the results

The results appear in the second tab (*Result*) and as an overview layer of the errors in the canvas (its name has the default prefix `checked_`). A table lists the *Geometry check result* with one error per row and columns containing: the layer name, an ID, the error type, then the coordinates of the error, a value (depending on the type of the error) and finally the resolution column which indicates the resolution of the error. At the bottom of this table, you can *Export* the error into different file formats. You also have a counter with the number of total errors and fixed ones.

You can select a row to see the location of the error. You can change this behavior by selecting another action between *Error* (default), *Feature*, *Don't move*, and *Highlight selected features*.

Below the zoom action when clicking on the table row, you can:

- *Show selected features in attribute table*
- *Fix selected errors using default resolution*
- *Fix selected errors, prompt for resolution method* You will see a window to choose the resolution's method among which:

  - Merge with neighboring polygon with longest shared edge
  - Merge with neighboring polygon with largest area
  - Merge with neighboring polygon with identical attribute value, if any, or leave as is
  - Delete feature
  - No action
- *Error resolution settings* allows you to change the default resolution method depending on the error type

Tipp: Fix multiple errors

You can fix multiple errors by selecting more than one row in the table with the *CTRL + click* action.

Finally, you can choose which *Attribute to use when merging features by attribute value*.

26.2.3 MetaSearch Catalog Client

Einführung

MetaSearch is a QGIS plugin to interact with metadata catalog services, supporting the OGC Catalog Service for the Web (CSW) standard.

MetaSearch provides an easy and intuitive approach and user-friendly interface to searching metadata catalogs within QGIS.

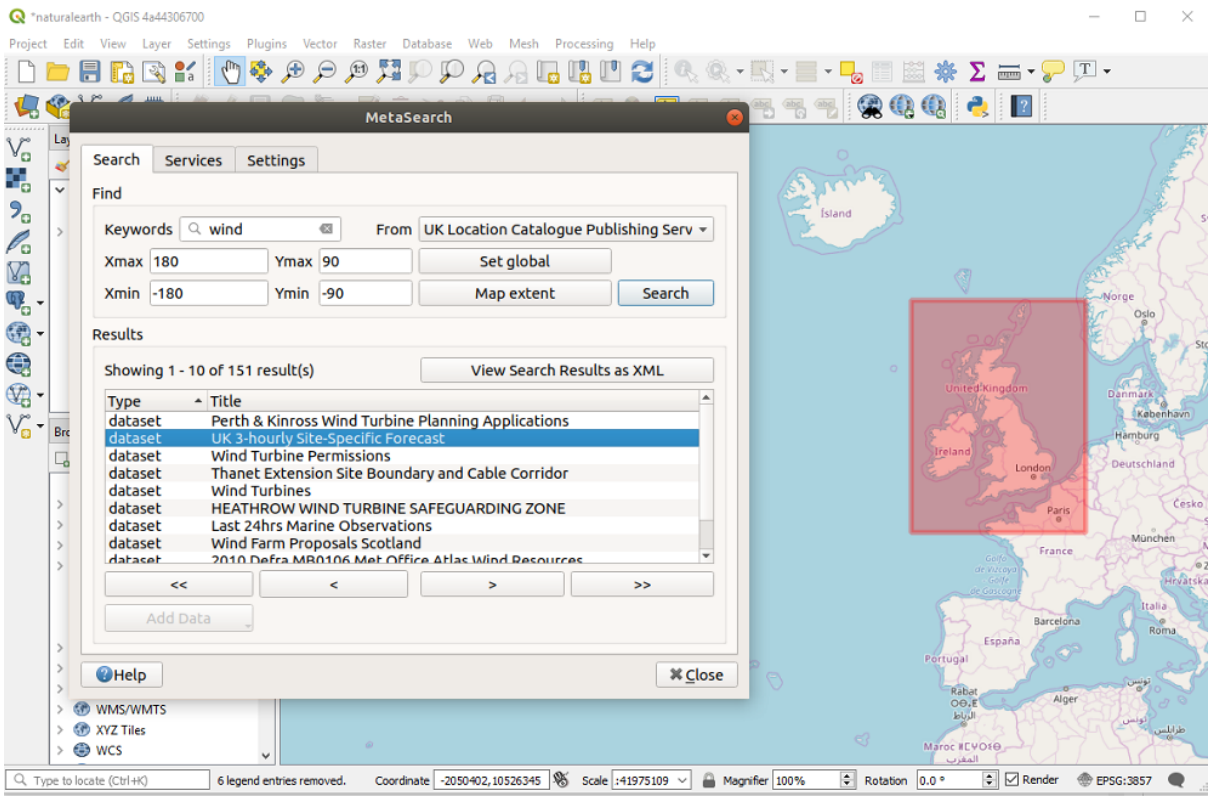


Abb. 26.12: Search and results of Services in MetaSearch

Working with Metadata Catalogs in QGIS

MetaSearch is included by default in QGIS, with all of its dependencies, and can be enabled from the QGIS Plugin Manager.

CSW (Catalog Service for the Web)

CSW (Catalog Service for the Web) is an OGC (Open Geospatial Consortium) specification that defines common interfaces to discover, browse and query metadata about data, services, and other potential resources.

Startup

To start MetaSearch, click the  icon or select *Web* ► *MetaSearch* ► *MetaSearch* via the QGIS main menu. The MetaSearch dialog will appear. The main GUI consists of three tabs: *Services*, *Search* and *Settings*.

Managing Catalog Services

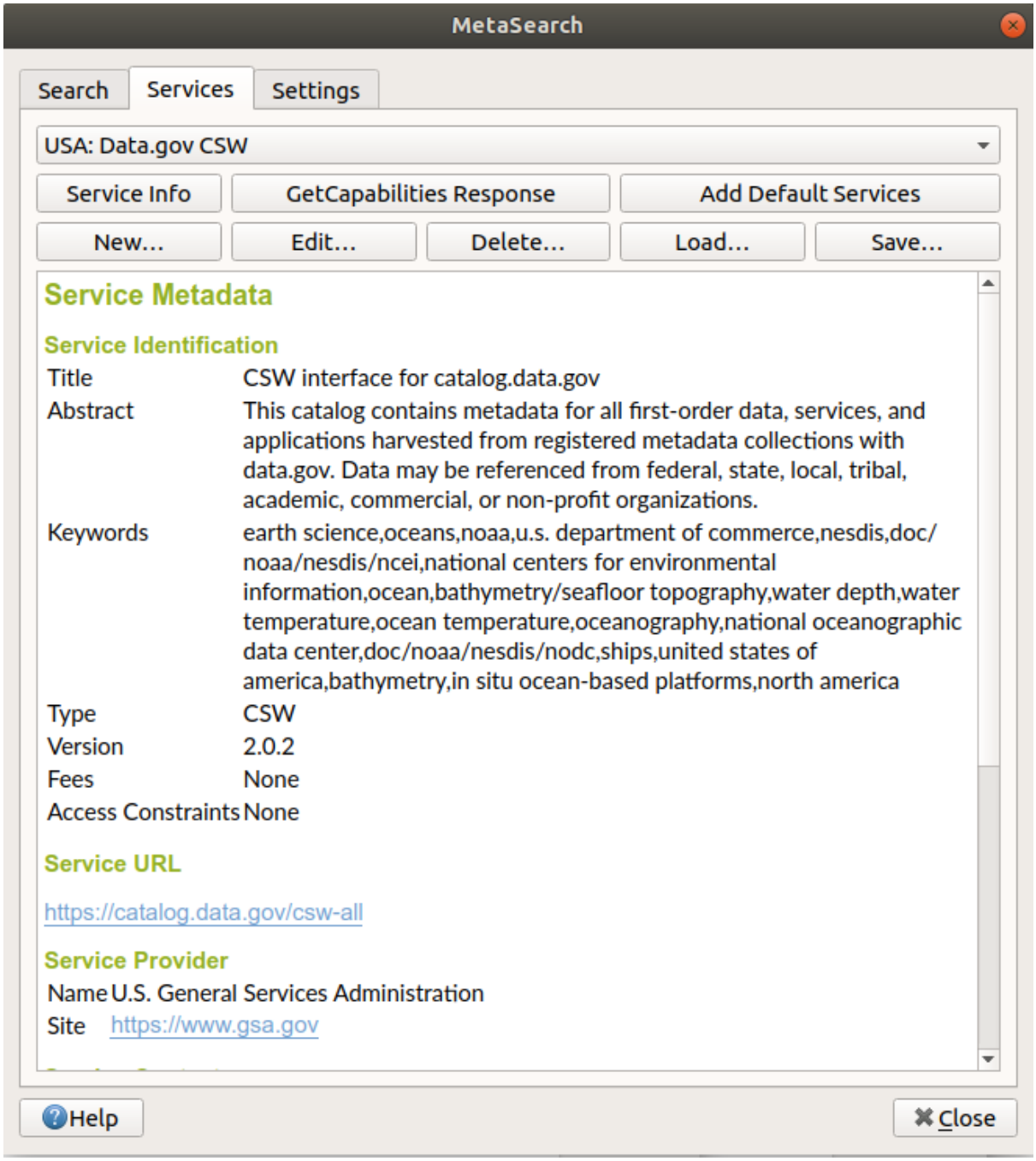


Abb. 26.13: Managing Catalog Services

The *Services* tab allows the user to manage all available catalog services. MetaSearch provides a default list of Catalog Services, which can be added by pressing the *Add Default Services* button.

