QGIS Application - Feature request #7208

replace the "merge shapefiles" code with new more efficient one (python code available)

2013-02-21 04:46 AM - Giovanni Manghi

Status: Closed Priority: Normal

Assignee:

Category: Processing/QGIS

Pull Request or Patch shapplied:Resolution:wontfixEasy fix?:NoCopied to github as #: 16248

Description

The "merge shapefiles" tool is very inefficient, when applied to hundreds/thousands of shapes the progress bar barely moves for many hours on a very powerful machine.

I discovered this python code

http://furiousgis.blogspot.it/2012/05/python-shapefile-merger-utility.html

that does the task in a matter of **seconds** even for many GB worth of shapefiles.

Its speed is equal, if not faster to an ogr2ogr script

#!/bin/bash/

DATA=`find . -name '*.shp'`

ogr2ogr -a_srs EPSG:4326 merge.shp

for i in \$DATA

do

ogr2ogr -append -update merge.shp \$i -f "Esri Shapefile"

done

Related issues:

Related to QGIS Application - Feature request # 9652: merge shapefiles: add o	Closed	2014-02-25
Related to QGIS Application - Feature request # 10691: "Merge shapefiles to o	Closed	2014-06-24

History

#1 - 2013-04-11 05:59 AM - Giovanni Manghi

- File shapemerger.py added

the link changed

http://gistncase.blogspot.pt/2012/05/python-shapefile-merger-utility.html

#2 - 2014-01-26 05:08 PM - Antonio Locandro

Any updates on this?

#3 - 2014-01-27 02:47 AM - Giovanni Manghi

- Target version set to Future Release - Nice to have

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Α	ntonio Locandro wrote:	
	Any updates on this?	

nope.

#4 - 2017-01-02 05:50 AM - Giovanni Manghi

- Category changed from 44 to Processing/QGIS

#5 - 2017-05-01 12:48 AM - Giovanni Manghi

- Easy fix? set to No

#6 - 2018-06-05 04:16 AM - Nyall Dawson

- Resolution set to wontfix
- Description updated
- Status changed from Open to Closed

Processing doesn't work on shapefiles alone, so the code provided cannot be used as a replacement. In any case I suspect this issue is fixed in 3.0.

Files

shapemerger.py 16.8 KB 2013-04-11 Giovanni Manghi

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