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rdwd: R interface to German Weather Service data



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Main features of rdwd

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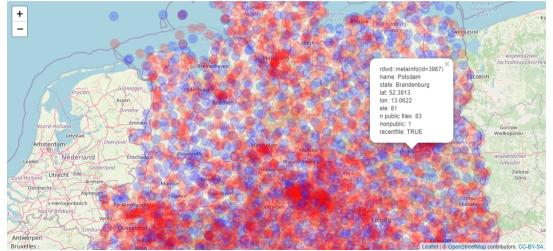
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interactive map of available stations







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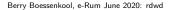
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```
colnames(clim)
```

```
## [1] "STATIONS_ID" "MESS_DATUM" "QN_3"

## [4] "FX.Windspitze" "FM.Windgeschwindigkeit" "QN_4"

## [7] "RSK.Niederschlagshoehe" "RSKF.Niederschlagsform" "SDK.Sonnenscheindauer"

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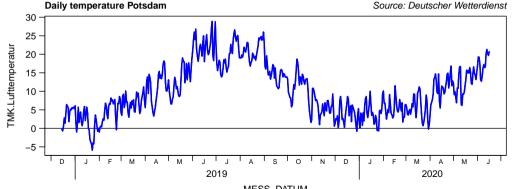
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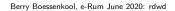
Usage example for observational data - further processing

```
plot(clim[,c(2,14)], type="l", xaxt="n", las=1, col="blue", lwd=2)
berryFunctions::monthAxis() ; abline(h=0)
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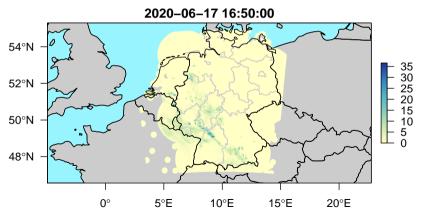
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