To find all listed Catalog Service entries, click the dropdown select box.

To add a Catalog Service entry:

1. Click the *New* button
2. Enter a *Name* for the service, as well as the *URL* (endpoint). Note that only the base URL is required (not a full GetCapabilities URL).

3. If the CSW requires authentication, enter the appropriate *User name* and *Password* credentials.
4. Click *OK* to add the service to the list of entries.

To edit an existing Catalog Service entry:

1. Select the entry you would like to edit
2. Click the *Edit* button
3. And modify the *Name* or *URL* values
4. Click *OK*.

To delete a Catalog Service entry, select the entry you would like to delete and click the *Delete* button. You will be asked to confirm deleting the entry.

MetaSearch allows loading and saving connections to an XML file. This is useful when you need to share settings between applications. Below is an example of the XML file format.

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<qgsCSWConnections version="1.0">
    <csw name="Data.gov CSW" url="https://catalog.data.gov/csw-all"/>
    <csw name="Geonorge - National CSW service for Norway" url="https://www.
↪geonorge.no/geonetwork/srv/eng/csw"/>
    <csw name="Geoportale Nazionale - Servizio di ricerca Italiano" url="http://
↪www.pcn.minambiente.it/geoportal/csw"/>
    <csw name="LINZ Data Service" url="http://data.linz.govt.nz/feeds/csw"/>
    <csw name="Nationaal Georegister (Nederland)" url="http://www.
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    <csw name="RNDT - Repertorio Nazionale dei Dati Territoriali - Servizio di␣
↪ricerca" url="http://www.rndt.gov.it/RNDT/CSW"/>
    <csw name="UK Location Catalogue Publishing Service" url="http://csw.data.gov.
↪uk/geonetwork/srv/en/csw"/>
    <csw name="UNEP/GRID-Geneva Metadata Catalog" url="http://metadata.grid.unep.
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</qgsCSWConnections>
```

To load a list of entries:

1. Click the *Load* button. A new window will appear.
2. Click the *Browse* button and navigate to the XML file of entries you wish to load.
3. Click *Open*. The list of entries will be displayed.
4. Select the entries you wish to add from the list and click *Load*.

Click the *Service Info* button to display information about the selected Catalog Service such as service identification, service provider and contact information. If you would like to view the raw XML response, click the *GetCapabilities Response* button. A separate window will open displaying the Capabilities XML.

Searching Catalog Services

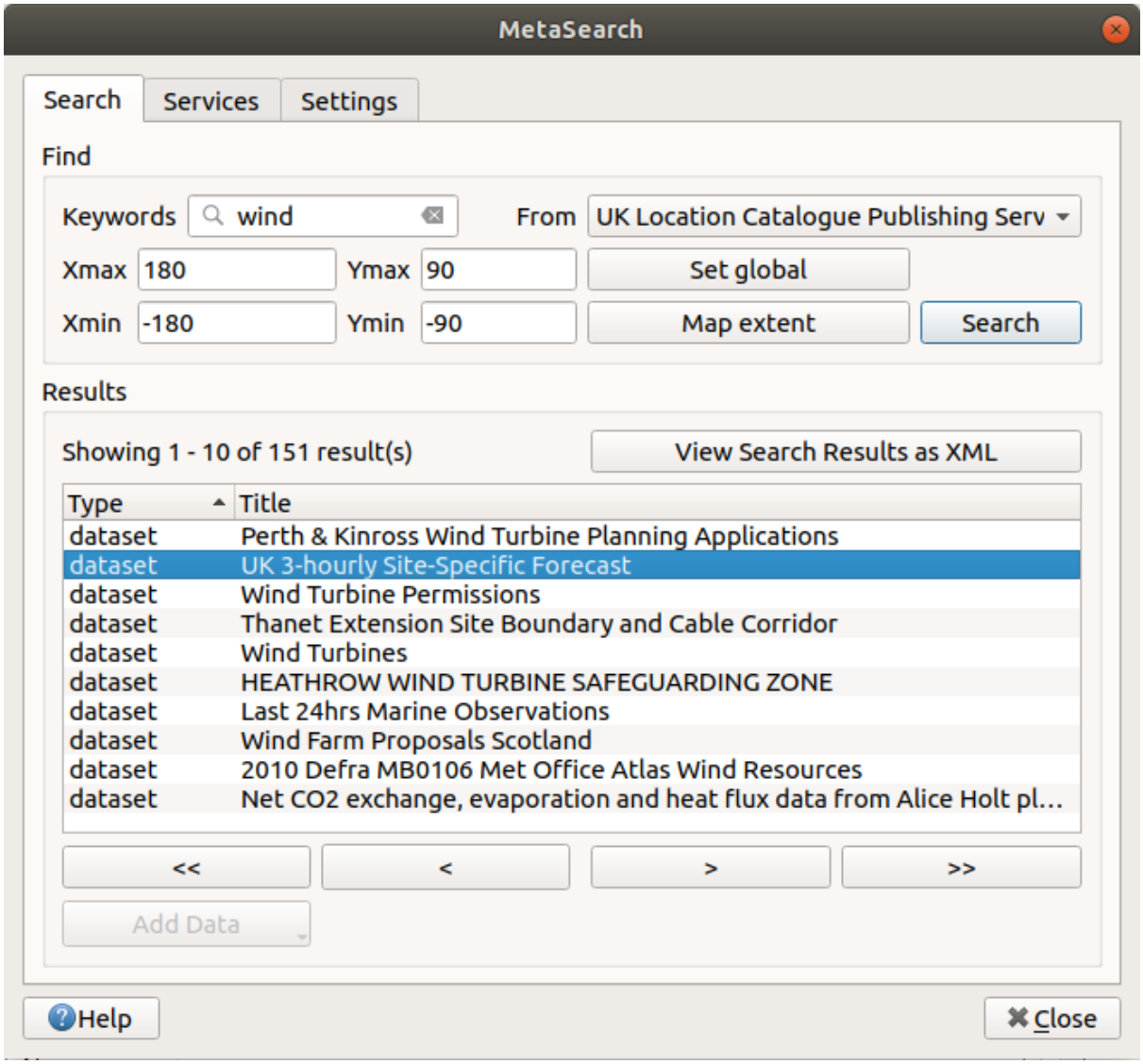


Abb. 26.14: Searching catalog services

The *Search* tab allows the user to query Catalog Services for data and services, set various search parameters and view results.

The following search parameters are available:

- *Keywords*: free text search keywords;
- *From*: the Catalog Service to perform the query against;
- **Bounding box**: the spatial area of interest to filter, defined by *Xmax*, *Xmin*, *Ymax*, and *Ymin*. Click *Set Global* to do a global search, click *Map Extent* to do a search in the visible area, or enter values manually.

Clicking the *Search* button will search the selected Metadata Catalog. Search results are displayed in a list, and can be sorted by clicking on the column header. You can navigate through search results with the directional buttons below the search results.

Select a result and:

- Click the *View Search Results as XML* button to open a window with the service response in raw XML format.

- If the metadata record has an associated bounding box, a footprint of the bounding box will be displayed on the map.
- Double-click the record to display the record metadata with any associated access links. Clicking a link opens the link in the user's web browser.
- If the record is a supported web service (WMS/WMTS, WFS, WCS, ArcGIS REST Service, etc.), the *Add Data* button will be enabled. When clicking this button, MetaSearch will verify if this is a valid OWS. The service will then be added to the appropriate QGIS connection list, and the appropriate connection dialog will appear.

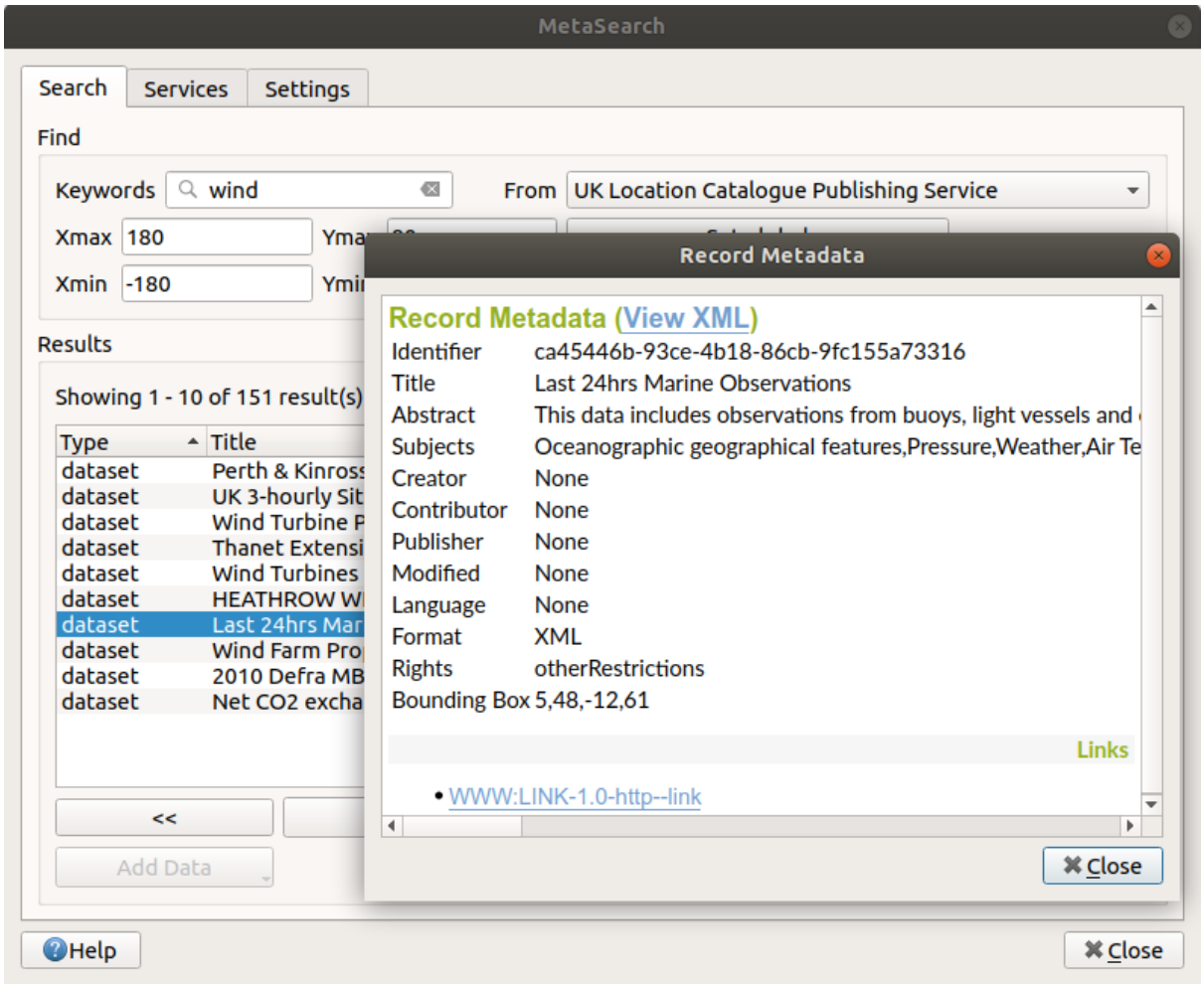


Abb. 26.15: Metadata record display

Einstellungen

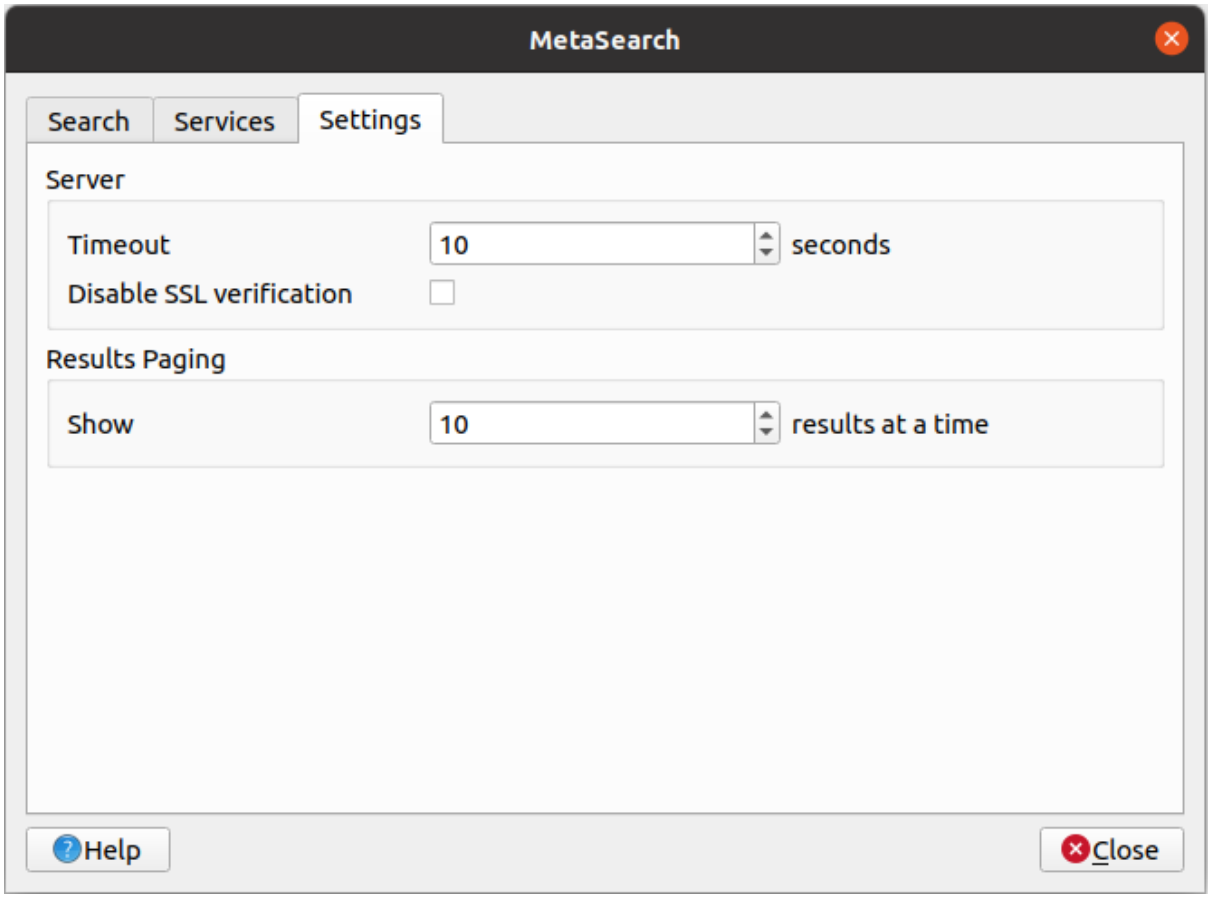


Abb. 26.16: MetaSearch settings

You can fine tune MetaSearch with the following *Settings*:

- *Server Timeout*: when searching metadata catalogs, the number of seconds for blocking connection attempt. Default value is 10.
- *Disable SSL verification*: option to switch off ssl verification.
- *Results paging*: when searching metadata catalogs, the number of results to show per page. Default value is 10.

CSW Server Errors

In some cases, the CSW will work in a web browser, but not in MetaSearch. This may be due to the CSW server's configuration/setup. CSW server providers should ensure URLs are consistent and up to date in their configuration (this is common in HTTP -> HTTPS redirection scenarios). Please see the pycsw FAQ item for a deeper explanation of the issue and fix. Although the FAQ item is pycsw specific it can also apply in general to other CSW servers.

26.2.4 Offline Editing Plugin

For data collection, it is a common situation to work with a laptop or a cell phone offline in the field. Upon returning to the network, the changes need to be synchronized with the master datasource (e.g., a PostGIS database). If several persons are working simultaneously on the same datasets, it is difficult to merge the edits by hand, even if people don't change the same features.

The  Offline Editing Plugin automates the synchronisation by copying the content of the datasource to a SpatiaLite or GeoPackage database and storing the offline edits to dedicated tables. After being connected to the network again, it is possible to apply the offline edits to the master dataset.

To use the plugin:

1. Open a project with some vector layers (e.g., from an Esri Shapefile, PostGIS or WFS-T datasource).
2. Assuming you have already enabled the plugin (see *Kernerweiterungen und externe Erweiterungen*) go to *Database* ► *Offline Editing* ►  *Convert to offline project*. The eponym dialog opens.
3. Select the *Storage type*. It can be of *GeoPackage* or *SpatiaLite* database type.
4. Use the *Browse* button to indicate the location of the database in which to store the *Offline data*. It can be an existing file or one to create.
5. In the *Select remote layers* section, check the layers you'd like to save. The content of the layers is saved to database tables.

   note:: Since target database formats do not have native list support, the offline editing plugin transforms {string, number} list fields into string fields where values are separated by commas. This allows reading and edit of the contents of those fields when offline.

   If you would like to handle both the field from the original layer and the offline layer, you can rely on the *try()* and *array* expression functions, e.g.:

   ```
   try(array_contains("field",1),array_contains(string_to_array("field"),1))
   ```

6. You can check  *Only synchronize selected features if a selection is present* allowing to only save and work on a subset. It can be invaluable in case of large layers.

   This is all!

7. Save your project and bring it on the field.
8. Edit the layers offline.
9. After being connected again, upload the changes using *Database* ► *Offline Editing* ►  *Synchronize*.

Bemerkung: Layers that are used offline are marked with the  icon in the *Layers* panel.

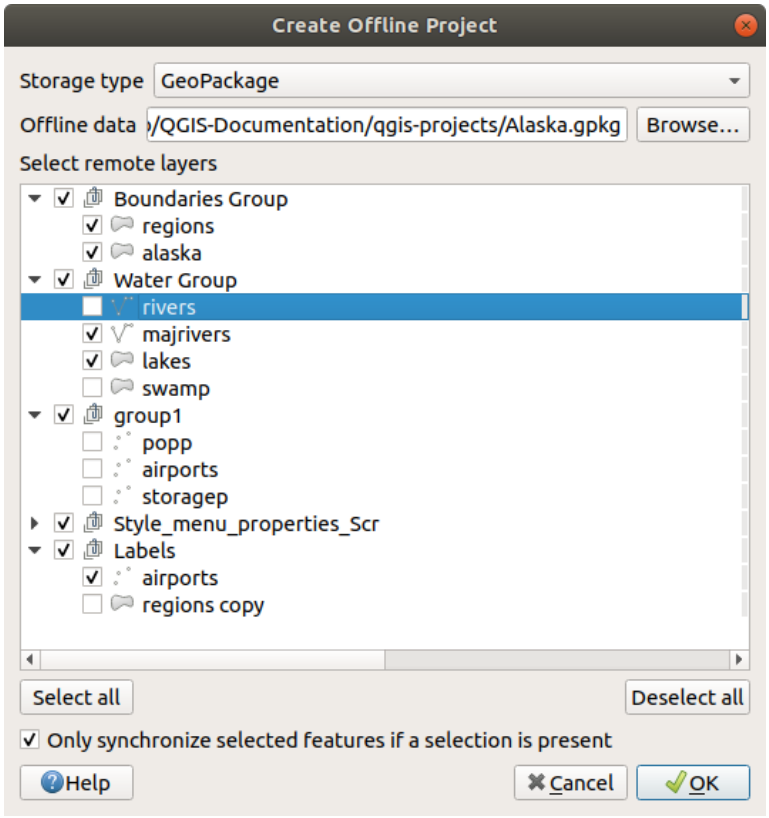


Abb. 26.17: Create an offline project

26.2.5 Topology Checker Plugin

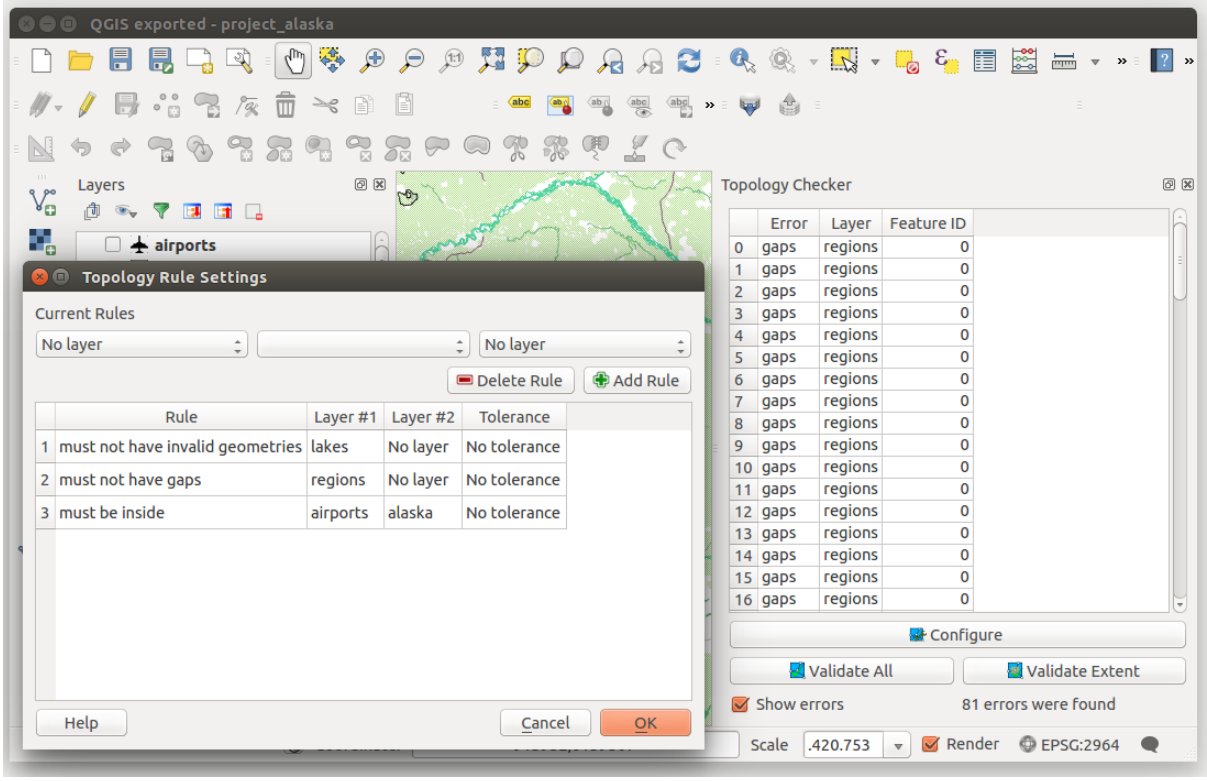


Abb. 26.18: The Topology Checker Plugin

