Python Library for Linguistic Typology

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Introduction

Problem:

- No Python tools for online linguistic databases queries.
- No Python tools for linguistic interactive mapping.

What exists?

- R package **lingtypology** that does both (Moroz 2017).

Why Python?

- De-facto standard language among linguists.
- A lot of scientific libraries (Pandas, SciPy etc.)
- Unicode out of the box.
- Relatively high speed.
- Versatile language.

Used Tools

- Python (Python Software Foundation 2019)
- Pandas (Augspurger et al. 2019)
- Folium (Filipe et al. 2019)
- Matplotlib (Caswell et al. 2019)
- PyGlottolog (Forkel 2019)
- OpenElevationAPI (Lourenço and Developer66 2019)
- SciPy (Jones, Oliphant, Peterson, et al. 2019)

Project Description

Remote Repository:

- https://github.com/OneAdder/lingtypology

Documentation:

- https://oneadder.github.io/lingtypology/

Modules:

- lingtypology.maps
- lingtypology.datasets
- lingtypology.glottolog

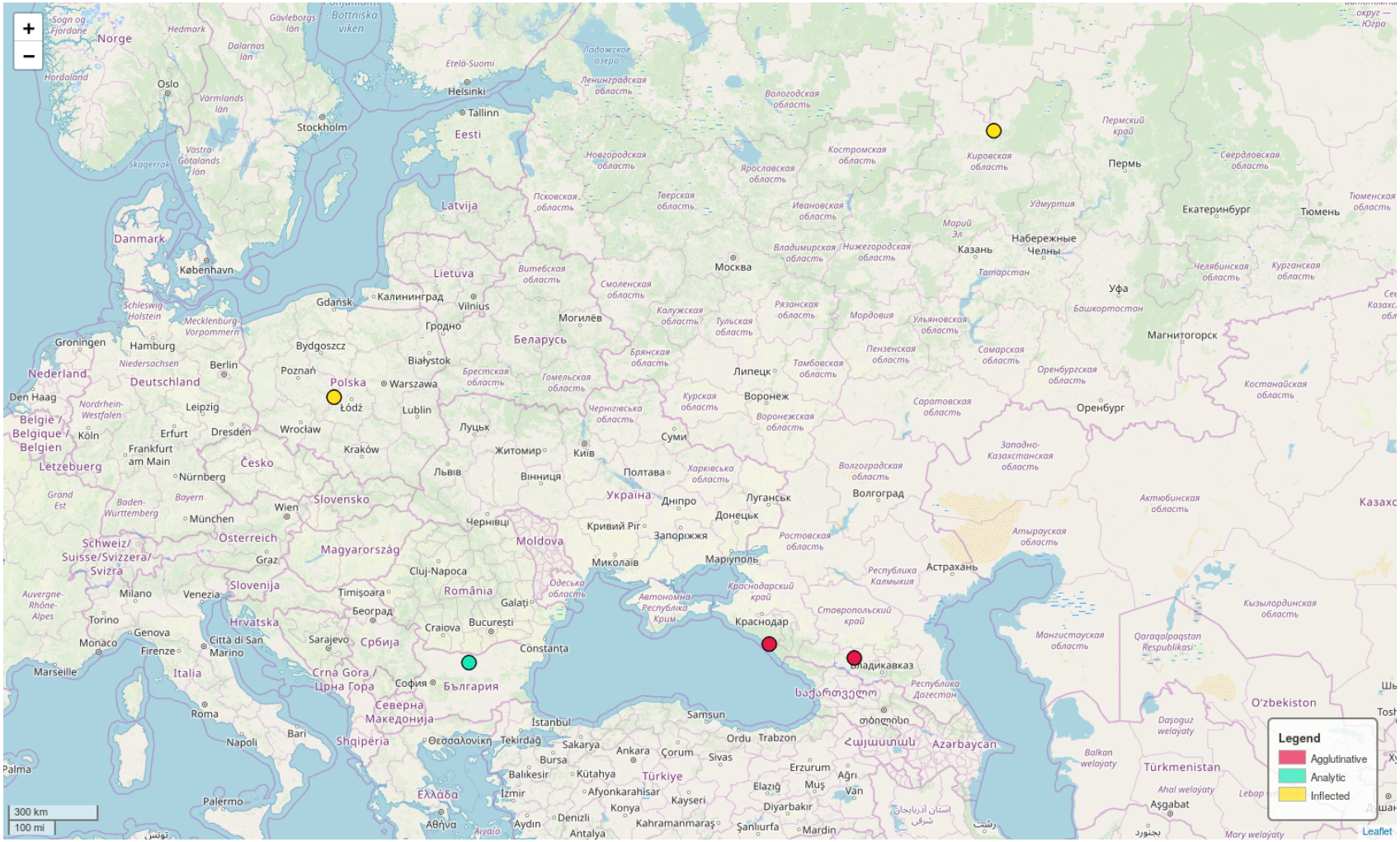
Maps

```
languages =('Romanian', 'Afrikaans', 'Tlingit', 'Japanese')
m =lingtypology.LingMap(languages)
m.create_map()
```

