

*Lab 01: An introduction to attribute and spatial analysis in R***Read the instructions COMPLETELY before starting the lab**

This lab builds on many of the discussions and exercises from class. This lab also builds on Chapters 1-3 from your textbook, as well as R for Data Science by Hadley Wickham and Garrett Grolemund (<https://r4ds.had.co.nz>)

Formatting your submission

This lab must be placed into a public repository on GitHub (www.github.com). Before the due date, submit **on Canvas** a link to the repository. I will then download your repositories and run your code. The code must be contained in either a .R script or a .Rmd markdown document. As I need to run your code, any data you use in the lab must be referenced using **relative path names**. Finally, answers to questions I pose in this document must also be in the repository at the time you submit your link to Canvas. They can be in a separate text file, or if you decide to use an RMarkdown document, you can answer them directly in the doc.

Exploratory data analysis

This lab uses two files from the /data/CBW directory of this course's main repository: 1. County_Boundaries.shp: A polygon file containing the boundaries for all counties in the Chesapeake Bay Watershed 2. Non-Tidal_Water_Quality_Monitoring_Stations_in_the_Cheseapeake_Bay.shp: point locations of non-tidal monitoring stations in the Chesapeake Bay Watershed

Step 1, load your packages and data

```
library(tidyverse)

## -- Attaching packages ----- tidyverse 1.3.1 --

## v ggplot2 3.3.5      v purrr   0.3.4
## v tibble  3.1.2      v dplyr   1.0.7
## v tidyr   1.1.3      v stringr 1.4.0
## v readr   1.4.0      v forcats 0.5.1

## -- Conflicts ----- tidyverse_conflicts() --
## x dplyr::filter() masks stats::filter()
## x dplyr::lag()    masks stats::lag()

library(ggplot2) #technically included in tidyverse
library(sf)

## Linking to GEOS 3.8.1, GDAL 3.2.1, PROJ 7.2.1
```

```
library(sp) #just in case
```

Next, load your data:

```
## note the ".." as opposed to "." <- need to go back one additional level from where this file is
p.counties <- "../data/CBW/County_Boundaries.shp"
p.stations <- "../data/CBW/Non-Tidal_Water_Quality_Monitoring_Stations_in_the_Chesapeake_Bay.shp"
```

```
d.counties <- sf::read_sf(p.counties)
d.stations <- sf::read_sf(p.stations)
```

```
glimpse(d.counties)
```

```
## Rows: 207
## Columns: 21
## $ OBJECTID    <int> 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, ~
## $ STATEFP10   <chr> "51", "51", "51", "51", "42", "42", "42", "42", "42", "42", ~
## $ COUNTYFP10  <chr> "540", "510", "530", "600", "021", "001", "061", "035", "09~
## $ COUNTYNS10  <chr> "01789068", "01498415", "01498417", "01789070", "01213662", ~
## $ GEOID10     <chr> "51540", "51510", "51530", "51600", "42021", "42001", "4206~
## $ NAME10      <chr> "Charlottesville", "Alexandria", "Buena Vista", "Fairfax", ~
## $ NAMELSAD10  <chr> "Charlottesville city", "Alexandria city", "Buena Vista cit~
## $ LSAD10      <chr> "25", "25", "25", "25", "06", "06", "06", "06", "06", "06", ~
## $ CLASSFP10   <chr> "C7", "C7", "C7", "C7", "H1", "H1", "H1", "H1", "H1", "H1", ~
## $ MTFCC10     <chr> "G4020", "G4020", "G4020", "G4020", "G4020", "G4020", "G402~
## $ CSAFP10     <chr> NA, "548", NA, "548", NA, "564", NA, "558", NA, NA, NA, NA, ~
## $ CBSAFP10    <chr> "16820", "47900", NA, "47900", "27780", "23900", "26500", "~
## $ METDIVFP10  <chr> NA, "47894", NA, "47894", NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, N~
## $ FUNCSTAT10  <chr> "F", "F", "F", "F", "A", "A", "A", "A", "A", "A", "A", "A", ~
## $ ALAND10     <dbl> 26517362, 38919733, 17362236, 16159465, 1782819861, 1343342~
## $ AWATER10    <dbl> 52974, 1140371, 223855, 95054, 13680552, 8081576, 37883358, ~
## $ INTPTLAT10  <chr> "+38.0376579", "+38.8183429", "+37.7316634", "+38.8531833", ~
## $ INTPTLON10  <chr> "-078.4853806", "-077.0820263", "-079.3563746", "-077.29902~
## $ Shape_Leng  <dbl> 47968.96, 43943.77, 34310.52, 29395.95, 260532.87, 195653.0~
## $ Shape_Area  <dbl> 42902561, 66086698, 28163001, 26840867, 3109865228, 2297092~
## $ geometry    <MULTIPOLYGON [°]> MULTIPOLYGON (((-78.47071 3..., MULTIPOLYGON (~
```

```
glimpse(d.stations)
```

```
## Rows: 122
## Columns: 12
## $ OBJECTID    <int> 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, ~
## $ MAP_ID      <int> 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, ~
## $ USGS_STATI  <int> 1487000, 1488500, 1491000, 1491500, 1495000, 1502500, 15030~
## $ STATION_NA  <chr> "NANTICOKE RIVER NEAR BRIDGEVILLE, DE", "MARSHYHOPE CREEK N~
## $ MAJOR_WATE  <chr> "Eastern Shore", "Eastern Shore", "Eastern Shore", "Eastern~
## $ Drainage_A  <dbl> 75.39997, 46.79998, 112.99995, 85.19996, 51.59998, 519.9997~
## $ START_DATE  <int> 1998, 2005, 1985, 2005, 2005, 2005, 2006, 2005, 2006, 2005, ~
## $ END_DATE    <int> 2018, 2018, 2018, 2018, 2018, 2018, 2018, 2018, 2018, 2018, ~
## $ Lat         <dbl> 38.72833, 38.84969, 38.99719, 38.96681, 39.66758, 42.37778, ~
## $ Long        <dbl> -75.56186, -75.67311, -75.78581, -75.94306, -75.82558, -75.~
```

```
## $ STAID      <chr> "01487000", "01488500", "01491000", "01491500", "01495000", ~
## $ geometry   <POINT [°]> POINT (-75.56186 38.72834), POINT (-75.67311 38.8497)~
```

