NPS	Workshop on	Interactive	Reporting v	vith R

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Chapter 1

Overview

This is the landing site for our workshop materials. Google Drive (folders, docs, slides, sheets, etc.) allows us to be agile with adapting content on the fly. The rest of the content in this site is generated using the techniques taught: R + markdown = Rmarkdown, git, Github, etc.

1.1 Google Drive Content

- workshop/
 - agenda
 - notes
 - presentations/
 - data/

1.2 Resources

- R for Data Science
- Spatial Data Analysis and Modeling with R
- Introduction to GIS slides

Chapter 2

Collaborate: git, github

This section is paired with:

• Data Wrangling in the R Tidyverse - Google Slides

The two main tools you'll learn about to start are:

- Git is a version control system that lets you track changes to files over time. These files can be any kind of file (eg doc, pdf, xls), but free text differences are most easily visible (eg txt, csv, md). You can rollback changes made by you, or others. This facilitates a playground for collaboration, without fear of experimentation (you can always rollback changes).
- **Github** is a website for storing your git versioned files remotely. It has many nice features to be able visualize differences between images, rendering & diffing map data files, render text data files, and track changes in text.

Steps:

- 1. Create Github login
- 2. Create project website with Github Pages
- 3. Edit README.md in Markdown
- 4. Create HTML website content with R Markdown

2.1 Setup Github & Git

- 1. Create **Github** account at http://github.com, if you don't already have one. For username, I recommend all lower-case letters, short as you can. If you use an email ending in .edu, you can request free private repositories via GitHub Education discount.
- 2. Configure git with global commands. Open up the Bash version of Git and type the following:

```
# display your version of git
git --version

# replace USER with your Github user account
git config --global user.name USER

# replace USER@SOMEWHERE.EDU with the email you used to register with Github
git config --global user.email USER@SOMEWHERE.EDU
```

```
# list your config to confirm user.* variables set
git config --list
```

2.2 Github Workflows

The two most common workflow models for working Github repositories is based on your permissions:

- 1. writable: Push & Pull (simplest)
- 2. read only: Fork & Pull Request (extra steps)

We will only go over the first writable mode. For more on the second mode, see Forking Projects · GitHub Guides.

2.2.1 Push & Pull

repo location	initialize	edit	update
github.com/OWNER/REPO ~/github/REPO	create clone	commit , push	pull

Note that OWNER could be either an individual USER or group ORGANIZATION, which has member USERs.

2.3 Create Repository nps-demo

Now you will create a Github repository for a project.

1. Create a repository called my-project.

Please be sure to tick the box to **Initialize this repository with a README**. Otherwise defaults are fine.

2. Create a branch called gh-pages.

Per pages.github.com, since this will be a project site only web files in the gh-pages branch will show up at http://USER.github.io/REPO. For a user (or organization) site, the REPO must be named USER.github.io (or ORG.github.io) and then the default master branch will contain the web files for the website http://USER.github.io (or http://ORG.github.io). See also User, Organization, and Project Pages - Github Help.

- 3. Set the default branch to gh-pages, NOT the default master.
- 4. Delete the branch master, which will not be used.

2.3.1 Edit README.md in Markdown

Commit your first change by editing the README.md which is in markdown, simple syntax for conversion to HTML. Now update the contents of the README.md with the following, having a link and a numbered list:

nps-demo

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```
## Introduction
This repository demonstrates **software** and _formats_:

1. **Git**
1. **Github**
1. _Markdown_
1. _Rmarkdown_
## Conclusion
![](https://octodex.github.com/images/labtocat.png)
```

Now click on the Preview changes to see the markdown rendered as HTML:

Notice the syntax for:

```
numbered list gets automatically sequenced: 1., 1.
headers get rendered at multiple levels: #, ##
link: [](http://...)
image: ![](http://...)
italics: _word_
bold: **word**
```

See Mastering Markdown · GitHub Guides and add some more personalized content to the README of your own, like a bulleted list or blockquote.

2.4 Create index.html

By default index.html is served up. Go ahead and create a new file named index.html with the following basic HTML:

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<body>
<h1>My First Heading</h1>
My first paragraph.
</body>
</html>
```

You'll be prompted to clone this repository into a folder on your local machine.

See GitHub Desktop User Guides for more. You could also do this from the Bash Shell for Git with the command git clone https://github.com/USER/REPO.git, replacing USER with your Github username and REPO with my_project. Or you can use the Github Desktop App menu File -> Clone Repository...

2.5 Create RStudio Project with Git Repository

Next, you will clone the repository onto your local machine using RStudio. I recommend creating it in a folder github under your user or Documents folder.

Open RStudio and under the menu File -> New Project... -> Version Control -> git and enter the URL with the .git extension (also available from the repository's Clone button):

If it all works correctly then you should see the files downloaded and showing up in the Files pane of RStudio. If RStudio is configured correctly to work with Git, then you should also see a Git pane.

2.6 Create index.Rmd in Rmarkdown

Back in RStudio, let's create a new Rmarkdown file, which allows us to weave markdown text with chunks of R code to be evaluated and output content like tables and plots.

File -> New File -> Rmarkdown... -> Document of output format HTML, OK.

You can give it a Title of "My Project". After you click OK, most importantly File -> Save as index (which will get named with the filename extension index.Rmd).

Some initial text is already provided for you. Let's go ahead and "Knit HTML".

Notice how the markdown is rendered similar to as before + R code chunks are surrounded by 3 backticks and {r LABEL}. These are evaluated and return the output text in the case of summary(cars) and the output plot in the case of plot(pressure).

Notice how the code plot(pressure) is not shown in the HTML output because of the R code chunk option echo=FALSE.

Before we continue exploring Rmarkdown, visit the Git pane, check all modified (M) or untracked (?) files, click Commit, enter a message like "added index" and click the "Commit" button. Then Push (up green arrow) to push the locally committed changes on your lapto up to the Github repository online. This will update https://github.com/USER/nps-demo, and now you can also see your project website with a default index.html viewable at http://USER.github.io/nps-demo

For more on Rmarkdown:

- rmarkdown cheatsheet.pdf
- rmarkdown.rstudio.com
- knitr in a knutshell Karl Broman

A more advanced topic worth mentioning is dealing merge conflicts

2.7 Exercise: Intertidal Sites Dataset

Gil Rilov shared the following dataset for us to play with:

• Israel sites fall 2015-16.xlsx

Please download and open this dataset. Your task is to investigate this dataset and prepare it for submission to OBIS.

2.7.1 Task: Provide Excel cell ranges for how you would divide data into tables?

For reading and wrangling data in R, please see cheat sheets and resources mentioned in:

Chapter 3

Manipulate: tidyr, dplyr

Data scientists, according to interviews and expert estimates, spend from 50 percent to 80 percent of their time mired in the mundane labor of collecting and preparing data, before it can be explored for useful information. - NYTimes (2014)

Today we're going to learn about a package by Hadley Wickham called dplyr and how it will help you with simple data exploration, and how you can use it in combination with the %>% operator for more complex wrangling (including a lot of the things you would use for loops for.

And we're going to do this in Rmarkdown in the my-project repository we created this morning.

Here are the steps:

- 1. Open RStudio
- 2. Make sure you're in your my-project repo (and if not, get there)
- 3. New > Rmarkdown... (defaults are fine)
- 4. Save as gapminder-dplyr.rmd
- 5. Our workflow together will be to write some description of our analysis in Markdown for humans to read, and we will write all of our R code in the 'chunks'. Get ready for the awesomeness, here we go...

Today's materials are again borrowing from some excellent sources, including

- Dr. Jenny Bryan's lectures from STAT545 at UBC: Introduction to dplyr
- Software Carpentry's R for reproducible scientific analysis materials: Dataframe manipulation with dplyr

3.1 install our first package: dplyr

Packages are bundles of functions, along with help pages and other goodies that make them easier for others to use, (ie. vignettes).

So far we've been using packages included in 'base R'; they are 'out-of-the-box' functions. You can also install packages from online. The most traditional is CRAN, the Comprehensive R Archive Network. This is where you went to download R originally, and will go again to look for updates.

You don't need to go to CRAN's website to install packages, we can do it from within R with the command install.packages("package-name-in-quotes").

```
## from CRAN:
```

#install.packages("dplyr") ## do this once only to install the package on your computer.

```
library(dplyr) ## do this every time you restart R and need it
select <- dplyr::select # overwrite raster::select</pre>
```

What's the difference between install.packages() and library()? Here's my analogy:

- install.packages() is setting up electricity for your house. Just need to do this once (let's ignore monthly bills).
- library() is turning on the lights. You only turn them on when you need them, otherwise it wouldn't be efficient. And when you quit R, and come back, you'll have to turn them on again with library(), but you already have your electricity set up.

