

Using GADMTools

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- Secure cloud solutions for health data collection, reporting and processing,
- The implementation of research projects on measuring the effectiveness and impact of vaccines,
- Services in the field of epidemiology (protocols, analyzes, training, etc.),
- Expertise in data analysis,
- Counseling, coaching and assistance to project owners for public health programs,
- Training (short introductory modules, training through long-term practice).

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What is GADM?

GADM, the Database of Global Administrative Areas, is a high-resolution database of country administrative areas, with a goal of “all countries, at all levels, at any time period. The database has a few export formats, including shapefiles that are used in most common GIS applications.[2] Files formatted for the programming language R are also available, allowing the easy creation of descriptive data plots that include geographical maps. Although it is a public database, GADM has a higher spatial resolution than other free databases and also higher than commercial software such as ArcGIS. GADM is not freely available for commercial use. The GADM project created the spatial data for many countries from spatial databases provided by national governments, NGO, and/or from maps and lists of names available on the Internet (e.g. from Wikipedia).

The GADM website and data repository is hosted at UC Davis in the Hijmans Lab. The Hijman lab is run by Robert Hijmans an Environmental Science and Policy faculty member in the Geography Graduate Group.
[source Wikipedia - <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/GADM>]

What is GADMTools?

GADMTools is an R package to manipulate shapefiles from GADM and to make geo-statistical representations easily.

Manipulating shapefiles

gadm.loadCountries()

This is the main function of GADMTools, with it, you can load or download one or more shapefiles. If you load many shapefiles, the function assembles the shapefiles into one.

```
gadm.loadCountries(  
  fileNames,  
  level = 0,  
  basefile=GADM_BASE,  
  baseurl=GADM_URL,  
  simplify=NULL  
)
```

Parameter	Description
fileNames	Character vector of named regions. An ISO-3166-1 code or a custom name. You don't have to specify the suffix (admX) nor the file extension (.rds).
level	Integer - the level of the administrative boundaries (0 is the country, higher values equal finer divisions)
basefile	Character - the path of the directory where shapefiles are stored. Default is “./GADM”
baseurl	Character - the url of GADM files. Default is http://biogeo.ucdavis.edu/data/gadm2.8/rds/
simplify	Numeric numerical tolerance value to be used by the Douglas-Peuker algorithm. Higher values use less polygon points (and less memory) and lower values use more polygon points (and more memory). We suggest not going higher than 0.01 in order for intra-country boundaries to align.

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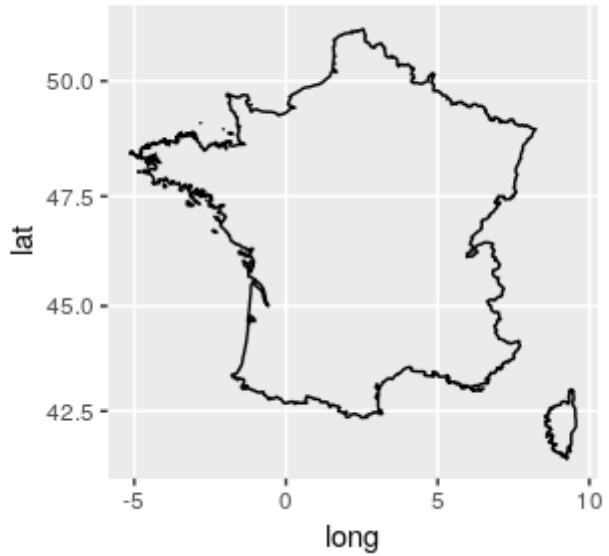


Figure 1: loading a single country (France) @ level = 0

Loading a shapefile

```
library(GADMTools)
library(sp)

# Loading country border (level=0 [default])
# -----
map <- gadm.loadCountries("FRA", basefile = "./")
plotmap(map)
```

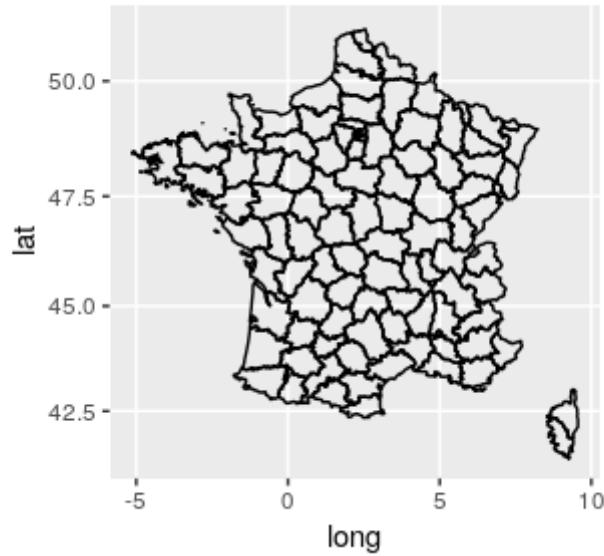


Figure 2: loading regions of a country (France) @ level = 2

Loading an administrative level

```
library(GADMTools)
library(sp)

# Loading regions @ level = 2]
# -----
map <- gadm.loadCountries(c("FRA"), level=2, basefile = "./")
plotmap(map)
```

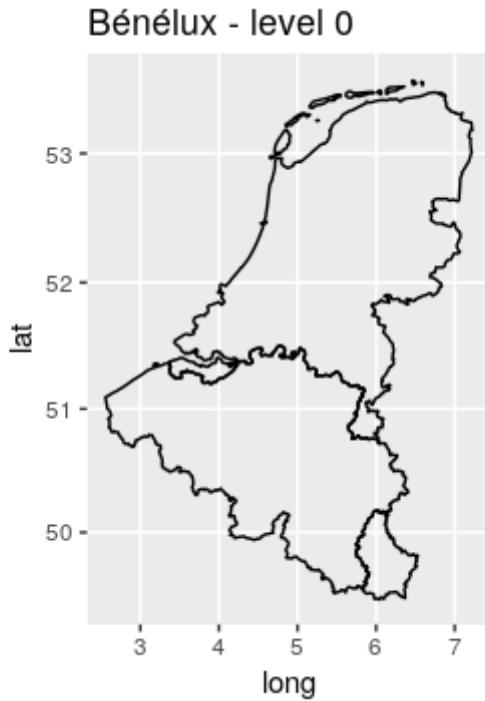


Figure 3: Benelux = Belgium + Luxembourg + Netherlands @ level = 0

Assembling many shapefiles

```

library(GADMTools)
library(sp)

# Assemble administrative boundaries (country level = 0)
# -----
map <- gadm.loadCountries(c("BEL","LUX","NLD"), basefile = "./")
plotmap(map, title="Bénélux")