In class, we discussed how to use dplyr verbs such as *filter*, *select*, and *mutate*. There are some useful cheatsheets on the RStudio website to help with *dplyr*, *ggplot*, and other functions here: <https://www.rstudio.com/resources/cheatsheets/>

Let's start with the *select* function, which SELECTS attributes that we specify:

```
d.counties %>% dplyr::select(GEOID10, ALAND10) %>% head()
```

```
## Simple feature collection with 6 features and 2 fields
## Geometry type: MULTIPOLYGON
## Dimension:      XY
## Bounding box:   xmin: -79.38264 ymin: 37.69574 xmax: -76.95493 ymax: 40.72605
## Geodetic CRS:   WGS 84
## # A tibble: 6 x 3
##   GEOID10  ALAND10                                geometry
##   <chr>      <dbl>                                <MULTIPOLYGON [°]>
## 1 51540      2.65e7 (((-78.47071 38.04872, -78.47033 38.04801, -78.47009 38.047~
## 2 51510      3.89e7 (((-77.06247 38.79497, -77.06268 38.79504, -77.06273 38.795~
## 3 51530      1.74e7 (((-79.36681 37.72723, -79.36687 37.72744, -79.36704 37.727~
## 4 51600      1.62e7 (((-77.31427 38.86701, -77.31414 38.867, -77.31398 38.86699~
## 5 42021      1.78e9 (((-79.03392 40.3165, -79.03359 40.31674, -79.0322 40.31733~
## 6 42001      1.34e9 (((-77.46596 39.85977, -77.46596 39.85983, -77.46599 39.860~
```

```
# head truncates the data.frame to the first n rows
```

Note that because we're using a spatial data frame in the *sf* package, the geometry is preserved, even though we didn't specify it. We can also get rid of attributes we DON'T WANT (but not the geometry attribute) using a *-* flag. For example:

```
## Simple feature collection with 6 features and 19 fields
## Geometry type: MULTIPOLYGON
## Dimension:      XY
## Bounding box:   xmin: -79.38264 ymin: 37.69574 xmax: -76.95493 ymax: 40.72605
## Geodetic CRS:   WGS 84
## # A tibble: 6 x 20
##   OBJECTID STATEFP10 COUNTYFP10 COUNTYNS10 GEOID10 NAMELSAD10  LSAD10 CLASSFP10
##   <int> <chr>      <chr>      <chr>      <chr>      <chr>      <chr> <chr>
## 1      1  51      540      01789068  51540  Charlottesv~  25    C7
## 2      2  51      510      01498415  51510  Alexandria ~  25    C7
## 3      3  51      530      01498417  51530  Buena Vista~  25    C7
## 4      4  51      600      01789070  51600  Fairfax city  25    C7
## 5      5  42      021      01213662  42021  Cambria Cou~  06    H1
## 6      6  42      001      01213656  42001  Adams County  06    H1
## # ... with 12 more variables: MTFCC10 <chr>, CSAFP10 <chr>, CBSAFP10 <chr>,
## #   METDIVFP10 <chr>, FUNCSTAT10 <chr>, ALAND10 <dbl>, AWATER10 <dbl>,
## #   INTPTLAT10 <chr>, INTPTLON10 <chr>, Shape_Leng <dbl>, Shape_Area <dbl>,
## #   geometry <MULTIPOLYGON [°]>
```

