

Interactive Data Visualization in R

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Packages

ggplot

- ▶ general data visualization package

ggmap

- ▶ built on top of ggplot for maps

shiny

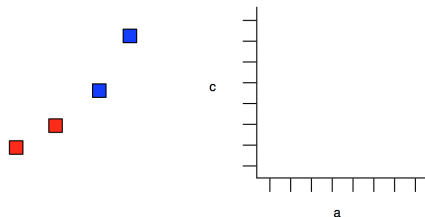
- ▶ R based web framework

Motivating example

`http://www.calands.org/map`

Layered grammar of graphics

- ▶ ggplot2 follows a specific grammar of graphics



Geoms

Guides
(from scales and
coordinate systems)



Plot

Example taken from Hadley Wickham's book

<http://vita.had.co.nz/papers/layered-grammar.pdf>

How to make a plot

- ▶ Geometric objects (geom)
- ▶ Aesthetic mapping (aes)
- ▶ Statistical transformation (stat)
- ▶ Scales and coordinate system

Geoms

- ▶ Wide range of geometric objects from points to complex shapes
- ▶ `geom_point`, `geom_line`, `geom_polygon`...
- ▶ Multiple geometric objects on the same plot with `+`

Aesthetics

- ▶ Coordinate positions (always needed)
- ▶ Colour, fill, shape, size. . .

Data + mapping

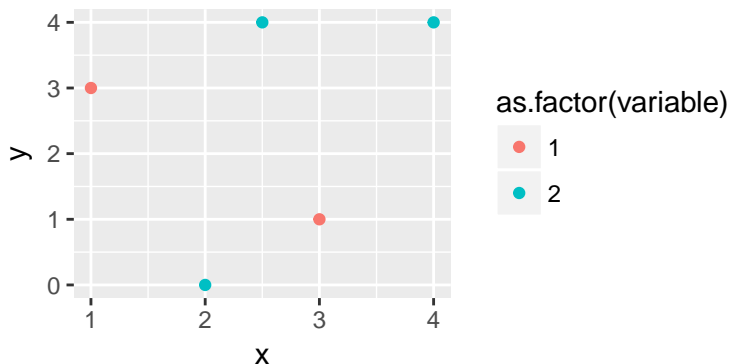
- ▶ `aes()` maps a dataframe to geom
- ▶ Each geom can have its own mapping

```
geom_point(data, aes(x, y))
```


Points

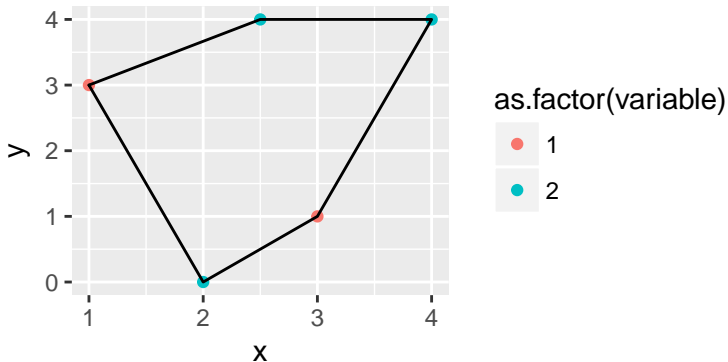
```
## Warning: package 'ggplot2' was built under R version 3.2
```

```
ggplot(data=example) +  
  geom_point(aes(x=x, y=y, colour=as.factor(variable)))
```