```

Extracting regions

In order to extract some regions of a map we need to know them. The listNames function allows this. The subset function is then used to extract the desired regions.

listNames()

```
listNames(  
  x,  
  level = 0  
)
```

Parameter	Description
x	Object - a GADMWrapper object (a map)
level	Integer - the value of the administration level to list. Attention: only the administrative levels that have been loaded in the loadCountries object can be listed. Names are given in the country's language or English.

subset()

```
subset(  
  x,  
  level = NULL,  
  regions = NULL,  
  usevar = NULL  
)
```

Parameter	Description
x	Object GADMWrapper
level	Integer the level at which the regions are extracted from
regions	String vector of named regions
usevar	String vector name of an other var of spdf@data @ an other level

Example

```
# Extract some regions of a map
# -----
library(GADMTools)
library(sp)

FR = gadm.loadCountries("FRA", level=2, basefile = "./")
listNames(FR, level=2)
AV = subset(FR, regions=c("Allier", "Cantal",
                           "Haute-Loire", "Puy-de-Dôme"))
plotmap(AV)
```

[1] "Bas-Rhin"	"Haut-Rhin"	"Dordogne"	"Gironde"
[5] "Landes"	"Lot-et-Garonne"	"Pyrénées-Atlantiques"	"Allier"
[9] "Cantal"	"Haute-Loire"	"Puy-de-Dôme"	"Essonne"
[13] "Hauts-de-Seine"	"Paris"	"Seine-et-Marne"	"Seine-Saint-Denis"
[17] "Val-d'Oise"	"Val-de-Marne"	"Yvelines"	"Calvados"
[21] "Manche"	"Orne"	"Côte-d'Or"	"Nièvre"
[25] "Saône-et-Loire"	"Yonne"	"Côtes-d'Armor"	"Finistère"
[29] "Ille-et-Vilaine"	"Morbihan"	"Cher"	"Eure-et-Loir"
[33] "Indre-et-Loire"	"Indre"	"Loir-et-Cher"	"Loiret"
[37] "Ardennes"	"Aube"	"Haute-Marne"	"Marne"
[41] "Corse-du-Sud"	"Haute-Corse"	"Doubs"	"Haute-Saône"
[45] "Jura"	"Territoire de Belfort"	"Eure"	"Seine-Maritime"
[49] "Aude"	"Gard"	"Hérault"	"Lozère"
[53] "Pyrénées-Orientales"	"Corrèze"	"Creuse"	"Haute-Vienne"
[57] "Meurthe-et-Moselle"	"Meuse"	"Moselle"	"Vosges"
[61] "Ariège"	"Aveyron"	"Gers"	"Haute-Garonne"
[65] "Hautes-Pyrénées"	"Lot"	"Tarn-et-Garonne"	"Tarn"
[69] "Nord"	"Pas-de-Calais"	"Loire-Atlantique"	"Maine-et-Loire"
[73] "Mayenne"	"Sarthe"	"Vendée"	"Aisne"
[77] "Oise"	"Somme"	"Charente-Maritime"	"Charente"
[81] "Deux-Sèvres"	"Vienne"	"Alpes-de-Haute-Provence"	"Alpes-Maritimes"
[85] "Bouches-du-Rhône"	"Hautes-Alpes"	"Var"	"Vaucluse"
[89] "Ain"	"Ardèche"	"Drôme"	"Haute-Savoie"
[93] "Isère"	"Loire"	"Rhône"	"Savoie"

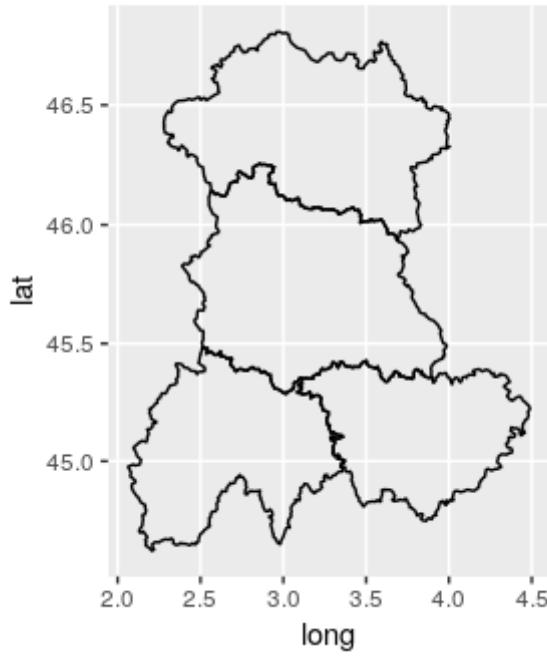


Figure 4: extracting (subset) some departments in France @ level = 2

Merging regions

`gadm.union()`

gadm.union(x)

Parameter	Description
x	Object GADMWrapper

Example

```
library(GADMTools)
library(sp)

FR = gadm.loadCountries("FRA", level=2, basefile = "./")
AV = subset(FR, regions=c("Allier", "Cantal",
                           "Haute-Loire","Puy-de-Dôme"))
AV <- gadm.union(AV)
plotmap(AV)
```

