# Package 'flowmapper'

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Add a flow map to a ggplot

#### **Description**

Add a flow map to a ggplot

#### Usage

```
add_flowmap(
  р,
  flowdat = NULL,
 od = NULL,
 nodes = NULL,
  outline_linewidth = 0.01,
  alpha = 0.8,
  nodes_alpha = 0.8,
  outline_col = "black",
  k_nodes = NULL,
  node_buffer_factor = 1.2,
  node_radius_factor = 1,
  edge_offset_factor = 1,
  node_fill_factor = NULL,
  edge_width_factor = 1.2,
  arrow_point_angle = 45,
  add_legend = "none",
  legend_nudge_x = 0,
  legend_nudge_y = 0,
  legend_col = "gray"
```

#### **Arguments**

p The plot to which the flowmap should be added.

flowdat Input dataframe. See details below.

od As an alternative to flowdat, dataframe with the origin-destination pairs and

the flow between them. Must contain the columns o, d, value. nodes must be

provided as well. See details below.

nodes As an alternative to flowdat, a dataframe with the nodes of the network. Must

contain the columns name, x, y. See details below.

outline\_linewidth

The linewidth of the outline of the arrows.

alpha Opacity of the edges. nodes\_alpha Opacity of the nodes.

outline\_col Color of the outline of the edges.

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k\_nodes

Number of clusters to group nodes into. If defined, nodes will be clustered hierarchically based on spatial proximity. By default, no clustering will be applied.

node\_buffer\_factor

Controls the distance between the nodes and the edges (in multiple of the nodes' radii).

node\_radius\_factor

Controls the size of the nodes.

edge\_offset\_factor

Controls the distance between the parallel arrows.

node\_fill\_factor

Controls the downscaling of the fill of the nodes ( as to not outshine the edges ).

edge\_width\_factor

Controls the width of the edges.

arrow\_point\_angle

Controls the pointiness of the edges.

add\_legend Add a legend for width to the plot? Must be one of "none", "bottom", "top", "left",

or "right". (Experimental)

legend\_nudge\_x Adjusts the horizontal position of the legend in map units.

legend\_nudge\_y Adjusts the vertical position of the legend in map units.

legend\_col If add\_legend, controls the color of the legend. Default is grey.

#### **Details**

The function requires as inputs a dataframe flowdat which contains for every combination of two nodes a and b the coordinates of these nodes as well as the intensity of flow between those nodes in both directions (a to b, b to a). The dataframe should have the following columns:

- id\_a: The unique id of node a
- id\_b: The unique id of node b
- xa: The x coordinate of node a
- ya: The y coordinate of node a
- xb: The x coordinate of node b
- yb: The y coordinate of node b
- flow\_ab: The intensity of flow from node a to node b
- flow\_ba: The intensity of flow from node b to node a

Alternatively, the function can take as input a dataframe od which contains the origin-destination pairs and the flow between them. The dataframe should have the following columns:

- o: The unique id of the origin node
- d: The unique id of the destination node
- value: The intensity of flow between the origin and destination

In this case, the function also requires a dataframe nodes which contains the coordinates of the nodes. The dataframe should have the following columns:

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- name: The unique id of the node
- x: The x coordinate of the node
- y: The y coordinate of the node

The function will impose coord\_equal() on the ggplot.

Inspired by flowmap.gl.

#### Value

The ggplot with an additional polygon layer for the flow arrows and an additional polygon layer for the nodes

#### Author(s)

Johannes Mast

#### **Examples**

```
testdata <-
data.frame(
  id_a = c("X1","X2","X3","X3","X1"),
  id_b = c("X8","X7","X1","X8","X7"),
  xa = c(2,14,10,10,2),
  ya = c(6,10,9,9,6),
  xb = c(10,4,2,10,4),
  yb = c(4,10,6,4,10),
  flow_ab = c(2,1,1,1,1),
  flow_ba = c(5,1,1,1,2)
)
library(ggplot2)
plot <- ggplot()
plot |> add_flowmap(testdata)
```

cantons

cantons

## Description

Geometries of Cantons of Switzerland. CRS is unassigned, but should be EPSG:3857.

#### Usage

cantons

#### **Format**

```
cantons:
```

A sf object with 26 rows and 2 columns:

```
NAME_1 Name of Canton geometry polygon coordinates
```

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#### Source

GADM database https://gadm.org/

CH\_migration\_data

CH\_migration\_data

#### **Description**

Internal migrations between Cantons of Switzerland, 2011-2016.

#### Usage

CH\_migration\_data

#### **Format**

CH\_migration\_data:

A data frame with 325 rows and 8 columns:

id\_a, id\_b Names of Cantons A and B

flow\_ab Number of migrations from A to B

flow\_ba Number of migrations from B to A

xa,ya Longitude and latitude of the centroid of Canton A. Web-Mercator projection (EPSG: 3857)

**xb,yb** Longitude and latitude of the centroid of Canton B. Web-Mercator projection (EPSG: 3857)

#### Source

Federal Statistical Office of Switzerland, under OPEN-BY-ASK terms of use: https://www.bfs.admin.ch/bfs/de/home/statistiken/bevoelkerung/migration-integration/binnenwanderung.assetdetail.3222163.html

get\_circle\_coords

Helper function to create coordinates for circles of nodes

## Description

Helper function to create coordinates for circles of nodes

#### Usage

```
get_circle_coords(center = c(0, 0), r = 1, npoints = 25)
```

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#### **Arguments**

center center y and y coordinates

r radius

npoints number of points

#### Value

a dataframe with x and y coordinates of the circle

## Author(s)

Johannes Mast, Credit to https://stackoverflow.com/a/6863490

hca\_flowdat

Use hierarchical clustering to merge nodes based on proximity

## Description

Use hierarchical clustering to merge nodes based on proximity

#### Usage

```
hca_flowdat(flowdat, k = 20)
```

## Arguments

flowdat The data containing flows from a to b, b to a, and the coordinates of a and b

k The number of nodes to keep.

#### Value

a dataframe of the same format as flowdat, but with some nodes (and their flows) merged. Note that this will in most cases contain some circular flows (a to a) even if the input flowdat did not.

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short\_scale

Create short scale format for numbers in the legend

## Description

Create short scale format for numbers in the legend

## Usage

```
short_scale(x, digits = 3)
```

#### **Arguments**

x The numberdigits Significant digits

## Author(s)

Johannes Mast, credit: https://stackoverflow.com/a/59086755

## Description

This function takes a flow data frame in long format and a data frame with the nodes coordinates and returns a flowdat data frame

#### Usage

```
util_data_flow_to_flowdat(nodes, flows)
```

#### **Arguments**

nodes A data frame with the nodes of the network

flows A data frame with the flow data

#### **Details**

Helper function to merge od data in long data and nodes to flowdat format

#### Value

A data frame with the flow data in flowdat format

## Author(s)

Johannes Mast,

## Examples

```
#nodes <- data.frame(name=c("a","b","c"),x=c(0,1,2),y=c(0,1,2)) #flow <- data.frame(o=c("a","b"),d=c("b","c"),value=c(1,2)) #util_data_flow_to_flowdat(nodes,flow)
```

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