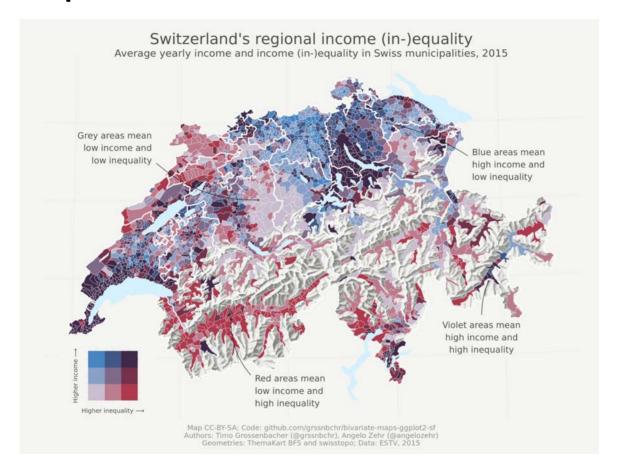
Visualizing Spatial Data

(static and interactive maps)



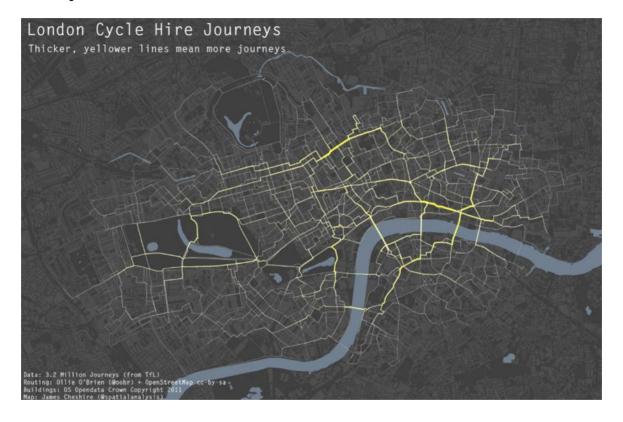
R has great map-making functionality!

This map was created in R



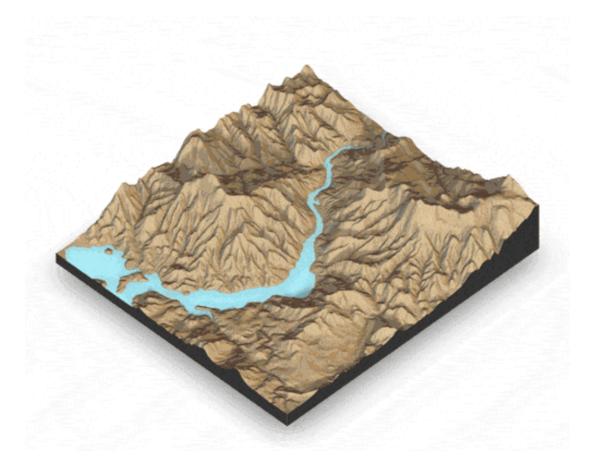
Source: Timo Grossenbacher

This map was created in R



Source: spatial.ly

This map was created in R



Source: rayshader

What packages should you use?

There are dozens of mapping-related packages in R

• But only a few are all-purpose

All-purpose static mapping

- The plot() function
- {tmap}
- {ggplot2} (we won't cover {ggplot2})

All-purpose interactive mapping

- {tmap}
- {mapview}
- {leaflet} (we won't cover {leaflet})

A lot of great packages for niche mapping needs

- {rayshader}
- {geogrid}
- {globe}
- {linemap}
- {cartogram}
- {cartography}
- {mapedit}
- {rasterVis}

Static mapping

Take home messages

- I use plot() for a quick look at data
- I use {tmap} for everything else
- {tmap} has an insane amount of customization allowed, we will only touch the surface

Why not ggplot2?

- I love ggplot2 and use it every day
- But I find making maps significantly easier in tmap
 - Can do almost anything in tmap
 - Easy to include just fill, just borders, etc
 - Interactive views
 - ∘ etc...

