# QGIS Application - Bug report #15741

# PostGIS issue when using 'Merge selected features' tool (Geometry type does not match column type)

2016-10-22 12:21 AM - R. R.

Status:ClosedPriority:HighAssignee:Luigi PirelliCategory:Digitising

Affected QGIS version:2.18.11 Regression?: Yes
Operating System: Easy fix?: No

Pull Request or Patch supplied: Resolution:

Crashes QGIS or corrupts data: Copied to github as #: 23663

#### Description

The 'Merge selected features' tool is also available for non touching features. This may cause data loss when using PostGIS single geometry data types!

#### **Associated revisions**

# Revision 53d90b54 - 2017-06-12 03:48 PM - Luigi Pirelli

fix Postgis Merge selected features regression: port 2.18 fixes #15741

#### Revision 87116abd - 2017-06-12 04:09 PM - Luigi Pirelli

fix Postgis Merge selected features regression: port 3.0 fixes #15741

#### Revision e850c82c - 2017-06-12 06:07 PM - Alexander Bruy

Merge pull request #4604 from boundlessgeo/postgis\_merge\_features\_port3\_fix#15741

Fix Postgis Merge selected features regression (fix #15741)

#### Revision 57e122bb - 2017-06-12 06:45 PM - Alexander Bruy

Merge pull request #4594 from boundlessgeo/postgis\_merge\_features\_fix#15741

Fix Postgis Merge selected features regression (fix #15741)

## Revision d3d8f4dd - 2017-09-27 04:45 PM - Larry Shaffer

Merge pull request #5223 from boundlessgeo/geom\_compatibility\_check\_release-2\_18-fix15741

On behalf of Giovanni: Geom compatibility check release 2.18 fixes #15741 #16927

#### History

# #1 - 2016-10-27 12:30 AM - R. R.

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#### #2 - 2016-10-27 11:10 AM - R. R.

- File 15741\_3.mp4 added
- File 15741\_4.mp4 added

Merging touching features also fails in some cases (see screencast 15741\_3.mp4, 15741\_4.mp4).

#### #3 - 2017-01-05 01:23 AM - Giovanni Manghi

- Crashes QGIS or corrupts data changed from No to Yes
- Category set to Digitising
- Priority changed from High to Severe/Regression
- Affected QGIS version changed from 2.16.3 to 2.18.2

Confirmed also on 2.18.2, and raising its priority as this was not an issue in the past, in fact trying such operation on 2.14.\* it gives

Merge cancelled: The union operation would result in a geometry type that is not compatible with the current layer.

#### #4 - 2017-02-28 02:25 PM - Giovanni Manghi

- Target version set to Version 2.18
- Affected QGIS version changed from 2.18.2 to 2.18.4

2.18.4 also affected.

#### #5 - 2017-04-30 05:08 PM - Giovanni Manghi

- Regression? set to Yes

# #6 - 2017-04-30 05:08 PM - Giovanni Manghi

- Priority changed from Severe/Regression to High

# #7 - 2017-05-01 01:10 AM - Giovanni Manghi

- Easy fix? set to No

# #8 - 2017-05-12 02:14 PM - Luigi Pirelli

studing the issue

## #9 - 2017-05-15 12:32 PM - Luigi Pirelli

this issue would affect any provider due to:

https://github.com/qgis/QGIS/blob/release-2\_18/src/app/qgisapp.cpp#L7177

delete is done before add feature and there is no way to specify a transaction (btw not all providers support transactions)

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#### #10 - 2017-05-15 12:44 PM - Luigi Pirelli

my fault, if provider support transaction it can be managed with QgsTransaction

#### #11 - 2017-05-15 05:41 PM - Luigi Pirelli

the error is generated here:

https://qgis.org/api/2.18/qgsvectorlayereditbuffer\_8cpp\_source.html#l00520

e.g. the the update process is in two phases:

- 1) remove features to merge
- 2) add the new merged feature

because of https://qgis.org/api/2.18/qgsvectorlayereditbuffer\_8cpp\_source.html#l00520

and as specified in documentation, if some of the composed steps fail (delete success, and add fail), then we can recover only the last one (the add) during rollback because editingBuffer has already removed from the rollback cache the first step (delete)

#### #12 - 2017-05-15 05:41 PM - Luigi Pirelli

in this use case no use og QgsTransaction or QgsTransactionGroup is used

#### #13 - 2017-05-16 09:12 AM - Luigi Pirelli

- Assignee set to Luigi Pirelli

#### #14 - 2017-05-16 11:28 AM - Luigi Pirelli

asked in dev list what would be a better solution... especially asked to MarcoH about his commit

#### #15 - 2017-05-16 12:48 PM - Luigi Pirelli

reverting (solution 1) does not generate more test regressions (btw coverage in this area is poor) tested and solution 1 fix the problem. Waiting for community comments to pack PR if solution 1 is accepted

# #16 - 2017-05-16 01:11 PM - Luigi Pirelli

the issue affect qgis3 too

# #17 - 2017-05-16 01:34 PM - Luigi Pirelli

solution 1 works for 3.x

## #18 - 2017-05-19 03:24 PM - Luigi Pirelli

without any answer in list... I'll implement solution 1). Preparing PR

#### #19 - 2017-05-19 03:48 PM - Luigi Pirelli

- Pull Request or Patch supplied changed from No to Yes

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## https://github.com/qgis/QGIS/pull/4594

preparing PR for 3.X

#### #20 - 2017-06-12 06:07 PM - Luigi Pirelli

- % Done changed from 0 to 100
- Status changed from Open to Closed

Applied in changeset commit:qgis|87116abd72ac52be042c3bff195a3cc931b035e6.

#### #21 - 2017-06-13 10:32 AM - Luigi Pirelli

Luigi Pirelli wrote:

Applied in changeset commit:qgis|87116abd72ac52be042c3bff195a3cc931b035e6.

fix applied also to 3.0 e850c82cb01b0ae66d7d3c1f7781fd677ba2ec1f

#### #22 - 2017-08-10 11:18 AM - Giovanni Manghi

- Crashes QGIS or corrupts data changed from Yes to No
- Status changed from Closed to Open
- Affected QGIS version changed from 2.18.4 to 2.18.11

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## #23 - 2017-08-10 09:08 PM - Peteris Bruns

The same behavior in dev version (revision 313ec55) as described in #16974( using the same attached test data). Difference only in error message:

Errors: SUCCESS: 4 feature(s) deleted. ERROR: 2 feature(s) not added.

Provider errors:

OGR error creating feature -2: failed to prepare SQL: INSERT INTO bug\_examples ( "geom", "name") VALUES (?, ?) OGR error creating feature -3: failed to prepare SQL: INSERT INTO bug\_examples ( "geom", "name") VALUES (?, ?)

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#### #24 - 2017-08-21 11:24 AM - Luigi Pirelli

I've to take it again... generally speaking there are two step editing

step1... all edits are in vector editbuffer, thyat does not have any relation with the real data provider. But there are checks about provider capabilities. step2... changes are saved => the data provider start to play a role

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regards

#### #25 - 2017-08-21 05:14 PM - Giovanni Manghi

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clarified in a chat session.

#### #26 - 2017-09-21 06:54 PM - Giovanni Manghi

https://github.com/qgis/QGIS/pull/5223 seems to have addressed the issue. Thanks!

#### #27 - 2017-09-27 04:44 PM - Anonymous

- Status changed from Open to Closed

Applied in changeset commit:qgis|d3d8f4dd437f132cd6f73831d845f6b7286e2d30.

#### **Files**

15741.mp4	2.19 MB	2016-10-21	R. R.
15741_2.wmv	754 KB	2016-10-26	R. R.
15741_3.mp4	3.15 MB	2016-10-27	R. R.
15741_4.mp4	2.24 MB	2016-10-27	R. R.

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