3.2 Use dplyr::filter() to subset data row-wise.

First let's read in the gapminder data.

(thanks RStudio for your cheatsheet):

```
# install.packages('gapminder') # instead of reading in the csv
library(gapminder) # this is the package name
str(gapminder) # and it's also the data.frame name, just like yesterday

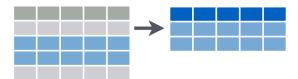
## Classes 'tbl_df', 'tbl' and 'data.frame': 1704 obs. of 6 variables:
## $ country : Factor w/ 142 levels "Afghanistan",..: 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 ...
```

\$ continent: Factor w/ 5 levels "Africa", "Americas",...: 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 ...
\$ year : int 1952 1957 1962 1967 1972 1977 1982 1987 1992 1997 ...
\$ lifeExp : num 28.8 30.3 32 34 36.1 ...

\$ pop : int 8425333 9240934 10267083 11537966 13079460 14880372 12881816 13867957 16317921 22 ## \$ gdpPercap: num 779 821 853 836 740 ...

filter() takes logical expressions and returns the rows for which all are TRUE. Visually, we are doing this

Subset Observations (Rows)



```
filter(gapminder, lifeExp < 29)
filter(gapminder, country == "Rwanda")
filter(gapminder, country %in% c("Rwanda", "Afghanistan"))</pre>
```

Compare with some base R code to accomplish the same things

```
gapminder[gapminder$lifeExp < 29, ] ## repeat `gapminder`, [i, j] indexing is distracting
subset(gapminder, country == "Rwanda") ## almost same as filter ... but wait ...</pre>
```

3.3 Meet the new pipe operator

Before we go any further, we should exploit the new pipe operator that dplyr imports from the magrittr package by Stefan Bache. This is going to change your data analytical life. You no longer need to enact multi-operation commands by nesting them inside each other. This new syntax leads to code that is much easier to write and to read.

Here's what it looks like: %>%. The RStudio keyboard shortcut: Ctrl + Shift + M (Windows), Cmd + Shift + M (Mac).

Let's demo then I'll explain:

```
gapminder %>% head
```

This is equivalent to head(gapminder). This pipe operator takes the thing on the left-hand-side and pipes it into the function call on the right-hand-side – literally, drops it in as the first argument.

Never fear, you can still specify other arguments to this function! To see the first 3 rows of Gapminder, we could say head(gapminder, 3) or this:

```
gapminder %>% head(3)
```

I've advised you to think "gets" whenever you see the assignment operator, <-. Similary, you should think "then" whenever you see the pipe operator, %>%.

You are probably not impressed yet, but the magic will soon happen.

3.4 Use dplyr::select() to subset the data on variables or columns.

Back to dplyr ...

Use select() to subset the data on variables or columns. Visually, we are doing this (thanks RStudio for your cheatsheet):

Subset Variables (Columns)



Here's a conventional call:

```
select(gapminder, year, lifeExp)
```

But using what we just learned, with a pipe, we can do this:

```
gapminder %>% select(year, lifeExp)
```

Let's write it again but using multiple lines so it's nicer to read. And let's add a second pipe operator to pipe through head:

```
gapminder %>%
  select(year, lifeExp) %>%
 head(4)
## # A tibble: 4 x 2
##
      year lifeExp
##
     <int>
             <dbl>
## 1
     1952
              28.8
## 2
     1957
              30.3
              32.0
## 3
     1962
## 4
      1967
              34.0
```

Think: "Take gapminder, then select the variables year and lifeExp, then show the first 4 rows."

3.5 Revel in the convenience

Let's do a little analysis where we calculate the mean gdp for Cambodia.

Here's the gapminder data for Cambodia, but only certain variables:

```
gapminder %>%
filter(country == "Cambodia") %>%
# select(country, year, pop, gdpPercap) ## entering 4 of the 6 columns is tedious
select(-continent, -lifeExp) # you can use - to deselect columns
```

and what a typical base R call would look like:

```
gapminder[gapminder$country == "Cambodia", c("country", "year", "pop", "gdpPercap")]
```

```
## # A tibble: 12 x 4
##
      country
               year
                         pop gdpPercap
##
      <fct>
              <int>
                                 <dbl>
                       <int>
                                  368.
##
   1 Cambodia 1952 4693836
  2 Cambodia 1957
                     5322536
                                  434.
   3 Cambodia 1962
##
                     6083619
                                  497.
## 4 Cambodia 1967
                     6960067
                                  523.
## 5 Cambodia 1972 7450606
                                  422.
## 6 Cambodia 1977
                     6978607
                                  525.
   7 Cambodia 1982
##
                     7272485
                                  624.
## 8 Cambodia 1987 8371791
                                  684.
## 9 Cambodia 1992 10150094
                                  682.
## 10 Cambodia 1997 11782962
                                  734.
## 11 Cambodia 2002 12926707
                                  896.
## 12 Cambodia 2007 14131858
                                 1714.
```

or, possibly?, a nicer look using base R's subset() function:

```
subset(gapminder, country == "Cambodia", select = c(country, year, pop, gdpPercap))
```

```
## # A tibble: 12 x 4
                          pop gdpPercap
##
      country
                year
##
      <fct>
               <int>
                        <int>
                                  <dbl>
   1 Cambodia 1952
                      4693836
                                   368.
##
##
   2 Cambodia 1957
                      5322536
                                   434.
## 3 Cambodia 1962
                      6083619
                                   497.
## 4 Cambodia 1967
                      6960067
                                   523.
```

```
5 Cambodia 1972
                     7450606
                                  422.
## 6 Cambodia 1977
                     6978607
                                  525.
  7 Cambodia 1982 7272485
                                  624.
## 8 Cambodia 1987 8371791
                                  684.
## 9 Cambodia 1992 10150094
                                  682.
## 10 Cambodia 1997 11782962
                                  734.
## 11 Cambodia 2002 12926707
                                  896.
## 12 Cambodia 2007 14131858
                                 1714.
```

3.6 Use mutate() to add new variables

Imagine we wanted to recover each country's GDP. After all, the Gapminder data has a variable for population and GDP per capita. Let's add a new column and multiply them together.

Visually, we are doing this (thanks RStudio for your cheatsheet):

Make New Variables



```
gapminder %>%
  mutate(gdp = pop * gdpPercap)
```

Exercise: how would you add that to the previous filter and select commands we did with Cambodia:

```
gapminder %>%
  filter(country == "Cambodia") %>%
  select(-continent, -lifeExp)
```

Answer:

```
gapminder %>%
filter(country == "Cambodia") %>%
select(-continent, -lifeExp) %>%
mutate(gdp = pop * gdpPercap)
```

3.7 group_by and summarize

Great! And now we want to calculate the mean gdp across all years (Let's pretend that's a good idea statistically)

Visually, we are doing this (thanks RStudio for your cheatsheet):

Summarise Data

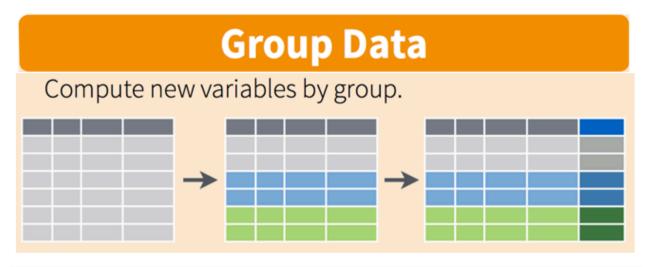


```
gapminder %>%
  filter(country == "Cambodia") %>%
  select(-continent, -lifeExp) %>%
  mutate(gdp = pop * gdpPercap) %>%
  group_by(country) %>%
  summarize(mean_gdp = mean(gdp)) %>%
  ungroup() # if you use group_by, also use ungroup() to save heartache later
```

3.8 Remember our for loop?

And how would you then do this for every country, not just Cambodia? Well, yesterday we would have been thinking about putting this whole analysis inside a for loop, replacing "Cambodia" with a new name each time we iterated through the loop. But today, we have it already, just need to *delete* one line from our analysis—we don't need to filter out Cambodia anymore!!