But I will show a ggplot-map at the end of this section

plot()

Yes plot() is not super exciting



But plot() is great for a quick look at your data

plot() has methods for vector and raster data

The packages need to be loaded to plot vector and raster data

Some setup: load packages

No need to type with me, you'll practice in the exercise

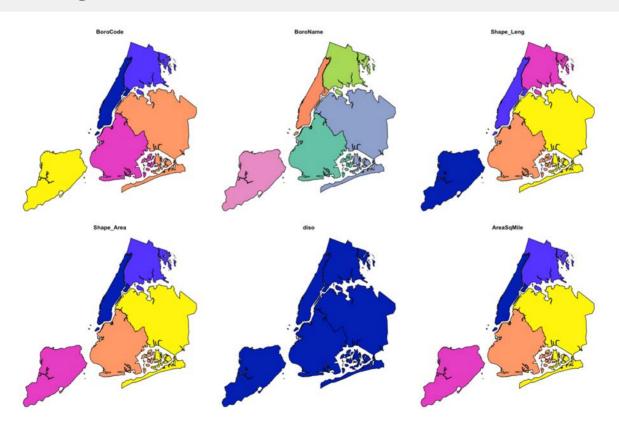
```
library(sf)  # read vectors
library(raster) # read rasters
library(tmap) # mapping
```

Some setup: read in NYC data

```
boroughs <- read_sf("boroughs.gpkg")
schools <- read_sf("schools.shp")
canopy <- raster("canopy.grd")</pre>
```

With vectors the default is to plot the attributes

plot(boroughs)

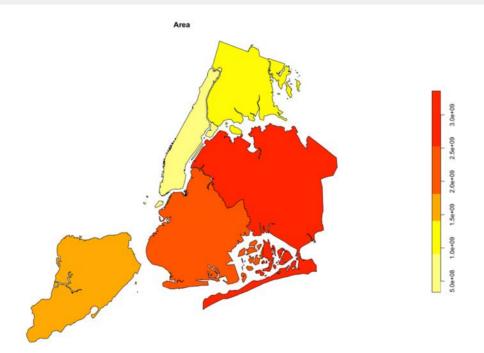


I don't really like this default



You can plot a single attribute

```
plot(boroughs['Shape_Area'], main = "Area",
    pal = rev(heat.colors(5)))
```



For a quick look at vectors, I often just want the geometry

- You can extract just the geometry with st_geometry()
- Then call plot() on the output

st_geometry() and then plot

st_geometry(boroughs) %>% plot()



Or wrap the two functions

plot(st_geometry(boroughs))

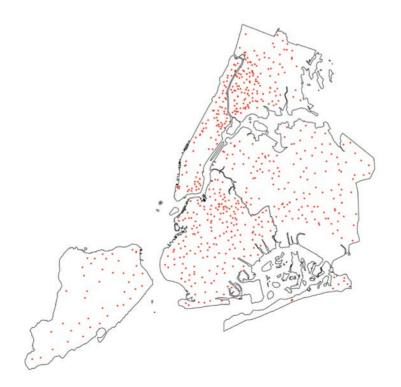


Try to memorize this concept/code

```
st_geometry(boroughs) %>% plot()
plot(st_geometry(boroughs))
```

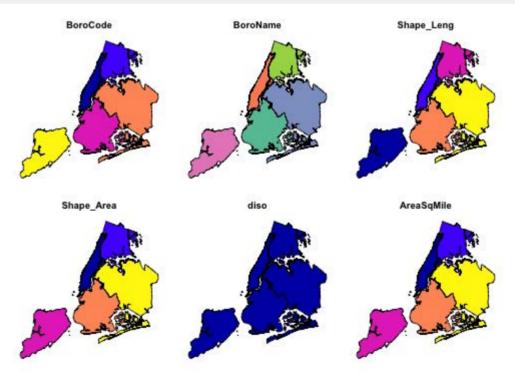
To combine layers with plot() use add = TRUE

```
plot(st_geometry(boroughs))
plot(st_geometry(schools), add = TRUE,
    pch = 16, col = "red", cex = 0.5)
```