Maps

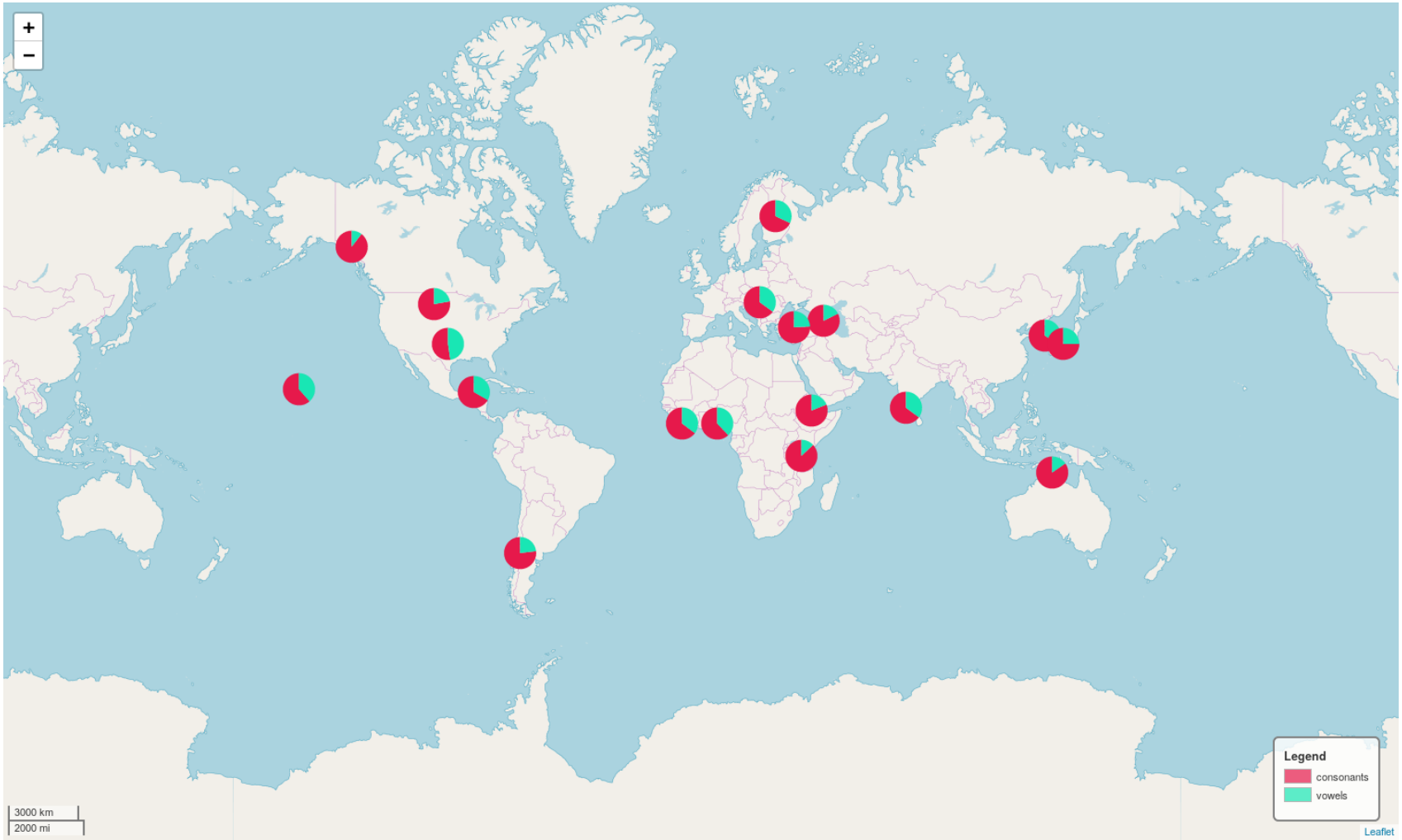
```
languages =[
      ”Adyghe”, ”Kabardian”, ”Polish”,
      ”Russian”, ”Bulgarian”
]
features =[
      ”Agglutinative”, ”Agglutinative”, ”Inflected”,
      ”Inflected”, ”Analytic”
]
m =lingtypology.LingMap(languages)
m.add_features(features)
m.create_map()
```