Visually, we are doing this (thanks RStudio for your cheatsheet):



```
gapminder %>%
select(-continent, -lifeExp) %>%
mutate(gdp = pop * gdpPercap) %>%
group_by(country) %>%
summarize(mean_gdp = mean(gdp)) %>%
ungroup() # if you use group_by, also use ungroup() to save heartache later
```

So we have done a pretty incredible amount of work in a few lines. Our whole analysis is this. Imagine the

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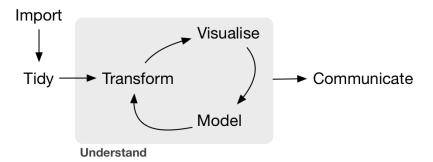
possibilities from here.

```
library(dplyr)

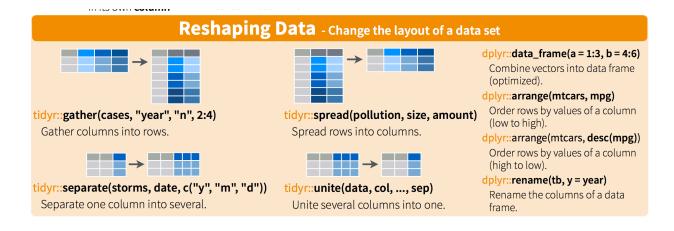
gapminder %>%
    read.csv('data/gapminder-FiveYearData.csv') %>%
    select(-continent, -lifeExp) %>%
    mutate(gdp = pop * gdpPercap) %>%
    group_by(country) %>%
    summarize(mean_gdp = mean(gdp)) %>%
    ungroup() # if you use group_by, also use ungroup() to save heartache later
```

3.9 Summary

This has been the 'Tranform' or Wrangling part of this cycle.



Importing and tidying is also a HUGE part of this process, and we don't have time to get into it today. But look at the cheatsheet, and watch the webinar. cheatsheet and webinar. Watch this 1 hour webinar and follow along in RStudio and your science will be forever changed. Again!



3.10 Further materials as reference...

3.10.1 Rationale

When performing data analysis in R, code can become quite messy, making it hard to revisit and determine the sequence of operations. Commenting helps. Good variable names help. Still, at least two common issues make code difficult to understand: **multiple variables** and **nested functions**. Let's examine these issues by approaching an analysis presenting both problems, and finally see how dplyr offers an elegant alternative.

For example, let's ask of the surveys.csv dataset: How many observations of a certain thing you're interested in appear each year?

3.10.2 Pseudocode

You can write the logic out as **pseudocode** which can become later comments for the actual code:

```
# read in csv
# view data
# limit columns to species and year
# limit rows to just species "NL"
# get count per year
# write out csv
```

3.10.3 Summary

The tidyr and dplyr packages were created by Hadley Wickham of ggplot2 fame. The "gg" in ggplot2 stands for the "grammar of graphics". Hadley similarly considers the functionality of the two packages dplyr and tidyr to provide the "grammar of data manipulation".

Next, we'll explore the data wrangling lessons that Remi contributed to Software Carpentry.

3.10.4 dplyr

dplyr - Software Carpentry

3.10.5 tidyr

tidyr - Software Carpentry

3.10.6 Other links

- Tidying up Data Env Info Rmd
- Data wrangling with dplyr and tidyr Tyler Clavelle & Dan Ovando Rmd

Chapter 4

Visualize: ggplot2, plotly, tmap

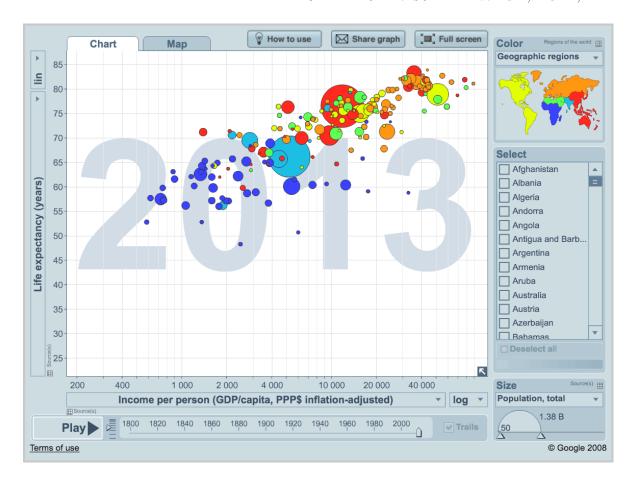
4.1 Plot

Inspiring people:

- Hadley Wickham: grammar of graphics
- Hans Rosling: Gapminder



Gapminder World - Wealth & Health of Nations



4.1.1 Static: ggplot

• Creating publication quality graphics - Software Carpentry

4.1.1.1 Scatterplot

```
library(ggplot2)
library(gapminder)

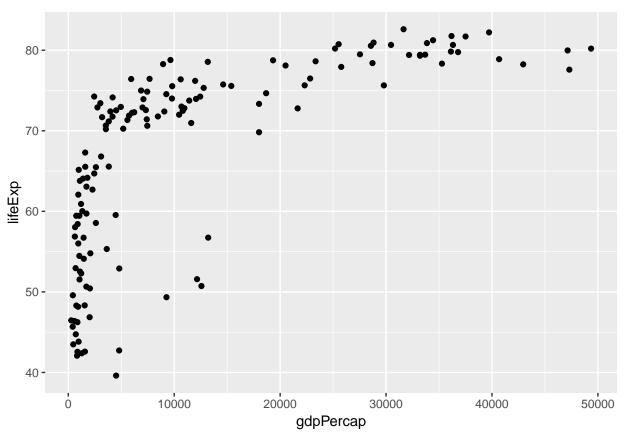
# preview data
gapminder

# get range of available data
summary(gapminder)

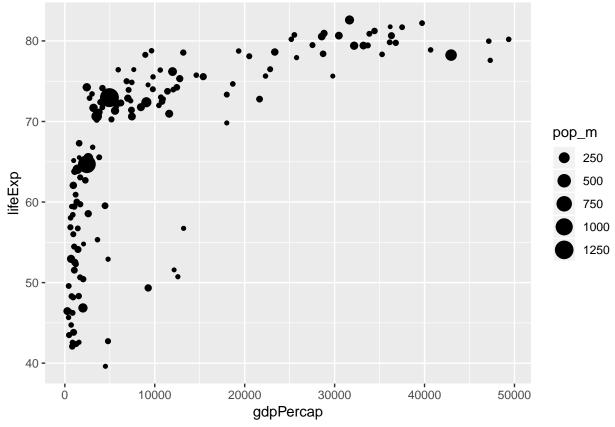
# setup dataframe
g = gapminder %>%
  filter(year==2007) %>% # most recent year
  mutate(pop_m = pop/1e6) # population, millions

# plot scatterplot of most recent year
s = ggplot(g, aes(x=gdpPercap, y=lifeExp)) +
```

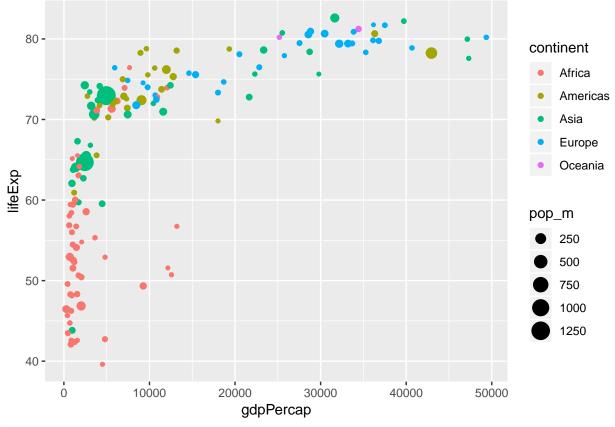
```
geom_point()
```



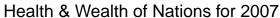
```
# add aesthetic of size by population
s = s +
  aes(size=pop_m)
s
```

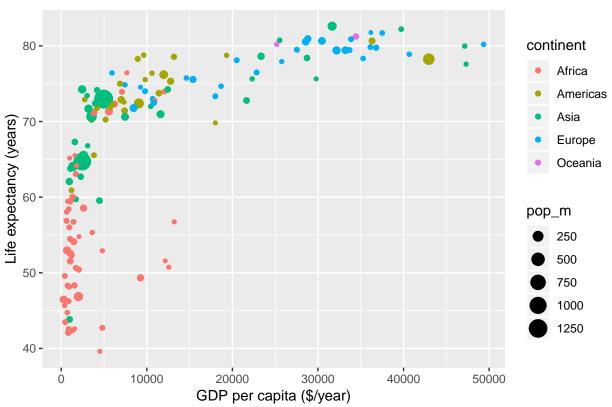


```
# add aesthetic of color by continent
s = s +
  aes(color=continent)
s
```