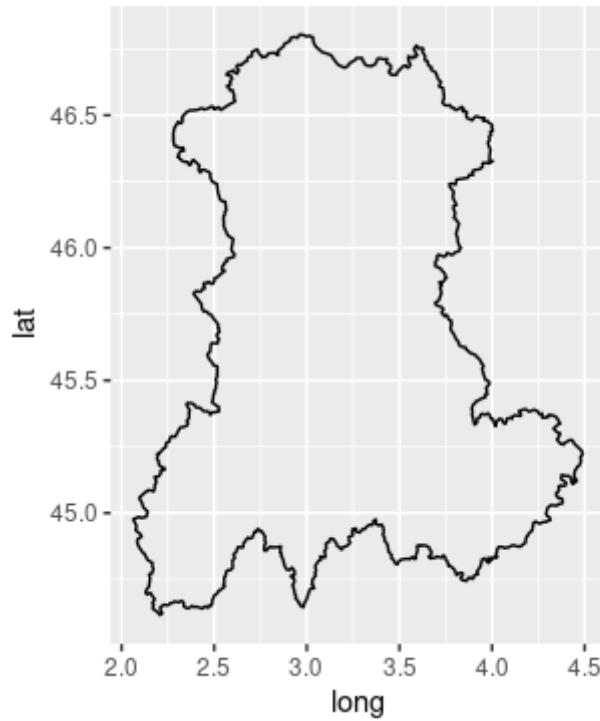


Figure 5: merging 4 departments of Auvergne @ level = 2

Converting longitudes to 0 - 360

`gadm.longTo360()`

`gadm.longTo360(x)`

Parameter	Description
<code>x</code>	Object GADMWrapper

Example

```
library(GADMTools)
library(GADMTools)
FJI = gadm.loadCountries("FJI", 1, basefile = "./")
# Fig. 6
plotmap(FJI, title = "Fidji Island with bad coordinates")

FJI = gadm.longTo360(FJI)
# Fig. 7
plotmap(FJI, title = "Fidji Island with 0 - 360 coordinates")
```

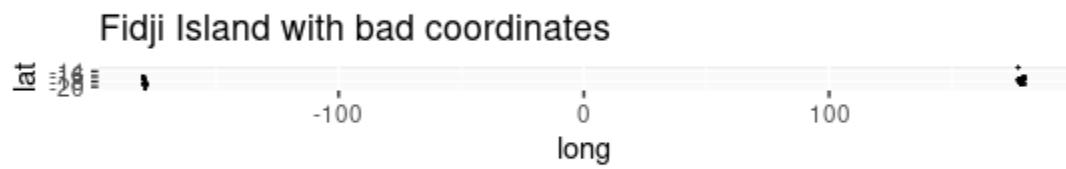


Figure 6: BAD

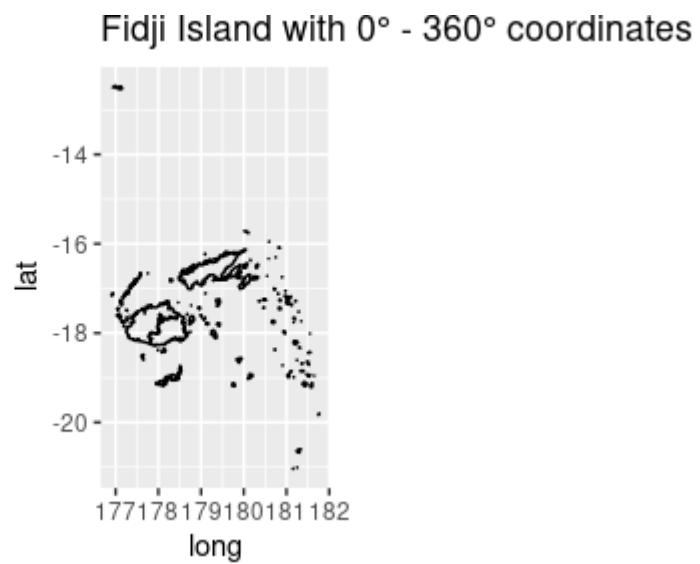


Figure 7: GOOD

Removing regions

`remove()`

```
remove(  
  x,  
  level=NULL,  
  regions=NULL  
)
```

Parameter	Description
<code>x</code>	Object GADMWrapper
<code>level</code>	Integer - level from which shapes are removed. If NULL, current level is used.
<code>regions</code>	String vector of regions to be removed

Example

```
library(GADMTools)  
library(sp)  
  
FR = gadm.loadCountries("FRA", level=1, basefile = "./")  
plotmap(FR)  
listNames(FR, level=1)  
FR2 = remove(FR, level = 1, regions = c("Grand Est"))  
plotmap(FR2)
```