Maps


Legend
Agglutinative
Analytic
Inflected
300 km
100 mi
Leaflet

Maps

```
m =lingtypology.LingMap(data.language)
m.add_minicharts(data.consonants, data.vowels)
m.create_map()
```



Databases

- WALS: The World Atlas of Language Structures (Dryer and Haspelmath 2013).
- Autotyp: an international network of typological linguistic databases (Bickel et al. 2017).
- AfBo: A world-wide survey of affix borrowing (Seifart 2013).
- SAILS: The South American Indigenous Language Structures (Muysken et al. 2016).
- PHOIBLE: ... is a repository of cross-linguistic phonological inventory data (Moran and McCloy 2019).

WALS

```
w =lingtypology.datasets.Wals('1a')
w.get_df().head(10)
```

	wals_code	language	genus	family	coordinates	_1A_area	_1A	_1A_num	_1A_desc
0	kiw	Kiwai (Southern)	Kiwaian	Kiwaian	(-8.0, 143.5)	Phonology	1. Small	1	Small
1	xoo	!Xóõ	Tu	Tu	(-24.0, 21.5)	Phonology	5. Large	5	Large
2	ani	//Ani	Khoe-Kwadi	Khoe-Kwadi	(-18.9166666667, 21.9166666667)	Phonology	5. Large	5	Large
3	abi	Abipón	South Guaicuruan	Guaicuruan	(-29.0, -61.0)	Phonology	2. Moderately small	2	Moderately small
4	abk	Abkhaz	Northwest Caucasian	Northwest Caucasian	(43.0833333333, 41.0)	Phonology	5. Large	5	Large
5	acm	Achumawi	Palaihnihan	Hokan	(41.5, -121.0)	Phonology	2. Moderately small	2	Moderately small
6	ach	Aché	Tupi-Guaraní	Tupian	(-25.25, -55.1666666667)	Phonology	1. Small	1	Small
7	aco	Acoma	Keresan	Keresan	(34.9166666667, -107.583333333)	Phonology	5. Large	5	Large
8	adz	Adzera	Oceanic	Austronesian	(-6.25, 146.25)	Phonology	2. Moderately small	2	Moderately small
9	agh	Aghem	Bantoid	Niger-Congo	(6.666666666669999, 10.0)	Phonology	3. Average	3	Average

WALS

```
w =lingtypology.datasets.Wals('1a', '2a')
w.get_df().head()
```

	language	...	_1A	...	_2A	...
0	Kiwai (Southern)	...	1. Small	...	2. Average (5-6)	...
1	!Xóõ	...	5. Large	...	2. Average (5-6)	...
2	//Ani	...	5. Large	...	2. Average (5-6)	...
3	Abipón	...	2. Moderately small	...	2. Average (5-6)	...
4	Abkhaz	...	5. Large	...	1. Small (2-4)	...

