

Lab 3. Linking R to the Web

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Load necessary libraries

```
suppressMessages(library(knitr))
suppressMessages(library(ggmap))
suppressMessages(library(tidyverse))
```

Load data

```
scores <- read.csv(url("https://raw.githubusercontent.com/lcao21/GIS3/master/Data/scores.csv"), header=
head(scores)
```

```
##   School.ID                               School.Name
## 1    02M260                        Clinton School Writers and Artists
## 2    06M211  Inwood Early College for Health and Information Technologies
## 3    01M539 New Explorations into Science, Technology and Math High School
## 4    02M294                               Essex Street Academy
## 5    02M308                        Lower Manhattan Arts Academy
```

```
## 6      02M545      High School for Dual Language and Asian Studies
##      Borough Building.Code      Street.Address      City State Zip.Code
## 1 Manhattan      M933 425 West 33rd Street Manhattan      NY      10001
## 2 Manhattan      M052 650 Academy Street Manhattan      NY      10002
## 3 Manhattan      M022 111 Columbia Street Manhattan      NY      10002
## 4 Manhattan      M445 350 Grand Street Manhattan      NY      10002
## 5 Manhattan      M445 350 Grand Street Manhattan      NY      10002
## 6 Manhattan      M445 350 Grand Street Manhattan      NY      10002
##      Latitude Longitude      Phone.Number Start.Time End.Time Student.Enrollment
## 1 40.75321 -73.99786 212-695-9114      NA
## 2 40.86605 -73.92486 718-935-3660      8:30 AM 3:00 PM      87
## 3 40.71873 -73.97943 212-677-5190      8:15 AM 4:00 PM      1735
## 4 40.71687 -73.98953 212-475-4773      8:00 AM 2:45 PM      358
## 5 40.71687 -73.98953 212-505-0143      8:30 AM 3:00 PM      383
## 6 40.71687 -73.98953 212-475-4097      8:00 AM 3:35 PM      416
##      Percent.White Percent.Black Percent.Hispanic Percent.Asian
## 1
## 2      3.4%      21.8%      67.8%      4.6%
## 3      28.6%      13.3%      18.0%      38.5%
## 4      11.7%      38.5%      41.3%      5.9%
## 5      3.1%      28.2%      56.9%      8.6%
## 6      1.7%      3.1%      5.5%      88.9%
##      Average.Score..SAT.Math. Average.Score..SAT.Reading.
## 1      NA      NA
## 2      NA      NA
## 3      657      601
## 4      395      411
## 5      418      428
## 6      613      453
##      Average.Score..SAT.Writing. Percent.Tested
## 1      NA
## 2      NA
## 3      601      91.0%
## 4      387      78.9%
## 5      415      65.1%
## 6      463      95.9%
```

I'm using data on average SAT scores (Math, Reading, Writing) by accredited high schools in NYC that I found on Kaggle: <https://www.kaggle.com/nycopendata/high-schools>. The dataset includes columns for school name, borough, latitude/longitude coordinates, race breakdown, and average scores on each SAT section for the 2014-2015 school year. I read the csv in from my github repository link.

Ultimately, I want to map schools by their average SAT scores. First, though, I need to remove rows where values for the score columns are empty:

Clean data

```
scores <- scores[!(is.na(scores$Average.Score..SAT.Math.) | is.na(scores$Average.Score..SAT.Reading.)
                  | is.na(scores$Average.Score..SAT.Writing.)), ]
head(scores)
```

```
##      School.ID      School.Name
## 3      01M539 New Explorations into Science, Technology and Math High School
```

```

## 4      02M294                                     Essex Street Academy
## 5      02M308                                     Lower Manhattan Arts Academy
## 6      02M545                                     High School for Dual Language and Asian Studies
## 7      01M292                                     Henry Street School for International Studies
## 8      01M696                                     Bard High School Early College
##      Borough Building.Code      Street.Address      City State Zip.Code
## 3 Manhattan      M022      111 Columbia Street Manhattan      NY      10002
## 4 Manhattan      M445      350 Grand Street Manhattan      NY      10002
## 5 Manhattan      M445      350 Grand Street Manhattan      NY      10002
## 6 Manhattan      M445      350 Grand Street Manhattan      NY      10002
## 7 Manhattan      M056      220 Henry Street Manhattan      NY      10002
## 8 Manhattan      M097 525 East Houston Street Manhattan      NY      10002
##      Latitude Longitude Phone.Number Start.Time End.Time Student.Enrollment
## 3 40.71873 -73.97943 212-677-5190      8:15 AM 4:00 PM      1735
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## 5 40.71687 -73.98953 212-505-0143      8:30 AM 3:00 PM      383
## 6 40.71687 -73.98953 212-475-4097      8:00 AM 3:35 PM      416
## 7 40.71376 -73.98526 212-406-9411      8:30 AM 3:30 PM      255
## 8 40.71896 -73.97607 212-995-8479      9:00 AM 3:50 PM      545
##      Percent.White Percent.Black Percent.Hispanic Percent.Asian
## 3      28.6%      13.3%      18.0%      38.5%
## 4      11.7%      38.5%      41.3%      5.9%
## 5      3.1%      28.2%      56.9%      8.6%
## 6      1.7%      3.1%      5.5%      88.9%
## 7      3.9%      24.4%      56.6%      13.2%
## 8      45.3%      17.2%      18.7%      17.1%
##      Average.Score..SAT.Math. Average.Score..SAT.Reading.
## 3      657      601
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## 5      418      428
## 6      613      453
## 7      410      406
## 8      634      641
##      Average.Score..SAT.Writing. Percent.Tested
## 3      601      91.0%
## 4      387      78.9%
## 5      415      65.1%
## 6      463      95.9%
## 7      381      59.7%
## 8      639      70.8%

```

After removing those rows, I'm left with 375 schools that have values for all three score columns. To get the total average SAT score (out of 2400), I combined these columns to create a new column called "avg_SAT_score":

Create a new column for average SAT score

```

scores$avg_SAT_score <- (scores$Average.Score..SAT.Math. + scores$Average.Score..SAT.Reading.
+ scores$Average.Score..SAT.Writing.)
head(scores)

```

```

##      School.ID      School.Name
## 3      01M539 New Explorations into Science, Technology and Math High School

```

```

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## 5 Manhattan      M445      350 Grand Street Manhattan      NY      10002
## 6 Manhattan      M445      350 Grand Street Manhattan      NY      10002
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## 6      1.7%      3.1%      5.5%      88.9%
## 7      3.9%      24.4%      56.6%      13.2%
## 8      45.3%      17.2%      18.7%      17.1%
##      Average.Score..SAT.Math. Average.Score..SAT.Reading.
## 3      657      601
## 4      395      411
## 5      418      428
## 6      613      453
## 7      410      406
## 8      634      641
##      Average.Score..SAT.Writing. Percent.Tested avg_SAT_score
## 3      601      91.0%      1859
## 4      387      78.9%      1193
## 5      415      65.1%      1261
## 6      463      95.9%      1529
## 7      381      59.7%      1197
## 8      639      70.8%      1914

```

The dataset provides information only on the total number of students enrolled for each school and the percentage of them that took the SAT. Thus, I created a new column called “num_tested” that tells us how many students were tested by multiplying the “Percent.Tested” and “Student.Enrollment” columns. Before multiplying, however, I had to convert the “Percent.Tested” column from percentages to decimals:

Create a new column for number of students tested

```

scores$Percent.Tested <- as.numeric(sub("%", "", scores$Percent.Tested, fixed=TRUE))/100
scores$num_tested <- scores$Percent.Tested*scores$Student.Enrollment
head(scores)

