# Interactive heatmaps in R with d3heatmap and plotly

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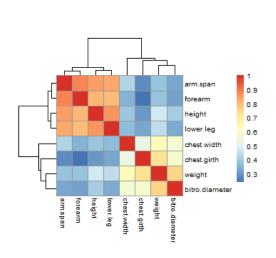


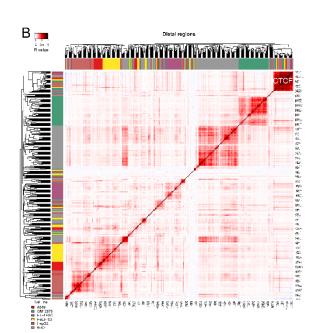
### Heatmaps are:

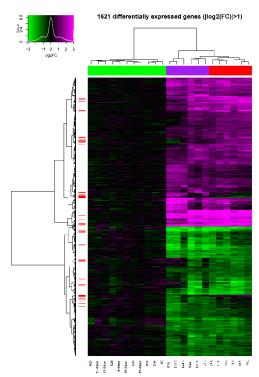
- 2D, colour-coded, visualisations of numeric matrix
- Usually done with heatmap(), heatmap.2(), pheatmap() or image()
- Super-useful to display big datasets

Can somehow be achieved by ggplot2, but no

one does that.







### Example datasets:

```
data("Harman23.cor")
```

#### **Description**

A correlation matrix of eight physical measurements on 305 girls between ages seven and seventeen.

```
data("volcano")
```

#### **Description**

Maunga Whau (Mt Eden) is one of about 50 volcanos in the Auckland volcanic field. This data set gives topographic information for Maunga Whau on a 10m by 10m grid.

## Heatmap with d3heatmap

- CRAN package by Rstudio
- Is an htmlwidget
- Inspired by heatmap() and heatmap.2()

```
install.packages("d3heatmap")
d3heatmap(Harman23.cor$cov)
                                       Link 1!
d3heatmap(volcano,
                                       Link 2!
          Rowv = FALSE,
          Colv = FALSE,
          dendrogram = "none",
          colors = topo.colors(50)
```

# Heatmap with d3heatmap

- Freeze browsers with large heatmap (500 x 500)
- How to save as a .html object with script?
- No "breaks" parameter
- No built-in colour legend
- Shiny compatible!

# Heatmap with plotly



- Canadian private company: <a href="https://plot.ly/">https://plot.ly/</a>
- API with everything: Python, R, Excel, Matlab, Julia, Igor Pro, Spotfire, Javascript, Node.js, Ruby, GO, F#, Arduino, Raspberry + write your own API
- Free to use, but requires registration
- Automatically upload and host your plots on *plotly* website (unless used in *Shiny*)
- Many different kinds of plots

# Heatmap with d3heatmap

```
install.packages("viridis")
install.packages("devtools")
devtools::install_github("ropensci/plotly")

Sys.setenv("plotly_username" = "your_plotly_username")
Sys.setenv("plotly_api_key" = "your_api_key")
```

```
plot_ly(z = Harman23.cor\$cov,
        x = colnames(Harman23.cor$cov),
        y = rownames(Harman23.cor$cov),
        colorscale = list(
            c(0, "rqb(255,255,255)"),
            c(1, "rqb(255,0,0)")
        zmin = 0,
        zmax = 1,
        type = "heatmap"
# Success! Created a new plotly here ->
https://plot.ly/~qdevailly/118
```

Link 3!

## Heatmap with plotly



- Unfriendly syntax
- No built-in clustering
- Built-in colour legend
- Shiny compatible!

## Performance test on big matrices:



Link 4! (source code)

#### d3heatmap



- R-friendly syntax
- In development



R-<u>un</u>friendly syntax

#### Alternative:

rCharts highcharts Link 5!

- Even less friendly than plotly
- Slower with big dataset
- No registration
- Export a standalone .html page with script!