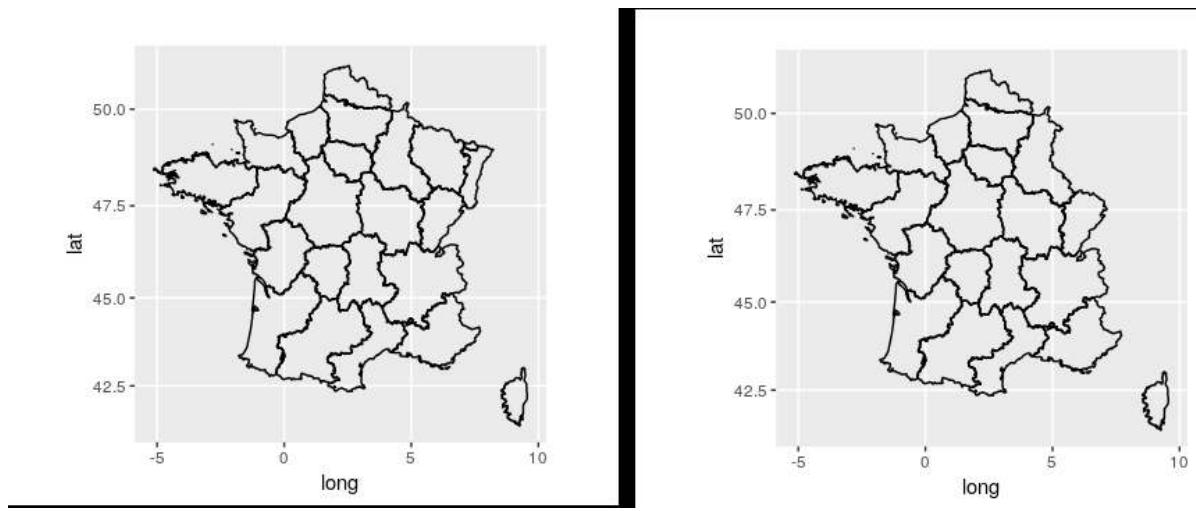


Figure 8: removing 2 regions from France @ level = 1

[1] "Alsace"	"Aquitaine"	"Auvergne"
[4] "Île-de-France"	"Basse-Normandie"	"Bourgogne"
[7] "Bretagne"	"Centre"	"Champagne-Ardenne"
[10] "Corse"	"Franche-Comté"	"Haute-Normandie"
[13] "Languedoc-Roussillon"	"Limousin"	"Lorraine"
[16] "Midi-Pyrénées"	"Nord-Pas-de-Calais"	"Pays de la Loire"
[19] "Picardie"	"Poitou-Charentes"	"Provence-Alpes-Côte d'Azur"
[22] "Rhône-Alpes"		

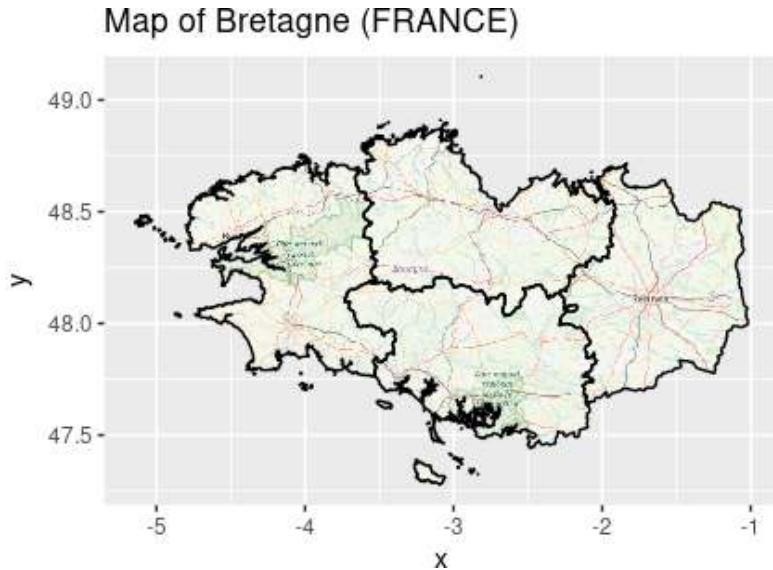


Figure 9: map of Bretagne with background from OSM @ level = 2

Graphics

Adding a background image from OpenstreetMap

`gadm.getBackground()`

`gadm.getBackground(x, name, type = "osm", clip = TRUE)`

Parameter	Description
x	Object GADMWrapper - the region that you want to add a background.
name	Object the name of the TIFF file without extension
type	Character type (default “osm”) of the map provided by <i>osm.types()</i> .
clip	Character if TRUE (the default), background is clipped by the the external border of the spatial object.

Examples

```
library(GADMTools)
library(rsom)
FRA = gadm.loadCountries("FRA", 2, basefile = "./")
BRE = GADMTools::subset(FRA, level=1, regions=c("Bretagne"))
BRE2 <- gadm.getBackground(BRE, "BRE", "osm")
plotmap(BRE2, title = "Map of Bretagne (FRANCE)")
```

Plotting dots on a map

```
dots()

dots(
  x, points, color="red", value = NULL,
  breaks = NULL, steps = 5, palette = NULL, labels = NULL, strate = NULL,
  title="", legend = NULL, note=NULL
)
```

Parameter	Description
x	Object GADMWrapper
points	Object data.frame with columns ‘latitude’ and ‘longitude’
color	a valid color
value	Character Name of a column in the data.frame. If is not null, colored dots are displayed according to the value.
breaks	vector of breaks
steps	Integer Number of breaks for the value field.
palette	a valid palette
labels	vector of labels
strate	Character name of a column in the data.frame. If is not null, display dots with different shapes according to the value.
title	Character The title of the plot
legend	Character The title of the legend
note	Character Add an annotation

