SMI 606: Discovery Using Spatial Data Analysis

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Chipotle

Visualising the growth of Chipotle restaurants in space and time Prompted by an article in *Bloomberg Business* article on the 'oral history' of the company

LINK

https://www.bloomberg.com/graphics/2015-chipotle-oral-history/

Plan

Take data on store openings and locations Visualization:

 Plot and animate this data in multiple ways on a map of the US

Chipotle

US states on a map

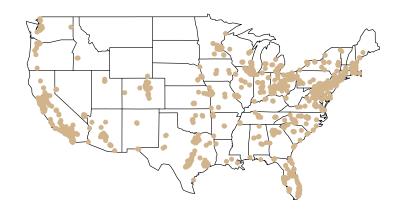
```
library(maps)
map(database="state")
```

(Not quite all) US states



Chipotles in (not quite all) US states

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Tan? Seriously?
How to find out what colours R knows about

```
cols <- colors()
length(cols)

[1] 657

cols[1:5]

[1] "white"          "aliceblue"

[3] "antiquewhite"          "antiquewhite1"

[5] "antiquewhite2"</pre>
```

Colour me burritofull

'Overplotting' is messy and uninformative Let's use some **transparency** to show Chipotle density

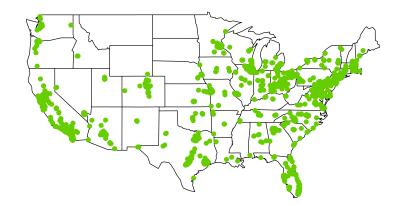
alpha transparency

For this we need to *build our own colour* It's going to cost us extra (extra R) but it's worth it

Colour me burritofull

Let's start with a nice avocado-ish green called 'chartreuse3'

Colour me burritofull



Chartreuse as RGB

There are a lot of ways to specify a colour numerically

- hue, chroma, and luminance: hcl
- ▶ hue, saturation and value: hsv
- this one:

```
grey(1:50 / 50)
```

But we'll use red, green, and blue: rgb

Chartreuse as RGB

```
rgb(1, 0, 0, 1) ## really really red
[1] "#FF0000FF"
```

100% red, 0% green, 0% blue, 100% opaque Let's find out what chartreuse3 really is

```
col2rgb('chartreuse3') ## careful: these are out of 255

[,1]
red 102
green 205
blue 0
```

Let's make a colour quite like this, but a bit transparent

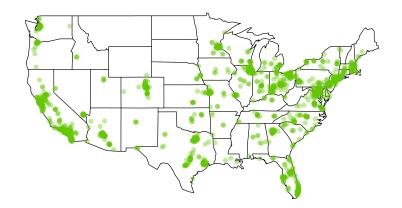
```
guac <- rgb(100/255, 200/255, 0, 0.4)
```

and use it to plot Chipotle locations



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Burritos in the space-time continuum

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In R:

- Subset the data
- Make a function to plot the stores
- ▶ Loop!

Function strategy:

- ► Figure out how to do something for a *particular* set of data
- Generalize to all similar data

Subsetting

How to get the data for just 2011: We have dates, but we want *years*

```
d <- chipotle$date[5] # store in 5th row of data
d</pre>
[1] "2013-04-09"
```

so let's make a variable year that we can subset on First we get the year part of the date

```
format(d, "%Y") # %m for month
[1] "2013"
```

This is a string, so we'll convert it to a number for convenient indexing

```
as.numeric(format(d, "%Y"))
[1] 2013
```

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Subsetting

Happily R will format and convert a vector of dates too, so let's use that fact and assign the result back to our data

```
chipotle$year <- as.numeric(format(chipotle$date, "%Y"))</pre>
```

So we can get 2011 data with a subset

```
one.year <- subset(chipotle, year==2011)
nrow(one.year)
[1] 147</pre>
```

Now we've got something to tell us what data to apply our function *to*

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Before

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Before

After

Wrap:

Note: *y* is going to be any year that makes sense so now we can say:

```
plot.year(2011)
```

Make a canvas to plot on

This bit is easy

```
map(database="state")
```

Make a canvas to plot on



Loop!