We can also specify ranges that we want to keep (or not):

```
d.counties %>% dplyr::select(GEOID10:CLASSFP10) %>% head()
```

```
## Simple feature collection with 6 features and 5 fields
## Geometry type: MULTIPOLYGON
## Dimension: XY
## Bounding box: xmin: -79.38264 ymin: 37.69574 xmax: -76.95493 ymax: 40.72605
## Geodetic CRS: WGS 84
## # A tibble: 6 x 6
##   GEOID10 NAME10 NAMELSAD10 LSAD10 CLASSFP10 geometry
##   <chr> <chr> <chr> <chr> <chr> <MULTIPOLYGON [°]>
## 1 51540 Charlot~ Charlottes~ 25 C7 (((-78.47071 38.04872, -78.4703~
## 2 51510 Alexand~ Alexandria~ 25 C7 (((-77.06247 38.79497, -77.0626~
## 3 51530 Buena V~ Buena Vist~ 25 C7 (((-79.36681 37.72723, -79.3668~
## 4 51600 Fairfax Fairfax ci~ 25 C7 (((-77.31427 38.86701, -77.3141~
## 5 42021 Cambria Cambria Co~ 06 H1 (((-79.03392 40.3165, -79.03359~
## 6 42001 Adams Adams Coun~ 06 H1 (((-77.46596 39.85977, -77.4659~
```

```
d.counties %>% dplyr::select(-(GEOID10:CLASSFP10)) %>% head()
```

```
## Simple feature collection with 6 features and 15 fields
## Geometry type: MULTIPOLYGON
## Dimension: XY
## Bounding box: xmin: -79.38264 ymin: 37.69574 xmax: -76.95493 ymax: 40.72605
## Geodetic CRS: WGS 84
## # A tibble: 6 x 16
##   OBJECTID STATEFP10 COUNTYFP10 COUNTYNS10 MTFCC10 CSAFP10 CBSAFP10 METDIVFP10
##   <int> <chr> <chr> <chr> <chr> <chr> <chr> <chr>
## 1 1 51 540 01789068 G4020 <NA> 16820 <NA>
## 2 2 51 510 01498415 G4020 548 47900 47894
## 3 3 51 530 01498417 G4020 <NA> <NA> <NA>
## 4 4 51 600 01789070 G4020 548 47900 47894
## 5 5 42 021 01213662 G4020 <NA> 27780 <NA>
## 6 6 42 001 01213656 G4020 564 23900 <NA>
## # ... with 8 more variables: FUNCSTAT10 <chr>, ALAND10 <dbl>, AWATER10 <dbl>,
## # INTPTLAT10 <chr>, INTPTLON10 <chr>, Shape_Leng <dbl>, Shape_Area <dbl>,
## # geometry <MULTIPOLYGON [°]>
```

```
d.counties %>% dplyr::select(starts_with("C"))
```

```
## Simple feature collection with 207 features and 5 fields
## Geometry type: MULTIPOLYGON
## Dimension: XY
## Bounding box: xmin: -81.01449 ymin: 36.55035 xmax: -74.16468 ymax: 44.09697
## Geodetic CRS: WGS 84
## # A tibble: 207 x 6
##   COUNTYFP10 COUNTYNS10 CLASSFP10 CSAFP10 CBSAFP10 geometry
##   <chr> <chr> <chr> <chr> <chr> <MULTIPOLYGON [°]>
## 1 540 01789068 C7 <NA> 16820 (((-78.47071 38.04872, -78.~
## 2 510 01498415 C7 548 47900 (((-77.06247 38.79497, -77.~
## 3 530 01498417 C7 <NA> <NA> (((-79.36681 37.72723, -79.~
## 4 600 01789070 C7 548 47900 (((-77.31427 38.86701, -77.~
```

```
## 5 021      01213662 H1      <NA>    27780    (((-79.03392 40.3165, -79.0~
## 6 001      01213656 H1      564      23900    (((-77.46596 39.85977, -77.~
## 7 061      01213672 H1      <NA>    26500    (((-78.15023 40.17464, -78.~
## 8 035      01214721 H1      558      30820    (((-78.05358 41.27373, -78.~
## 9 093      01213681 H1      <NA>    14100    (((-76.55874 40.93904, -76.~
## 10 117     01209189 H1      <NA>     <NA>    (((-77.21965 41.99978, -77.~
## # ... with 197 more rows
```

