Latticist Frogs demo A demonstration of the latticist package

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Introduction

The **latticist** package provides a graphical user interface for exploratory visualisation in R. It is primarily an interface to the **lattice** graphics system, but also produces displays from the **vcd** package for categorical data.

While latticist is normally used interactively (as a GUI), this document gives a sequence of the plots produced, where each step can be taken in the graphical user interface. Note that the displays can be customised by editing the calls used to generate them (see appendix for full code).

The dataset here is frogs, available in the **DAAG** package. The data are on the distribution of the Southern Corroboree frog, which occurs in the Snowy Mountains area of New South Wales,

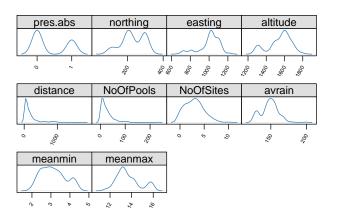
Australia. - from ?frogs

Initial display

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> spec <- list()
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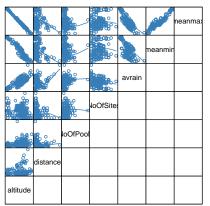
> latticist(frogs, spec = spec)

marginal.plot(frogs, data = frogs, sub $\ldots \rightarrow p$. 11



Scatterplot matrix with subset of variables

```
> spec <- list(varSubset = c("altitude", "distance", "NoOfPools", "NoOfSites", "avrain", "meanmin", "meanmax"), defaultPlot = "splom") splom(~frogs[c("altitude", "distance", .... \rightarrow p. 12
```

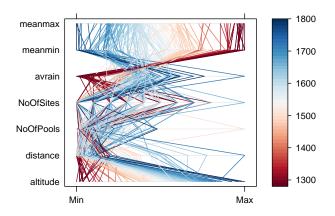


Scatter Plot Matrix

Parallel plot with color (groups) variable

- > spec\$groups <- "altitude"
- > spec\$defaultPlot <- "parallel"

parallel("frogs[c("altitude", "distance.... $\rightarrow p$. 13

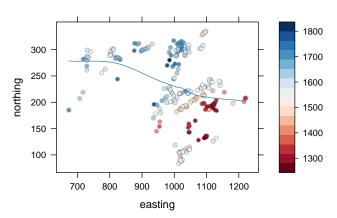


Set x and y variables

- > spec\$yvar <- "northing"</pre>
- > spec\$xvar <- "easting"

levelplot(altitude ~ easting * northing.... \rightarrow p. 14

northing vs easting by altitude



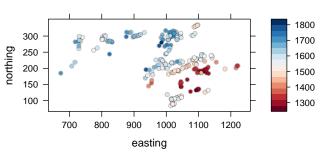


Isometric scale, remove lines

- > spec\$aspect <- "iso"
- > spec\$doLines <- FALSE

levelplot(altitude ~ easting * northing.... \rightarrow p. 15

northing vs easting by altitude

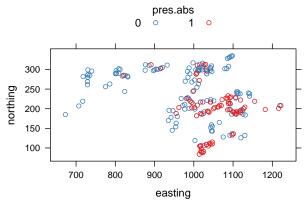


N = 212, 2008-11-12, R 2.8.0Patched

Set grouping variable

> spec\$groups <- "pres.abs" xyplot(northing ~ easting, data = frogs.... $\rightarrow p$. 16

northing vs easting by pres.abs

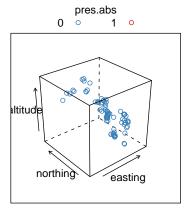


N = 212, 2008-11-12, R 2.8.0Patched

Set z variable

> spec\$zvar <- "altitude" cloud(altitude ~ easting * northing, da.... \rightarrow p. 17

altitude vs easting and northing by pres.abs



N = 212, 2008-11-12, R 2.8.0Patched

Details

The results in this document were obtained using R 2.8.0 with the packages **latticist** 0.9–42, **lattice** 0.17–15, and **latticeExtra** 0.5–4. R itself and all packages used are available from CRAN at http://CRAN.R-project.org/.

For an excellent introduction to and coverage of Lattice:

Sarkar, Deepayan (2008). Lattice: Multivariate Data Visualization with R, Springer. http://lmdvr.r-forge.r-project.org/.

Code to produce the plot on page 3:

```
marginal.plot(frogs, data = frogs, sub = list(
    "N = 212, 2008-11-12, R 2.8.0Patched",
    x = 0.99, just = "right", cex = 0.7,
    font = 1))
```

Code to produce the plot on page 4: splom("frogs[c("altitude", "distance", "NoOfPools", "NoOfSites", "avrain", "meanmin", "meanmax")], data = frogs, panel = function (...) try(panel.xyplot(...)) }, type = c("p", "smooth"), lower.panel = expression, varname.cex = 0.7, pscales = 0, par.settings = simpleTheme(cex = 0.5), sub = list("N = 212, 2008-11-12, R 2.8.0Patched",x = 0.99, just = "right", cex = 0.7, font = 1)

Code to produce the plot on page 5:

```
parallel(~frogs[c("altitude", "distance",
"NoOfPools", "NoOfSites", "avrain",
"meanmin", "meanmax")], data = frogs,
    groups = n.level.colors(altitude),
    panel = function (..., col, groups,
        subscripts)
    {
        col <- groups[subscripts]</pre>
        panel.parallel(..., col = col,
            subscripts = subscripts)
    }, legend = simpleColorKey(with(frogs,
        altitude)), par.settings = simpleTheme(),
    sub = list("N = 212, 2008-11-12, R 2.8.0Patched",
        x = 0.99, just = "right", cex = 0.7,
        font = 1)
```

Code to produce the plot on page 6:

Code to produce the plot on page 7:

Code to produce the plot on page 8:

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xyplot(northing ~ easting, data = frogs,
  groups = pres.abs, main = "northing vs easting by pres
  xlab = "easting", ylab = "northing",
  aspect = "iso", par.settings = simpleTheme(),
  auto.key = list(title = "pres.abs",
      cex.title = 1, columns = 2),
  sub = list("N = 212, 2008-11-12, R 2.8.0Patched",
      x = 0.99, just = "right", cex = 0.7,
  font = 1))
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font = 1)

Code to produce the plot on page 9:
cloud(altitude ~ easting * northing,
 data = frogs, groups = pres.abs,
 main = "altitude vs easting and northing by pres.abs",
 xlab = "easting", ylab = "northing",
 par.settings = simpleTheme(), auto.key = list(
 title = "pres.abs", cex.title = 1,
 columns = 2), sub = list("N = 212, 2008-11-12, R 2
 x = 0.99, just = "right", cex = 0.7,