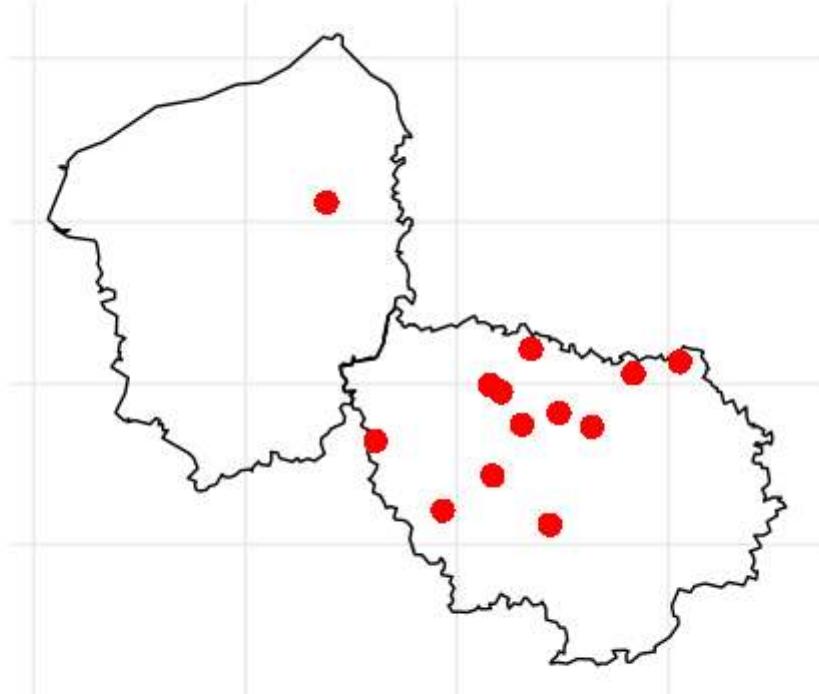
Examples

For these examples we are using this data.frame

lieu_lat	lieu_long	type	comptage	nocif	id_data	identifier
49.55895	1.384277	Type B	45	ne sait pas	1	1
48.86664	2.636719	Type A	21	Oui	2	2
48.60579	1.933594	Type B	12	Non	3	3
48.90998	2.482910	Type B	61	ne sait pas	4	4
48.97493	2.208252	Type C	14	Oui	5	5
49.06859	3.054199	Type B	14	Oui	6	6
48.82326	1.614990	Type A	55	Non	7	7
48.87387	2.307129	Type D	7	ne sait pas	9	9
48.99656	2.156067	Type B	19	Oui	10	10
49.03259	2.834473	Type D	12	Non	11	11
49.10792	2.351074	Type C	6	Oui	12	12
48.56219	2.438965	Type B	65	Oui	13	13
48.71465	2.169800	Type A	22	Non	14	14

Note : with this data.frame, we have to rename *lieu_lat* and *lieu_long* to respectively *latitude* and *longitude*

Cases 2015



Data from Wepi

Figure 10: simple points

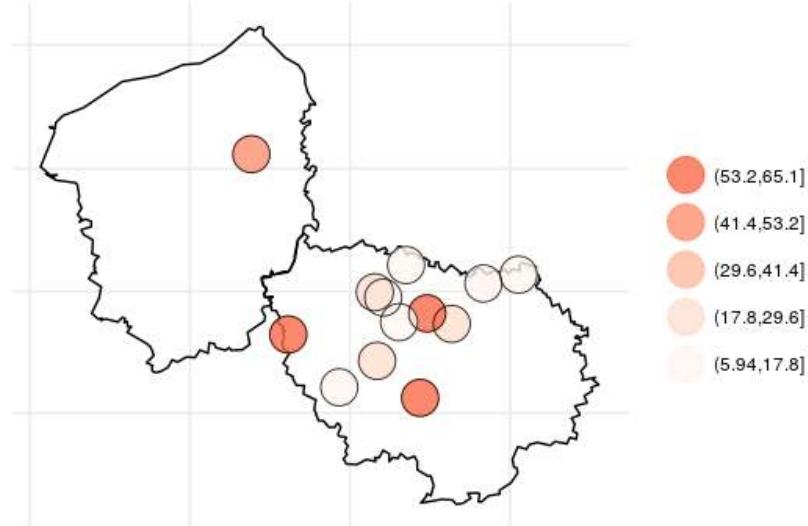
```
library(GADMTools)
library(sp)

map = gadm.loadCountries("FRA", level=1, simplify=0.01, basefile = "./")
map = subset(map, level=1, regions=c("Île-de-France", "Haute-Normandie"))

W <- read.csv2("wepi.csv", stringsAsFactors = FALSE)
W$lieux_lat <- as.double(W$lieux_lat)
W$lieux_long <- as.double(W$lieux_long)
colnames(W) [1] <- "latitude"
colnames(W) [2] <- "longitude"

# Simple dots
#-----
dots(map, points = W, title="Cases 2015", note="Data from Wepi")
```

Classified Cases 2015

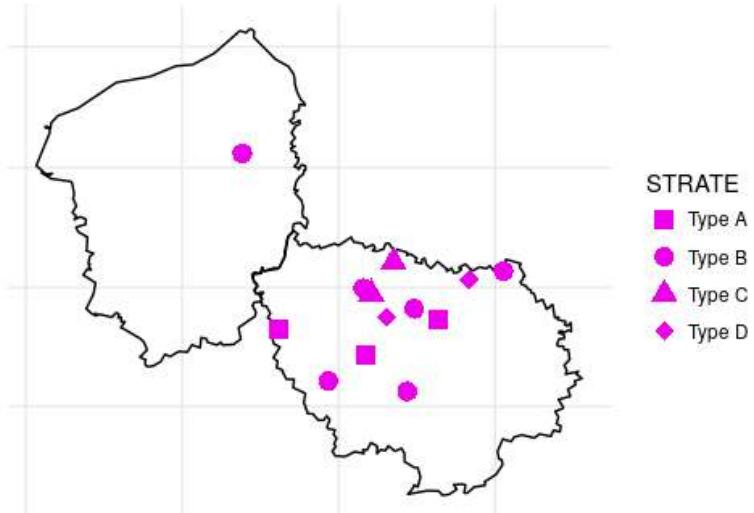


Data from Wepi

Figure 11: colored points (classification)

```
# Classified dots
#-
dots(map, points = W,
      palette = "Reds",
      value="comptage",
      title="Classified Cases 2015", note="Data from Wepi")
```

Typed Cases 2015



Data from Wepi

Figure 12: typed points (stratification)

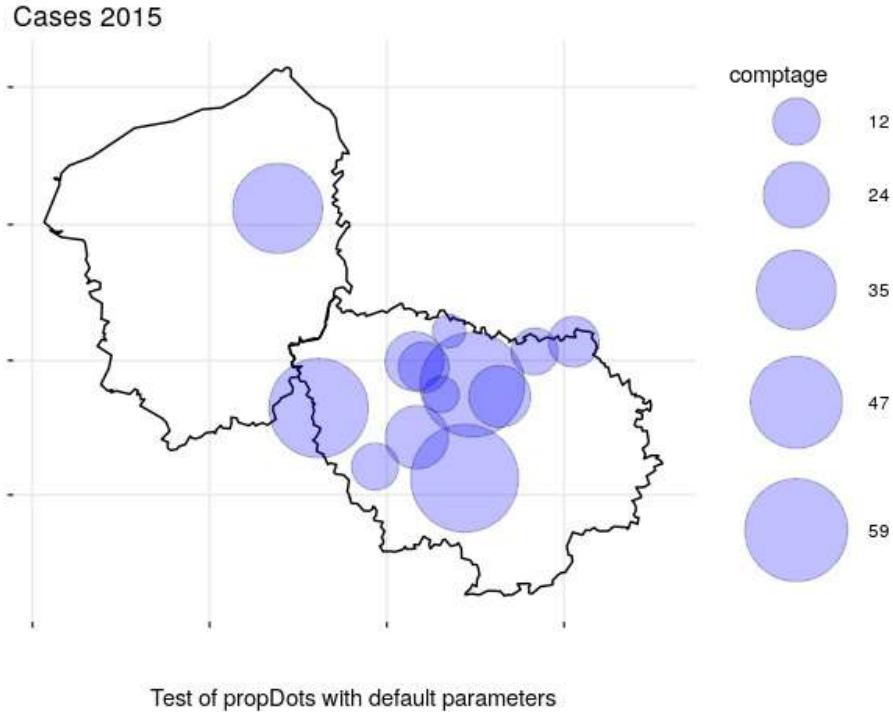
```
# Typed points
#-----
dots(map, points = W,
      color = "#ee00ee",
      strate="type",
      title="Typed Cases 2015", note="Data from Wepi")
```

