

Animated graphics in R

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Dynamic graphics

Dynamic graphics in R

There are several package in R that provide dynamic graphics meant to be consumed on the web.

Many of these are wrappers around well-known Javascript libraries like D3.js, leaflet.js and others

These packages have mostly come under the umbrella of the htmlwidgets package, which allows these HTML-based graphics to be displayed through R and R Markdown

Bring the best of JavaScript data visualization to R

Use JavaScript visualization libraries at the R console, just like plots

Embed widgets in R Markdown documents and Shiny web applications

Develop new widgets using a framework that seamlessly bridges R and JavaScript

The figure shows a screenshot of a web browser window titled "RPubs - oregon weather". The URL in the address bar is "rpubs.com/jcheng/48267". The main content is titled "Oregon Climate Station Data" and displays "Annual Temperature". Below the title is a block of R code:

```
library(leaflet)
load('geog495.RData')
pal <- colorQuantile("YlOrRd", NULL, n = 8)
leaflet(orstationc) %>% addTiles() %>%
  addCircleMarkers(~lon, ~lat, color = -pal(tann))
```

Below the code is a map of the Pacific Northwest region, specifically focusing on Oregon and parts of Washington and Idaho. The map shows various climate stations marked with colored circles (ranging from blue to red) representing temperature data. Labels on the map include Seattle, Tacoma, Aberdeen, Coeur d'Alene, and Missoula.

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Dynamic graphics in R

There are several broad categories of dynamic graphs

General purpose:

Package	Description
r2d3	Interface for D3.js, requires D3.js code
plotly	Interface with plot.ly, direct conversion from ggplot2
highcharter	Using the Highcharts.js package
dygraphs	For time series or longitudinal data

Maps:

```
tribble(  
  ~Package, ~Description,  
  "leaflet", "Maps using OpenStreetMaps") %>%  
  kable() %>%  
  kable_styling()
```

Package	Description
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Networks:

```
tribble(~Package, ~Description,
       'networkD3', 'Dynamic network visualizations using D3',
       'visNetwork', 'Interface to the vis.js pacman::p_load') %>%
kable() %>% kable_styling()
```

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visNetwork	Interface to the vis.js pacman::p_load

Plotly

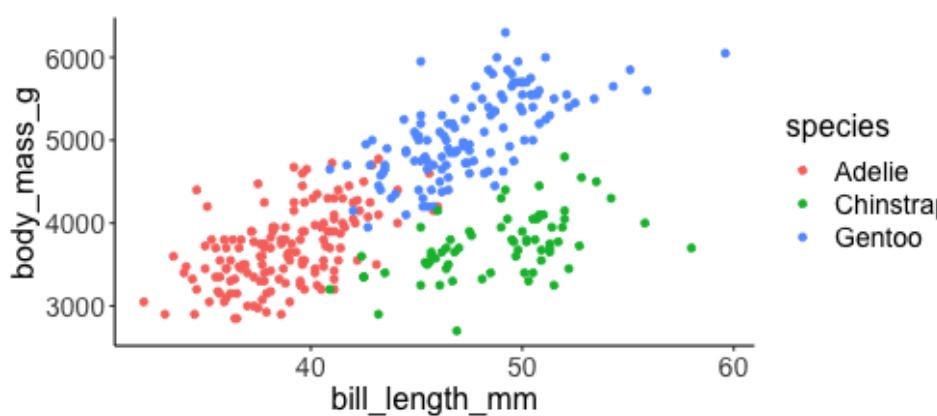
<https://plotly.com/graphing-libraries>

Plotly

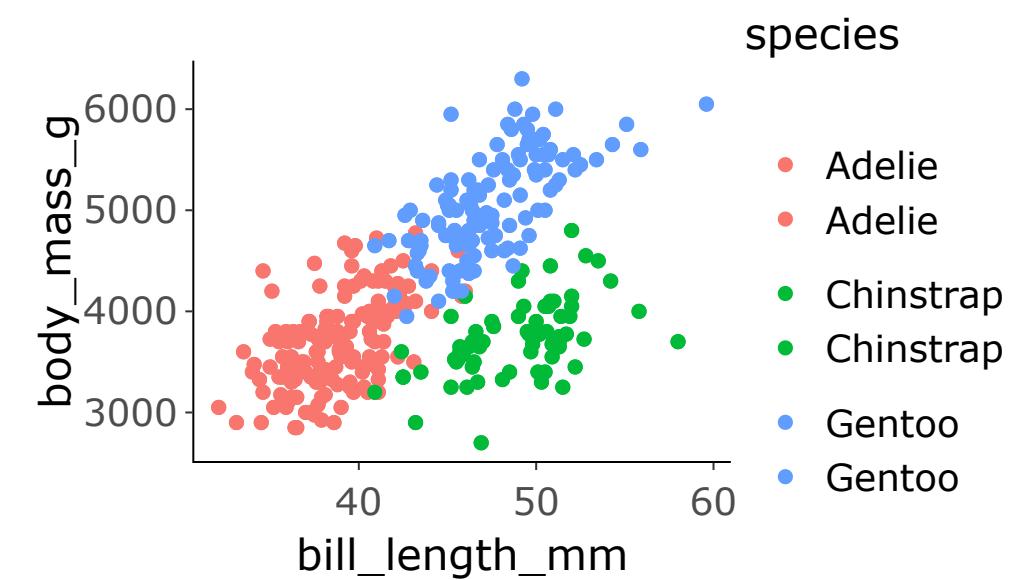
Plotly is a company that developed the `plotly.js` graphing pacman::p_load, as well as packages for R and Python.