Topology describes the relationships between points, lines and polygons that represent the features of a geographic region. With the Topology Checker plugin, you can look over your vector files and check the topology with several topology rules. These rules check with spatial relations whether your features ‚Equal', ‚Contain', ‚Cover', are ‚CoveredBy', ‚Cross', are ‚Disjoint', ‚Intersect', ‚Overlap', ‚Touch' or are ‚Within' each other. It depends on your individual questions which topology rules you apply to your vector data (e.g., normally you won't accept overshoots in line layers, but if they depict dead-end streets you won't remove them from your vector layer).

QGIS has a built-in topological editing feature, which is great for creating new features without errors. But existing data errors and user-induced errors are hard to find. This plugin helps you find such errors through a list of rules.

It is very simple to create topology rules with the Topology Checker plugin.

On **point layers** the following rules are available:

- **Must be covered by**: Here you can choose a vector layer from your project. Points that aren't covered by the given vector layer occur in the ‚Error' field.
- **Must be covered by endpoints of**: Here you can choose a line layer from your project.
- **Must be inside**: Here you can choose a polygon layer from your project. The points must be inside a polygon. Otherwise, QGIS writes an ‚Error' for the point.
- **Must not have duplicates**: Whenever a point is represented twice or more, it will occur in the ‚Error' field.
- **Must not have invalid geometries**: Checks whether the geometries are valid.
- **Must not have multi-part-geometries**: All multi-part points are written into the ‚Error' field.

On **line layers**, the following rules are available:

- **End points must be covered by**: Here you can select a point layer from your project.
- **Must not have dangles**: This will show the overshoots in the line layer.

- **Must not have duplicates**: Whenever a line feature is represented twice or more, it will occur in the ‚Error' field.
- **Must not have invalid geometries**: Checks whether the geometries are valid.
- **Must not have multi-part geometries**: Sometimes, a geometry is actually a collection of simple (single-part) geometries. Such a geometry is called multi-part geometry. If it contains just one type of simple geometry, we call it multi-point, multi-linestring or multi-polygon. All multi-part lines are written into the ‚Error' field.
- **Must not have pseudos**: A line geometry's endpoint should be connected to the endpoints of two other geometries. If the endpoint is connected to only one other geometry's endpoint, the endpoint is called a pseudo node.

On **polygon layers**, the following rules are available:

- **Must contain**: Polygon layer must contain at least one point geometry from the second layer.
- **Must not have duplicates**: Polygons from the same layer must not have identical geometries. Whenever a polygon feature is represented twice or more it will occur in the ‚Error' field.
- **Must not have gaps**: Adjacent polygons should not form gaps between them. Administrative boundaries could be mentioned as an example (US state polygons do not have any gaps between them…).
- **Must not have invalid geometries**: Checks whether the geometries are valid. Some of the rules that define a valid geometry are:
  - Polygon rings must close.
  - Rings that define holes should be inside rings that define exterior boundaries.
  - Rings may not self-intersect (they may neither touch nor cross one another).
  - Rings may not touch other rings, except at a point.
- **Must not have multi-part geometries**: Sometimes, a geometry is actually a collection of simple (single-part) geometries. Such a geometry is called multi-part geometry. If it contains just one type of simple geometry, we call it multi-point, multi-linestring or multi-polygon. For example, a country consisting of multiple islands can be represented as a multi-polygon.
- **Must not overlap**: Adjacent polygons should not share common area.
- **Must not overlap with**: Adjacent polygons from one layer should not share common area with polygons from another layer.

Below is the list of Core plugins provided with QGIS. They are not necessarily enabled by default.

Icon	Plugin	Beschreibung	Manual Reference
	DB Manager	Manage your databases within QGIS	*DB Manager Plugin*
	Geometrieprüfung	Check and repair errors in vector geometries	*Geometry Checker Plugin*
	GRASS 7	GRASS functionality	*GRASS GIS Integration*
	GRASS GIS provider	GRASS GIS Processing functionality	*GRASS GIS Integration*
	MetaSearch Catalog Client	Interact with metadata catalog services (CSW)	*MetaSearch Catalog Client*
	Offline Editing	Offline editing and synchronizing with database	*Offline Editing Plugin*
	OrfeoToolbox provider	OrfeoToolbox Processing provider	*OTB Anwendungs Bereitstellung*
	Verarbeitung	Spatial data processing framework	*QGIS Verarbeitung Umgebung*
	SAGA GIS provider	SAGA GIS Processing provider	*SAGA*
	Topology Checker	Find topological errors in vector layers	*Topology Checker Plugin*

Bemerkung: To use the Core Plugins  GRASS 7,  GRASS GIS provider,  OrfeoToolbox provider or  SAGA GIS provider they have to be configured. Informations can be found *here*.

26.3 QGIS Python Konsole

As you will see later in this chapter, QGIS has been designed with a plugin architecture. Plugins can be written in Python, a very famous language in the geospatial world.

QGIS brings a Python API (see PyQGIS Developer Cookbook for some code sample) to let the user interact with its objects (layers, feature or interface). QGIS also has a Python console.

The QGIS Python Console is an interactive shell for the python command executions. It also has a python file editor that allows you to edit and save your python scripts. Both console and editor are based on PyQScintilla2 package. To open the console go to *Plugins* ► *Python Console* (`Ctrl+Alt+P`).

26.3.1 The Interactive Console

The interactive console is composed of a toolbar, an input area and an output one.

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The toolbar proposes the following tools:

-  Clear Console to wipe the output area;
-  Run Command available in the input area: same as pressing `Enter`;
-  Show Editor: toggles *The Code Editor* visibility;
-  Options...: opens a dialog to configure console properties (see *Python Console Settings*);

- Help…: browses the current documentation.

Console

The console main features are:

- Code completion, highlighting syntax and calltips for the following APIs:
  - Python
  - PyQGIS
  - PyQt5
  - QScintilla2
  - osgeo-gdal-ogr
- `Ctrl+Alt+Space` to view the auto-completion list if enabled in the *Python Console Settings*;
- Execute code snippets from the input area by typing and pressing `Enter` or *Run Command*;
- Execute code snippets from the output area using the *Enter Selected* from the contextual menu or pressing `Ctrl+E`;
- Browse the command history from the input area using the `Up` and `Down` arrow keys and execute the command you want;
- `Ctrl+Shift+Space` to view the command history: double-clicking a row will execute the command. The *Command History* dialog can also be accessed from context menu of input area;
- Save and clear the command history. The history will be saved into the `console_history.txt` file under the active *user profile* folder;
- Open QGIS C++ API documentation by typing `_api`;
- Open QGIS Python API documentation by typing `_pyqgis`.
- Open PyQGIS Cookbook by typing `_cookbook`.

Tipp: Reuse executed commands from the output panel

You can execute code snippets from the output panel by selecting some text and pressing `Ctrl+E`. No matter if selected text contains the interpreter prompt (`>>>`, `...`).