Plotting proportionals dots

```
propDots()
```

```
propDots(  
  x,  
  data,  
  value,  
  breaks=NULL,  
  range=NULL,  
  labels=NULL,  
  color="red",  
  title="",  
  note=NULL  
)
```

Parameter	Description
x	Object GADMWrapper
data	Object data.frame with columns ‘latitude’ and ‘longitude’
value	Character Name of a column of the data.frame.
breaks	vector of breaks
range	vector min, max
labels	vector of labels
color	a valid color
title	Character The title of the plot
note	Character A note associated with the plot



Test of propDots with default parameters

Figure 13: proportional dots with default parameters

Examples

```

library(GADMTools)
library(sp)

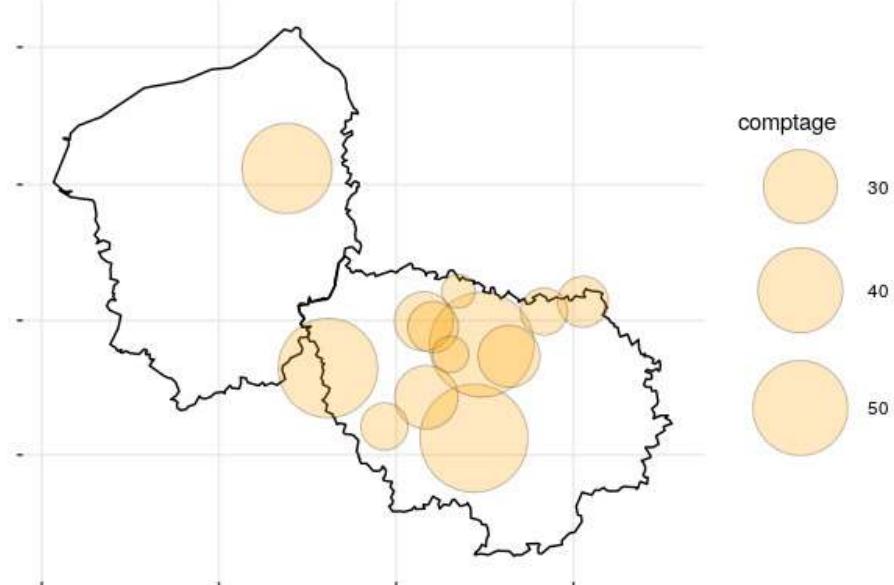
France = gadm.loadCountries("FRA", level=1, simplify=0.01, basefile = "./")
Region = subset(France, regions=c("Île-de-France", "Haute-Normandie"), level=1)

W <- read.csv2("wepi.csv")
W$lieux_lat <- as.double(as.character(W$lieux_lat))
W$lieux_long <- as.double(as.character(W$lieux_long))
W <- rename(W, latitude = lieux_lat, longitude = lieux_long)

# Test of propDots with default parameters
# -----
propDots( Region,
          data = W,
          value = "comptage",
          color="blue",
          note="Test of propDots with default parameters")

```

Cases 2015

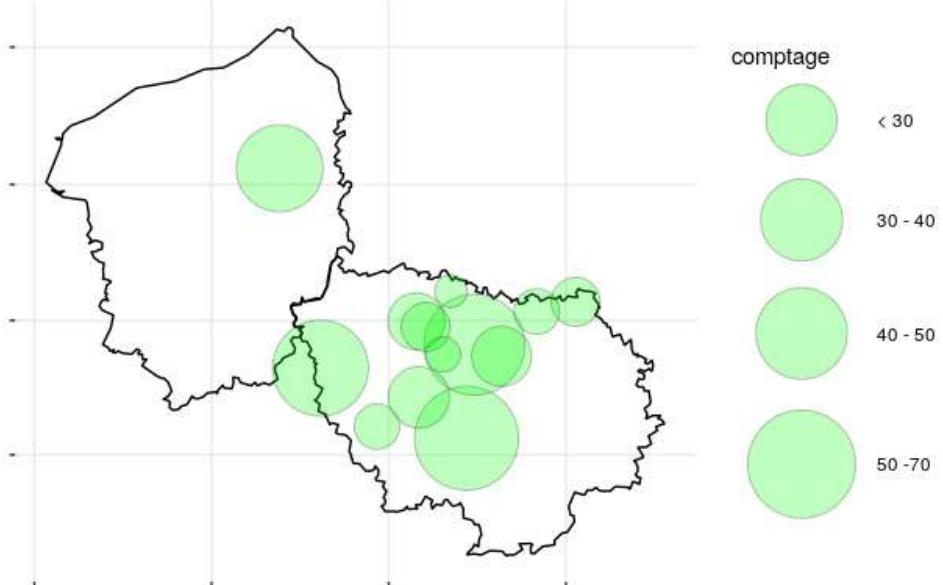


Test of propDots with defined breaks

Figure 14: proportional dots with provided breaks

```
# Test of propDots with default parameters
# -----
propDots(Region, data = W, value = "comptage", color="orange",
          breaks=c(30, 40, 50, 70, 100),
          title="Cases 2015",
          note="Test of propDots with defined breaks")
```

