# QGIS Application - Feature request #15012 Hub Distance should use spatial index

2016-06-12 09:25 AM - Anita Graser

Status: Closed

Priority: Normal

Assignee: Victor Olaya

Category: Processing/QGIS

Pull Request or Patch shapplied:

Easy fix?: No Copied to github as #: 22959

**Description** 

Hub distance in Processing (<a href="https://github.com/qgis/QGIS/blob/master/python/plugins/processing/algs/qgis/HubDistance.py">https://github.com/qgis/QGIS/blob/master/python/plugins/processing/algs/qgis/HubDistance.py</a>) is very slow because it does not take advantage of spatial indexing.

**Resolution:** 

#### **Associated revisions**

#### Revision e0c9733f - 2016-06-21 03:56 PM - Alexander Bruy

[processing] speedup Hub distance algorithm (fix #15012)

#### Revision c5e7a981 - 2016-06-21 03:57 PM - Alexander Bruy

[processing] speedup Hub distance algorithm (fix #15012)

(cherry picked from commit e0c9733f6482f184aeeff1339fafef210d1a0709)

Conflicts:

python/plugins/processing/algs/qgis/HubDistance.py

## History

## #1 - 2016-06-12 09:38 AM - Anita Graser

What's the best way to use a spatial index in a Processing script?

This does not take selection and layer filters into account:

index = QgsSpatialIndex(layerHubs.getFeatures())

#### #2 - 2016-06-12 04:16 PM - Nyall Dawson

Anita - what do you mean by "layer filters"?

#### #3 - 2016-06-12 10:53 PM - Anita Graser

Hi Nyall, I meant the layer's "provider feature filter" is ignored by layer.getFeatures(). (Btw, I don't think this was always the case in the past.)

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### #4 - 2016-06-13 07:57 PM - Nyall Dawson

Anita - I can't reproduce that. What's the data source? It's definitely a bug and it should be respected, and there's a even a bunch of unit tests to ensure that...

#### #5 - 2016-06-13 11:40 PM - Anita Graser

Sorry, I got something wrong here. Will open a new ticket when I find the source of my issue ... I had some issue mixing processing.tools.vector.features(layer)

and

layer.getFeatures()

...

Anyway, back to the main topic: What's the recommended way to implement a spatial index in Processing algorithms?

## #6 - 2016-06-14 03:45 AM - Nyall Dawson

I'd just do (psuedocode)

If using selected features:

index = QgsSpatiaIIndex(layerHubs.selectedFeaturesIterator())

Else:

index = QgsSpatialIndex(layerHubs.getFeatures())

### #7 - 2016-06-21 06:55 AM - Alexander Bruy

- Status changed from Open to Closed

Fixed in changeset commit: "e0c9733f6482f184aeeff1339fafef210d1a0709".

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