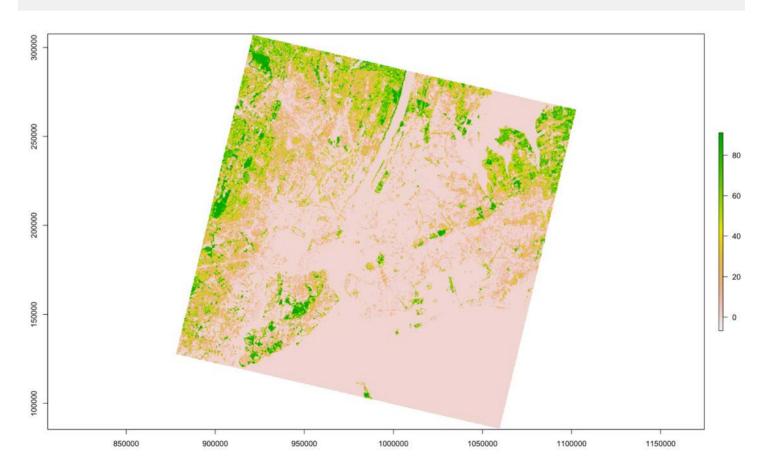
Careful with add = TRUE, only works with st_geometry()

```
# This won't work!
plot(boroughs)
plot(schools, add = TRUE)
```



Easy to use plot() with rasters

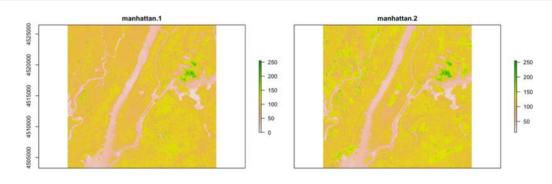
plot(canopy) # a single band raster

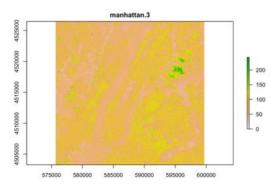


If your raster has multiple layers (like an image) ...

plot() maps each layer separately

plot(manhattan)





If your raster has a red, green and blue layer (like an image)

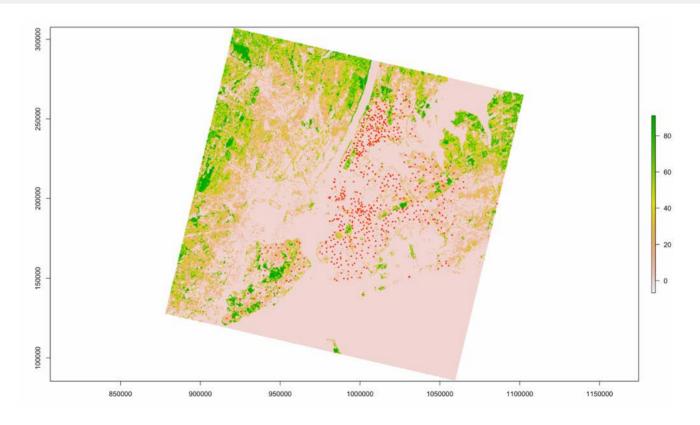
You can plot them together...

plotRGB(manhattan)



Combine rasters and vectors with plot()

```
plot(canopy)
plot(st_geometry(schools), add = T,
    pch = 16, col = "red", cex = 0.5)
```



For more sophisticated and fun static maps I use {tmap}

{tmap}

So much control with {tmap}!

```
tm_text(text, size = 1, col = NA, root = 3, clustering = FAL
  size.lim = NA, sizes.legend = NULL, sizes.legend.labels =
  sizes.legend.text = "Abc", n = 5, style = ifelse(is.null(b))
  "pretty", "fixed"), breaks = NULL, interval.closure = "lef
  palette = NULL, labels = NULL, labels.text = NA, midpoint
  stretch.palette = TRUE, contrast = NA, colorNA = NA,
  textNA = "Missing", showNA = NA, colorNULL = NA, fontface
  fontfamily = NA, alpha = NA, case = NA, shadow = FALSE,
  bg.color = NA, bg.alpha = NA, size.lowerbound = 0.4,
  print.tiny = FALSE, scale = 1, auto.placement = FALSE,
  remove.overlap = FALSE, along.lines = FALSE,
  overwrite.lines = FALSE, just = "center", xmod = 0, ymod =
  title.size = NA, title.col = NA, legend.size.show = TRUE,
  legend.col.show = TRUE, legend.format = list(),
 legend.size.is.portrait = FALSE, legend.col.is.portrait =
 legend.size.reverse = FALSE, legend.col.reverse = FALSE,
 legend.hist = FALSE, legend.hist.title = NA, legend.size.z
 legend.col.z = NA, legend.hist.z = NA, group = NA,
  auto.palette.mapping = NULL, max.categories = NULL)
```

{tmap} syntax is similar to {ggplot2}



A short-cut qtm()