Cases 2015



Test of propDots with forced range of breaks

Figure 15: proportional dots with with forced range of breaks

```
propDots(Region, data = W, value = "comptage", color="green",
range=c(30,70),
breaks=c(30, 40, 50, 70, 100),
title="Cases 2015",
note="Test of propDots with forced range of breaks",
labels = c("< 30", "30 - 40", "40 - 50", "50 -70", "70 - 100"))
```

Plotting dots with classified size

```
classDots()  
  
classDots(  
  x,  
  data, color="red",  
  value = NULL,  
  breaks = NULL,  
  steps = 5,  
  labels = NULL,  
  opacity = 0.5,  
  title="",  
  note=NULL,  
  legend = NULL  
)
```

Parameter	Description
x	Object GADMWrapper
data	Object data.frame with columns ‘latitude’ and ‘longitude’
color	a valid color
value	Character Name of a column in the data.frame.
breaks	vector of breaks
steps	unused
labels	Character vector of labels
opacity	float Background opacity of the filled circles
title	Character The title of the plot
note	Character Add an annotation
legend	Character The title of the legend

Classes of points

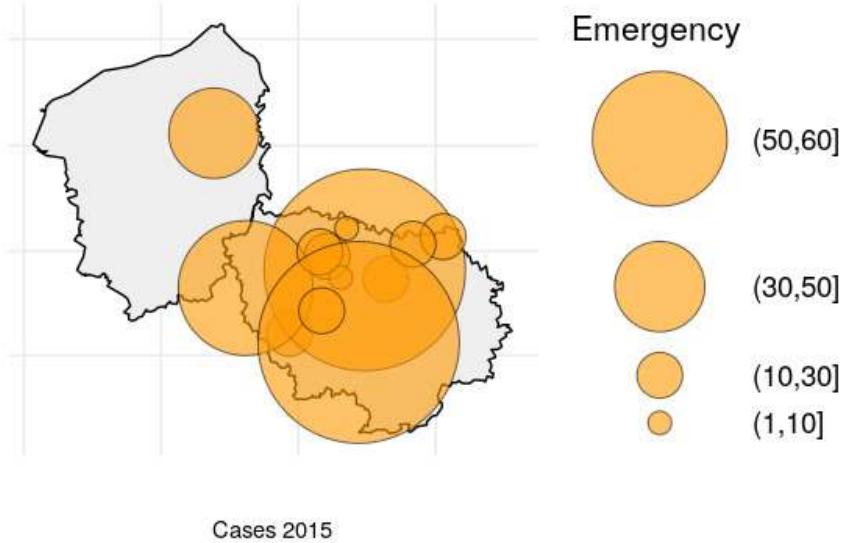


Figure 16: classified dots size

Exemple

```

library(GADMTools)
library(sp)

France = gadm.loadCountries("FRA", level=1, simplify=0.01, basefile = "./")
Region = subset(France, regions=c("Île-de-France","Haute-Normandie"), level=1)

W <- read.csv2("wepi.csv")
W$lieux_lat <- as.double(as.character(W$lieux_lat))
W$lieux_long <- as.double(as.character(W$lieux_long))
W <- rename(W, latitude = lieux_lat, longitude = lieux_long)

classDots(Region,          # Polygons
          data = W,        # Dataset
          value = "comptage", # Varname
          color="#ff9900",
          breaks=c(1, 10, 30, 50, 60, 100),
          legend = "Emergency",
          title = "Classes of points",
          opacity = 0.6,
          note = "Cases 2015"
)

```

Plotting density

`isopleth()`

```
isopleth( x,  
          data,  
          palette=NULL,  
          title=""  
        )
```

Parameter	Description
<code>x</code>	Object GADMWrapper
<code>data</code>	data.frame - data to plot
<code>palette</code>	String - An RColorBrewer palette name or a String vector vector of colors. Default NULL.
<code>title</code>	String - Plot title. Default is an empty string.

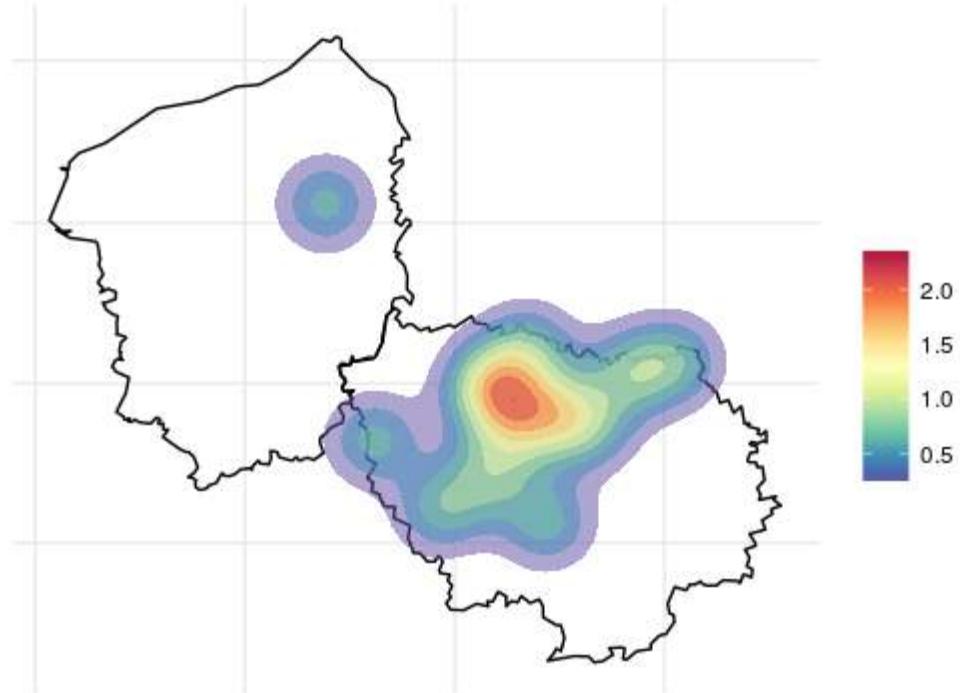


Figure 17: a density plot (isopleth)