Grouping data

We can also “group” our data according to categorical data in our data.frames. This is useful if you want to create a function that works across the entire group. For example, we’ll create a new attribute the calculates the land area of all counties in each state.

```
d.counties %>% group_by(STATEFP10) %>% mutate(stateLandArea = sum(ALAND10))
```

```
## Simple feature collection with 207 features and 21 fields
## Geometry type: MULTIPOLYGON
## Dimension:      XY
## Bounding box:   xmin: -81.01449 ymin: 36.55035 xmax: -74.16468 ymax: 44.09697
## Geodetic CRS:   WGS 84
## # A tibble: 207 x 22
## # Groups:   STATEFP10 [7]
##   OBJECTID STATEFP10 COUNTYFP10 COUNTYNS10 GEOID10 NAME10 NAMELSAD10 LSAD10
## *   <int> <chr>      <chr>      <chr>      <chr>      <chr>      <chr>      <chr>
## 1     1 51         540        01789068 51540    Charlot~ Charlottesv~ 25
## 2     2 51         510        01498415 51510    Alexand~ Alexandria ~ 25
## 3     3 51         530        01498417 51530    Buena V~ Buena Vista~ 25
## 4     4 51         600        01789070 51600    Fairfax Fairfax city 25
## 5     5 42         021        01213662 42021    Cambria Cambria Cou~ 06
## 6     6 42         001        01213656 42001    Adams Adams County 06
## 7     7 42         061        01213672 42061    Hunting~ Huntingdon ~ 06
## 8     8 42         035        01214721 42035    Clinton Clinton Cou~ 06
## 9     9 42         093        01213681 42093    Montour Montour Cou~ 06
## 10    10 42        117        01209189 42117    Tioga Tioga County 06
## # ... with 197 more rows, and 14 more variables: CLASSFP10 <chr>,
## #   MTFCC10 <chr>, CSAFP10 <chr>, CBSAFP10 <chr>, METDIVFP10 <chr>,
## #   FUNCSTAT10 <chr>, ALAND10 <dbl>, AWATER10 <dbl>, INTPTLAT10 <chr>,
## #   INTPTLON10 <chr>, Shape_Leng <dbl>, Shape_Area <dbl>,
## #   geometry <MULTIPOLYGON [°]>, stateLandArea <dbl>
```

The above function is useful if you want to make calculations “in place” and use them in further row-by-row functions. However, we can further summarize our data such that we don’t see all the extra data not relevant to our query. Note that sometimes buggy geometry can affect normal dplyr functions, so the code below converts the sf data frame to a tibble, then removes the geometry before performing the `group_by` and `summarise` functions.

```
d.counties %>%
  as_tibble() %>% dplyr::select(-geometry) %>% # this line converts the data because of wonky geometry
  group_by(STATEFP10) %>%
  summarise(stateLandArea = sum(ALAND10))
```

