Map of Server Logins

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Server logins

A "login" is merely the event of a computer account logging into a computer. It is an approximation of amount of usage, but will under-represent users who stay logged in for a long duration of time. These users may, in fact, use the resource more than a user who connects frequently, but for short periods.

We will explore data obtained from logfile analysis of a server used at the University of Washington for remote access to computing resources. The data show counts of logins for general locations, such as cities and the internet service providers who provide address blocks for end-users. Any personally identifiable information (PII) has already been scrubbed from the data files.

Set up our environment

Set document rendering options.

```
# Configure `knitr` options.
library(knitr)
opts_chunk$set(tidy=FALSE, cache=FALSE)
```

Install packages if needed.

```
# Install packages (if necessary)
for (pkg in c("dplyr", "pander", "ggmap")) {
    if (! suppressWarnings(require(pkg, character.only=TRUE)) ) {
        install.packages(pkg, repos="http://cran.fhcrc.org", dependencies=TRUE)
        if (! suppressWarnings(require(pkg, character.only=TRUE)) ) {
            stop(pasteO(c("Can't load package: ", pkg, "!"), collapse = ""))
        }
    }
}
```

Read the data

Load the city login counts from a plain-text CSV file.

```
cities <- read.csv("cities.csv")</pre>
```

Take a look at the data

See which cities in which countries we are trying to map. List the top cities.

```
# Top-ten cities by login count
cities[,1:4] %>% head(10) %>% pandoc.table(style='rmarkdown')
```

city	region	country	logins
Seattle	WA	US	746
Port Orchard	WA	US	45
Cedar Crest	NM	US	30
Duvall	WA	US	28
Kent	WA	US	26
Arcadia	CA	US	25
Portland	OR	US	16
Redmond	WA	US	14
Las Vegas	NV	US	10
Salt Lake City	UT	US	10

Most logins are from Seattle, but what is the percentage of Seattle logins?

```
# Percent of logins from Seattle
percent_seattle <- round(
    sum(cities[cities$city == "Seattle" & cities$region == "WA", "logins"]) /
    sum(cities[, "logins"]) * 100, 1)
percent_seattle</pre>
```

[1] 70.3

List the top countries.

```
# Top-ten countries by login count
cities %>% group_by(country) %>%
    summarize(logins=sum(logins)) %>% arrange(desc(logins)) -> countries
countries %>% head(10) %>% pandoc.table(style='rmarkdown')
```

country	logins
US	1051
CA	6
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Find percent of logins from the US.

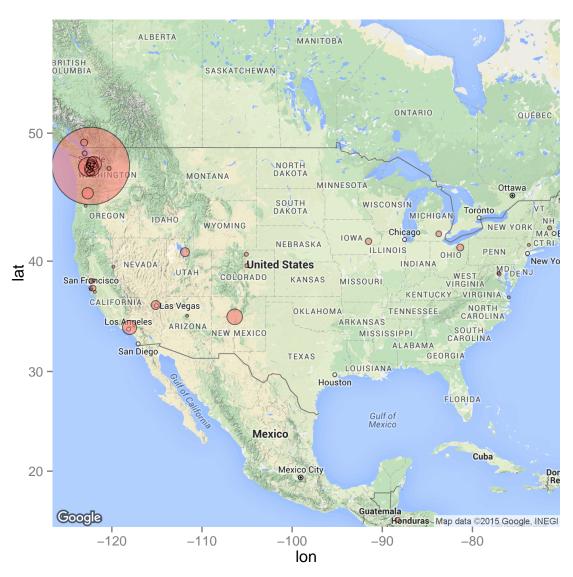
```
# Percent of logins from US
percent_us <- round(
    sum(cities[cities$country == "US", "logins"]) /
    sum(cities[, "logins"]) * 100, 1)
percent_us</pre>
```

```
## [1] 99.1
```

So, 70.3 % of the logins are from Seattle and 99.1 % are from the US.

Make the map

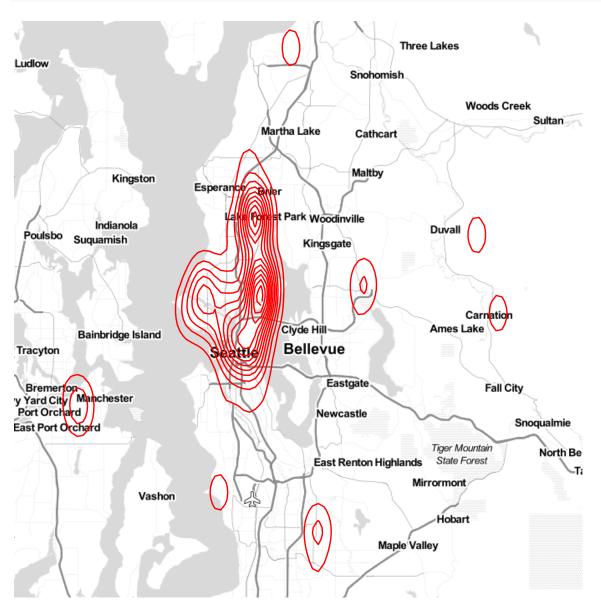
We can center the map on the center of the US (Kansas) and zoom so that we pick up some of the locations in the rest of North America and Central America.



Make a density map

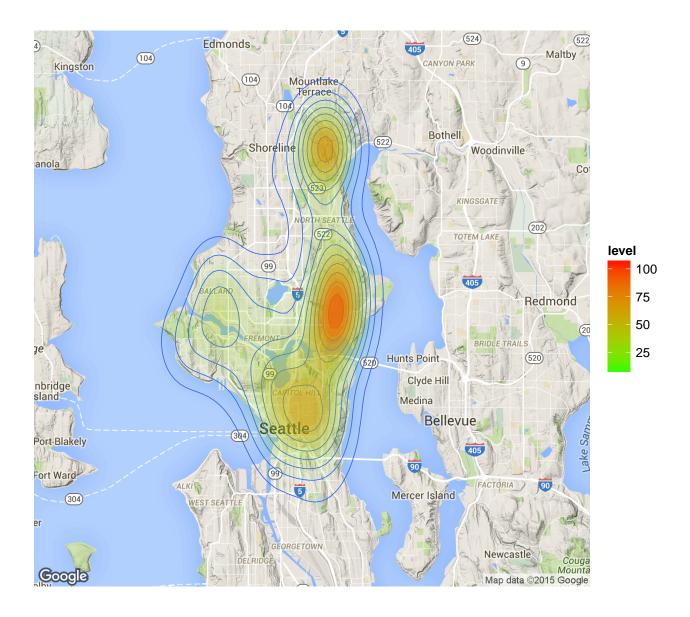
Let's zoom in on logins from the Puget Sound area with a density map. The data file we will use has login counts and geolocations for the IP address blocks used by the hosts accessing the server.

The geolocations correspond to the locations of the internet access providers, not the actual locations of the end-users of the server.



A density map with more color

Let's zoom in a little on the University of Washington's Seattle campus and make a density plot with a color gradient over a color background map.



Sources

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