Instead of plot() I often use this

qtm(boroughs)



Add multiple layers based on one input

```
tm_shape(boroughs) +
  tm_polygons() +
  tm_dots(size = 2) +
  tm_text("BoroName", col = "red", size = 1.5)
```



Or multiple different layers using multiple shapes

```
tm_shape(boroughs) + tm_borders() +
  tm_shape(schools) + tm_dots(size = 0.25)
```



You can also save parts of the map and reuse

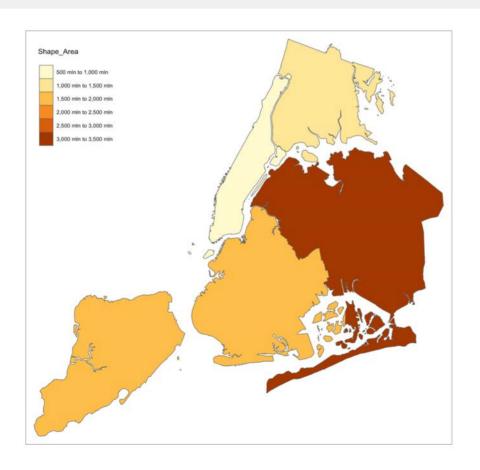
```
mymap <- tm_shape(boroughs) + tm_polygons()

mymap + tm_dots(size = 2) +
  tm_text("BoroName", col = "red")</pre>
```



Choropleth (color-coded map) based on a variable. So easy!

tm_shape(boroughs) + tm_polygons("Shape_Area")



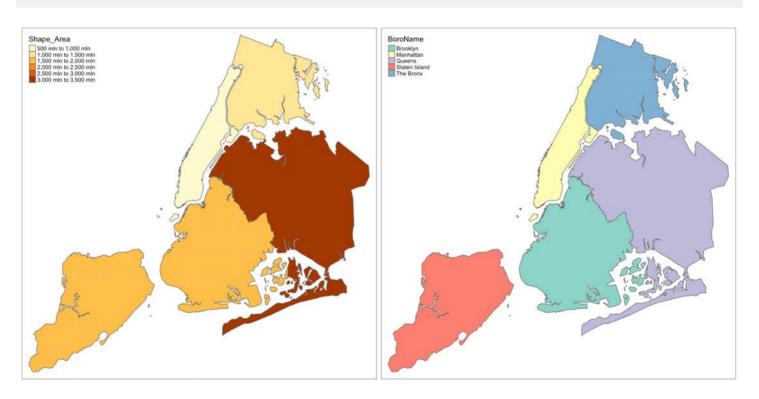
Or show an attribute with tm_symbols()

```
tm_shape(boroughs) + tm_borders() +
  tm_symbols("Shape_Area", scale = 2)
```



Plot multiple variables at once

tm_shape(boroughs) + tm_polygons(c("Shape_Area", "BoroName")

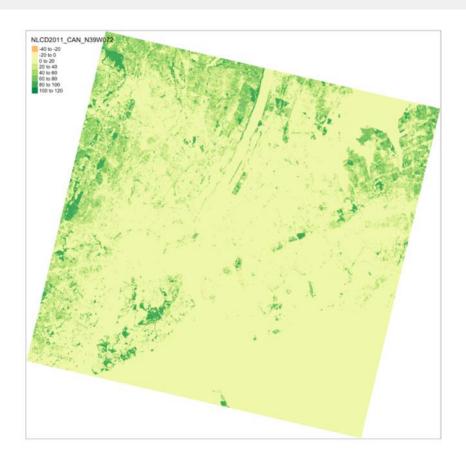


tm_shape() can accept vector or raster



Single-band raster with tm_raster()

```
tm_shape(canopy) + tm_raster()
```



A multi-layer raster with tm_rgb()

```
tm_shape(manhattan) + tm_rgb()
```



Vector and raster

```
tm_shape(manhattan) + tm_rgb()+
  tm_shape(boroughs) + tm_borders(col = "white", lwd = 2)
```



Include a basemap in your map

Use a function from the companion package, {tmaptools}

```
osmtiles <- tmaptools::read_osm(boroughs,
  type="stamen-terrain")</pre>
```

Include a basemap in your map

```
tm_shape(osmtiles) + tm_raster() +
  tm_shape(boroughs) +
  tm_borders(lwd = 2, col = "yellow")
```