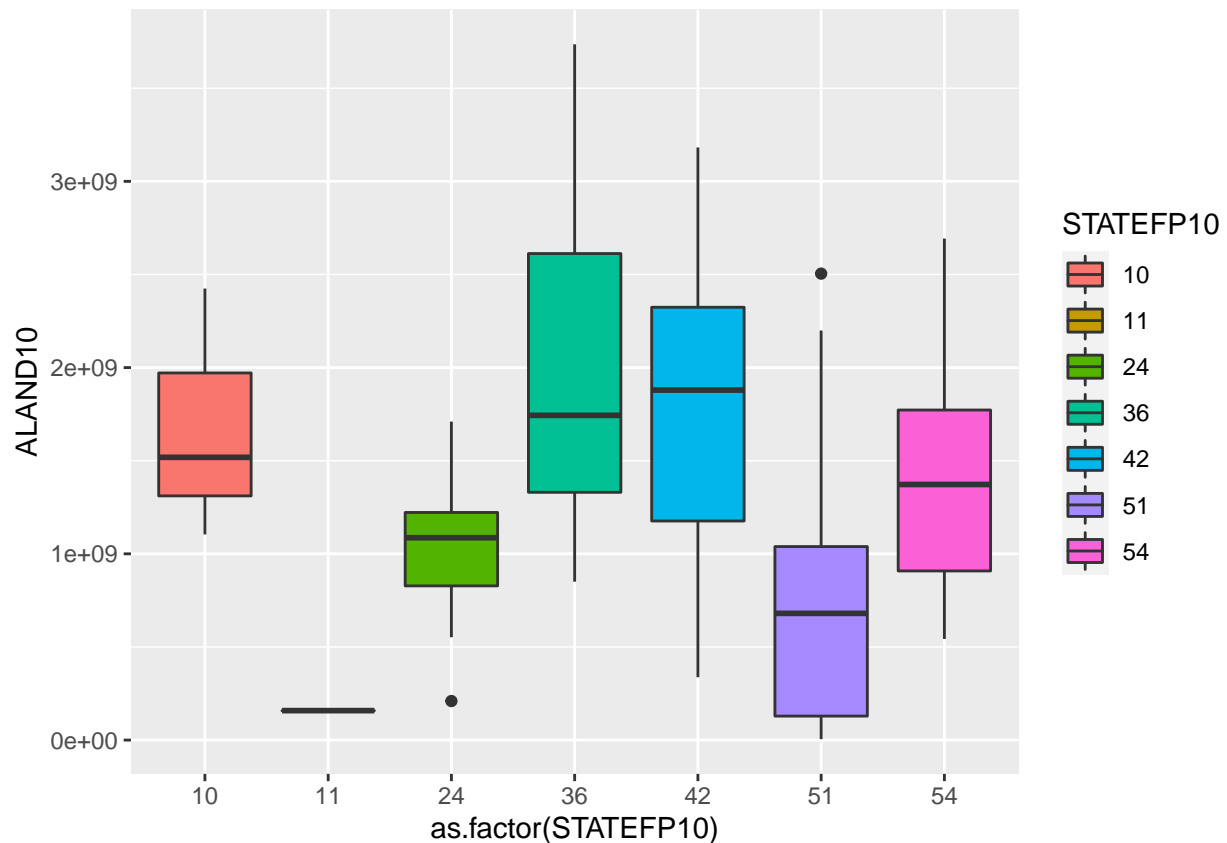
```
## # A tibble: 7 x 2
##   STATEFP10 stateLandArea
##   <chr>         <dbl>
## 1 10           5046703785
## 2 11           158114680
## 3 24          25141638381
## 4 36          40599407643
## 5 42          78174288199
## 6 51          69471293533
## 7 54          20781223859
```

...and we're left with a sum of all the land area in each state (by FIPS code)

A diversion into plots

We can also use grouping functions in our visualization. For example:

```
d.counties %>%
  ggplot(., aes(x = as.factor(STATEFP10), y = ALAND10)) +
  geom_boxplot(aes(fill = STATEFP10))
```