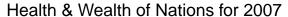


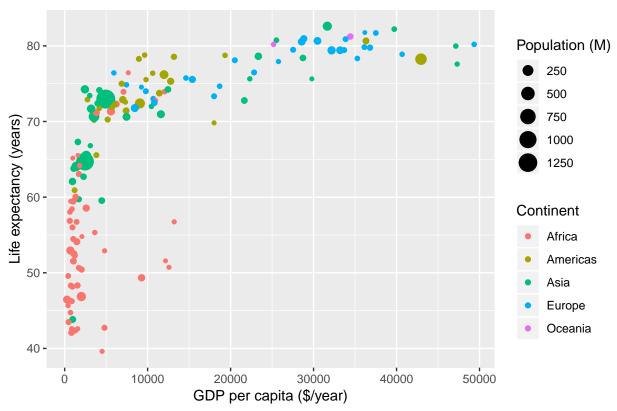
```
# add title, update axes labels
s = s +
ggtitle('Health & Wealth of Nations for 2007') +
xlab('GDP per capita ($/year)') +
ylab('Life expectancy (years)')
s
```





```
# label legend
s = s +
    scale_colour_discrete(name='Continent') +
    scale_size_continuous(name='Population (M)')
s
```





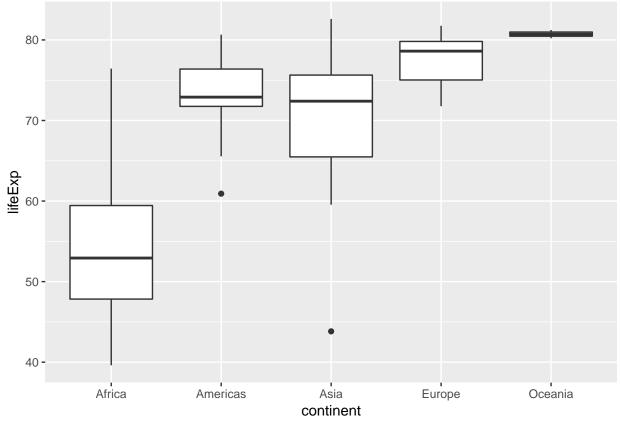
Your Turn

Now with country emissions datasets...

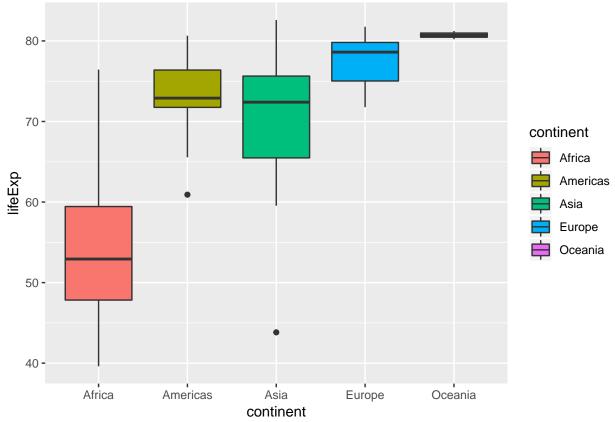
- CO2 Emissions from Fossil Fuels since 1751, By Nation Dataset Frictionless Open Data
- datasets/gdp

4.1.1.2 Boxplot

```
# boxplot by continent
b = ggplot(g, aes(x=continent, y=lifeExp)) +
   geom_boxplot()
b
```

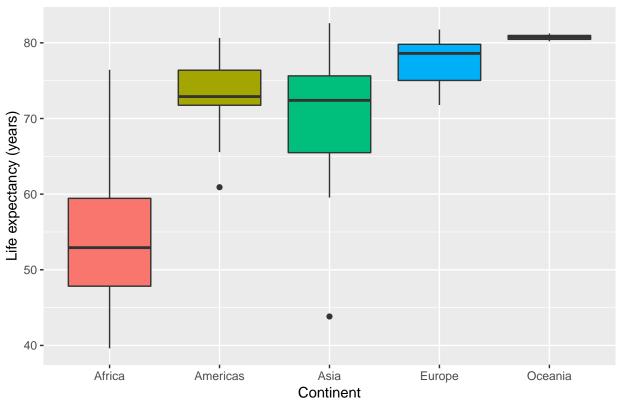


```
# match color to continents, like scatterplot
b = b +
  aes(fill=continent)
b
```



```
# drop legend, add title, update axes labels
b = b +
   theme(legend.position='none') +
   ggtitle('Life Expectancy by Continent for 2007') +
   xlab('Continent') +
   ylab('Life expectancy (years)')
b
```



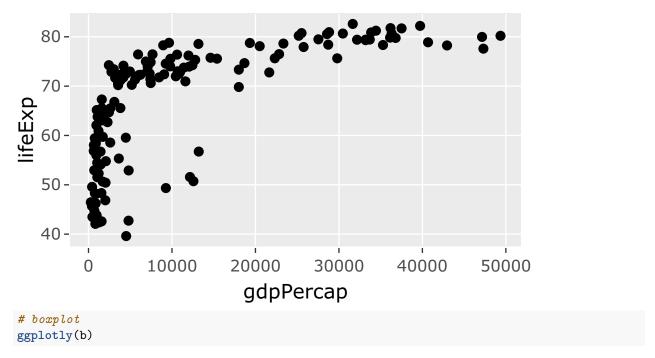


Your Turn: Make a similar plot but for gdpPercap. Be sure to update the plot's aesthetic, axis label and title accordingly.

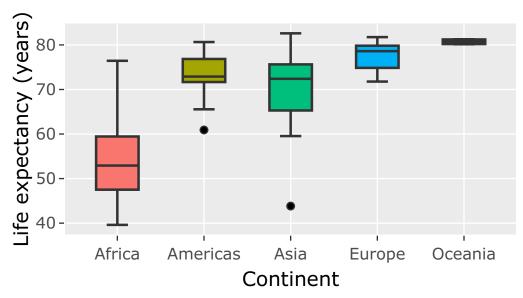
4.1.2 Interactive: plotly

```
ggplot2 | plotly
library(plotly) # install.packages('plotly')

# scatterplot (Note: key=country shows up on rollover)
s = ggplot(g, aes(x=gdpPercap, y=lifeExp, key=country)) +
    geom_point()
ggplotly(s)
```



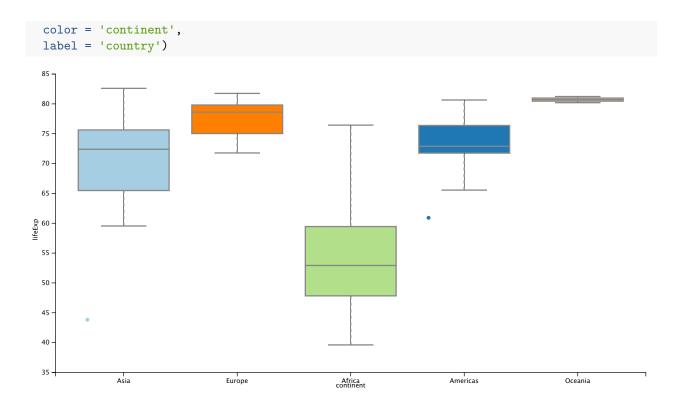
Life Expectancy by Continent for 2007



Your Turn: Expand the interactive scatterplot to include all the other bells and whistles of the previous plot in one continuous set of code (no in between setting of s).

4.1.3 Interactive: Exploding Boxplot

```
library(explodingboxplotR) # devtools::install_github('timelyportfolio/explodingboxplotR')
exploding_boxplot(g,
    y = 'lifeExp',
    group = 'continent',
```



4.1.4 Interactive: Motion Plot

The googleVis package ports most of the Google charts functionality.

For every R chunk must set option results='asis', and once before any googleVis plots, set op <-options(gvis.plot.tag='chart').

