

# Interactive Mapping in R

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R package `plotGoogleMaps` for automatic creation of web maps – map mashups  
over Google Maps  
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**1 Introduction**

The `plotGoogleMaps` package provides an interactive plot device for handling the geographic data within web browsers. It is optimized for Google Chrome browser. It is designed for the automatic creation of web maps as a combination of users' data and Google Maps layers. The input data are in form of Spatial-class with associated coordinate reference system. The classes and methods for spatial data and its manipulation is described in book *Applied Spatial Data*



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The screenshot shows a Firefox browser window displaying the 'Million Song Dataset' website. The browser's address bar shows the URL 'labrosa.ee.columbia.edu/millionsong/pages/getting-dataset'. The website has a dark header with the 'MILLION SONG DATASET' logo on the left and the title 'Million Song Dataset' on the right. Below the header is a navigation menu with links: Home, Getting the dataset, Code, Tutorial, Tasks / Demos, More data, Forum, FAQ, Contact / Cite, and Blog. The main content area is titled 'Getting the dataset' and includes a sub-header 'Home » Getting the dataset'. The text explains the logistics of distributing a 300 GB dataset and provides instructions on how to access it, including a direct download link and information about university access. It also mentions the availability of a subset (10,000 songs) and the 'MILLION SONG SUBSET' (SQLite databases). A sidebar on the right contains a 'News' section with dates and announcements, and a 'Quick links' section with links to LabROSA, The Echo Nest, Musicbrainz, Infochimps, 7digital, Last.fm, and musixmatch.

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> data <-
+ data[complete.cases(
+ data$artist.longitude,
+ data$artist.latitude),]
>
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At the Echo Nest we have lots of data about millions of artists. It can be interesting to see what kind of patterns can be extracted from this data. Tim G suggested an experiment where we see if we can find artists that are on the verge of breaking out by looking at some of this data. I tried a simple experiment to see what we could find. I started with two pieces of data for each artist.

1. **Familiarity** – this corresponds to how well known an artist is. You can look at *familiarity* as the likelihood that any person selected at random will have heard of the artist. Beatles have a familiarity close to 1, while a band like 'Hot Rod Shopping Cart' has a familiarity close to zero.
2. **Hotttness** – this corresponds to how much buzz the artist is getting right now. This is derived from many sources, including mentions on the web, mentions in music blogs, music reviews, play counts, etc.

I collected these 2 pieces of data for 130K+ artists and plotted them. The following plot shows the results. The x-axis is familiarity and the y-axis is hotttness. Clearly there's a correlation between hotttness and familiarity. Familiar artists tend to be hotter than non-familiar artists. At the top right are the Billboard chart toppers like Kanye West and Taylor Swift, while at the bottom left are artists that you've probably never heard of like [Mystery Fluid](#). We can use this plot to find the up and coming artists as well as the popular artists that are cooling off. Outliers to the left and above the main diagonal are the rising stars (their hotttness exceeds their familiarity). Here we see artists like [Willie the Kid](#), [Ben Jammin](#) and [ラディカルズ \(a.k.a. Rock the Queen\)](#). While artists below the diagonal are well known, but no longer hot. Here we see artists like Simon & Garfunkel, Jimmy Page and Ziggy Stardust. Note that this is not a perfect science – for instance, it is not clear how to rate the familiarity for artist collaborations – you may know James Brown and you may