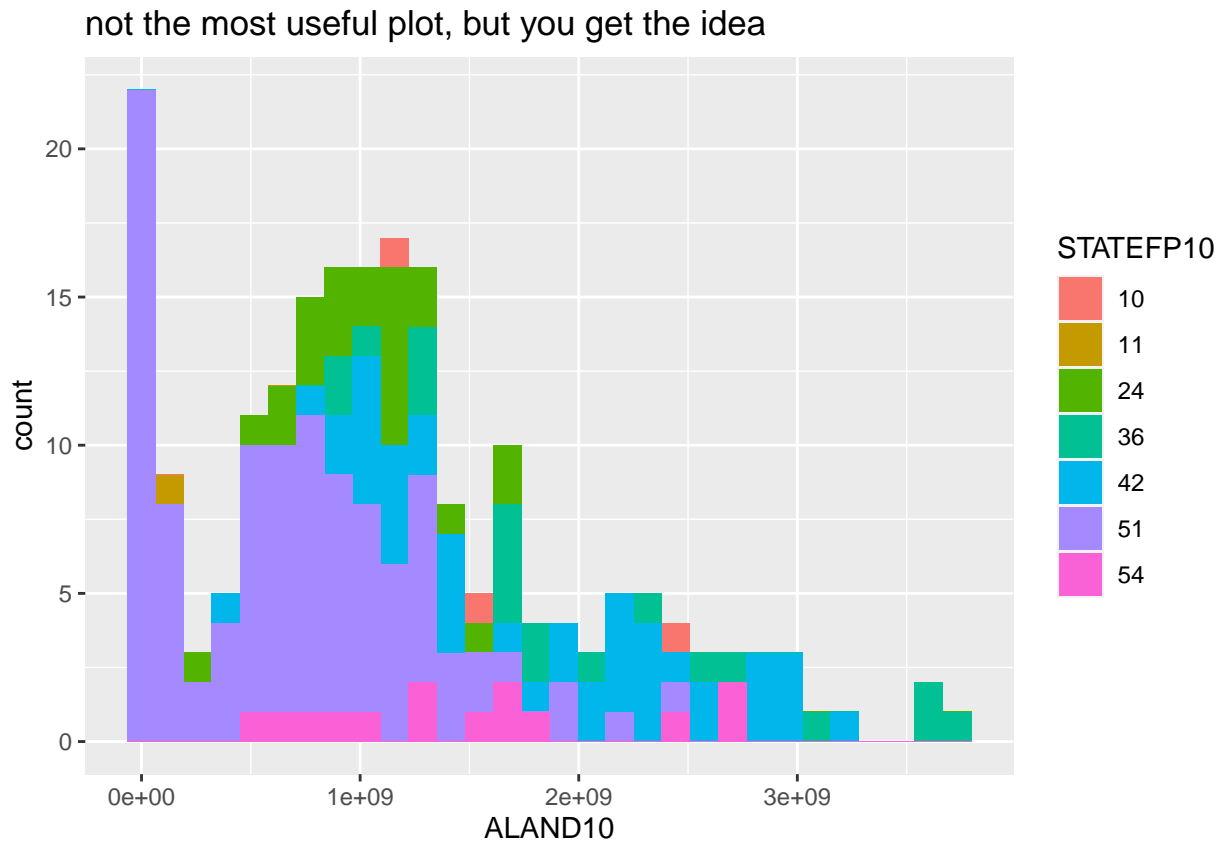


Or:

```
d.counties %>%
  ggplot(., aes(x = ALAND10)) +
```

```
geom_histogram(aes(fill = STATEFP10)) +
labs(title = "not the most useful plot, but you get the idea")
```

```
## 'stat_bin()' using 'bins = 30'. Pick better value with 'binwidth'.
```



Spatial operations

Since we have spatial data, we can perform some basic spatial operations with it. First, let's take a look at the coordinate reference system (CRS) for each file:

```
d.counties %>% sf::st_crs()
```

```
## Coordinate Reference System:
##   User input: WGS 84
##   wkt:
##   GEOGCRS["WGS 84",
##     DATUM["World Geodetic System 1984",
##       ELLIPSOID["WGS 84",6378137,298.257223563,
##         LENGTHUNIT["metre",1]],
##     PRIMEM["Greenwich",0,
##       ANGLEUNIT["degree",0.0174532925199433]],
##     CS[ellipsoidal,2],
##     AXIS["latitude",north,
```

```
##          ORDER[1],
##          ANGLEUNIT["degree",0.0174532925199433]],
##        AXIS["longitude",east,
##          ORDER[2],
##          ANGLEUNIT["degree",0.0174532925199433]],
##        ID["EPSG",4326]]
```

```
d.stations %>% sf::st_crs()
```

```
## Coordinate Reference System:
##   User input: WGS 84
##   wkt:
##   GEOGCRS["WGS 84",
##     DATUM["World Geodetic System 1984",
##       ELLIPSOID["WGS 84",6378137,298.257223563,
##         LENGTHUNIT["metre",1]]],
##     PRIMEM["Greenwich",0,
##       ANGLEUNIT["degree",0.0174532925199433]],
##     CS[ellipsoidal,2],
##     AXIS["latitude",north,
##       ORDER[1],
##       ANGLEUNIT["degree",0.0174532925199433]],
##     AXIS["longitude",east,
##       ORDER[2],
##       ANGLEUNIT["degree",0.0174532925199433]],
##     ID["EPSG",4326]]
```

They're the same, but we can formally check

```
d.counties %>% sf::st_crs() == d.stations %>% sf::st_crs()
```

```
## [1] TRUE
```