For the R package, it developed a turnkey method to convert `ggplot2` graphics into interactive graphs.

```
plt <- ggplot(penguins,
               aes(bill_length_mm, body_mass_g,
                   color = species))+  
  geom_point()  
plt
```



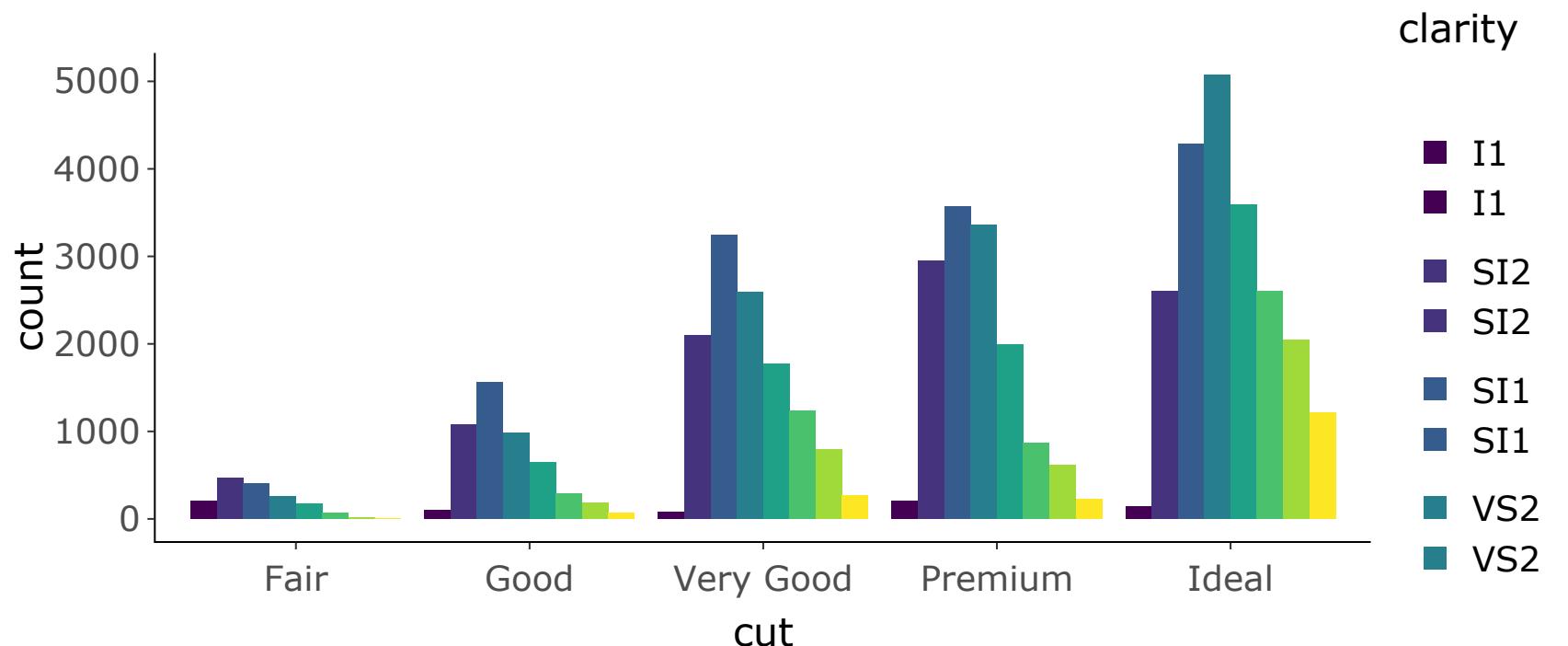
```
ggplotly(plt)
```



Plotly

You can do some customization on the tooltips (what shows up when you put your mouse over a point).