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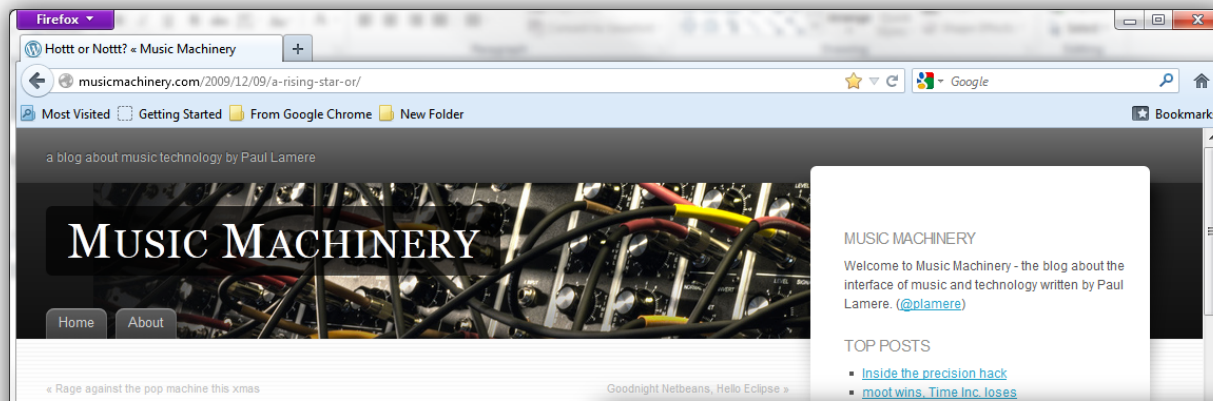
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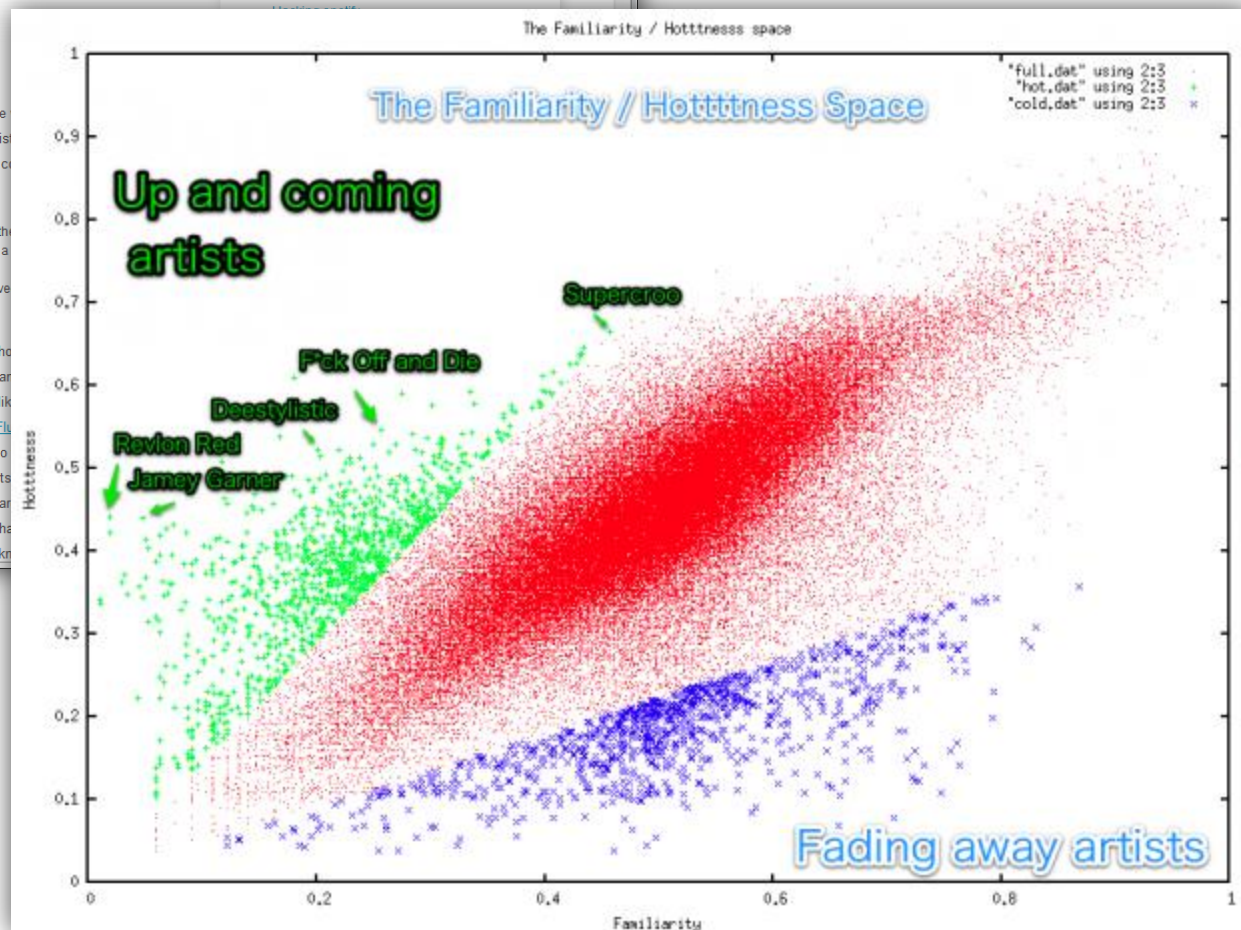


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+ artist.familiarity>0)  
> data$sa.hf <-  
+ data$song.hottnesss/  
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+ artist.familiarity>0)  
> data$sa.hf <-  
+ data$song.hottnesss/  
+ data$artist.familiarity  
> data <- subset(data, data$sa.hf>1)  
> dim(data)  
[1] 175  11  
>
```

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```
> coordinates(data) <- ~artist.longitude  
+ artist.latitude  
>
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> coordinates(data) <- ~artist.longitude  
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Convert data into a Spatial  
Points Data Frame.