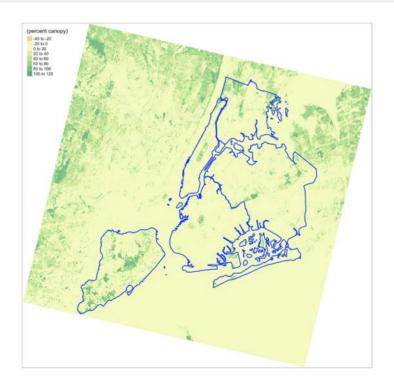


Map extent is driven by the "master"

- First shape is master by default
- in tm_shape() can use is.master = TRUE

Here is the default (extent based on raster)

```
tm_shape(canopy) +
  tm_raster(title = "(percent canopy)", alpha = 0.75) +
  tm_shape(boroughs) + tm_borders(lwd = 2, col = "blue")
```



Force the extent to be the polygon borders

```
tm_shape(canopy) +
  tm_raster(title = "(percent canopy)", alpha = 0.75) +
  tm_shape(boroughs, is.master = TRUE) + tm_borders(lwd = 2,
```

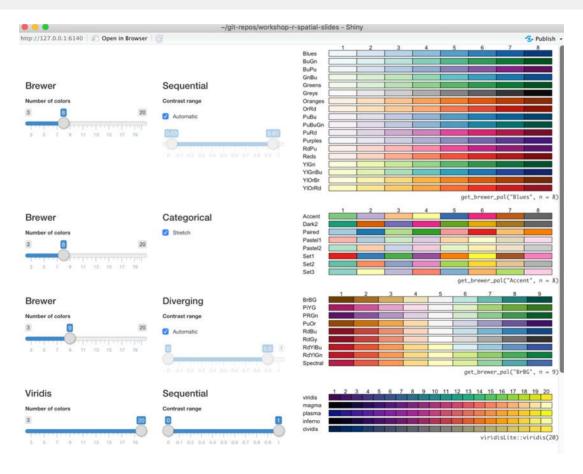


Using color palettes in tmap

- viridis
- RColorBrewer

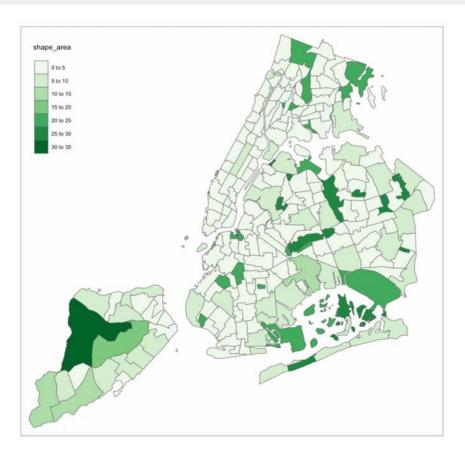
palette_explorer() is great

tmaptools::palette_explorer()



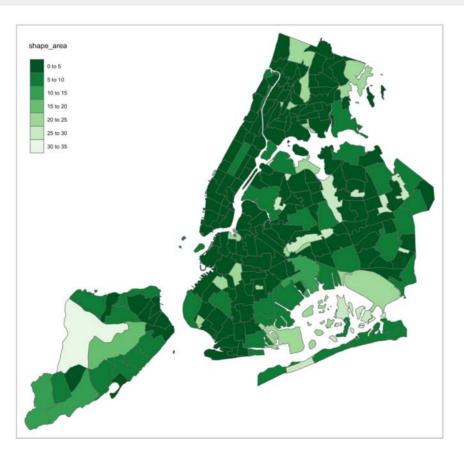
Use a palette with the pal argument

```
tm_shape(neighborhoods) +
  tm_polygons("shape_area", n = 5, pal = "Greens")
```



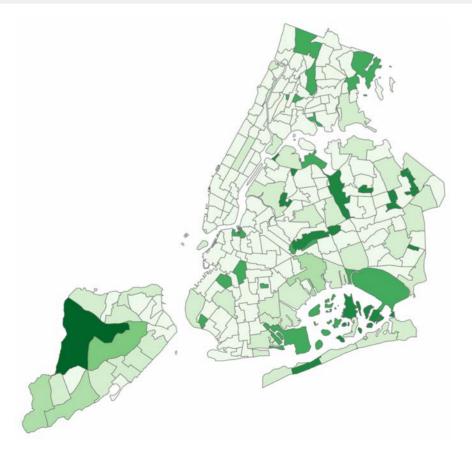
Use – to reverse the palette

```
tm_shape(neighborhoods) +
  tm_polygons("shape_area", n = 5, pal = "-Greens")
```