Abb. 26.19: The Python Console

26.3.2 The Code Editor

Use the  Show Editor button to enable the editor widget. It allows editing and saving Python files and offers advanced functionalities to manage your code (comment and uncomment code, check syntax, share the code via GitHub and much more). Main features are:

- Code completion, highlighting syntax and calltips for the following APIs:
  - Python
  - PyQGIS
  - PyQt5
  - QScintilla2
  - osgeo-gdal-ogr
- `Ctrl+Space` to view the auto-completion list.
- Sharing code snippets via *GitHub*.
- `Ctrl+4` Syntax check.
- Search bar (open it with the default Desktop Environment shortcut, usually `Ctrl+F`):
  - Use the default Desktop Environment shortcut to find next/previous (`Ctrl+G` and `Shift+Ctrl+G`);
  - Automatically find first match when typing in find box;
  - Set initial find string to selection when opening find;
  - Pressing `Esc` closes the find bar.
- Object inspector: a class and function browser;
- Go to an object definition with a mouse click (from Object inspector);
- Execute code snippets with the  *Run Selected* command in contextual menu;
- Execute the whole script with the  *Run Script* command (this creates a byte-compiled file with the extension `.pyc`).

Bemerkung: Running partially or totally a script from the *Code Editor* outputs the result in the Console output area.

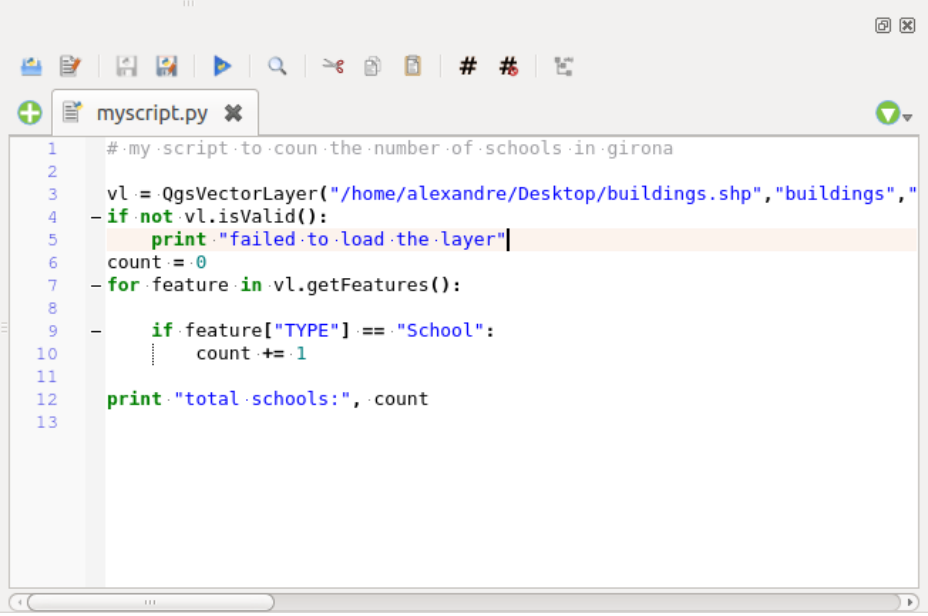


Abb. 26.20: The Python Console editor

Tipp: Save the options

To save the state of console's widgets you have to close the Python Console from the close button. This allows you to save the geometry to be restored to the next start.

KAPITEL 27

Hilfe und Support

27.1 Mailinglisten

QGIS entwickelt sich ständig weiter, daher kann es vorkommen, dass es mal nicht so funktioniert, wie erwartet. Die bevorzugte und effektivste Art, Hilfe zu bekommen, besteht darin, sich in die qgis-users Mailingliste einzuschreiben. Ihre Fragen erreichen eine breite Basis von Anwendern und die Antworten auf Ihre Fragen können auch anderen helfen.

27.1.1 QGIS Users

This mailing list is used for discussion about QGIS in general, as well as specific questions regarding its installation and use. You can subscribe to the qgis-users mailing list by visiting the following URL: https://lists.osgeo.org/mailman/listinfo/qgis-user

27.1.2 QGIS Developers

Wenn Sie Entwickler sind und eher technische Probleme haben, können Sie sich in die englischsprachige qgis-developer Mailingliste eintragen. Diese Liste ist auch der richtige Ort, an dem Sie sich zu Themen der Bedienbarkeit von QGIS äußern können und die dort gesammelt und diskutiert werden. Die Liste ist unter der URL: https://lists.osgeo.org/mailman/listinfo/qgis-developer erreichbar.

27.1.3 QGIS Community Team

This list deals with topics like documentation, context help, user guide, web sites, blog, mailing lists, forums, and translation efforts. If you would like to work on the user guide as well, this list is a good starting point to ask your questions. You can subscribe to this list at: https://lists.osgeo.org/mailman/listinfo/qgis-community-team

27.1.4 QGIS Translations

This list deals with the translation efforts. If you like to work on the translation of the website, manuals or the graphical user interface (GUI), this list is a good starting point to ask your questions. You can subscribe to this list at: https://lists.osgeo.org/mailman/listinfo/qgis-tr

27.1.5 QGIS Project Steering Committee (PSC)

This list is used to discuss Steering Committee issues related to overall management and direction of QGIS. You can subscribe to this list at: https://lists.osgeo.org/mailman/listinfo/qgis-psc

27.1.6 QGIS-Anwendergruppen

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You are welcome to subscribe to any of the lists. Please remember to contribute to the list by answering questions and sharing your experiences.

27.2 IRC

We also maintain a presence on IRC - visit us by joining the #qgis channel on irc.freenode.net. Please wait for a response to your question, as many folks on the channel are doing other things and it may take a while for them to notice your question. If you missed a discussion on IRC, not a problem! We log all discussion, so you can easily catch up. Just go to http://irclogs.geoapt.com/qgis/ and read the IRC-logs.

27.3 Commercial support

Commercial support for QGIS is also available. Check the website https://qgis.org/en/site/forusers/commercial_support.html for more information.

27.4 BugTracker

While the qgis-users mailing list is useful for general ‚How do I do XYZ in QGIS?'-type questions, you may wish to notify us about bugs in QGIS. You can submit bug reports using the QGIS bug tracker.

Denken Sie auch bitte daran, dass ein für Sie wichtiger Fehler nicht immer die gleiche Priorität bei anderen Personen und besonders den Entwicklern hat. Einige Fehler sind sehr aufwendig zu reparieren und daher kann es schon mal ein wenig dauern, bis genügend Zeit vorhanden ist, ein Problem zu lösen.

Feature requests can be submitted as well using the same ticket system as for bugs. Please make sure to select the type `Feature request`.

If you have found a bug and fixed it yourself, you can submit a Pull Request on the Github QGIS Project.

Read Bugs, Features and Issues and submit_patch for more details.

27.5 Blog

The QGIS community also runs a weblog at https://plugins.qgis.org/planet/, which has some interesting articles for users and developers. Many other QGIS blogs exist, and you are invited to contribute with your own QGIS blog!

27.6 Plugins

The website https://plugins.qgis.org is the official QGIS plugins web portal. Here, you find a list of all stable and experimental QGIS plugins available via the ‚Official QGIS Plugin Repository‘.

27.7 Wiki

Lastly, we maintain a WIKI web site at https://github.com/qgis/QGIS/wiki where you can find a variety of useful information relating to QGIS development, release plans, links to download sites, message-translation hints and more. Check it out, there are some goodies inside!

KAPITEL 28

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Danish	0.62	Dutch	100.0	Estonian	1.28
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Georgian	0.09	German	23.37	Greek	0.35
Hebrew	0.7	Hindi	0.28	Hungarian	17.39
Igbo	0.01	Indonesian	2.59	Italian	99.99
Japanese	75.85	Kabyle	0.09	Korean	75.95
Lithuanian	6.58	Macedonian	0.11	Malay	0.04
Malayalam	0.09	Marathi	0.18	Mongolian	0.1
N'ko	1.69	Norwegian Bokmål	2.94	Panjabi (Punjabi)	0.0
Persian	0.39	Polish	1.66	Portuguese (Brazil)	74.82
Portuguese (Portugal)	7.68	Romanian	40.08	Russian	12.41
Serbian	0.1	Slovak	1.2	Slovenian	2.96
Spanish	100.0	Swedish	0.93	Tagalog	0.09
Tamil	0.45	Telugu	0.03	Thai	0.1
Turkish	2.66	Ukrainian	2.16	Urdu	0.0
Vietnamese	0.22				

KAPITEL 29

Anhänge

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29.3 Anhang C: QGIS-Dateiformate

29.3.1 QGS/QGZ - Das QGIS-Projekt-Dateiformat

Das **QGS**-Format ist ein XML-Format zur Speicherung von QGIS-Projekten. Das **QGZ**-Format ist ein komprimiertes (Zip-)Archiv, das eine QGS-Datei und eine QGD-Datei enthält. Die **QGD**-Datei ist die zugehörige Sqlite-Datenbank des qgis-Projekts, die Hilfsdaten für das Projekt enthält. Wenn es keine Hilfsdaten gibt, ist die QGD-Datei leer.

Eine QGIS-Datei enthält alles, was zum Speichern eines QGIS-Projekts erforderlich ist, einschließlich:

- Projekttitel
- Projekt-KBS
- der Layer-Baum
- Einrastoptionen
- Beziehungen
- Kartenausschnitt
- Projekt-Modelle
- Legende
- mapview docks (2D and 3D)
- the layers with links to the underlying datasets (data sources) and other layer properties including extent, SRS, joins, styles, renderer, blend mode, opacity and more.
- Projekteigenschaften

The figures below show the top level tags in a QGS file and the expanded `ProjectLayers` tag.