```

```

##      School.ID      School.Name

```

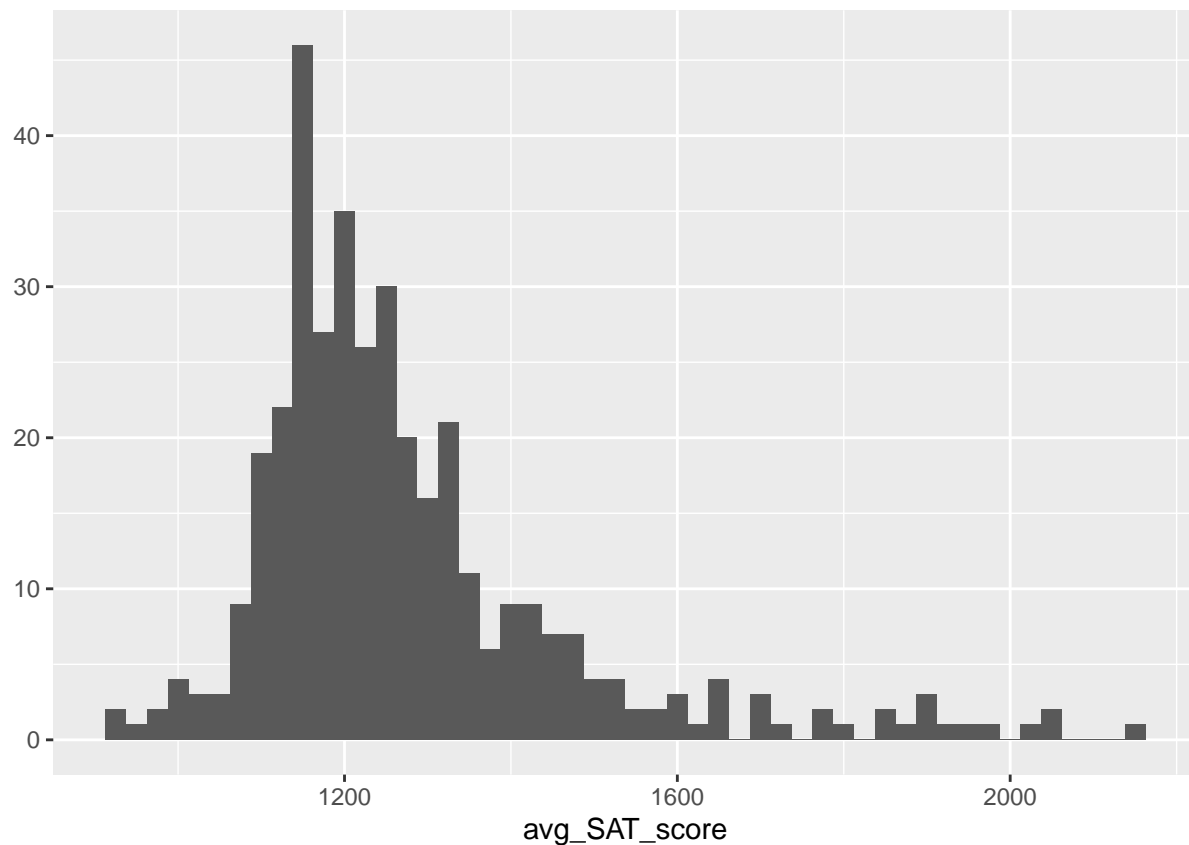
```

## 3    01M539 New Explorations into Science, Technology and Math High School
## 4    02M294                                     Essex Street Academy
## 5    02M308                                     Lower Manhattan Arts Academy
## 6    02M545                                     High School for Dual Language and Asian Studies
## 7    01M292                                     Henry Street School for International Studies
## 8    01M696                                     Bard High School Early College
##      Borough Building.Code      Street.Address      City State Zip.Code
## 3 Manhattan      M022      111 Columbia Street Manhattan      NY      10002
## 4 Manhattan      M445      350 Grand Street Manhattan      NY      10002
## 5 Manhattan      M445      350 Grand Street Manhattan      NY      10002
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## 7 Manhattan      M056      220 Henry Street Manhattan      NY      10002
## 8 Manhattan      M097 525 East Houston Street Manhattan      NY      10002
##      Latitude Longitude Phone.Number Start.Time End.Time Student.Enrollment
## 3 40.71873 -73.97943 212-677-5190      8:15 AM 4:00 PM      1735
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##      Percent.White Percent.Black Percent.Hispanic Percent.Asian
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## 4      11.7%      38.5%      41.3%      5.9%
## 5       3.1%      28.2%      56.9%      8.6%
## 6       1.7%       3.1%       5.5%      88.9%
## 7       3.9%      24.4%      56.6%      13.2%
## 8      45.3%      17.2%      18.7%      17.1%
##      Average.Score..SAT.Math. Average.Score..SAT.Reading.
## 3      657      601
## 4      395      411
## 5      418      428
## 6      613      453
## 7      410      406
## 8      634      641
##      Average.Score..SAT.Writing. Percent.Tested avg_SAT_score num_tested
## 3      601      0.910      1859      1578.850
## 4      387      0.789      1193      282.462
## 5      415      0.651      1261      249.333
## 6      463      0.959      1529      398.944
## 7      381      0.597      1197      152.235
## 8      639      0.708      1914      385.860