Alter the map layout with tm_layout()

```
tm_shape(neighborhoods) +
  tm_polygons("shape_area", n = 5, pal = "Greens") +
  tm_layout(legend.show = FALSE, frame = FALSE)
```



Save your maps with tmap_save()

```
mymap <- tm_shape(boroughs) + tm_polygons()
tmap_save(mymap, "mymap.png")</pre>
```

It's easy to include more than one map in an image with tmap_arrange()

```
# Create three maps
m1 <- tm_shape(boroughs) + tm_polygons()
m2 <- tm_shape(neighborhoods) + tm_polygons()
m3 <- tm_shape(schools) + tm_dots(size = 0.25)</pre>
```

Arrange them on one image

```
tmap_arrange(m1, m2, m3, nrow = 1)
```







So many great other functions to explore

- tmap_save()
- tm_layout()
- tm_style()
- tm_facets()
- tm_animation()
- tm_scale_bar()
- tm_compass()

As promised earlier, three slides on mapping with {ggplot2}

{ggplot2} has a special layer for {sf} objects

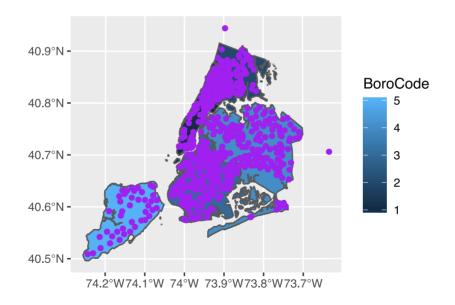
• geom_sf()

With geom_sf() no need to specify x and y

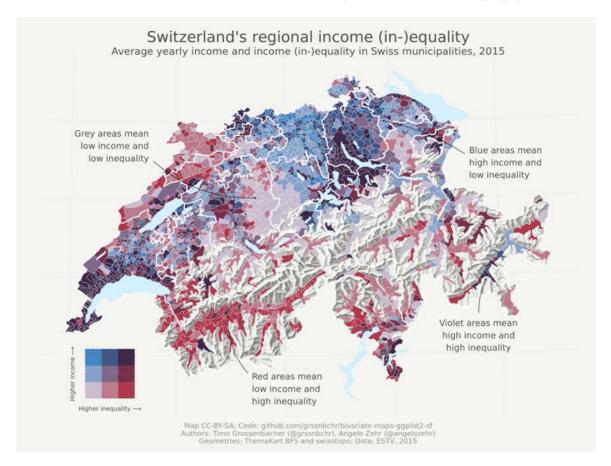
• Unlike geom_line(), geom_points() etc

To create a choropleth use aes() with the fill argument

```
library(ggplot2)
ggplot() +
  geom_sf(data = boroughs, aes(fill = BoroCode)) +
  geom_sf(data = schools, color = "purple")
```



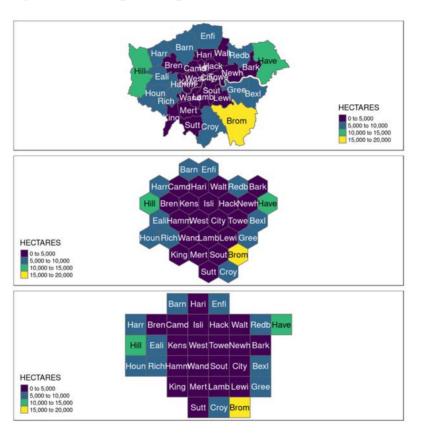
You can also make nice maps with {ggplot2}