```
−<qgis version="3.4.13-Madeira" projectname="">
    <homePath path=""/>
    <title/>
    <autotransaction active="0"/>
    <evaluateDefaultValues active="0"/>
    <trust active="0"/>
  +<projectCrs></projectCrs>
  +<layer-tree-group></layer-tree-group>
  +<snapping-settings tolerance="12" unit="1" enabled="0" type="1" mode="2" intersection-snapping="0">
    </snapping-settings>
    <relations/>
  −<mapcanvas name="theMapCanvas" annotationsVisible="1">
      <units>meters</units>
    +<extent></extent>
      <rotation>0</rotation>
    +<destinationsrs></destinationsrs>
      <rendermaptile>0</rendermaptile>
    </mapcanvas>
    <projectModels/>
  +<legend updateDrawingOrder="true"></legend>
    <mapViewDocks/>
    <mapViewDocks3D/>
  +<projectlayers></projectlayers>
  +<layerorder></layerorder>
  +<properties></properties>
    <visibility-presets/>
    <transformContext/>
  +<projectMetadata></projectMetadata>
    <Annotations/>
    <Layouts/>
  </qgis>
```

Abb. 29.1: The top level tags in a QGS file

```
−<projectlayers>
 −<maplayer styleCategories="AllStyleCategories" readOnly="0" autoRefreshTime="0" autoRefreshEnabled="0" refreshOnNotifyEnabled="0" maxScale="0"
  geometry="Polygon" labelsEnabled="0" type="vector" simplifyDrawingHints="1" hasScaleBasedVisibilityFlag="0" simplifyDrawingTol="1"
  simplifyMaxScale="1" minScale="1e+8" simplifyAlgorithm="0" simplifyLocal="1" refreshOnNotifyMessage="">
  +<extent></extent>
   <id>watersheds_b62efa19_8809_4406_b6ec_2951ac4c94c5</id>
  −<datasource>
     ./QGIS-Training-Data-2.0/exercise_data/processing/generalize/watersheds.shp
   </datasource>
  +<keywordList></keywordList>
   <layername>watersheds</layername>
  +<srs></srs>
  +<resourceMetadata></resourceMetadata>
   <provider encoding="UTF-8">ogr</provider>
   <vectorjoins/>
   <layerDependencies/>
   <dataDependencies/>
   <legend type="default-vector"/>
   <expressionfields/>
  +<map-layer-style-manager current="default"></map-layer-style-manager>
   <auxiliaryLayer/>
  +<flags></flags>
  +<renderer-v2 symbollevels="0" enableorderby="0" type="singleSymbol" forceraster="0"></renderer-v2>
  +<customproperties></customproperties>
   <blendMode>0</blendMode>
   <featureBlendMode>0</featureBlendMode>
   <layerOpacity>1</layerOpacity>
  +<SingleCategoryDiagramRenderer diagramType="Histogram" attributeLegend="1"></SingleCategoryDiagramRenderer>
  +<DiagramLayerSettings priority="0" linePlacementFlags="18" dist="0" showAll="1" placement="1" obstacle="0" zIndex="0"></DiagramLayerSettings>
  +<geometryOptions removeDuplicateNodes="0" geometryPrecision="0"></geometryOptions>
  +<fieldConfiguration></fieldConfiguration>
  +<aliases></aliases>
   <excludeAttributesWMS/>
   <excludeAttributesWFS/>
  +<defaults></defaults>
  +<constraints></constraints>
  +<constraintExpressions></constraintExpressions>
   <expressionfields/>
  +<attributeactions></attributeactions>
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  +<conditionalstyles></conditionalstyles>
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   <editforminit/>
   <editforminitcodesource>0</editforminitcodesource>
   <editforminitfilepath/>
  +<editforminitcode></editforminitcode>
   <featformsuppress>0</featformsuppress>
   <editorlayout>generatedlayout</editorlayout>
  +<editable></editable>
  +<labelOnTop></labelOnTop>
   <widgets/>
   <previewExpression>ID</previewExpression>
   <mapTip/>
 </maplayer>
</projectlayers>
```

Abb. 29.2: The expanded top level ProjectLayers tag of a QGS file

29.3.2 QLR – die QGIS-Layerdefinitionsdatei

Eine Layerdefinitionsdatei (QLR) ist eine XML-Datei, die zusätzlich zu den QGIS-Stil-Informationen einen Verweis auf die Layer-Datenquelle enthält.

Der Anwendungsfall für diese Datei ist einfach: eine einzelne Datei zu haben, mit der die Datenquelle geöffnet und alle zugehörigen Stil-Informationen geladen werden können. QLR-Dateien erlauben es auch, die zugrundeliegende Datenquelle mit einer leicht zu öffnenden Datei zu maskieren.

Ein Beispiel für die Verwendung von QLR ist das Öffnen von MS SQL-Layern. Anstatt den MS SQL-Verbindungsdialog aufrufen, verbinden, auswählen, laden und schließlich stylen zu müssen, können Sie einfach eine .qlr-Datei hinzufügen, die auf den richtigen MS SQL-Layer mit allen erforderlichen Stilen verweist.

In Zukunft kann eine .qlr-Datei einen Verweis auf mehr als eine Ebene enthalten.

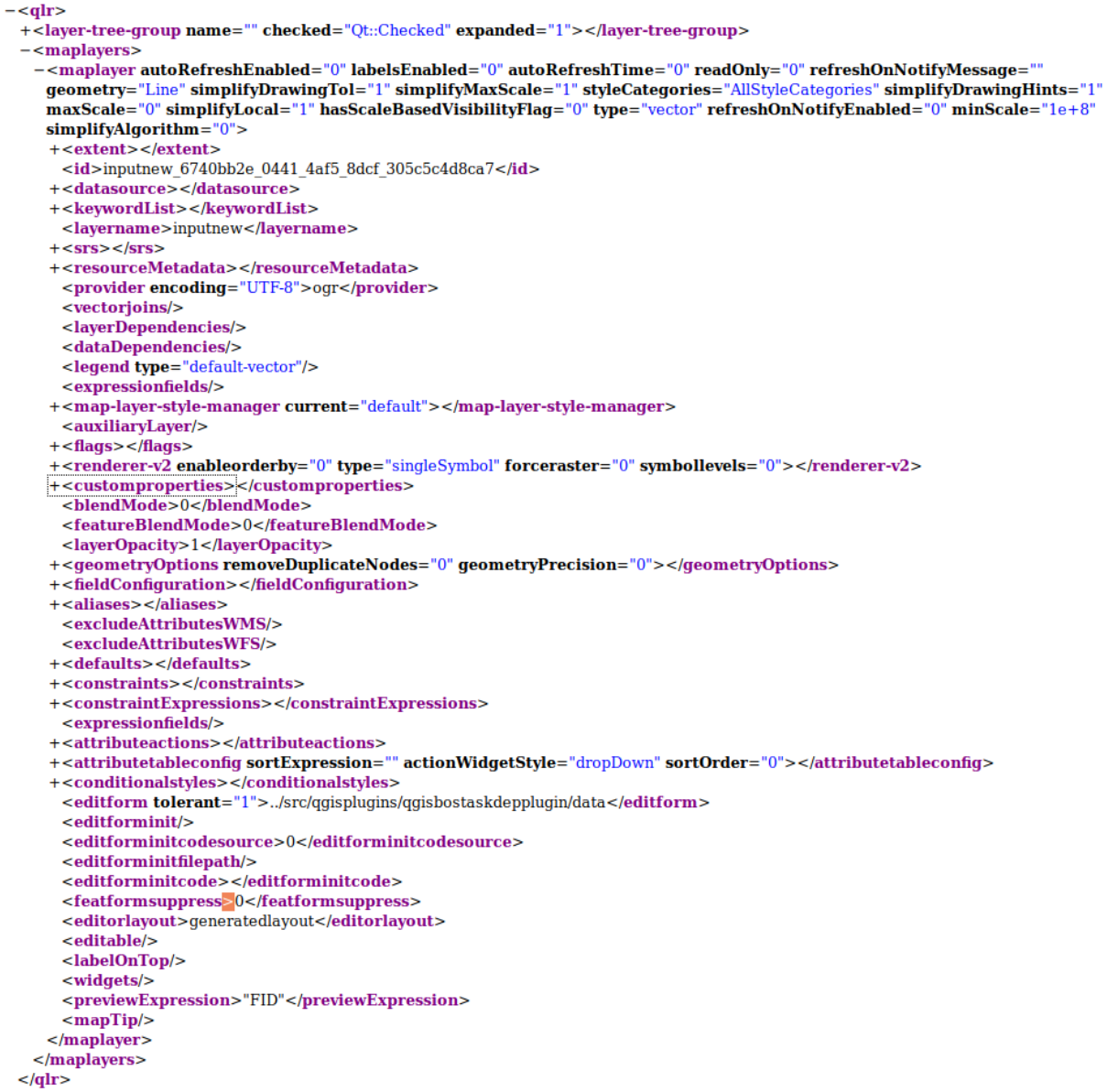


Abb. 29.3: Die Tags der obersten Ebene einer QLR-Datei

29.3.3 QML - Das QGIS-Stil-Dateiformat

QML ist ein XML-Format zum Speichern von Layer-Stilen.

Eine QML-Datei enthält alle Informationen, die QGIS für das Rendern von Feature-Geometrien verarbeiten kann, einschließlich Symboldefinitionen, Größen und Drehungen, Beschriftung, Deckkraft und Mischmodus und mehr.

The figure below shows the top level tags of a QML file (with only `renderer_v2` and its `symbol` tag expanded).