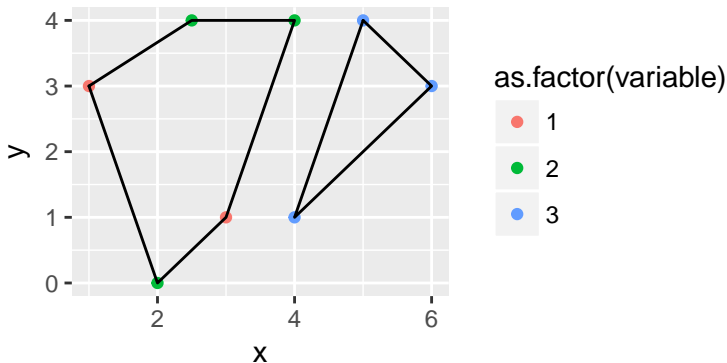
Shape

```
ggplot(data=example) +  
  geom_point(aes(x=x, y=y, colour=as.factor(variable))) +  
  geom_polygon(aes(x=x, y=y), colour='black', fill=NA)
```



Polygons

```
example$group <- 1  
triangle$group <- 2  
both <- rbind(example, triangle)  
ggplot(data=both) +  
  geom_point(aes(x=x, y=y, colour=as.factor(variable))) +  
  geom_polygon(aes(x=x, y=y, group=group), colour='black',
```



States dataframe

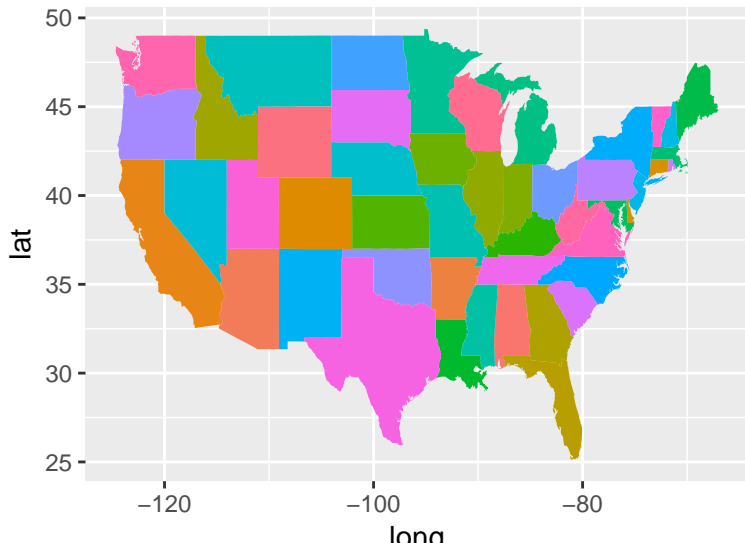
```
library(ggmap)
library(maps)

states <- map_data('state')
head(states)
```

##		long	lat	group	order	region	subregion
## 1	-87.46201	30.38968	1	1	alabama	<NA>	
## 2	-87.48493	30.37249	1	2	alabama	<NA>	
## 3	-87.52503	30.37249	1	3	alabama	<NA>	
## 4	-87.53076	30.33239	1	4	alabama	<NA>	
## 5	-87.57087	30.32665	1	5	alabama	<NA>	
## 6	-87.58806	30.32665	1	6	alabama	<NA>	

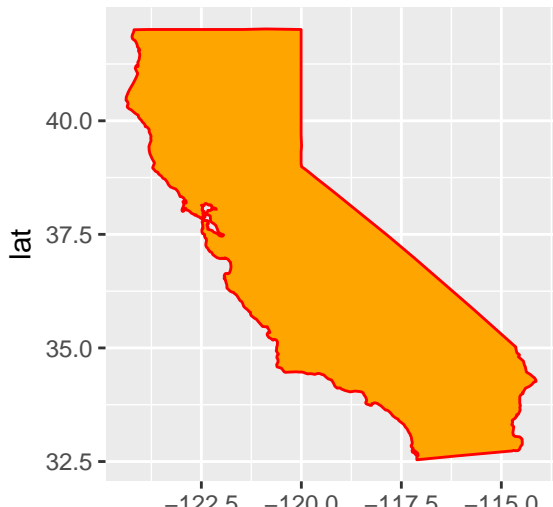
USA

```
ggplot(data=states) +  
  geom_polygon(aes(x=long, y=lat, group=group, fill=region))
```