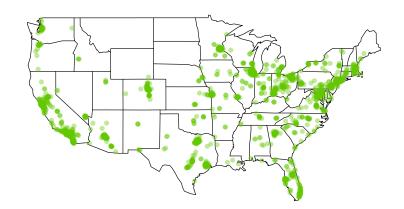
Let's plot all store openings through 2002

```
for (y in 1993:2002){
  plot.year(y)
}
```

Stores through 2002



Stores through 2014



Animation

We can use the animation library to animate. Example: Make an offering to IMGUR

```
library(animation)
saveGIF({
    for (i in 1993:2014) {
      map(database="state")
      for (y in 1993:i){
        plot.year(y)
      title(i)
  }, movie.name="chip.gif",
     outdir=getwd(),
     interval=0.5)
```

The rise of Chipotle

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http://dl.conjugateprior.org/chip.gif

Statewide burritofest

We can also colour the *entire state* according to the number of Chipotles in it

when regions are coloured according to a variable this is called a chloropleth map

e.g. colour a state more guac the more Chipotle's there are in it.

Statewide burritofest

In the book we colour states acording to their relative vote percentages, e.g.

▶ 45% red, 55% blue, 0% green

Here, we have just one colour: guac, and we will fade it in and out to represent number of stores

Alpha transparency again

Recall

- Behind each point is the (white) background
- ▶ When a point has a colour with alpha transparency *less than 1* then some white background (or another point) *shows through*

```
pstate <- tapply(chipotle$id, chipotle$state.name, length)
prop.state <- pstate / max(pstate) # so it's from 0 to 1
prop.state[1:5]

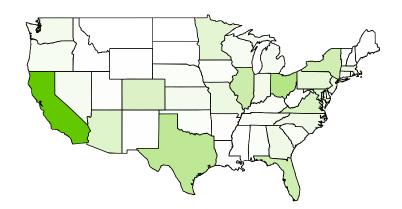
Alabama Arizona Arkansas
0.02795031 0.19875776 0.01242236
California Colorado
1.00000000 0.22670807</pre>
```

Chipotles by US state

```
map(database = "state")
for (i in 1:length(prop.state)){
   state <- names(prop.state)[i]
   if (state != "Alaska" &
       state != "District of Colombia"){

    state.col <- rgb(100/255, 200/255, 0, prop.state[i])
    map(database="state", regions=state,
       col=state.col, fill=TRUE, add=TRUE)
}
</pre>
```

Chipotles by US state



Population

Let's work instead with *Chipotle's per million people* (CPM) The (averaged) population data is called mpop

```
load('data/mpop.RData')
mpop[3:5,]

state pop
Arizona Arizona 5498967
Arkansas Arkansas 2727250
California California 35158366
pop.prop
Arizona 0.15640566
Arkansas 0.07757043
California 1.00000000
```

Population

We'll choose the amount of colour for state *i* according to

$$CPM_i = \frac{\text{number of chipotles in } i}{\text{population size in } i} \times 1000000$$

```
served <- merge(mpop,
    data.frame(state=names(pstate), count=pstate))
served$cpm <- served$count / served$pop * 1000000</pre>
```

Which states are better served with Chipotle's?

```
sort(served$cpm, decreasing=TRUE)[1:4]

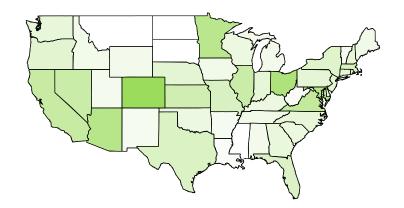
District of Colombia
25.42889
Colorado
16.22812
Ohio
13.26741
Arizona
11.63855
```

Normalise the measure so we can use it as an alpha transparency

```
served$norm.cpm <- served$cpm / max(served$cpm)</pre>
```

```
map(database = "state")
for (i in 1:nrow(served)){
   state <- served$state[i]
   if (state != "Alaska" &
        state != "District of Colombia"){

    state.col <- rgb(100/255, 200/255, 0, served$norm.cpm[i])
    map(database="state", regions=state,
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}
</pre>
```



Wrapping up

Maps are great! but do think carefully about what you're showing

The other kind of wrapping up