- Rmarkdown and googleVis
- googleVis examples

```
suppressPackageStartupMessages({
    library(googleVis) # install.packages('googleVis')
})
op <- options(gvis.plot.tag='chart')

m = gvisMotionChart(
    gapminder %>%
        mutate(
        pop_m = pop / 1e6,
        log_gdpPercap = log(gdpPercap)),
    idvar='country',
    timevar='year',
    xvar='log_gdpPercap',
    yvar='lifeExp',
    colorvar='continent',
    sizevar='pop_m')
plot(m)
```

Your Turn: Repeat the motion chart with the country having the highest gdpPercap filtered out.

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4.2 Map

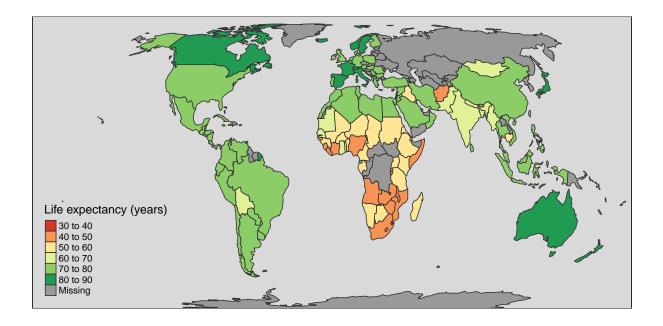
Thematic maps tmap:

- tmap in a nutshell
- tmap modes: plot and interactive view

4.2.1 Static

```
library(sf)
library(tmap) # install.packages('tmap')
# load world spatial polygons
data(World)
# inspect values in World
World %>% st_set_geometry(NULL)
# gapminder countries not in World. skipping for now
g %>%
  anti_join(World, by=c('country'='name')) %>%
  arrange(desc(pop))
# World countries not in gapminder. skipping for now
World %>%
  anti_join(g, by=c('name'='country')) %>%
  arrange(desc(pop_est)) %>%
  select(iso_a3, name, pop_est)
# join gapminder data to World
World = World %>%
 left_join(g, by=c('name'='country'))
# make map
m = tm_shape(World) +
    tm_polygons('lifeExp', palette='RdYlGn', id='name', title='Life expectancy (years)', auto.palette.m
    tm_style_gray() + tm_format_World()
## Warning: The argument auto.palette.mapping is deprecated. Please use
## midpoint for numeric data and stretch.palette for categorical data to
## control the palette mapping.
## Warning in tm_style_gray(): tm_style_gray is deprecated as of tmap version
## 2.0. Please use tm_style("gray", ...) instead
## Warning in tm_format_World(): tm_format_World is deprecated as of tmap
## version 2.0. Please use tm_format("World", ...) instead
```

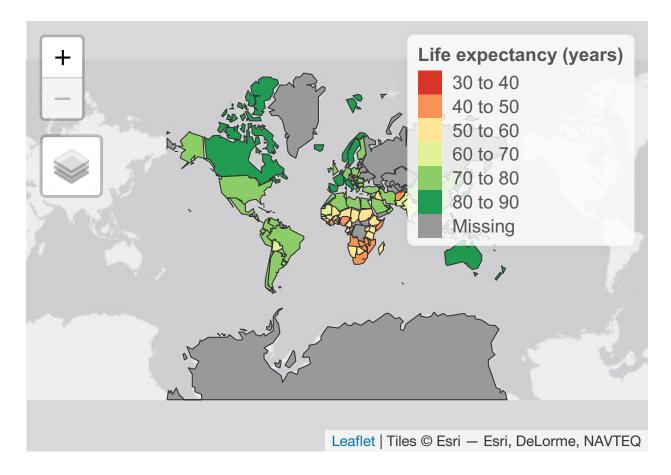
m



4.2.2 Interactive

show interactive map
tmap_leaflet(m)

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4.3 References

- $\bullet \;\; {\rm ggplot 2\text{-}cheatsheet 2.0.pdf}$
- Interactive Plots and Maps Environmental Informatics
- ggplot2 Essentials STHDA
- NEON Working with Geospatial Data

Chapter 5

Analyze Spatial: sf

5.1 Overview

Questions

- How to elegantly conduct complex spatial analysis by chaining operations?
- What is the percent area of water by region across the United States?

Objectives

- Use the %>% operator (aka "then" or "pipe") to pass output from one function into input of the next.
- Calculate metrics on spatial attributes.
- Aggregate spatial data with metrics.
- Display a map of results.

5.2 Prerequisites

R Skill Level: Intermediate - you've got basics of R down.

You will use the sf package for vector data along with the dplyr package for calculating and manipulating attribute data.

```
# load packages
library(tidyverse) # load dplyr, tidyr, ggplot2 packages
library(sf) # vector reading & analysis

# set working directory to data folder
# setwd("pathToDirHere")
```

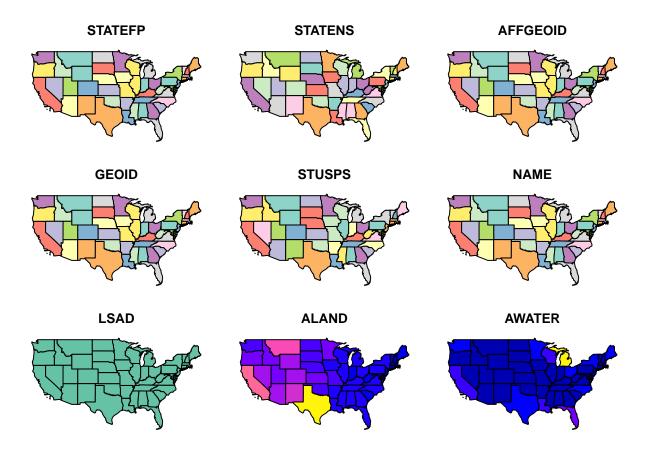
5.3 States: read and plot

Similar to Lesson 9: Handling Spatial Projection & CRS in R, we'll start by reading in a polygon shapefile using the sf package. Then use the default plot() function to see what it looks like.

```
library(here)
states_shp <- here("data/neon-us-boundary/US-State-Boundaries-Census-2014.shp")</pre>
```

```
# read in states
states <- read_sf(states_shp)
# plot the states
plot(states)</pre>
```

Warning: plotting the first 9 out of 10 attributes; use max.plot = 10 to ## plot all

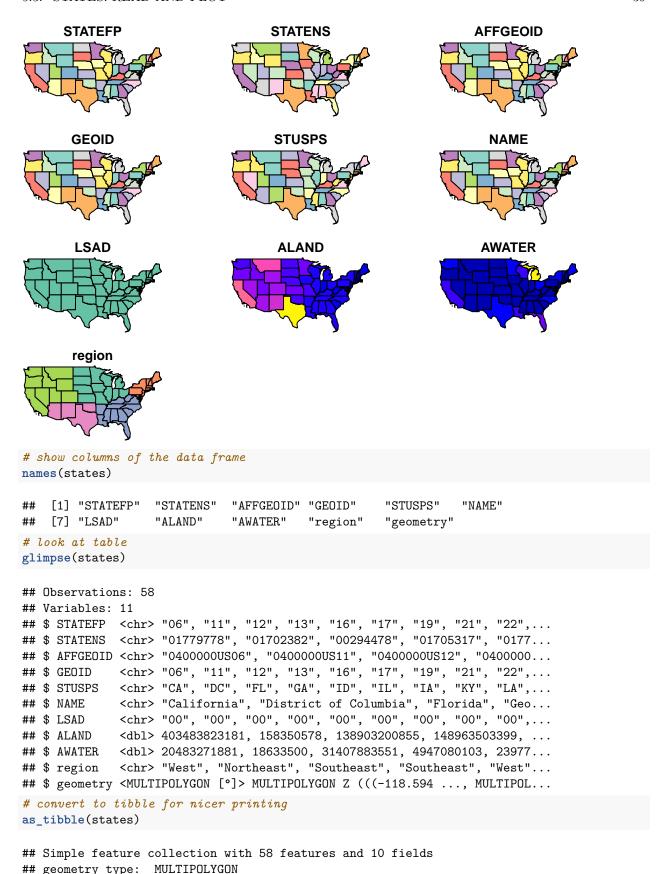


Notice the default plot on $\tt sf$ objects outputs colorized values of the first 9 of 10 columns. Use the suggestion from the warning to plot the 10th column.

```
# plot 10th column
plot(states, max.plot = 10)
```

dimension:

XYZ



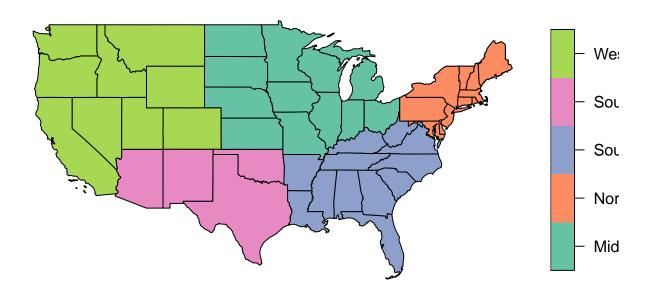
```
## bbox:
                   xmin: -124.7258 ymin: 24.49813 xmax: -66.9499 ymax: 49.38436
                   4326
## epsg (SRID):
                   +proj=longlat +datum=WGS84 +no_defs
## proj4string:
  # A tibble: 58 x 11
##
      STATEFP STATENS AFFGEOID GEOID STUSPS NAME LSAD
                                                            ALAND
                                                                   AWATER region
##
                                                            <dbl>
                                                                     <dbl> <chr>
      <chr>>
              <chr>>
                       <chr>>
                                <chr> <chr> <chr> <chr> <chr>
   1 06
              017797~ 0400000~ 06
                                              Cali~ 00
                                                          4.03e11 2.05e10 West
##
                                      CA
                                              Dist~ 00
##
    2 11
              017023~ 0400000~ 11
                                      DC
                                                          1.58e 8 1.86e 7 North~
##
    3 12
              002944~ 0400000~ 12
                                      FL
                                             Flor~ 00
                                                          1.39e11 3.14e10 South~
##
   4 13
              017053~ 0400000~ 13
                                      GA
                                              Geor~ 00
                                                          1.49e11 4.95e 9 South~
##
    5 16
              017797~ 0400000~ 16
                                      ID
                                              Idaho 00
                                                          2.14e11 2.40e 9 West
    6 17
              017797~ 0400000~ 17
                                              Illi~ 00
                                                          1.44e11 6.20e 9 Midwe~
##
                                      IL
##
    7 19
              017797~ 0400000~ 19
                                      ΙA
                                              Iowa 00
                                                          1.45e11 1.08e 9 Midwe~
   8 21
              017797~ 0400000~ 21
                                      ΚY
                                              Kent~ 00
                                                          1.02e11 2.39e 9 South~
##
## 9 22
              016295~ 0400000~ 22
                                              Loui~ 00
                                                          1.12e11 2.38e10 South~
                                      LA
## 10 24
              017149~ 0400000~ 24
                                      MD
                                              Mary~ 00
                                                          2.51e10 6.98e 9 North~
## # ... with 48 more rows, and 1 more variable: geometry <MULTIPOLYGON [°]>
names(states)
    [1] "STATEFP"
                   "STATENS"
                               "AFFGEOID" "GEOID"
                                                      "STUSPS"
                                                                  "NAME"
    [7] "LSAD"
                   "ALAND"
                               "AWATER"
                                           "region"
                                                      "geometry"
# inspect the class(es) of the states object
class(states)
## [1] "sf"
                     "tbl_df"
                                  "tbl"
                                                "data.frame"
```

The class of the states object is both a simple feature (sf) as well as a data frame, which means the many useful functions available to a data frame (or "tibble") can be applied.

To plot the column of interest, feed the "slice" of that column to the plot() function.

```
plot(states['region'])
```

region



Question: To motivate the spatial analysis for the rest of this lesson, you will answer this question: "What is the percent water by region?"

5.4 Challenge: analytical steps?

Outline a sequence of analytical steps needed to arrive at the answer.

5.4.1 Answers

4 Southw~

5 West

- 1. Sum the area of water (AWATER) and land (ALAND) per region.
- 2. Divide the area of water (AWATER) by the area of land (ALAND) per region to arrive at percent water.
- 3. Show **table** of regions sorted by percent water.
- 4. Show map of regions by percent water with a color ramp and legend.

5.5 Regions: calculate % water

- Use the %>% operator (aka "then" or "pipe") to pass output from one function into input of the next.
 - In RStudio, see menu Help > Keyboard Shortcuts Help for a shortcut to the "Insert Pipe Operator".
- Calculate metrics on spatial attributes.
 - In RStudio, see menu Help > Cheatsheets > Data Manipulation with dplyr, tidyr.
- Aggregate spatial data with metrics.

2.42e10 1.46e12

5.76e10 2.43e12

```
regions = states %>%
  group_by(region) %>%
  summarize(
   water = sum(AWATER),
   land = sum(ALAND)) %>%
   pct_water = water / land * 100 %>% round(2))
# object
regions
## Simple feature collection with 5 features and 4 fields
## geometry type: GEOMETRY
## dimension:
                   XYZ
## bbox:
                   xmin: -124.7258 ymin: 24.49813 xmax: -66.9499 ymax: 49.38436
## epsg (SRID):
                   4326
## proj4string:
                   +proj=longlat +datum=WGS84 +no defs
## # A tibble: 5 x 5
##
    region
                water
                           land pct_water
                                                                     geometry
                                                                <GEOMETRY [°]>
##
     <chr>
                 <dbl>
                          <dbl>
                                    <dbl>
              1.84e11 1.94e12
                                     9.49 MULTIPOLYGON Z (((-82.86334 41.693~
## 1 Midwest
                                    12.5 MULTIPOLYGON Z (((-76.04621 38.025~
## 2 Northe~
              1.09e11 8.69e11
## 3 Southe~
              1.04e11 1.36e12
                                    7.61 MULTIPOLYGON Z (((-81.81169 24.568~
```

Notice the geometry in the column. To remove the geometry column pipe to st_set_geometry(NULL). To arrange in descending order use arrange(desc(pct_water)).

1.66 POLYGON Z ((-94.48587 33.63787 0, ~ 2.37 MULTIPOLYGON Z (((-118.594 33.0359~

```
# table
regions %>%
st_set_geometry(NULL) %>%
arrange(desc(pct_water))
```

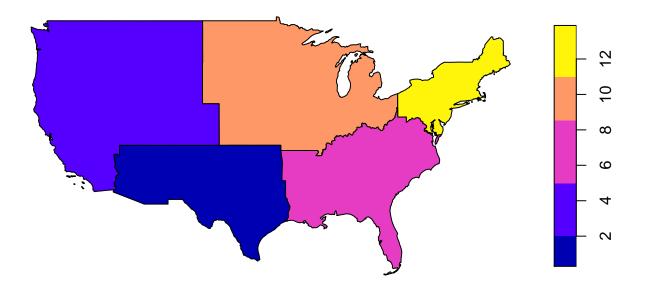
```
## # A tibble: 5 x 4
##
    region
                      water
                                     land pct_water
##
     <chr>
                      <dbl>
                                              <dbl>
## 1 Northeast 108922434345 869066138232
                                              12.5
## 2 Midwest 184383393833 1943869253244
                                               9.49
## 3 Southeast 103876652998 1364632039655
                                               7.61
## 4 West
               57568049509 2432336444730
                                               2.37
## 5 Southwest 24217682268 1462631530997
                                               1.66
```

5.6 Regions: plot

Now plot the regions.

```
# plot, default
plot(regions['pct_water'])
```

pct_water



5.7 Regions: ggplot

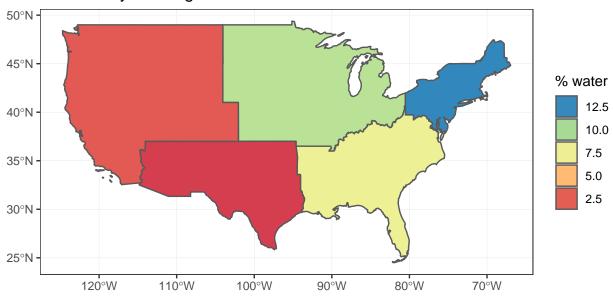
The ggplot2 library can visualise sf objects.

• In RStudio, see menu Help > Cheatsheets > Data Visualization with ggplot2.

```
# plot, ggplot
ggplot(regions) +
geom_sf(aes(fill = pct_water)) +
```

```
scale_fill_distiller(
   "pct_water", palette = "Spectral", direction=1,
   guide = guide_legend(title = "% water", reverse=T)) +
theme_bw() +
ggtitle("% Water by US Region")
```

% Water by US Region



5.8 Regions: recalculate area

So far you've used the ALAND column for area of the state. But what if you were not provided the area and needed to calculate it? Because the states are in geographic coordinates, you'll need to either transform to an equal area projection and calculate area, or use geodesic calculations. Thankfully, the sf library provides area calculations with the st_area() and uses the geosphere::distGeo() to perform geodesic calculations (ie trigonometric calculation accounting for the spheroid nature of the earth). Since the states data has the unusual aspect of a z dimension, you'll need to first remove that with the st_zm() function.