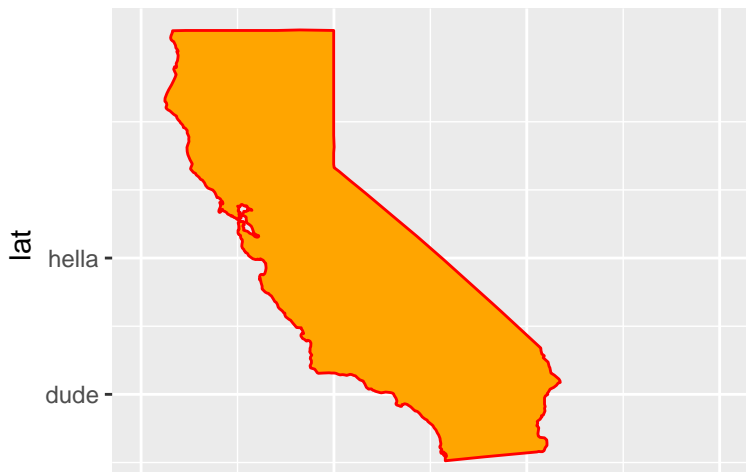
California

```
california <- states[states$region == 'california', ]  
ggplot(data=california) +  
  geom_polygon(aes(x=long, y=lat), fill='orange', color='red')
```



Custom scale

```
ggplot(data=california) +  
  geom_polygon(aes(x=long, y=lat), fill='orange', color='red') +  
  scale_x_continuous(limits=c(-125, -110)) +  
  scale_y_continuous(breaks=c(34, 37), labels=c('dude', 'hella'))
```



Details

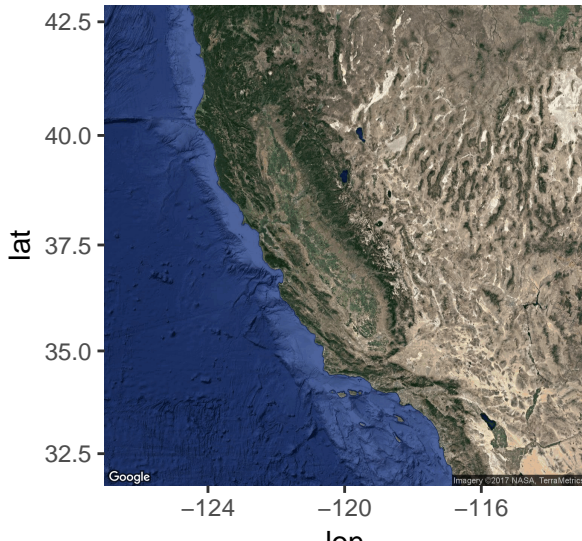
- ▶ Theme
- ▶ `http://docs.ggplot2.org/current/theme.html`

ggmap

`https://github.com/dkahle/ggmap`

get_map

```
cali <- get_googlemap(center=c(lon=-120, lat=37.5), maptype=
ggmap(cali)
```

