

Using R as a GIS

load the needed package

```
>library(GISTools)
```

load the data we need

```
>data(ewhaven)
```

what objects were loaded from the data

```
>ls()
```

what are the classes of the objects

```
>class(roads)
```

```
>class(blocks)
```

```
>class(breach)
```

let's look at more detailed information

```
>summary(breach)
```

or look at them in a longer version

```
>breach
```

let's look at each attribute of a layer solely

```
>breach$Long
```

```
>breach$Lat
```

lets try it with a line layer

```
>roads
```

```
>summary(roads)
```

lets see how the layers pop out

```
>plot(blocks)
```

```
>plot(roads, add=T, col="grey")
```

```
>plot(breach, col="red", add=T, pch=15)
```

let's get rid of extra white spaces

```
>?par
```

```
>par(mar=c(0,0,1,0))
```

```
>plot(blocks)
```

```
>plot(roads, add=T, col="grey")
```

```
>plot(breach, col="red", add=T, pch=16)
```

add scale

```
>map.scale(534750, 152000, miles2ft(2), "Miles", 4, 0.5)
```

Adding the north arrow

```
>north.arrow(534750, 155000, miles2ft(0.25), col="grey")
```

adding title

```
>title("Breaches of the peace, New Haven, CT")
```

Mapping Spatial Objects

clearing out the environment for next activity

```
>rm(list=ls())
```

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```
>library(GISTools)
```

load new data set

```
>data("eorgia")
```

let's see what objectives of the data set

```
>ls()
```

let's figure out what variables georgia layer has

```
>names(Georgia)
```

let's look at the countries of the state of Georgia

```
>plot(georgia)
```

```
#### let's make process of the mapping a little more fun
```

```
>plot(georgia, col="red")
```

```
>plot(eorgia, col="red", bg="wheat", lwd=3, border="blue")
```

```
### we can call one of the variables from the layer and just look at that
```

```
>georgia$PctRural
```

```
### another way to call a variable
```

```
data.frame(georgia)[,4]
```

```
##### More mapping tools #####
```

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```

```
#### load a data
```

```
>data(ewhaven)
```

```
#### we can make a shade plot based on one of the information that is included in the layers. Here we are trying to make a color shaded map based on the proportion of vacant properties
```

```
>choropleth(blocks, blocks$P_VACANT)
```

```
##### creating a shading mP by defining categories
```

```
#### we are trying to define the shade color and number of categories
```

```
>shades <- auto.shading(blocks$P_VACANT, cols=brewer.pal(5, "Greens"))
```

```
#### drawing the shaded graph based on vacant properties but following the 5 categories
```

```
>choropleth(blocks, blocks$P_VACANT, shading=shades)
```

```
#### adding the legend for categories
```

```
>choro.legend(533000, 161000, shades, title="Prop. vacant")
```

```
#### adding a layer of points on the map
```

```
>plot(breach, col="red", pch=16, add=T, cex=0.6)
```

```
##### Creating and importing GIS layers #####
```

```
#### importing our own data (x and Y) and turning it into spatial data file
```

```
#### we are generating some random points with minimum and maximum longitude and latitude of breach layer
```

```
>xmin <- min(breach$Long)
```

```
>xmax <- max(breach$Long)
```

```
>ymin <- min(breach$Lat)
```

```
>ymax <- max(breach$Lat)
```

```
>x <- runif(50, xmin, xmax)
```

```
>y <- runif(50, ymin, ymax)
```

```
# now plot the eandom points
```

```
>plot(x,y, add=T, col="blue")
```

```
#### combine the random points
```

```
>coords.tmp <- cbind(x,y)
```

```
#### give the points same projection as breach
```

```
>proj <- proj4string(breach)
```

```
#### turn them as a "SpatialPoints DataFrame
```

```
>points.spdf <- SpatialPointsDataFrame(coords.tmp, proj4string=CRS(proj), data=data.frame(cbind(x,y)))
```

```
#### clip the points and breach as the blocks polygon
```

```
# it is fine to get warnings
```

```
>points.clip <- gIntersection(points.spdf, blocks)
```

```
>breach.clip <- gIntersection(breach, blocks)
```

```
#### let's plot what we have made
```

```
>plot(blocks)
```

```
>plot(breach.clip, col="red", add=T, cex=0.6, pch=16)
```

```
>plot(points.clip, col="blue", add=T, cex=0.6, pch=16)
```

Mapping Raster data

call the data. These are from the "sp" package

```
>data("meuse.grid")
```

```
>data("meuse")
```

let's investigate more about the layers

```
>class(meuse.grid)
```

what are the variables in the data layer

```
>names(meuse.grid)
```

"meuse.grid" is a data frame and we need to turn it to "SpatialPixelsDataFrame"

the x and y are being used as latitude and longitude

```
>meuse.spatial <- SpatialPixelsDataFrame(points=meuse.grid[c("x", "y")],  
                                         data=meuse.grid)
```

let's plot them. But we are using spplot which is the plot from sp package

```
>spplot(meuse.spatial, "dist", col.regions=terrain.colors(20))
```

```
>spplot(meuse.spatial, "soil", col.regions=topo.colors(10))
```

```
>spplot(meuse.spatial, "ffreq", col.regions=heat.colors(20))
```