```

Some data exploration through graphs

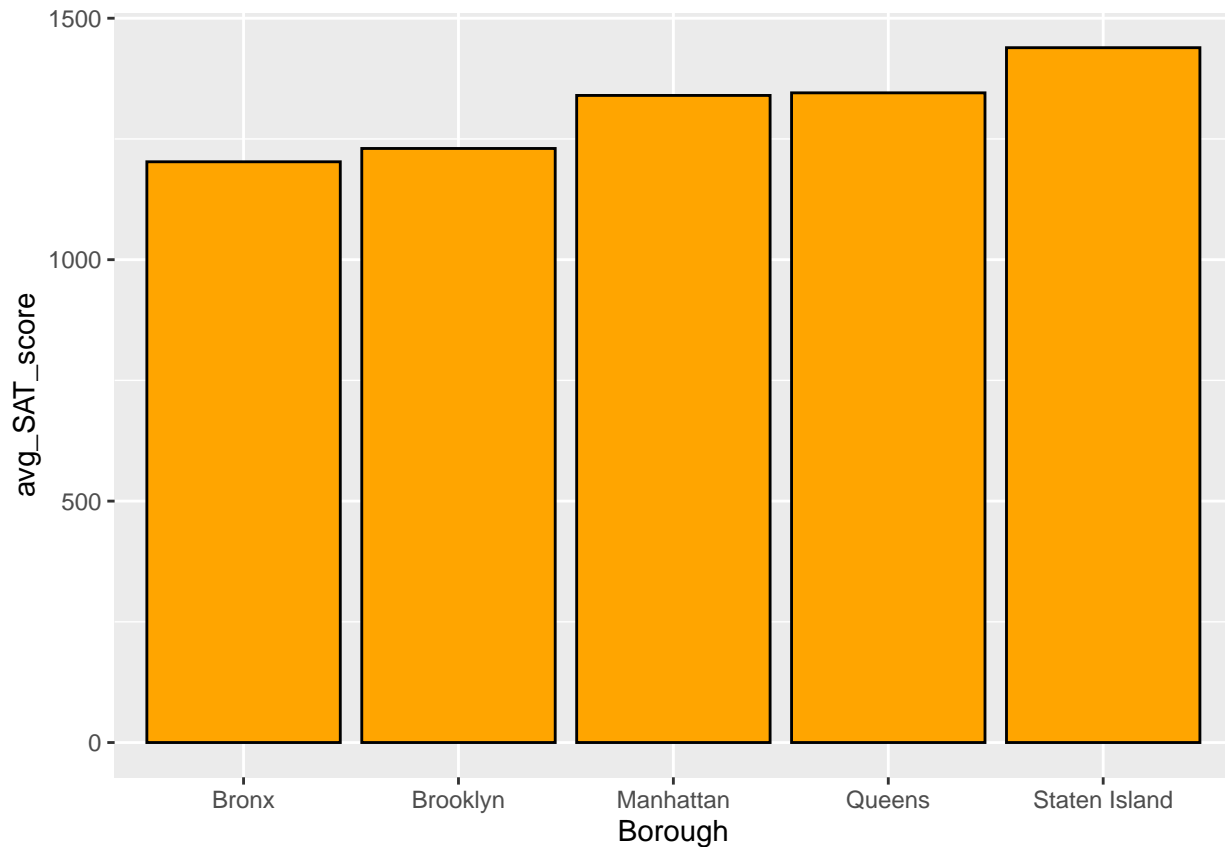
```
qplot(avg_SAT_score, data=scores, geom="histogram", binwidth=25)
```



```
scores %>% group_by(Borough) %>% summarise(avg_SAT_score = mean(avg_SAT_score))
```

```
## # A tibble: 5 x 2
##   Borough      avg_SAT_score
##   <fct>         <dbl>
## 1 Bronx          1203.
## 2 Brooklyn       1230.
## 3 Manhattan      1340.
## 4 Queens         1345.
## 5 Staten Island  1439
```

```
ggplot(scores, aes(x=Borough, y=avg_SAT_score)) +
  stat_summary(fun.y="mean", geom="bar", fill="orange", color="black")
```