Examples: WALS Features

```
wals_page =lingtypology.datasets.Wals('1a').get_df()
m =lingtypology.LingMap(wals_page.language)
m.add_custom_coordinates(wals_page.coordinates)
m.add_features(
    wals_page._1A,
    colors=lingtypology.gradient(5, 'yellow', 'green')
)
m.legend_title ='Consonant Inventory'
m.create_map()
```

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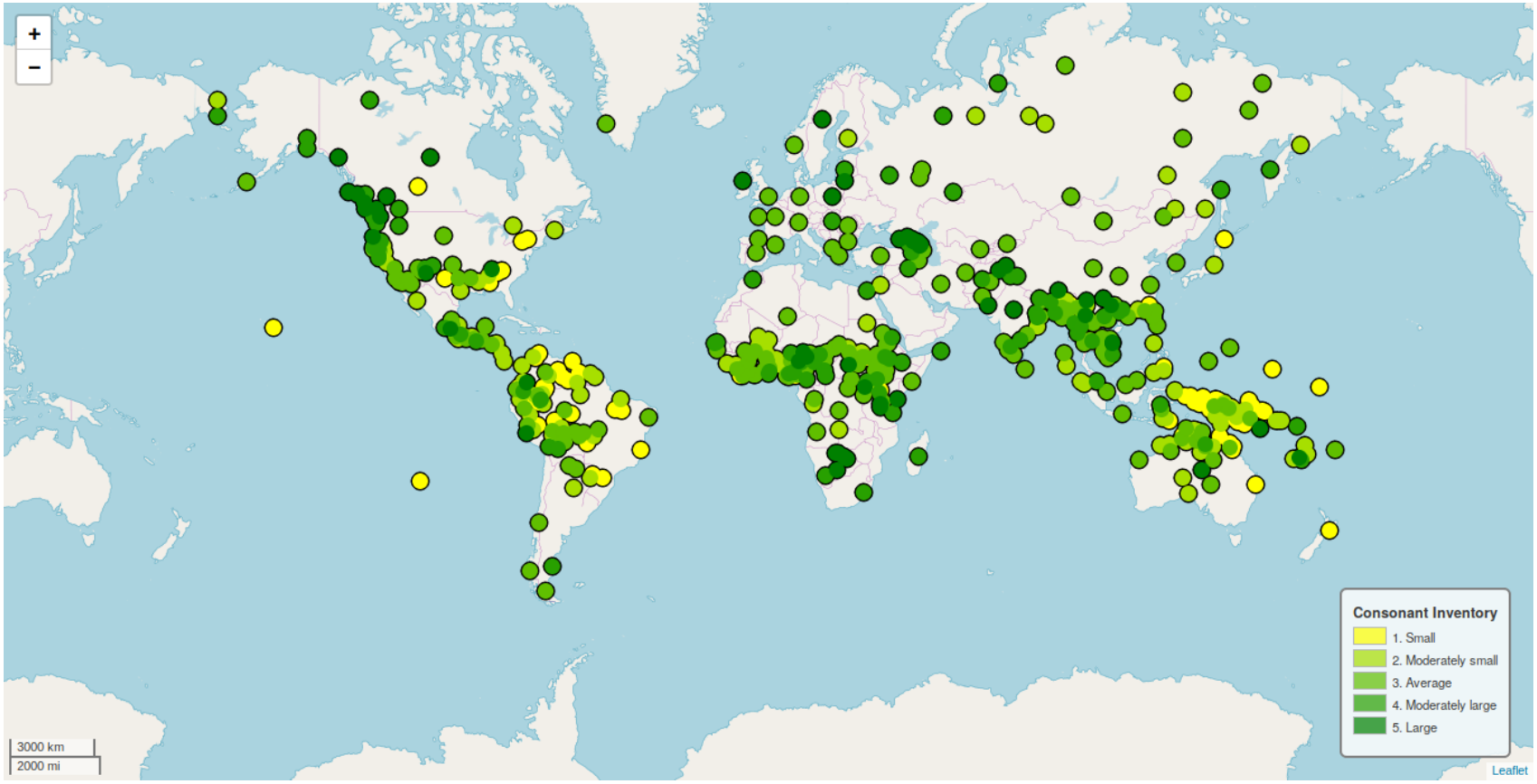