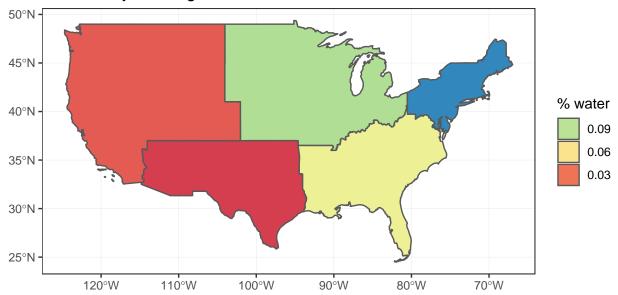
```
library(geosphere)
library(units)

regions = states %>%
  mutate(
    water_m2 = AWATER %>% set_units(m^2),
    land_m2 = geometry %>% st_zm() %>% st_area()) %>%
  group_by(region) %>%
  summarize(
    water_m2 = sum(water_m2),
    land_m2 = sum(land_m2)) %>%
  mutate(
    pct_water = water_m2 / land_m2)

# table
regions %>%
  st_set_geometry(NULL) %>%
```

arrange(desc(pct_water)) ## # A tibble: 5 x 4 region water m2 land_m2 pct_water ## <chr>> $[m^2]$ [m^2] [1] ## 1 Northeast 108922434345 9.117041e+11 0.11947126 184383393833 1.987268e+12 0.09278233 ## 2 Midwest ## 3 Southeast 103876652998 1.427079e+12 0.07278971 57568049509 2.467170e+12 0.02333363 ## 4 West ## 5 Southwest 24217682268 1.483765e+12 0.01632178 # plot, ggplot ggplot(regions) + geom_sf(aes(fill = as.numeric(pct_water))) + scale_fill_distiller("pct_water", palette = "Spectral", direction=1, guide = guide_legend(title = "% water", reverse=T)) + theme bw() + ggtitle("% Water by US Region")

% Water by US Region



5.9 Challenge: project & recalculate area

Use st_transform() with a USA Contiguous Albers Equal Area Conic Projection that minimizes distoration, and then calculate area using the st_area() function.

5.9.1 Answers

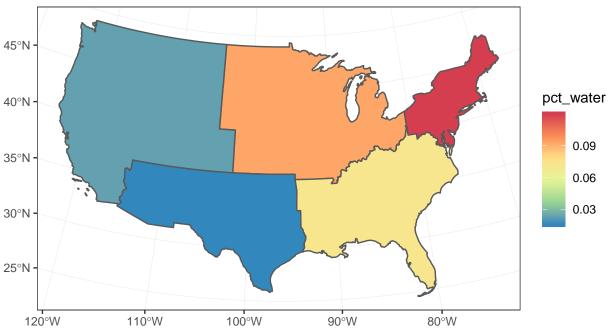
```
library(geosphere)
library(units)
# Proj4 of http://spatialreference.org/ref/esri/usa-contiguous-albers-equal-area-conic/
```

```
crs_usa = '+proj=aea +lat_1=29.5 +lat_2=45.5 +lat_0=37.5 +lon_0=-96 +x_0=0 +y_0=0 +ellps=GRS80 +datum=N
regions = states %>%
    st_transform(crs_usa) %>%
    mutate(
        water_m2 = AWATER %>% set_units(m^2),
        land_m2 = geometry %>% st_zm() %>% st_area()) %>%
    group_by(region) %>%
    summarize(
        water_m2 = sum(water_m2),
        land_m2 = sum(land_m2)) %>%
    mutate(
        pct_water = water_m2 / land_m2)

# table
regions %>%
    st_set_geometry(NULL) %>%
    arrange(desc(pct_water))
```

```
## # A tibble: 5 x 4
     region
##
                   water_m2
                                 land_m2 pct_water
##
     <chr>
                      [m^2]
                                   [m^2]
                                                [1]
## 1 Northeast 108922434345 9.117031e+11 0.11947138
## 2 Midwest 184383393833 1.987266e+12 0.09278246
## 3 Southeast 103876652998 1.427078e+12 0.07278973
## 4 West
              57568049509 2.467167e+12 0.02333367
## 5 Southwest 24217682268 1.483758e+12 0.01632185
# plot, ggplot
ggplot(regions) +
  geom_sf(aes(fill = as.numeric(pct_water))) +
  scale_fill_distiller("pct_water", palette = "Spectral") +
  theme bw() +
  ggtitle("% Water (geodesic) by US Region")
```





5.10 Key Points

- The sf package can take advantage of chaining spatial operations using the %>% operator.
- Data manipulation functions in dplyr such as group_by(), summarize() and mutate() work on sf objects.
- Area can be calculated a variety of ways. Geodesic is preferred if starting with geographic coordinates (vs projected).

Chapter 6

Interactive Map: leaflet

6.1 Overview

Questions

 How do you generate interactive plots of spatial data to enable pan, zoom and hover/click for more detail?

Objectives

Learn variety of methods for producing interactive spatial output using libraries:

- plotly: makes any ggplot2 object interactive
- mapview: quick view of any spatial object
- leaflet: full control over interactive map

6.2 Things You'll Need to Complete this Tutorial

 ${\bf R}$ Skill Level: Intermediate - you've got basics of R down.

We will continue to use the sf and raster packages and introduce the plotly, mapview, and leaflet packages in this tutorial.

```
# load packages
library(tidyverse) # loads dplyr, tidyr, ggplot2 packages
library(sf) # simple features package - vector
library(raster) # raster
library(plotly) # makes ggplot objects interactive
library(mapview) # quick interactive viewing of spatial objects
library(leaflet) # interactive maps

# set working directory to data folder
# setwd("pathToDirHere")
```

6.3 States: ggplot2

Recreate the ggplot object from Lesson ?? and save into a variable for subsequent use with the plotly package.

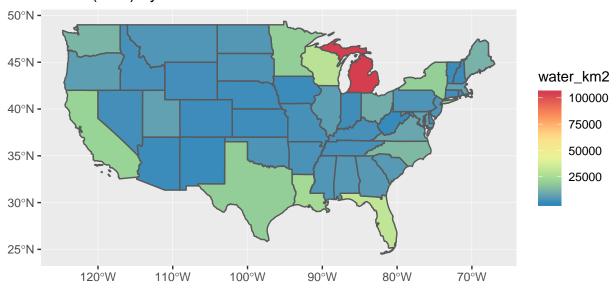
```
library(here)

states_shp <- here("data/neon-us-boundary/US-State-Boundaries-Census-2014.shp")

# read in states
states <- read_sf(states_shp) %>%
    st_zm() %>%
    mutate(
        water_km2 = (AWATER / (1000*1000)) %>% round(2))

# plot, ggplot
g = ggplot(states) +
    geom_sf(aes(fill = water_km2)) +
    scale_fill_distiller("water_km2", palette = "Spectral") +
    ggtitle("Water (km2) by State")
g
```

Water (km2) by State



6.4 States: plotly

The plotly::ggplotly() function outputs a ggplot into an interactive window capable of pan, zoom and identify.

```
library(plotly)
ggplotly(g)
```

6.5. STATES: MAPVIEW

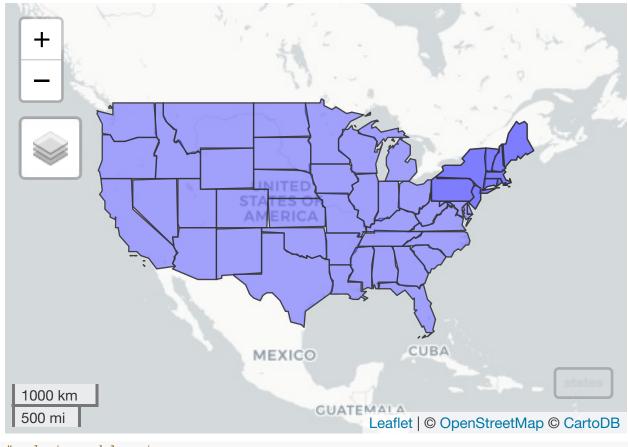
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6.5 States: mapview

The mapview::mapview() function can work for a quick view of the data, providing choropleths, background maps and attribute popups. Performance varies on the object and customization can be tricky.