We need to make sure the files have the same CRS before we do our spatial operations using the both of them. But to make the problem more tractable, let's first pare down our data such that we only have the counties in the state of Delaware:

```
del.counties <- d.counties %>% dplyr::filter(STATEFP10 == 10)
```

then, we can perform a *spatial intersection* to find all of the monitoring stations within our Delaware subset

```
del.stations <- sf::st_intersection(d.stations, del.counties)
```

```
## Warning: attribute variables are assumed to be spatially constant throughout all
## geometries
```

Plotting this small number of points will be ok, so let's look at the data first, then check the plot:

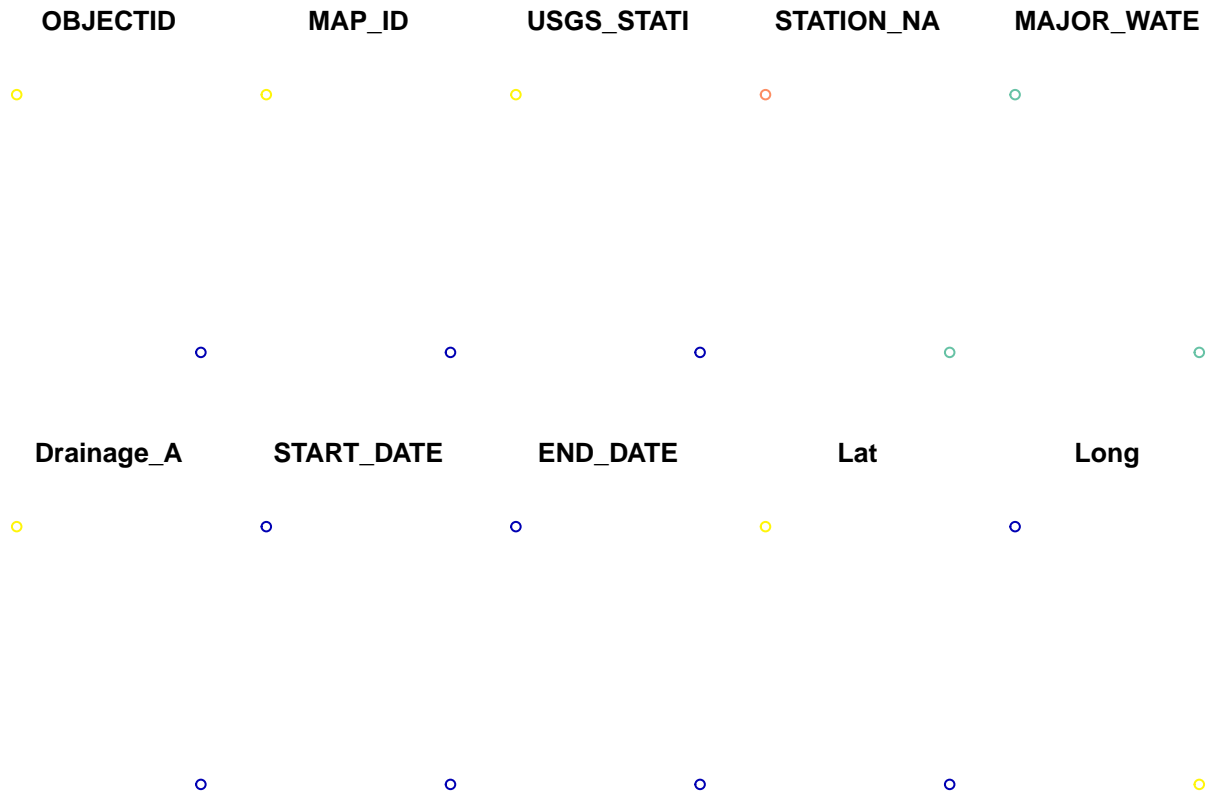
```
glimpse(del.stations)
```



```
## Rows: 2
## Columns: 32
## $ OBJECTID    <int> 2, 4
## $ MAP_ID      <int> 2, 4
## $ USGS_STATI  <int> 1488500, 1491500
## $ STATION_NA  <chr> "MARSHYHOPE CREEK NEAR ADAMSVILLE, DE", "TUCKAHOE CREEK NEA~
## $ MAJOR_WATE  <chr> "Eastern Shore", "Eastern Shore"
## $ Drainage_A  <dbl> 46.79998, 85.19996
## $ START_DATE  <int> 2005, 2005
## $ END_DATE    <int> 2018, 2018
## $ Lat         <dbl> 38.84969, 38.96681
## $ Long        <dbl> -75.67311, -75.94306
## $ STAID       <chr> "01488500", "01491500"
## $ OBJECTID.1  <int> 120, 120
## $ STATEFP10   <chr> "10", "10"
## $ COUNTYFP10  <chr> "001", "001"
## $ COUNTYNS10  <chr> "00217271", "00217271"
## $ GEOID10     <chr> "10001", "10001"
## $ NAME10      <chr> "Kent", "Kent"
## $ NAMELSAD10  <chr> "Kent County", "Kent County"
## $ LSAD10      <chr> "06", "06"
## $ CLASSFP10   <chr> "H1", "H1"
## $ MTFCC10     <chr> "G4020", "G4020"
## $ CSAFP10     <chr> NA, NA
## $ CBSAFP10    <chr> "20100", "20100"
## $ METDIVFP10  <chr> NA, NA
## $ FUNCSTAT10  <chr> "A", "A"
## $ ALAND10     <dbl> 1518196116, 1518196116
## $ AWATER10    <dbl> 549470508, 549470508
## $ INTPTLAT10  <chr> "+39.0970884", "+39.0970884"
## $ INTPTLON10  <chr> "-075.5029819", "-075.5029819"
## $ Shape_Leng  <dbl> 269441.5, 269441.5
## $ Shape_Area  <dbl> 3437654275, 3437654275
## $ geometry    <POINT [°]> POINT (-75.56186 38.72834), POINT (-75.67311 38.8497)
```

```
plot(del.stations)
```

```
## Warning: plotting the first 10 out of 31 attributes; use max.plot = 31 to plot
## all
```