Examples: WALS Heatmap

```
wals =lingtypology.datasets.Wals('1A')
data =wals.get_df()
m =lingtypology.LingMap()
m. add_heatmap(data[data._1A_desc =='Large'].coordinates)
m.create_map()
```

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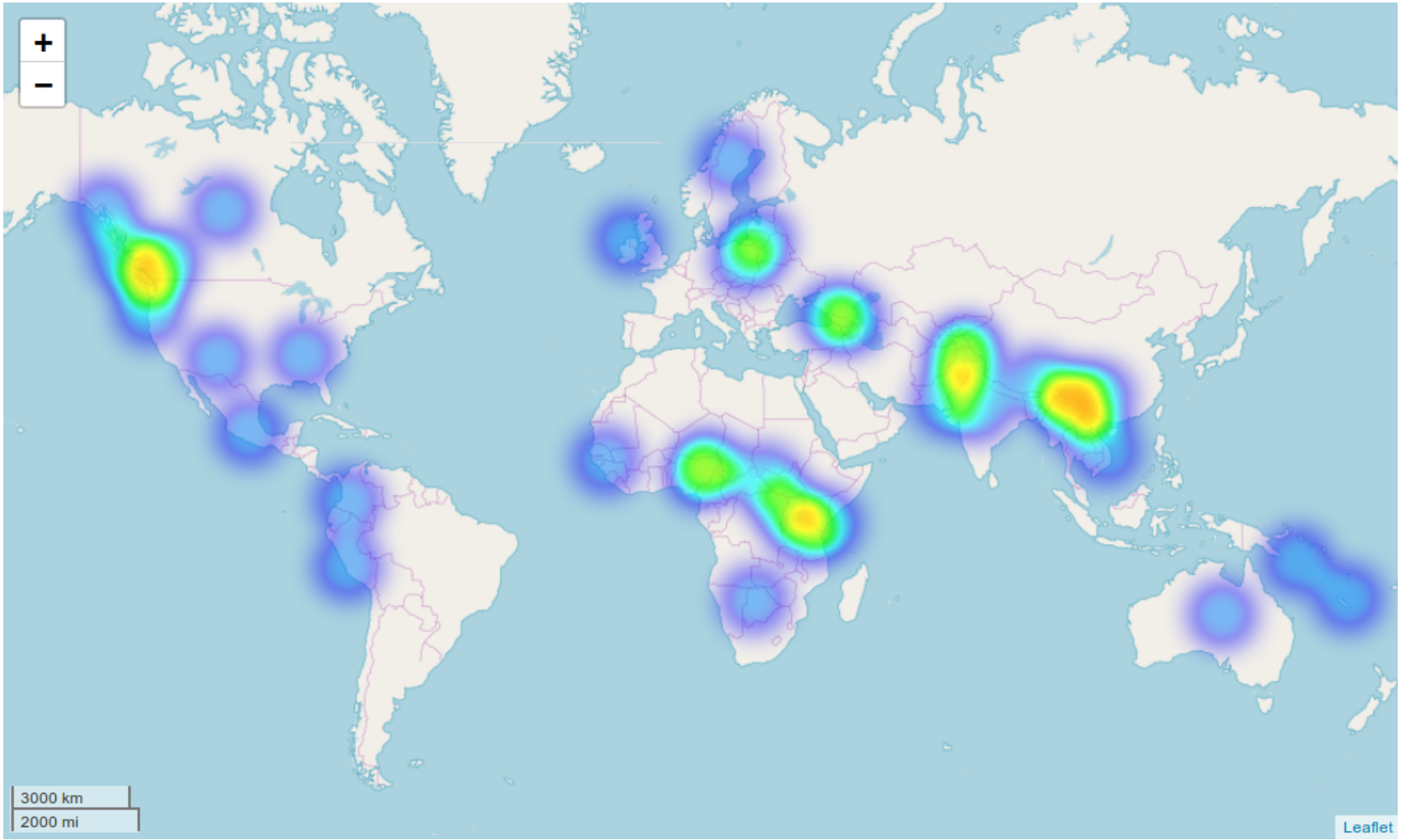