Source: Timo Grossenbacher

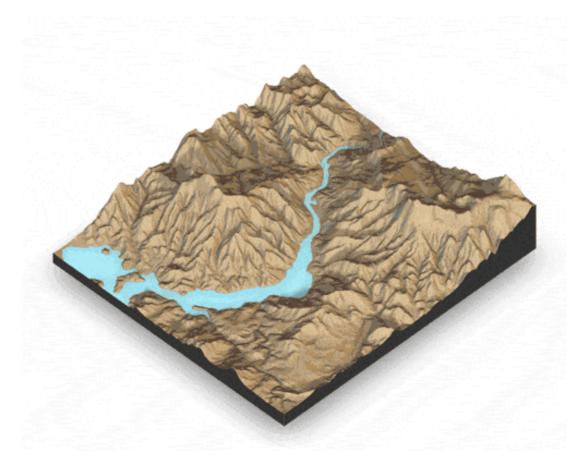
Keep in mind, there are other packages worth exploring

Quick example of geogrid



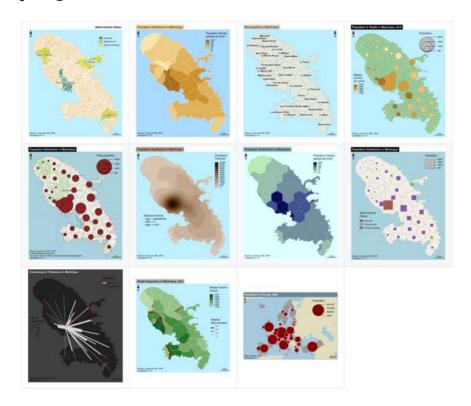
https://github.com/jbaileyh/geogrid

Hillshading with rayshader



https://github.com/tylermorganwall/rayshader

Cartographic representations with {cartography}



https://github.com/riatelab/cartography

open_exercise(3) and work on activity 1-9 then stop

Interactive maps

There are two packages I use for interactive maps

- {mapview} (for a quick interactive look)
- {tmap} (for a more polished interactive map)

Why not RStudio's {leaflet}

- Main reason is it requires layers to be unprojected (we will discuss)
- There are work-arounds like leafletCRS()
- But {tmap} and {mapview} do a great job

Both {tmap} and {mapview} also use the Leaflet JavaScript API



Since we're already talking about {tmap} let's start with {tmap}

Remember this static {tmap} from earlier?



Use tmap_mode() to change from static to interactive

```
tmap_mode("plot") # default
my_map
```



So easy to make it interactive

```
tmap_mode("view") # make interactive
my_map # recreate plot
```

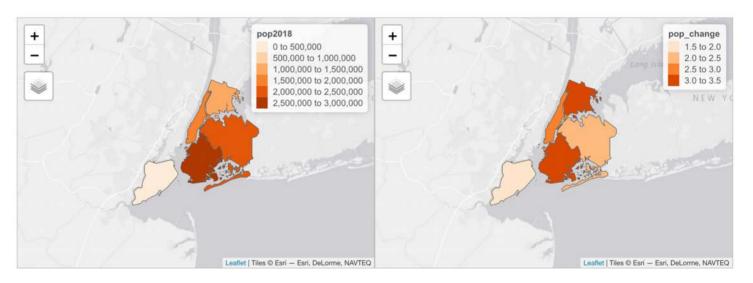


Running tmap_mode() with no argument will give the current mode

```
tmap_mode()
# current tmap mode is "view"
```

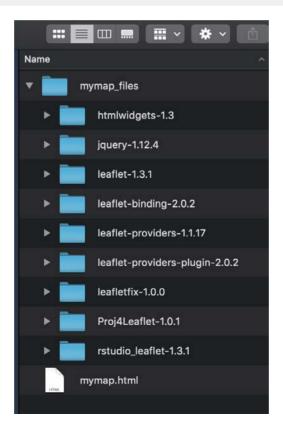
tmap can do side-by-side linked plots

```
tmap_mode("view")
tm_shape(boroughs) +
  tm_polygons(c("pop2018", "pop_change"),
    palette = "Oranges")
```



Save your interactive tmap with tmap_save()

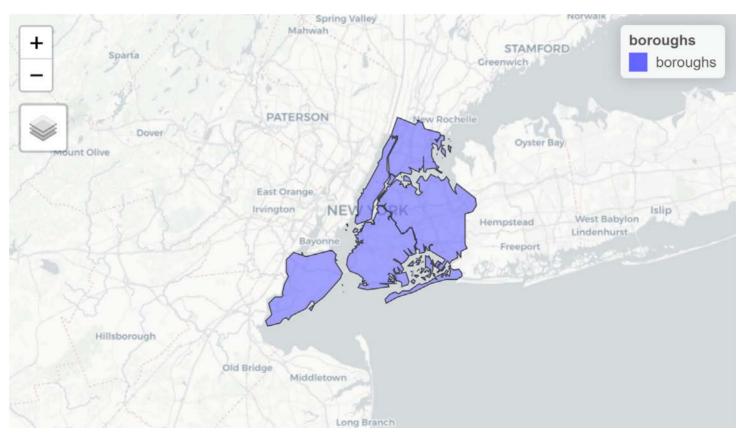
```
mymap <- tm_shape(boroughs) + tm_polygons()
tmap_save(mymap, "mymap.html")</pre>
```



