Spatial analysis in for marine scientists





Selected online databases

European Marine Observation and Data Network (EMODnet):

http://www.emodnet.eu/

Copernicus Marine Environment Monitoring Service (CMEMS):

http://marine.copernicus.eu/

GlobColour: http://www.globcolour.info/

General Bathymetric Chart of the Oceans (GEBCO):

http://www.gebco.net/

Integrated Climate Data Center (UHH):

http://icdc.zmaw.de/projekte/easy-init/easy-init-ocean.html

Extract and overlay information

Map the two layers overlaid:

plot(raster)
plot(vector, add=TRUE)

Between vector and raster:

extract(raster, vector)

fun: if specified, aggregate the values per object

Between two vectors (points and polygons):

over(points, polygons)

NetCDF and multidimensional data

If **one** NetCDF file, create a **brick** object :

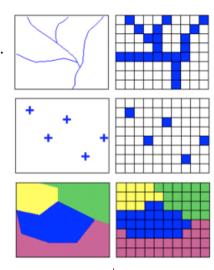
dir <- "folder/raster.nc"
brc <- brick(dir, varname="", lvar=)</pre>

If **multiple** NetCDF files, create a **stack** object :

dir.list<-list.files("folder/", pattern=".nc\$")
stc <- stack(dir.list, varname="")</pre>

Loading vector and raster data in R

Vectors are made of points, lines or polygons. It is the natural format for the description of sites, either defined as areas (polygons) or points taken by a GPS. Vectors conserve the shape and spatial accuracy.



Raster is a matrix, i.e. a regular grid containing information for all the pixels uniformly distanced. The distance between the pixel is called the resolution. It is the natural format for remote sensing, model and interpolated dataset.

Load:

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Shapefile (.shp) can be read in R with the rgdal package:

dir <- "folder/shape.shp"
name <- "shape"
shp <- readOGR(dir,name)</pre>

Most of the formats (.tif, .ascii, .bil, .nc) can be open with the raster package:

dir <- "folder/raster.tif"
rst <- raster(dir)</pre>

Visualize:

plot(...)

col: define the color pch: define the symbol cex: size of the symbol

@data

Get attribute table:

xlim, ylim:
limit the extent

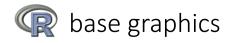
Access information

proj4string()
bbox()
dim()

col: define the palette
breaks: manually define
the color breaks
maxpixels: number of
pixel to be plotted

See the resolution:

res()



SET GRAPHICAL PARAMETERS

the following can **only** be set with **par()**

par (...)

multiple plots	<pre>mfcol = c(nrow,ncol) mfrow = c(nrow,ncol)</pre>	plot margins (outer)	<pre>oma = c(bottom, left, top, right) default: c(0,0,0,0) lines</pre>
plot margins	mar = c(bottom, left, top, right) default: c(5.1, 4.1, 4.1, 2.1) lines	query x & y limits	par ("usr")

CREATE A NEW PLOT

Histograms

bar labels	names.arg =	breakpts	breaks =
border	border =		
fill color	col =	Line charts	plot (<i>x</i> , type = "1")
horizontal	horiz = TRUE		"blank" 0
		line type	<pre>lty = "solid" 1</pre>
Box plots	<pre>boxplot(X,)</pre>		"dashed" 2
horizontal	horizontal = TRUE	line width	"dotted" 3 lwd =

Dot plots	<pre>dotchart(X,)</pre>	Scatterplots	plot(<i>x</i> ,)
dot labels	labels =	symbol	pch =

REMOVE	

box labels names =

Bar charts

axis labels	ann = FALSE	allov
axis, tickmarks, and labels	<pre>xaxt = "n" yaxt = "n"</pre>	o r
plot box	bty = "n"	aspe

barplot(height, ...)

NOTE: Many of the parameters here can be also be set in par(). See R help for more options.

ADJUST

ADJUST			
allow plotting out of plot region	xpd = TRUE		
aspect ratio	asp =		
axis limits	xlim =, ylim =		
axis lines to match axis limits	<pre>xaxs = "i" , yaxs = "i" (internal</pre>		

axis calculation)

hist(*x*,...)

ADD TEXT

	location		size
axis labels subtitle title	<pre>xlab =, ylab = sub = main = style</pre>	(magnif all elements axis labels subtitle tick mark labels	cex = cex.lab = cex.sub = cex.axis =
font face	font = 1 (plain) 2 (bold) 3 (italic) 4 (bold italic)	title po text direction	cex.main = osition las = 1 (horizontal)
font family	<pre>family = "serif" "sans" "mono"</pre>	justification	adj = 0 .5 1 (left, center, right)

ADD TO AN EXISTING PLOT

•	[any plot function] (, add = TRUE) x, add = TRUE)	Lines line style line width	
Axes location	<pre>axis (side,) side = 1 2 3 4 (bottom, left, top, right)</pre>	color Points symbol	<pre>col = points (x,) pch =</pre>
tick mark: labels location remove rotate text	<pre>labels = at = tick = FALSE las = 1 (horizontal)</pre>	0 1 2 3 ⊗ □ ■ • 13 14 15 16 color	$\times \lozenge \bigtriangledown \boxtimes * \bigoplus \bigoplus \boxtimes \boxplus$ $4 \ 5 \ 6 \ 7 \ 8 \ 9 \ 10 \ 11 \ 12$ $\blacktriangle \bullet \bullet \bullet \lozenge \Box \lozenge \triangle \bigtriangledown$ $17 \ 18 \ 19 \ 20 \ 21 \ 22 \ 23 \ 24 \ 25$ $col =$ $bg = (pch: 21-25 \ only)$
Axis labels location lines to skip	<pre>mtext (text,) side = 1 2 3 4 (bottom, left, top, right) line = (from plot</pre>	Text position (rel. to x,y)	text (x, y, text,) pos = 1 2 3 4 (below, left, above, right) (default=center)
position justification	<pre>region, default = 0) at = x or y-coord (depending on side) adj = 0 .5 1 (left, center, right)</pre>	Title axis labels subtitle title	<pre>title (main,) xlab =, ylab = sub = main =</pre>

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