```
−<qgis version="3.4.13-Madeira" styleCategories="AllStyleCategories" readOnly="0" maxScale="0"
 labelsEnabled="0" simplifyDrawingHints="1" hasScaleBasedVisibilityFlag="0" simplifyDrawingTol="1"
 simplifyMaxScale="1" minScale="1e+8" simplifyAlgorithm="0" simplifyLocal="1">
 +<flags></flags>
 −<renderer-v2 symbollevels="0" enableorderby="0" type="singleSymbol" forceraster="0">
   −<symbols>
     +<symbol clip_to_extent="1" name="0" alpha="1" type="fill" force_rhr="0"></symbol>
    </symbols>
    <rotation/>
    <sizescale/>
  </renderer-v2>
 +<customproperties></customproperties>
  <blendMode>0</blendMode>
  <featureBlendMode>0</featureBlendMode>
  <layerOpacity>1</layerOpacity>
 +<SingleCategoryDiagramRenderer diagramType="Histogram" attributeLegend="1">
  </SingleCategoryDiagramRenderer>
 +<DiagramLayerSettings priority="0" linePlacementFlags="18" dist="0" showAll="1" placement="1"
  obstacle="0" zIndex="0">
  </DiagramLayerSettings>
 +<geometryOptions removeDuplicateNodes="0" geometryPrecision="0"></geometryOptions>
 +<fieldConfiguration></fieldConfiguration>
 +<aliases></aliases>
  <excludeAttributesWMS/>
  <excludeAttributesWFS/>
 +<defaults></defaults>
 +<constraints></constraints>
 +<constraintExpressions></constraintExpressions>
  <expressionfields/>
 +<attributeactions></attributeactions>
 +<attributetableconfig actionWidgetStyle="dropDown" sortExpression="" sortOrder="0">
  </attributetableconfig>
 +<conditionalstyles></conditionalstyles>
  <editform tolerant="1"/>
  <editforminit/>
  <editforminitcodesource>0</editforminitcodesource>
  <editforminitfilepath/>
 +<editforminitcode></editforminitcode>
  <featformsuppress>0</featformsuppress>
  <editorlayout>generatedlayout</editorlayout>
 +<editable></editable>
 +<labelOnTop></labelOnTop>
  <widgets/>
  <previewExpression>ID</previewExpression>
  <mapTip/>
  <layerGeometryType>2</layerGeometryType>
</qgis>
```

Abb. 29.4: The top level tags of a QML file (only the renderer_v2 tag with its symbol tag is expanded)

29.4 Anhang D: QGIS R Skriptsyntax

Contributed by Matteo Ghetta - funded by Scuola Superiore Sant'Anna

Writing R scripts in Processing is a bit tricky because of the special syntax.

A Processing R script starts with defining its **Inputs** and **Outputs**, each preceded with double hash characters (##).

Before the inputs, the group to place the algoritm in can be specified. If the group already exists, the algorithm will be added to it, if not, the group will be created. In the example below, the name of the group is *My group*:

```
##My Group=group
```

29.4.1 Eingaben

All input data and parameters have to be specified. There are several types of inputs:

- vector: `##Layer = vector`
- vector field: `##F = Field Layer` (where *Layer* is the name of an input vector layer the field belongs to)
- raster: `##r = raster`
- table: `##t = table`
- number: `##Num = number`
- string: `##Str = string`
- boolean: `##Bol = boolean`
- elements in a dropdown menu. The items must be separated with semicolons `;`: `##type=selection point;lines;point+lines`

29.4.2 Ausgaben

Genau wie die Eingaben müssen alle Ausgaben am Beginn des Skriptes definiert werden:

- vector: `##output= output vector`
- raster: `##output= output raster`
- table: `##output= output table`
- plots: `##output_plots_to_html` (##showplots in earlier versions)
- To show R output in the *Result Viewer*, put > in front of the command whose output you would like to show.

29.4.3 Syntax Summary for QGIS R scripts

A number of input and output parameter types are offered.

Input parameter types

Parameter	Syntax Beispiel	Rückgabeobjekte
vector	Layer = vector	sf object (or SpatialDataFrame object, if ##load_vector_using_rgdal is specified)
vector point	Layer = vector point	sf object (or SpatialDataFrame object, if ##load_vector_using_rgdal is specified)
vector line	Layer = vector line	sf object (or SpatialDataFrame object, if ##load_vector_using_rgdal is specified)
vector polygon	Layer = vector polygon	sf object (or SpatialPolygonsDataFrame object, if ##load_vector_using_rgdal is used)
multiple vector	Layer = multiple vector	sf object (or SpatialDataFrame objects if ##load_vector_using_rgdal is specified)
table	Layer = table	Datenrahmenumwandlung von csv, voreingestelltes Objekt der `read.csv` Funktion
field	Field = Field Layer	Name des ausgewählten Feldes, z.B. `"Area"`
raster	Layer = raster	RasterBrick Objekt, voreingestelltes Objekt des `raster` Pakets
multiple raster	Layer = multiple raster	RasterBrick Objekt, voreingestelltes Objekt des `raster` Pakets
number	N = number	gewählte Ganzzahl oder Fließkommazahl
string	S = string	in der Box eingefügte Zeichenkette
longstring	LS = longstring	in der Box eingefügte Zeichenkette, kann länger als eine normale Zeichenkette sein
selection	S = selection first;second;third	Zeichenkette des im dropdown-Menü gewählten Objektes
crs	C = crs	Zeichenkette des sich ergebenen KBS im Format: `"EPSG:4326"`
extent	E = extent	Ausdehnungsobjekt des `raster` Pakets, man kann Werte als *E@xmin`* extrahieren
point	P = point	beim Klicken auf die Karte erhält man die Koordinaten des Punktes
file	F = file	Pfad der gewählten Datei, z.B. „/home/matteo/file.txt“
folder	F = folder	Pfad des gewählten Ordners, z.B „/home/matteo/Downloads“

A parameter can be **OPTIONAL**, meaning that it can be ignored.

In order to set an input as optional, you add the string `optional` **before** the input, e.g:

```
##Layer = vector
##Field1 = Field Layer
##Field2 = optional Field Layer
```

Output parameter types

Parameter	Syntax Beispiel
vector	Output = output vector
raster	Output = output raster
table	Output = output table
file	Output = output file

Bemerkung: You can save plots as `png` from the *Processing Result Viewer*, or you can choose to save the plot directly from the algorithm interface.

Skript Hauptteil

The script body follows R syntax and the **Log** panel can help you if there is something wrong with your script.

Remember that you have to load all additional libraries in the script:

```
library(sp)
```

29.4.4 Beispiele

Beispiel mit Vektorausgabe

Sehen wir uns einen Algorithmus aus der Onlinesammlung an, der zufällige Punkte innerhalb der Ausdehnung eines Eingabelayers erstellt:

```
##Point pattern analysis=group
##Layer=vector polygon
##Size=number 10
##Output=output vector
library(sp)
spatpoly = as(Layer, "Spatial")
pts=spsample(spatpoly,Size,type="random")
spdf=SpatialPointsDataFrame(pts, as.data.frame(pts))
Output=st_as_sf(spdf)
```

Explanation (per line in the script):

1. `Point pattern analysis` ist die Gruppe des Algorithmus
2. `Layer` ist der **Eingabevektorlayer**
3. `Size` is a **numerical** parameter with a default value of 10
4. `Output` ist der **Vektorlayer** der vom Algorithmus erstellt wird
5. `library(sp)` loads the **sp** library
6. `spatpoly = as(Layer, "Spatial")` translate to an sp object
7. Call the `spsample` function of the `sp` library and run it using the input defined above (`Layer` and `Size`)
8. Create a *SpatialPointsDataFrame* object using the `SpatialPointsDataFrame` function
9. Create the output vector layer using the `st_as_sf` function

That's it! Just run the algorithm with a vector layer you have in the QGIS Legend, choose the number of random point. The resulting layer will be added to your map.

Beispiel mit Rasterausgabe

The following script will perform basic ordinary kriging to create a raster map of interpolated values from a specified field of the input point vector layer by using the `autoKrige` function of the `automap` R package. It will first calculate the kriging model and then create a raster. The raster is created with the `raster` function of the raster R package:

```
##Basic statistics=group
##Layer=vector point
##Field=Field Layer
##Output=output raster
##load_vector_using_rgdal
require("automap")
require("sp")
```

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```
require("raster")
table=as.data.frame(Layer)
coordinates(table)= ~coords.x1+coords.x2
c = Layer[[Field]]
kriging_result = autoKrige(c~1, table)
prediction = raster(kriging_result$krige_output)
Output<-prediction
```

By using `##load_vector_using_rgdal`, the input vector layer will be made available as a `SpatialDataFrame` objects, so we avoid having to translate it from an `sf` object.

Beispiel mit Tabellenausgabe

Lassen Sie uns den Algorithmus `Summary Statistics` bearbeiten, so dass als Ausgabe eine Tabelle (csv) erzeugt wird.

Der Hauptteil des Skriptes sieht wie folgt aus:

```
##Basic statistics=group
##Layer=vector
##Field=Field Layer
##Stat=Output table
Summary_statistics<-data.frame(rbind(
    sum(Layer[[Field]]),
    length(Layer[[Field]]),
    length(unique(Layer[[Field]])),
    min(Layer[[Field]]),
    max(Layer[[Field]]),
    max(Layer[[Field]])-min(Layer[[Field]]),
    mean(Layer[[Field]]),
    median(Layer[[Field]]),
    sd(Layer[[Field]])),
  row.names=c("Sum:","Count:","Unique values:","Minimum value:","Maximum value:",
↪"Range:","Mean value:","Median value:","Standard deviation:"))
colnames(Summary_statistics)<-c(Field)
Stat<-Summary_statistics
```

Die dritte Zeile gibt als Eingabe **Vector Field** vor. In der vierten Zeile wird die Ausgabe des Algorithmus als Tabelle festgelegt.

In der letzten Zeile wird das im Skript erstellte Objekt `Stat` in eine `csv` Tabelle umgewandelt.

Beispiel mit Konsolenausgabe

We can use the previous example and instead of creating a table, print the result in the **Result Viewer**:

```
##Basic statistics=group
##Layer=vector
##Field=Field Layer
Summary_statistics<-data.frame(rbind(
sum(Layer[[Field]]),
length(Layer[[Field]]),
length(unique(Layer[[Field]])),
min(Layer[[Field]]),
max(Layer[[Field]]),
max(Layer[[Field]])-min(Layer[[Field]]),
mean(Layer[[Field]]),
median(Layer[[Field]]),
sd(Layer[[Field]])),row.names=c("Sum:","Count:","Unique values:","Minimum value:",
↪"Maximum value:","Range:","Mean value:","Median value:","Standard deviation:"))
```

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(Fortsetzung der vorherigen Seite)

```
colnames(Summary_statistics)<-c(Field)
>Summary_statistics
```

The script is exactly the same as the one above except for two edits:

1. no output specified (the fourth line has been removed)
2. the last line begins with >, telling Processing to make the object available through the result viewer

Beispiel mit Plot

To create plots, you have to use the `##output_plots_to_html` parameter as in the following script:

```
##Basic statistics=group
##Layer=vector
##Field=Field Layer
##output_plots_to_html
####output_plots_to_html
qqnorm(Layer[[Field]])
qqline(Layer[[Field]])
```

The script uses a field (`Field`) of a vector layer (`Layer`) as input, and creates a *QQ Plot* (to test the normality of the distribution).

The plot is automatically added to the Processing *Result Viewer*.

29.5 Anhang E: Netzwerkverbindungen der QGIS-Anwendung

This is a list of the pre-configured/automated network connections that QGIS makes. Some of the connections are user initiated because they require an action from the user before they take place, others happen automatically.

Name	Purpose	UX mode	Server	Information sent to server	Information stored on server
qgis.org					
Python API help	Browser PyQGIS documentation	User initiated	https://qgis.org/pyqgis/%1/search.html?q=%2	IP, QGIS version, OS	IP in server log
version.qgis.org					
New version check	Notify the user on new QGIS versions availability	Automatic	https://version.qgis.org	IP, QGIS version, OS	IP in server log
feed.qgis.org					
QGIS Feed	Retrieve QGIS news from the feed	Automatic	https://feed.qgis.org	IP, QGIS version, language code, last download timestamp, OS	IP in server log; QGIS version, OS and IP are aggregated and used to collect some statistics
plugins.qgis.org					
Check for plugin updates	Notify the user about plugin updates	User initiated/automatic (configurable)	https://plugins.qgis.org	IP, QGIS version, OS	IP in server log
Plugins list	Retrieve the list of plugins	User initiated	https://plugins.qgis.org	IP, QGIS version, OS	IP in server log
Plugin installation	Download and install a plugin package	User initiated	https://plugins.qgis.org	IP, QGIS version, OS	Increase plugin download counter by one
Styles	List user contributed styles	User initiated	https://plugins.qgis.org/styles	IP, QGIS version, OS	Increase download counter by one
3rd party					
Terrain data	Produce a DEM for 3D views	User initiated	https://s3.amazonaws.com/elevation-tiles-prod/terrarium/{z}/{x}/{y}.png	IP, QGIS version, OS	see Amazon TOS
Google Map Geocoder	Geocoding services	User initiated	https://maps.googleapis.com/maps/api/geocode/json	IP, QGIS version, OS	See google maps API TOS
Nominatim Geocoder	Geocoding services	User initiated	https://nominatim.qgis.org/ui/search.html	IP, QGIS version, OS	
Geodetic grid	Add a new PROJ grid	User initiated	https://cdn.proj.org	IP, PROJ version	Access logs are permanently deleted after one day

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