Mapping the top 50 highest average SAT math scores by school

Get the top 50 schools by math score

```
top_scores <- scores %>% top_n(n = 50, wt = scores$Average.Score..SAT.Math.)
head(top_scores)
```

```
##   School.ID                               School.Name
## 1  01M539 New Explorations into Science, Technology and Math High School
## 2  02M545                               High School for Dual Language and Asian Studies
## 3  01M696                               Bard High School Early College
## 4  02M407                               Institute for Collaborative Education
## 5  02M418                               Millennium High School
## 6  02M411                               Baruch College Campus High School
##   Borough Building.Code      Street.Address      City State Zip.Code
## 1 Manhattan      M022      111 Columbia Street Manhattan    NY    10002
## 2 Manhattan      M445      350 Grand Street Manhattan    NY    10002
## 3 Manhattan      M097 525 East Houston Street Manhattan    NY    10002
## 4 Manhattan      M475      345 East 15th Street Manhattan    NY    10003
## 5 Manhattan      M824      75 Broad Street Manhattan    NY    10004
## 6 Manhattan      M874      55 East 25th Street Manhattan    NY    10010
##   Latitude Longitude Phone.Number Start.Time End.Time Student.Enrollment
## 1 40.71873 -73.97943 212-677-5190    8:15 AM  4:00 PM             1735
## 2 40.71687 -73.98953 212-475-4097    8:00 AM  3:35 PM             416
```