Examples: PHOIBLE Tones

```
p =lingtypology.datasets.Phoible(subset='SPA')
df =p.get_df(strip_na=['tones'])
m =lingtypology.LingMap(df.language)
m.add_features(df.tones, numeric=True)
m.colormap_colors =('white', 'red')
m.legend_title ='Tones'
m.legend_position ='bottomleft'
m.create_map()
```

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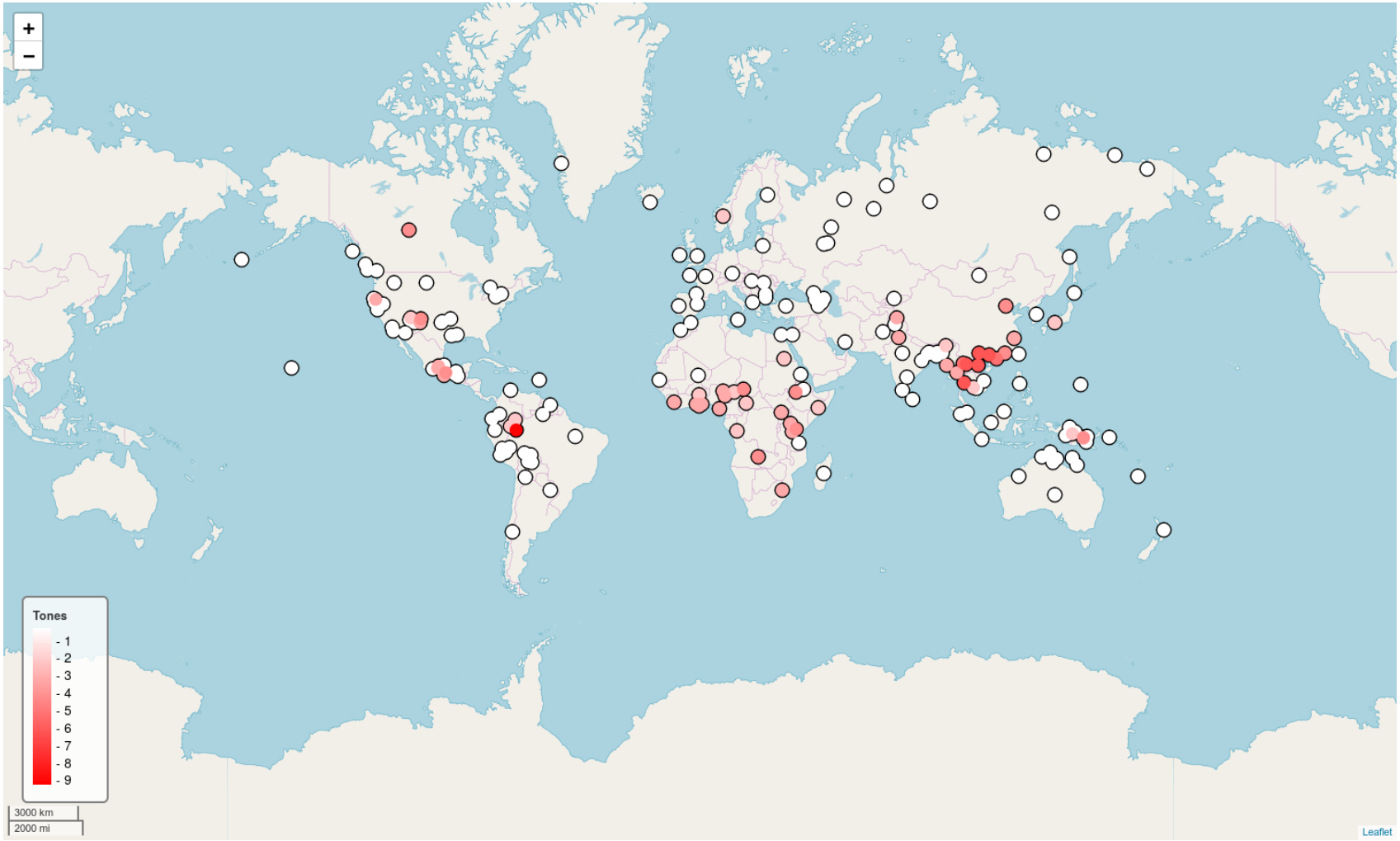

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