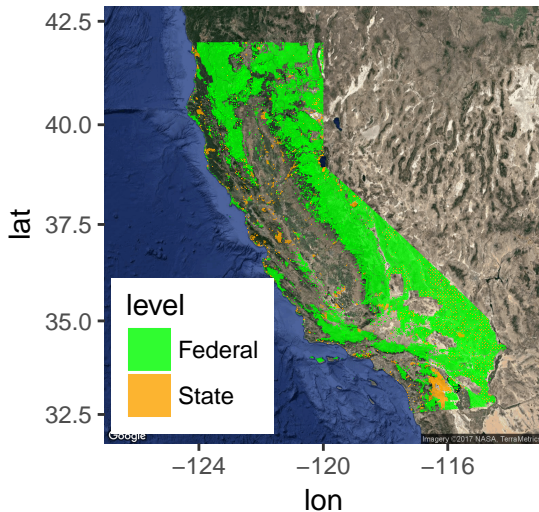


Shapefile

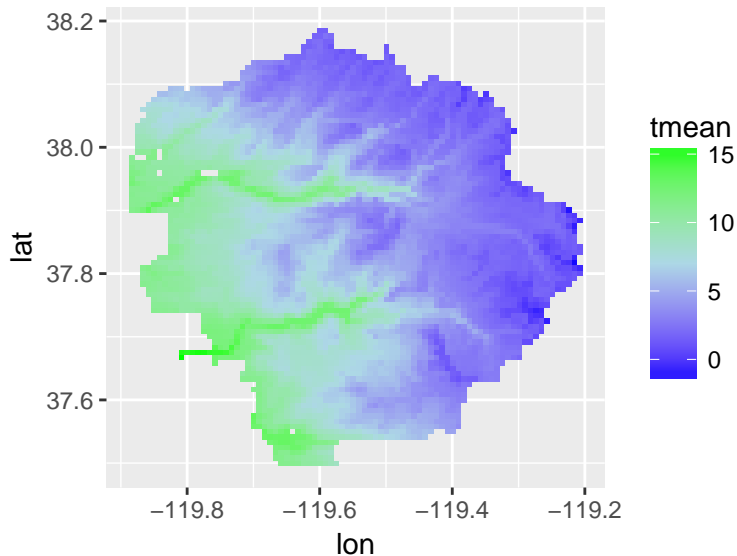
```
setwd('/Users/linggeli/Downloads/CAPD')
CAPD <- readOGR('.', 'CPAD_2016b1_SuperUnits')
CAPD <- spTransform(CAPD, CRS("+proj=longlat +ellps=WGS84 +  
proj4string(CAPD) <- CRS("+proj=longlat +ellps=WGS84 +towgs  
state <- CAPD[CAPD$MNG_AG_LEV == 'State', ]  
state <- fortify(state)  
state.low <- unique(data.frame(long=round(state$long, 2), ]
```

Protected areas

Protected Lands in California



geom_raster



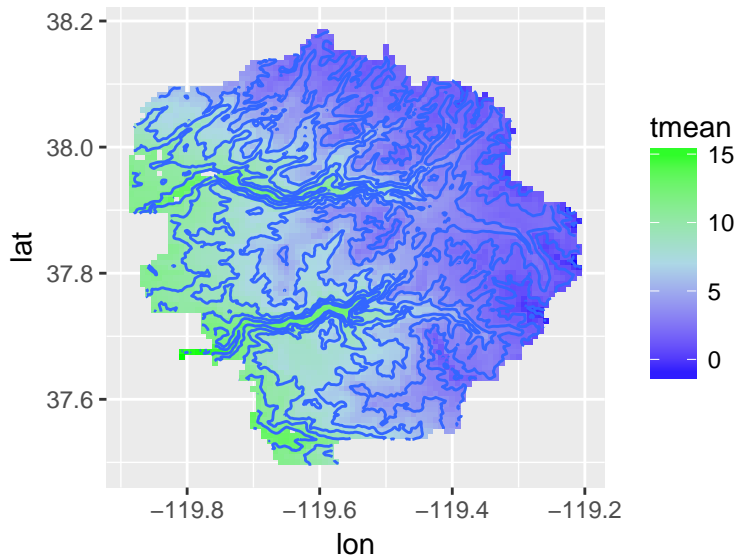
geom_raster

```
tmean_yosemite <- mask(tmean, yosemite)
tmean_yosemite <- trim(tmean_yosemite)

df <- data.frame(rasterToPoints(tmean_yosemite))
names(df)[1:3] <- c('lon', 'lat', 'tmean')

ggplot() +
  geom_raster(data=df, aes(x=lon, y=lat, fill=tmean)) +
  scale_fill_gradient2(low='blue', mid='lightblue', high='g
```

geom_contour



geom_contour

```
ggplot() +  
  geom_tile(data=df, aes(x=lon, y=lat, fill=tmean)) +  
  geom_contour(data=NED.df, aes(x=lon, y=lat, z=elevation),  
    scale_fill_gradient2(low='blue', mid='lightblue', high='g
```