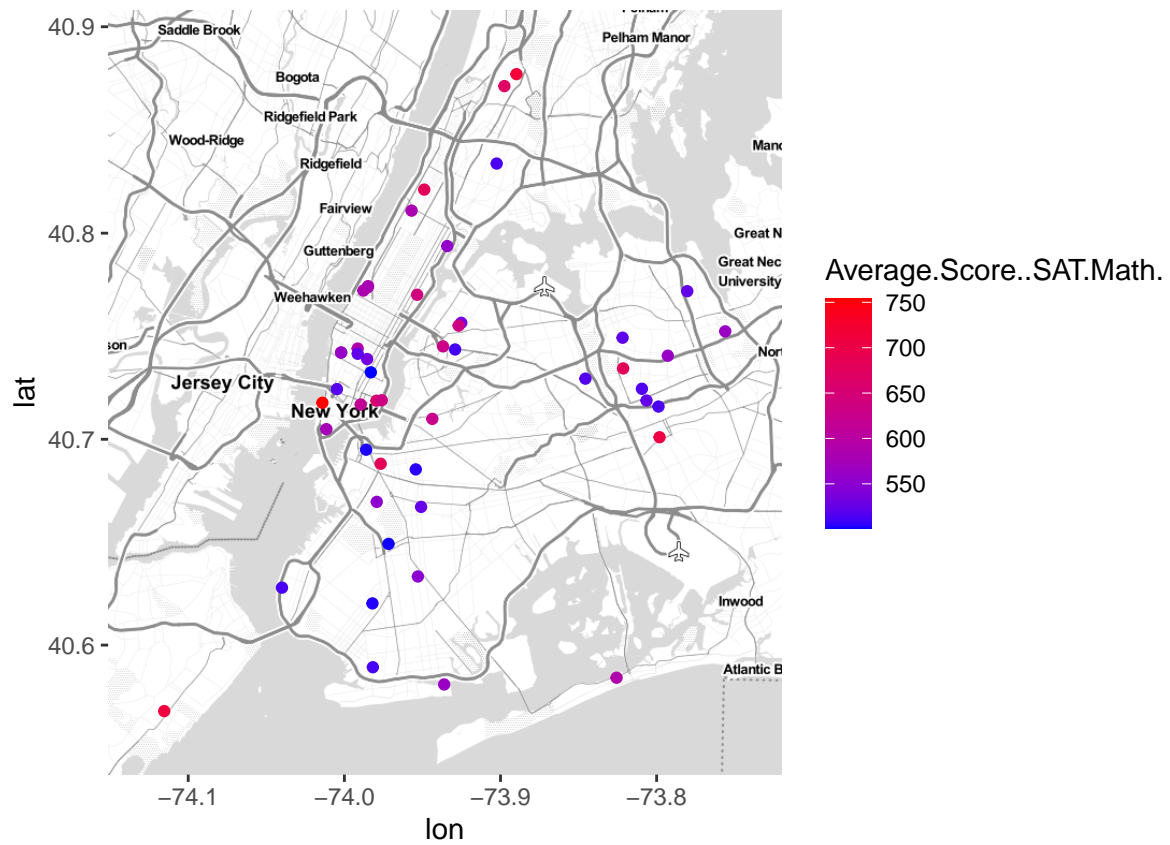
```
## 3 40.71896 -73.97607 212-995-8479    9:00 AM  3:50 PM          545
## 4 40.73249 -73.98305 212-475-7972    8:00 AM  3:00 PM          482
## 5 40.70492 -74.01151 212-825-9008    8:30 AM  3:00 PM          659
## 6 40.74405 -73.99148 212-683-7440    8:20 AM  2:50 PM          451
##   Percent.White Percent.Black Percent.Hispanic Percent.Asian
## 1      28.6%      13.3%      18.0%      38.5%
## 2       1.7%       3.1%       5.5%      88.9%
## 3      45.3%      17.2%      18.7%      17.1%
## 4      56.5%      14.1%      14.9%       5.8%
## 5      32.8%       7.6%      18.2%      38.4%
## 6      22.8%       6.2%      14.9%      54.8%
##   Average.Score..SAT.Math. Average.Score..SAT.Reading.
## 1                      657                      601
## 2                      613                      453
## 3                      634                      641
## 4                      501                      550
## 5                      577                      560
## 6                      592                      526
##   Average.Score..SAT.Writing. Percent.Tested avg_SAT_score num_tested
## 1                      601          0.910          1859    1578.850
## 2                      463          0.959          1529     398.944
## 3                      639          0.708          1914     385.860
## 4                      541          0.786          1592     378.852
## 5                      567          0.940          1704     619.460
## 6                      531          0.943          1649     425.293
```

I used the `get_stamenmap` function from the `ggmap` library; it accesses a tile server for Stamen Maps (<http://maps.stamen.com/>) and downloads map tiles to format a map. I found it to be easier to use than `geocode()` and `get_map()` (from the same library and used in the lab) and more sophisticated. To plot the `ggmap` object, I used `ggmap()`. There are various map types (one of the function's argument), and I tested out 3 different kinds.