There are only 2 points, and the plot isn't super helpful without any other sort of spatial reference, but you've successfully completed your first spatial operation in R!

`sf` has a number of other useful functions built-in that you can try. For example, a quick calculation of the area of each county in Delaware:

```
del.counties %>% st_area()
```

```
## Units: [m^2]
## [1] 2065913935 3096294979 1278231425
```

Note that `sf` gives you the units of the calculation, but also that the data are in the form of a vector

Your tasks

This lab requires you to put together many of the tasks demonstrated above, in class, help documentation (don't forget the `?` command!), and in your readings. I don't expect you'll know them all immediately, so you'll need to reference those resources, your classmates, and possibly web resources as well. This process is representative of real-world problem solving in this domain. There are a very large number of packages and functions available to you in R, and no one person knows how to use them all. So be inventive, be clever, and be persistent!

Complete each task COMPLETELY USING R CODE. YOU MUST SHOW YOUR WORK FOR EACH ANSWER. Label your variables sensibly and use comments such that I can find your answers and your work.

Task 1: Basic data manipulation

- 1.1 For each county, calculate its land area as percentage of the total area (land + water) for that state.
- 1.2 For each state, find the county that has the largest proportion of its land as water (water area / total area)
- 1.3 Count the number of counties in each state
- 1.4 Which station has the shortest name (STATION_NAME) in the study area?

Task 2: Plotting attribute data

...for each plot, label your axes properly and give your plot a title

- 2.1 Make a scatterplot showing the relationship between land area and water area for each county. Color each point using the state variable
- 2.2 Make a histogram of drainage area (Drainage_A) for all monitoring stations
- 2.3 Make a similar histogram, this time of drainage area (Drainage_A) for all monitoring stations. Color each point using the state variable

Task 3: Write a function

- 3.1 Write a function that does the following:

- A. accepts a vector of arbitrary numbers, calculates the mean, median, maximum, and minimum of the vector
- B. Sorts the vector
- C. returns a list of those values from A and the sorted vector from B
- D. the function should only work with numeric values and print an error message if any other data type are found

Test it with the following vectors

```
c(1, 0, -1), c(10, 100, 1000), c(.1, .001, 1e8), c("a", "b", "c")
```

Task 4: (slightly) more complex spatial analysis.

...Note, you may need to find supplementary data to help you with these tasks

- 4.1 Calculate the number of monitoring stations in each state
- 4.2 Calculate the average size of counties in New York (that are also in this study area)
- 4.3 Calculate which state has monitoring stations with the greatest average drainage area (Drainage_A)

Questions

1. In using the intersection functions, are the following two statements equivalent? If not, explain how. Be sure to think about BOTH the spatial data structures AND the attribute data. Would your answer be different if we were using different types of data?

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sf::st_intersection(d.stations, del.counties)
sf::st_intersection(del.counties, d.stations)
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2. What did you find challenging in this lab? What was new?
3. What types of activities would you like to see in labs this semester?