What is Shiny

- ▶ A framework for building web applications
- ▶ Best for interactive data visualization
- ▶ Apps for exploratory analysis

```
http://shiny.datascience.uci.edu/  
UCIDataScienceInitiative/ClimateActionShiny/  
http://shiny.datascience.uci.edu/  
uciMetropolitanFutures/employment_centers/
```

Server and UI

- ▶ ui.R has everything you see

input widgets, plots, tables. . .

- ▶ server.R does the work

```
shinyServer(function(input, output) {  
  
})  
  
shinyUI(fluidPage(  
  
))
```

Input

- ▶ Input handled by specific widgets
- ▶ Each input has an id
- ▶ Access input value with `input$id`

<http://shiny.rstudio.com/gallery/widget-gallery.html>

Output

- ▶ Output rendered in server with `output$`
- ▶ Then displayed in ui

```
library(shiny)
shinyServer(function(input, output) {
  output$histogram <- renderPlot({
    hist(faithful$eruptions)
  })
})

shinyUI(fluidPage(
  plotOutput(outputId='histogram')
))
```

Several types of output

- ▶ `plotOutput` (`imageOutput`)
- ▶ `tableOutput` (`dataTableOutput`)
- ▶ `textOutput` (`html`)
- ▶ `verbatimTextOutput` (`console`)
- ▶ `htmlOutput` (`uiOutput`)

Reactive environment

- ▶ Triggered when input changes
- ▶ Output changes accordingly
- ▶ Rendering functions reactive

Example

```
library(shiny)
library(ggplot2)
library(ggmap)

shinyServer(function(input, output) {

  load('/Users/linggeli/Downloads/CAPD/parks.Rda')

  output$distPlot <- renderPlot({
    cali <- get_googlemap(center=c(lon=-120, lat=37.5), map
    ggmap(cali) +
      geom_polygon(data=parks, aes(x=long, y=lat, group=group))
  })

})
```

```
shinyUI(fluidPage(
  plotOutput('distPlot', height='640px')
```

Slide to zoom

```
shinyUI(fluidPage(  
  sliderInput('res', label='Zoom', min=6, max=9, value=6),  
  plotOutput('distPlot', height='640px')  
))
```

```
output$distPlot <- renderPlot({  
  cali <- get_googlemap(center=c(lon=-120, lat=37.5), map  
  ggmap(cali) +  
    geom_polygon(data=parks, aes(x=long, y=lat, group=gro  
  })
```

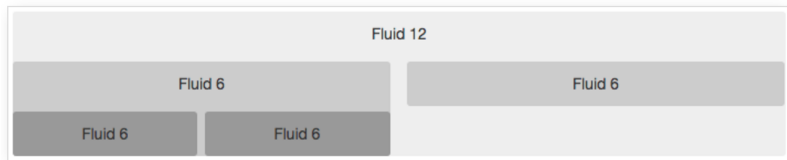

Double click to move

```
location <- reactiveValues(x=-120, y=37.5)

observeEvent(input$plot_dbclick, {
  current <- input$plot_dbclick
  location$x <- current$x
  location$y <- current$y
})
```

Layout

- ▶ Fluid grid layout (similar to bootstrap)
- ▶ 12 columns every row
- ▶ Tabset



Other packages

- ▶ Widgets for Javascript data visualization

<http://www.htmlwidgets.org/>

Resources

- ▶ Documentation

<http://docs.ggplot2.org/current/>

- ▶ Gallery with source code

<http://shiny.rstudio.com/gallery/>

- ▶ Cheatsheets

<https://www.rstudio.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/03/ggplot2-cheatsheet.pdf>

<http://shiny.rstudio.com/images/shiny-cheatsheet.pdf>