Create the map

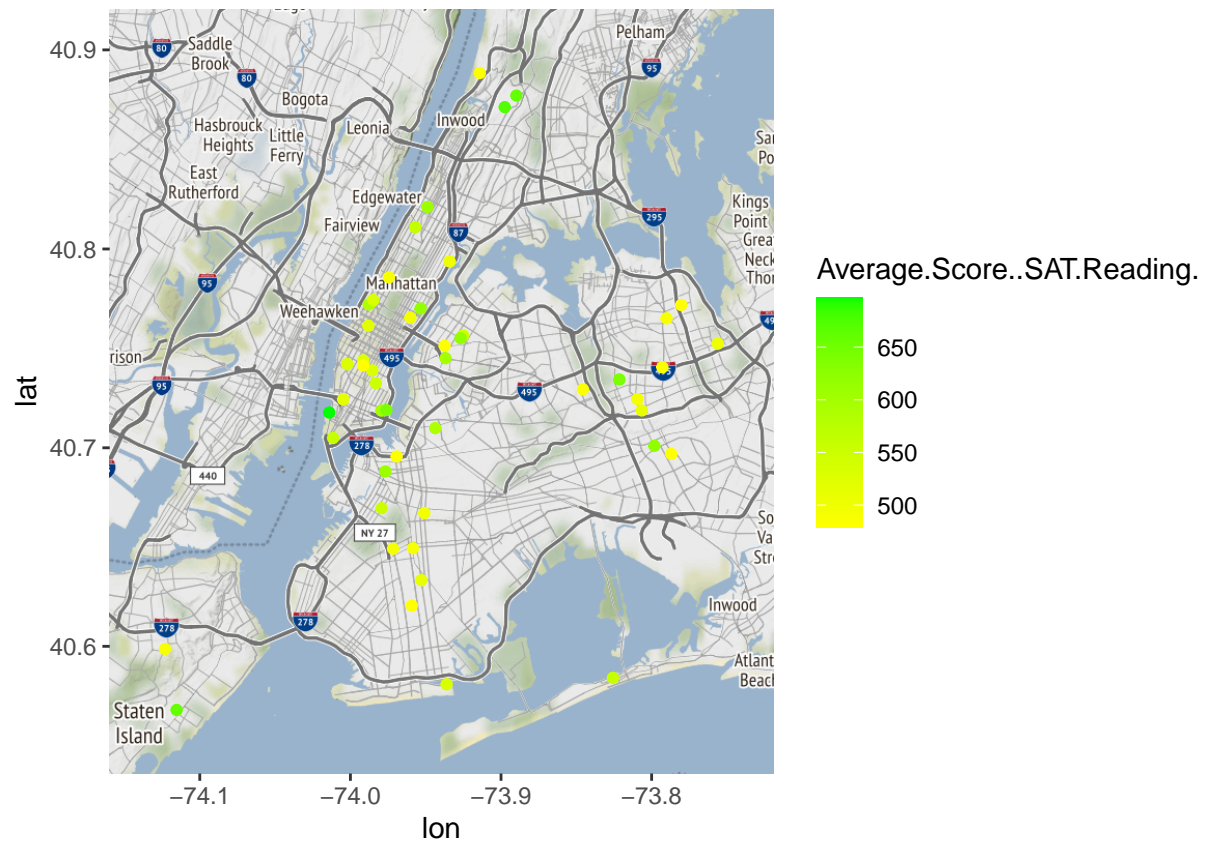
```
top_height <- max(top_scores$Latitude) - min(top_scores$Latitude)
top_width <- max(top_scores$Longitude) - min(top_scores$Longitude)
top_borders <- c(bottom = min(top_scores$Latitude) - 0.1 * top_height,
                 top = max(top_scores$Latitude) + 0.1 * top_height,
                 left = min(top_scores$Longitude) - 0.1 * top_width,
                 right = max(top_scores$Longitude) + 0.1 * top_width)

map <- get_stamenmap(top_borders, zoom = 11, maptype = "toner-lite")
ggmap(map) +
  geom_point(data = top_scores, mapping = aes(x = Longitude, y = Latitude,
      col = Average.Score..SAT.Math.)) +
  scale_color_gradient(low = "blue", high = "red")
```