```
> coordinates(data) <- ~artist.longitude  
+ artist.latitude  
>  
> proj4string(data) <-  
+ CRS("+init=epsg:4326")  
>
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Ensure that the coordinates will be interpreted as longitudes and latitudes.

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Create a bubble plot of spatial data on Google Maps.

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> m <- bubbleGoogleMaps(data,  
+ zcol='sa.hf', filename = 'map.html',  
+
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Bubble variable  
column name.

The name of the output file to be saved in  
working directory



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>  
> max = ceiling(max (data$sa.hf))  
> m <- bubbleGoogleMaps(data,  
+ zcol='sa.hf', filename = 'map.html',  
+ mapTypeId= 'TERRAIN', fitBounds=T,  
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- 'HYBRID'
- 'ROADMAP'
- 'SATELLITE'
- 'TERRAIN'

Sets the maps to fit to the boundary box values of spacial object, in our case – entire world.

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value for largest circle (the plotting symbols) in meters

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+ max.radius=75000,  
+ key.entries= c( 1.05,1.1,1.25,max),  
+)
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Key Values. These are  
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YlOrRd (sequential)

Key Header

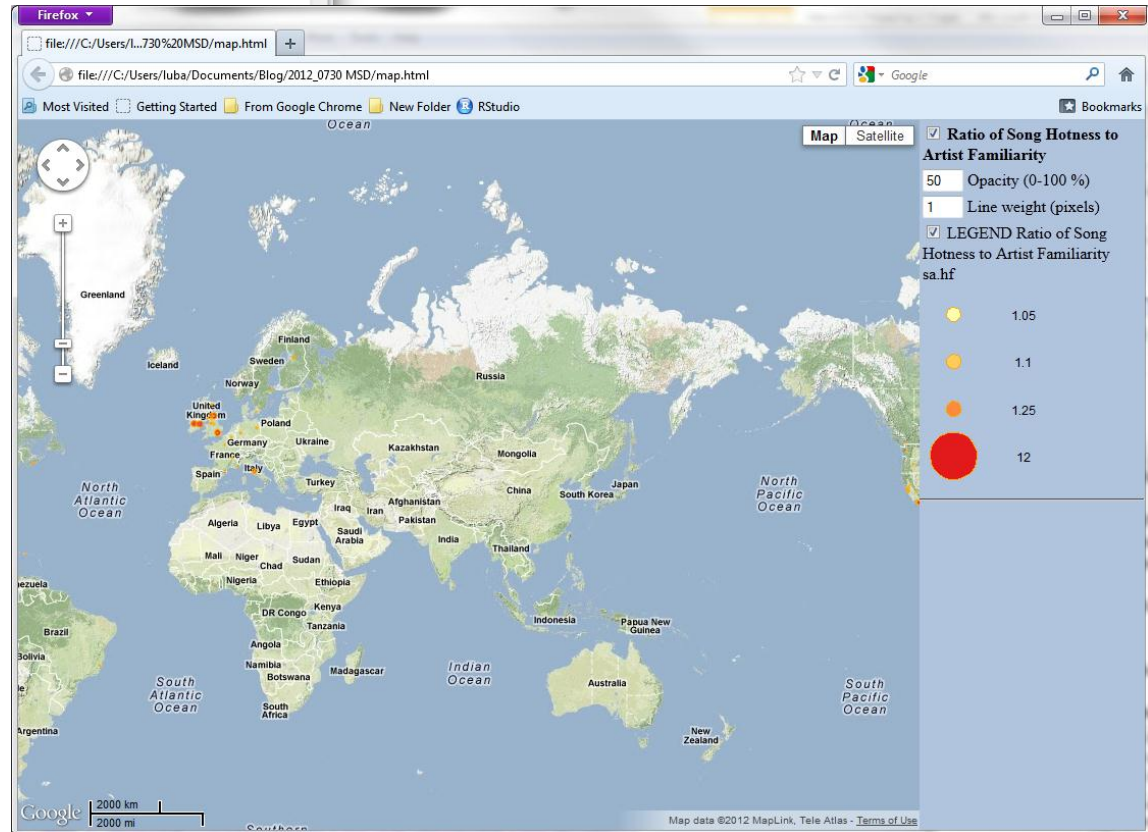


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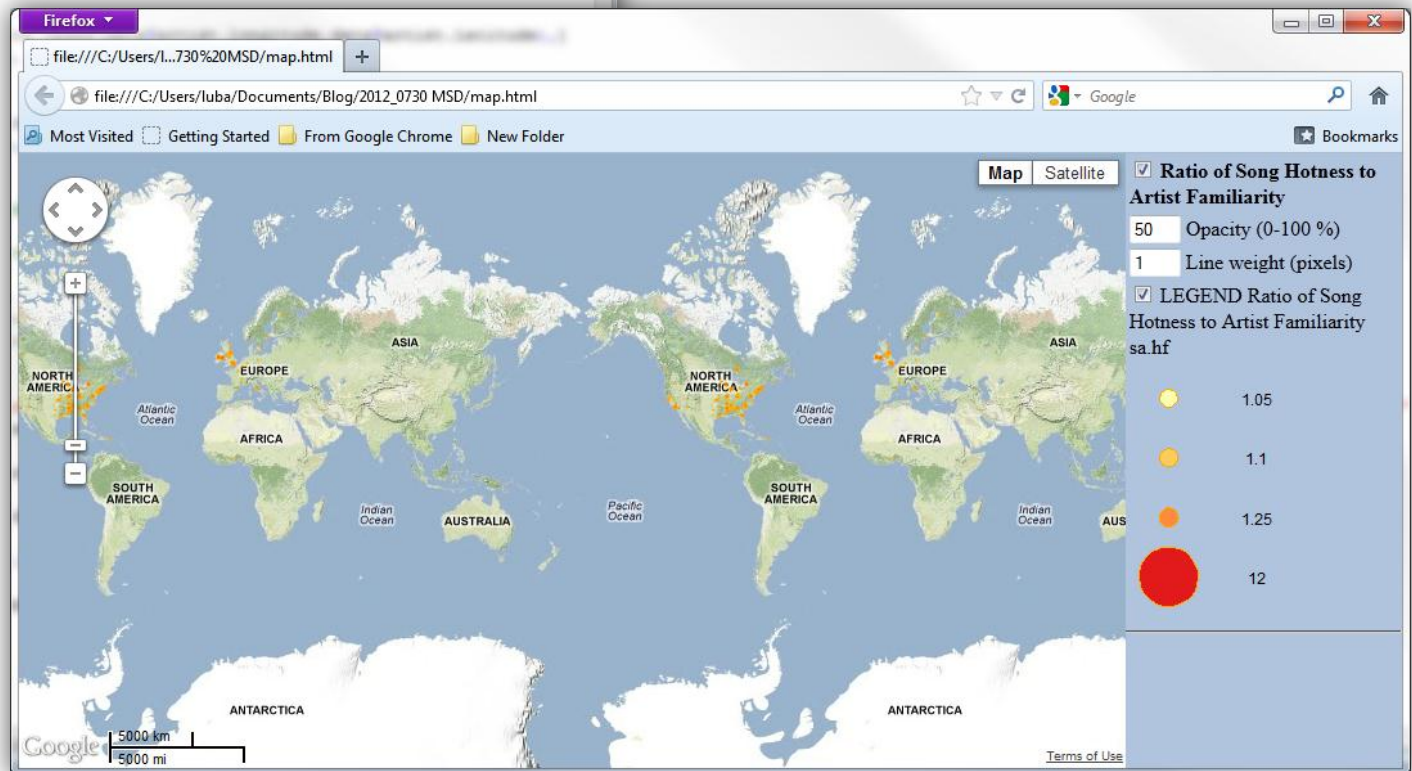


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# Resources

plotGoogleMaps Vignette

<http://cran.r-project.org/web/packages/plotGoogleMaps/vignettes/plotGoogleMaps-intro.pdf>

R-Based Interfaces to Google Maps

<http://maths.anu.edu.au/~johnm/r/spatial/googlemaps.pdf>

<http://www.maths.anu.edu.au/~johnm/wkshp/R/RTour-rc33.R>

plotGoogleMaps - A Simple Solution for Geological Survey Web Mapping

[http://e-science.amres.ac.rs/TP36035/wp-content/uploads/2012/06/PLOTGOOGLEMAPS\\_full.pdf](http://e-science.amres.ac.rs/TP36035/wp-content/uploads/2012/06/PLOTGOOGLEMAPS_full.pdf)

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