{mapview}

Great for a quick interactive look at data

library(mapview)
mapview(boroughs)



Like {tmap}, a lot of customization allowed

```
mapview(x, map = NULL,
   maxpixels = mapviewGetOption("mapview.maxpixels"),
   col.regions = mapviewGetOption("raster.palette")(256), at
   na.color = mapviewGetOption("na.color"), use.layer.names =
   values = NULL, map.types = mapviewGetOption("basemaps"),
   alpha.regions = 0.8, legend = mapviewGetOption("legend"),
   legend.opacity = 1, trim = TRUE,
   verbose = mapviewGetOption("verbose"), layer.name = NULL,
   homebutton = TRUE, native.crs = FALSE, method = c("bilinea"ngb"), label = TRUE, query.type = c("mousemove", "click")
   query.digits, query.position = "topright", query.prefix =
   viewer.suppress = FALSE, ...)
```

And easier than...

```
tmap_mode("view")
tm_shape(boroughs) + tm_polygons()
```

Multiple layers in one map with list()

library(mapview)
mapview(list(boroughs, schools))

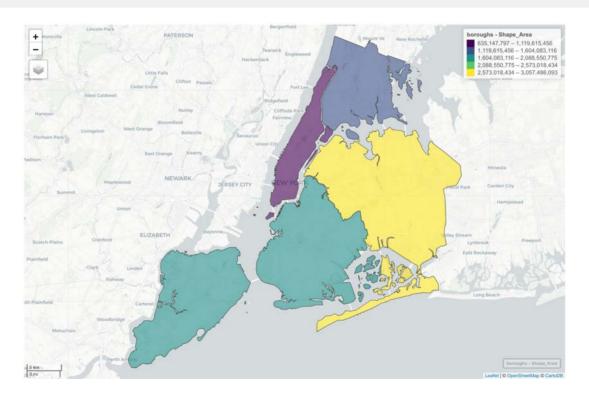


Alternative syntax for multiple layers

```
mapview(boroughs) + mapview(schools)
mapview(boroughs) + schools
```

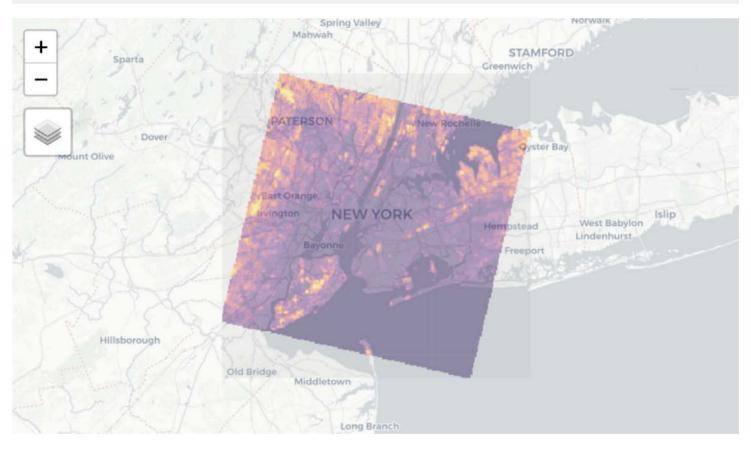
Color-code based on an attribute use the zcol argument

mapview(boroughs, zcol = "Shape_Area")



Also allows rasters

```
mapview(canopy, alpha.regions = 0.4)
```



Saving your mapview interactive map with mapshot

Output is very similar to {tmap} (html file and folder)

```
mymap <- mapview(boroughs)
mapshot(mymap, "mymap.html")</pre>
```

For both static and interactive maps

- You can include in R markdown
- You can include in shiny application
- If you save with tmap_save() or mapshot() you can upload the files directly to a server

open_exercise(3) and finish