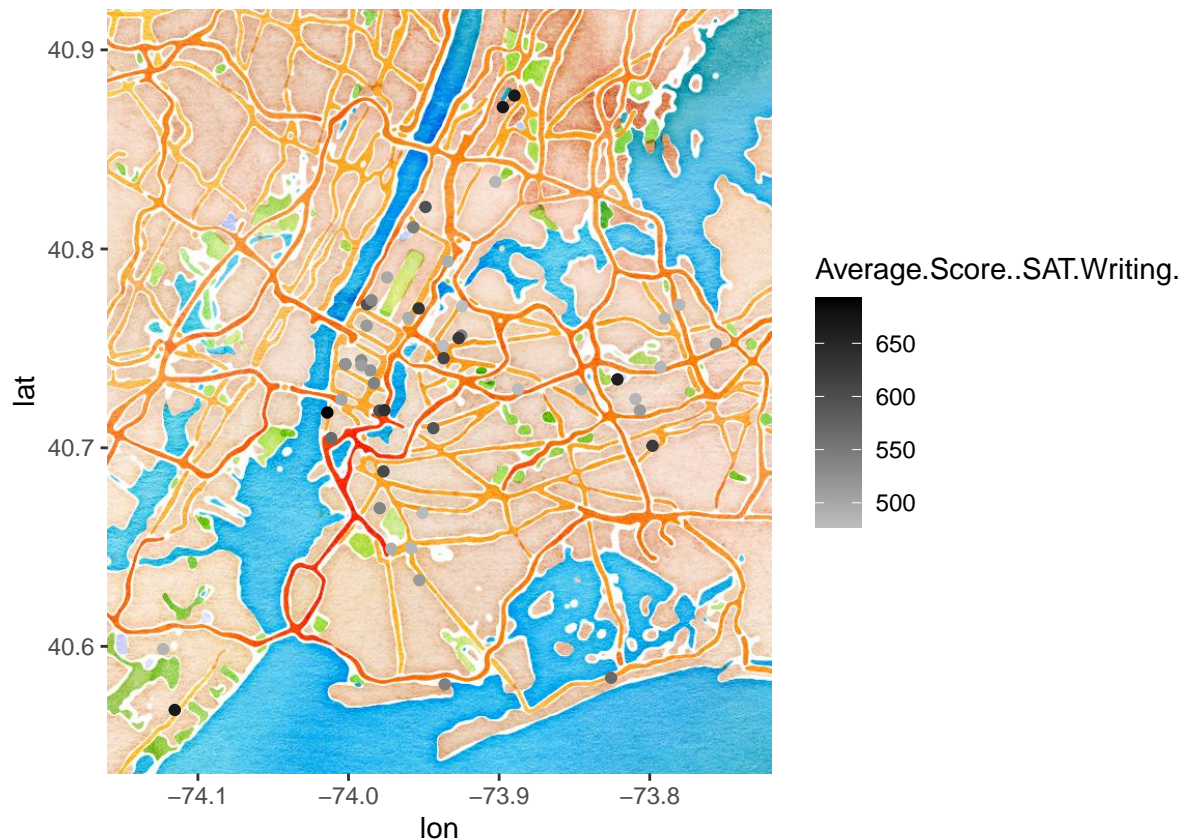



I repeated the same process for the average SAT reading and writing scores:

Mapping the top 50 highest average SAT reading scores by school



Mapping the top 50 highest average SAT writing scores by school



Mapping avg. SAT score by high school and number of students tested

```
height <- max(scores$Latitude) - min(scores$Latitude)
width <- max(scores$Longitude) - min(scores$Longitude)
borders <- c(bottom = min(scores$Latitude) - 0.1 * height,
             top    = max(scores$Latitude) + 0.1 * height,
             left   = min(scores$Longitude) - 0.1 * width,
             right  = max(scores$Longitude) + 0.1 * width)

map_b <- get_stamenmap(borders, zoom = 11, maptype = "toner-lite")

ggmap(map_b) +
  geom_point(data = scores, mapping = aes(x = Longitude, y = Latitude,
                                           col = avg_SAT_score, size = num_tested)) +
  scale_color_gradient(low = "yellow", high = "red")
```