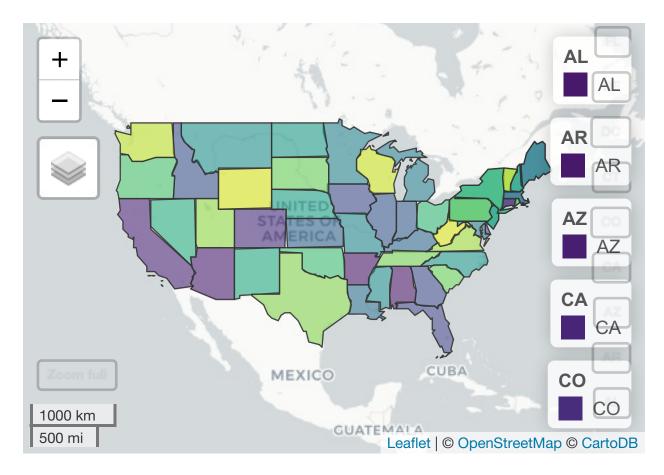
```
library(mapview)

# simple view with popups
mapview(states)
```



coloring and layering
mapview(states, zcol='water_km2', burst='STUSPS')

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6.6 States: leaflet

The leaflet package offers a robust set of functions for viewing vector and raster data, although requires more explicit functions.

```
library(leaflet)

leaflet(states) %>%
  addTiles() %>%
  addPolygons()
```

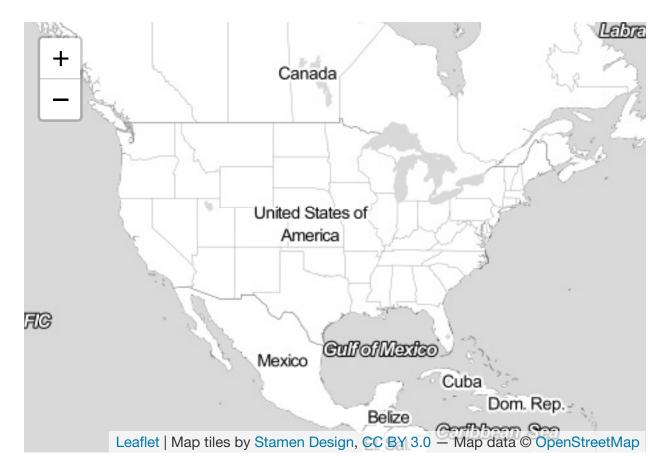


6.6.1 Choropleth

Drawing from the documentation from Leaflet for R - Choropleths, we can construct a pretty choropleth.

```
pal <- colorBin("Blues", domain = states$water_km2, bins = 7)</pre>
leaflet(states) %>%
  addProviderTiles("Stamen.TonerLite") %>%
  addPolygons(
    # fill
    fillColor = ~pal(water_km2),
    fillOpacity = 0.7,
    # line
    dashArray
                = "3",
    weight
                = "white",
    color
    opacity
                = 1,
    # interaction
    highlight = highlightOptions(
      weight = 5,
      color = "#666",
      dashArray = "",
      fillOpacity = 0.7,
      bringToFront = TRUE))
```

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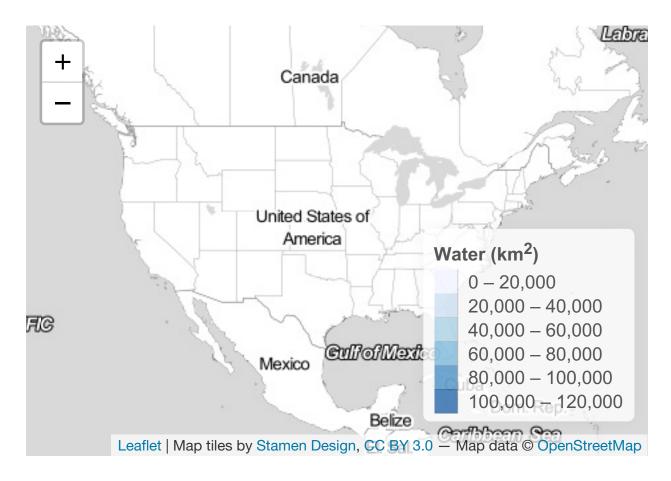


6.6.2 Popups and Legend

Adding a legend and popups requires a bit more work, but achieves a very aesthetically and functionally pleasing visualization.

```
library(htmltools)
library(scales)
labels <- sprintf(</pre>
  "<strong>%s</strong><br/> water: %s km<sup>2</sup>",
  states$NAME, comma(states$water_km2)) %>%
  lapply(HTML)
leaflet(states) %>%
  addProviderTiles("Stamen.TonerLite") %>%
  addPolygons(
    # fill
                = ~pal(water_km2),
    fillColor
    fillOpacity = 0.7,
    # line
                = "3",
    dashArray
    weight
                = "white",
    color
    opacity
                = 1,
    # interaction
```

```
highlight = highlightOptions(
    weight = 5,
    color = "#666",
    dashArray = "",
    fillOpacity = 0.7,
    bringToFront = TRUE),
label = labels,
labelOptions = labelOptions(
    style = list("font-weight" = "normal", padding = "3px 8px"),
    textsize = "15px",
    direction = "auto")) %>%
addLegend(
    pal = pal, values = ~water_km2, opacity = 0.7, title = HTML("Water (km<sup>2</sup>)"),
    position = "bottomright")
```

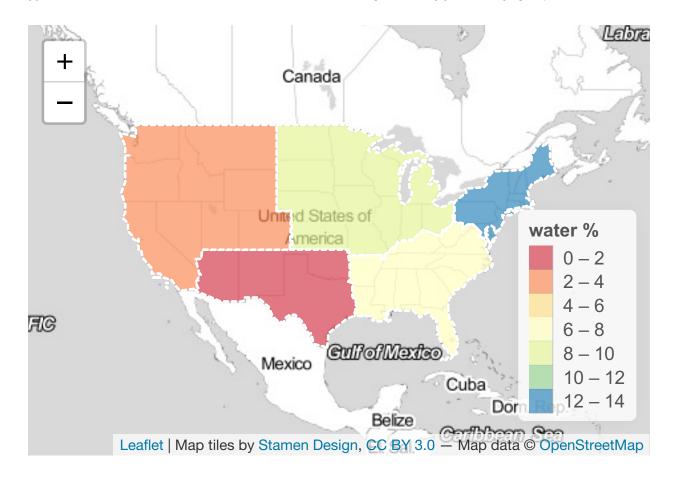


6.7 Challenge: leaflet for regions

Use Lesson ?? final output to create a regional choropleth with legend and popups for percent water by region.

6.7.1 Answers

```
regions = states %>%
  group_by(region) %>%
  summarize(
   water = sum(AWATER),
   land = sum(ALAND)) %>%
    pct_water = (water / land * 100) %>% round(2))
pal <- colorBin("Spectral", domain = regions$pct_water, bins = 5)</pre>
labels <- sprintf(</pre>
  "<strong>%s</strong><br/>water: %s%%",
  regions$region, comma(regions$pct_water)) %>%
  lapply(HTML)
leaflet(regions) %>%
  addProviderTiles("Stamen.TonerLite") %>%
  addPolygons(
    # fill
   fillColor = ~pal(pct_water),
   fillOpacity = 0.7,
    # line
    dashArray = "3",
   weight = 2,
   color
              = "white",
   opacity = 1,
    # interaction
   highlight = highlightOptions(
     weight = 5,
     color = "#666",
     dashArray = "",
     fillOpacity = 0.7,
      bringToFront = TRUE),
  label = labels,
  labelOptions = labelOptions(
    style = list("font-weight" = "normal", padding = "3px 8px"),
    textsize = "15px",
    direction = "auto")) %>%
  addLegend(
    pal = pal, values = ~pct_water, opacity = 0.7, title = "water %",
    position = "bottomright")
```



6.8 Raster: leaflet

TODO: show raster overlay using NEON raster dataset example

6.9 Key Points

- Interactive maps provide more detail for visual investigation, including use of background maps, but is only relevant in a web context.
- Several packages exist for providing interactive views of data.
- The plotly::ggplotly() function works quickly if you already have a ggplot object, which is best for static output.
- The mapview::mapview() function can work for a quick view of the data, providing choropleths, background maps and attribute popups. Performance varies on the object and customization can be tricky.
- The leaflet package provides a highly customizable set of functions for rendering of interactive choropleths with background maps, legends, etc.