Example

```

library(GADMTools)
library(sp)

France = gadm.loadCountries("FRA", level=1, simplify=0.01, basefile = "./")
W <- read.csv2("wepi.csv")
W$lieux_lat <- as.double(as.character(W$lieux_lat))
W$lieux_long <- as.double(as.character(W$lieux_long))
colnames(W)[1] <- "latitude"
colnames(W)[2] <- "longitude"
Region = subset(France, regions=c("Île-de-France", "Haute-Normandie"), level=1)
isopleth(Region, W)

```

Plotting a choropleth

`choropleth()`

```
choropleth(  
  x, data, value=NULL, breaks = NULL, steps = 5,  
  adm.join=NULL, legend = NULL,  
  labels = NULL, palette=NULL, title=""  
)
```

Parameter	Description
x	Object GADMWrapper
data	data.frame - data to plot
value	String - the name of the column in the data.frame we want to plot (eg: an incidence in epidemiology studies)
breaks	Vector of breaks values or a String name of a function from <i>classIntervals</i> (one of “sd”, “equal”, “pretty”, “quantile”, “kmeans”, “hclust”, “bclust”, “fisher”, or “jenks”).
steps	Integer - number of breaks. Default = 5. If breaks is NOT NULL this value is used internally with <code>cut()</code> .
adm.join	String - the name in GADM spdf dataset which will be joined with a column of the data.
legend	String - legend title. Default NULL.
labels	String vector labels for the legend. Default NULL
palette	String - An RColorBrewer palette name or a String vector vector of colors. Default NULL.
title	String - Title of the plot. Default is an empty string.

Chlamydia Incidence by Belgian district for 2003)

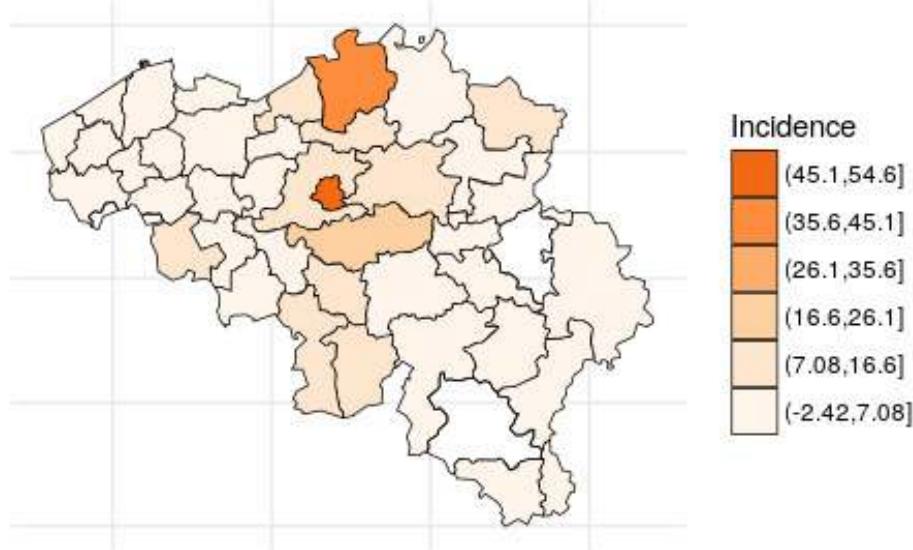


Figure 18: drawing a choropleth

Example

```
library(GADMTools)
library(sp)
library(dplyr)

MAP <- gadm.loadCountries("BEL", level = 3, simplify=0.01)
DAT = read.csv2("BE_clamydia_incidence.csv")

# Rewriting District names
# -----
DAT$district <- as.character(DAT$district)
DAT[7,1] = "Brussel"
DAT[20,1] <- "Liège"
DAT[22,1] = "Marche-en-Famenne"
DAT[27,1] = "Neufchâteau"

# Here is the main trick !
# -----
DAT <- rename(DAT, NAME_3 = district)

choroplet(MAP, DAT,
          adm.join = "NAME_3",
          value = "rate03",
          breaks = "sd",
          palette="Oranges", legend = "Incidence",
          title="Chlamydia incidence by Belgian district for 2003")
```

fast.choropleth()

```
fast.choropleth(  
    x, data, value=NULL,  
    breaks = NULL, steps = 5,  
    adm.join=NULL, legend = NULL,  
    labels = NULL,  
    palette=NULL, title=""  
)
```

Parameter	Description
x	Object GADMWrapper
data	data.frame - data to plot
value	String - the name of the column in the data.frame we want to plot (eg: an incidence in epidemiology studies)
breaks	
steps	Integer - number of breaks. Default = 5. If breaks is NOT NULL this value is used internally with cut().
adm.join	String - the name in GADM spdf dataset which will be joined with a column of the data.
legend	String - legend title. Default NULL.
labels	String vector labels for the legend. Default NULL
palette	String - An RColorBrewer palette name or a String vector vector of colors. Default NULL.
title	String - Title of the plot. Default is an empty string.

Chlamydia Incidence by Belgian district (2003)



Figure 19: drawing a fast.choropleth

Example

```
MAP <- gadm.loadCountries("BEL", level = 3, simplify=0.01)
DAT = read.csv2("BE_chlamydia_incidence.csv")

# Rewriting District names
# -----
DAT$district <- as.character(DAT$district)
DAT[7,1] = "Brussel"
DAT[20,1] <- "Liège"
DAT[22,1] = "Marche-en-Famenne"
DAT[27,1] = "Neufchâteau"
DAT <- rename(DAT, NAME_3 = district)

fast.choropleth(MAP, DAT,
                adm.join = "NAME_3",
                value = "rate03",
                steps = 4,
                breaks = "jenks",
                palette="Greens",
                legend = "Incidence",
                title="Chlamydia incidence by Belgian district (2003)")
```