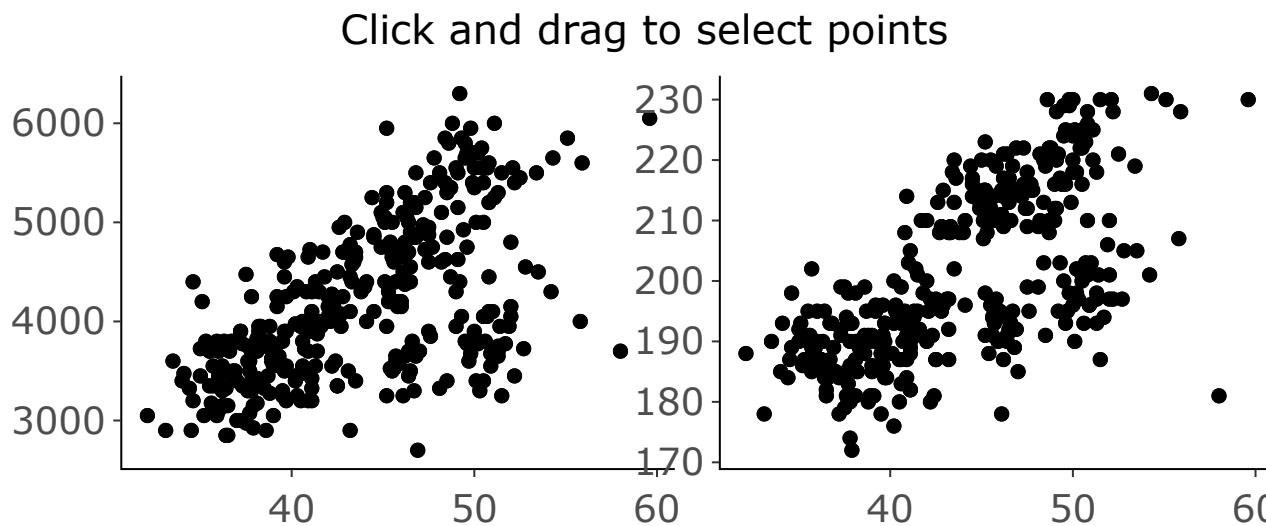
```
p <- ggplot(data = diamonds, aes(x = cut, fill = clarity))+  
  geom_bar(position = 'dodge')  
ggplotly(p, tooltip = c('cut'))
```



Plotly

You can do linked plots in plotly, so interactions in one plot are reflected in a second plot. This is called *brushing*. The key here is to use `highlight_key`, which allows a data frame to be shared between multiple plots at the same time.

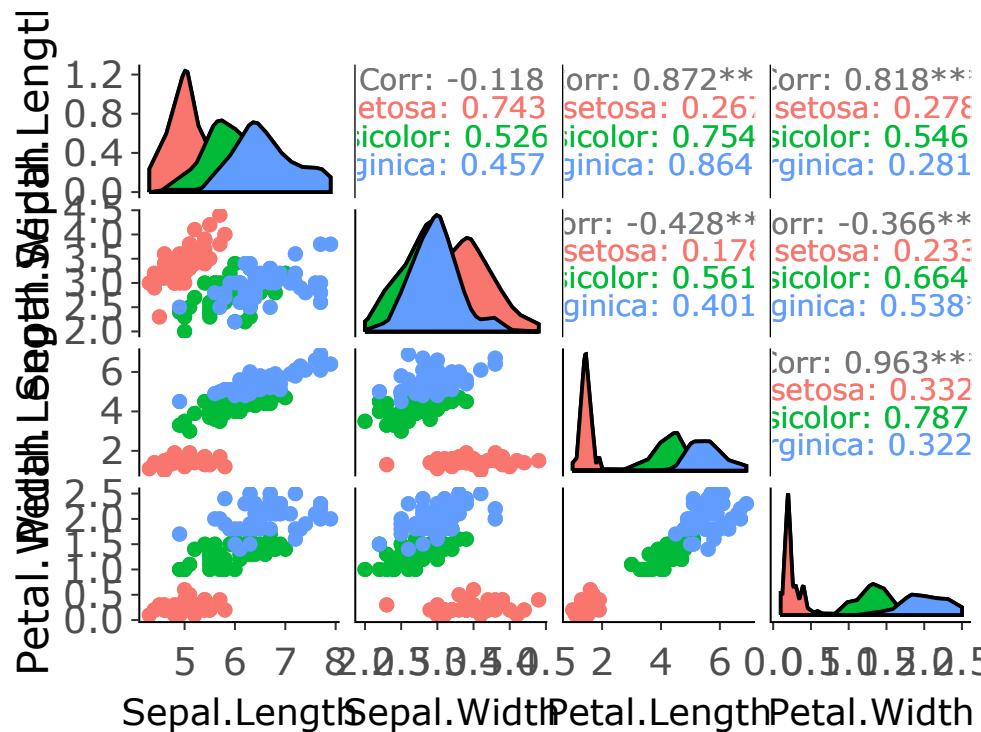
```
d <- highlight_key(penguins)
plt1 <- ggplot(d, aes(x = bill_length_mm, y = body_mass_g)) + geom_point()
plt2 <- ggplot(d, aes(x = bill_length_mm, y = flipper_length_mm)) + geom_point()
subplot(plt1, plt2) %>%
  layout(title = "Click and drag to select points") %>%
  highlight("plotly_selected")
```



Plotly

You can also do brushing over multiple plots drawn on the same dataset

```
highlight_key(iris) %>%  
  GGally::ggpairs(aes(colour = Species), columns = 1:4) %>%  
  ggplotly(tooltip = c("x", "y", "colour")) %>%  
  highlight("plotly_selected")
```



GGally is a **ggplot2** extension that provides additional composite plot types like the pairs plot we use here.

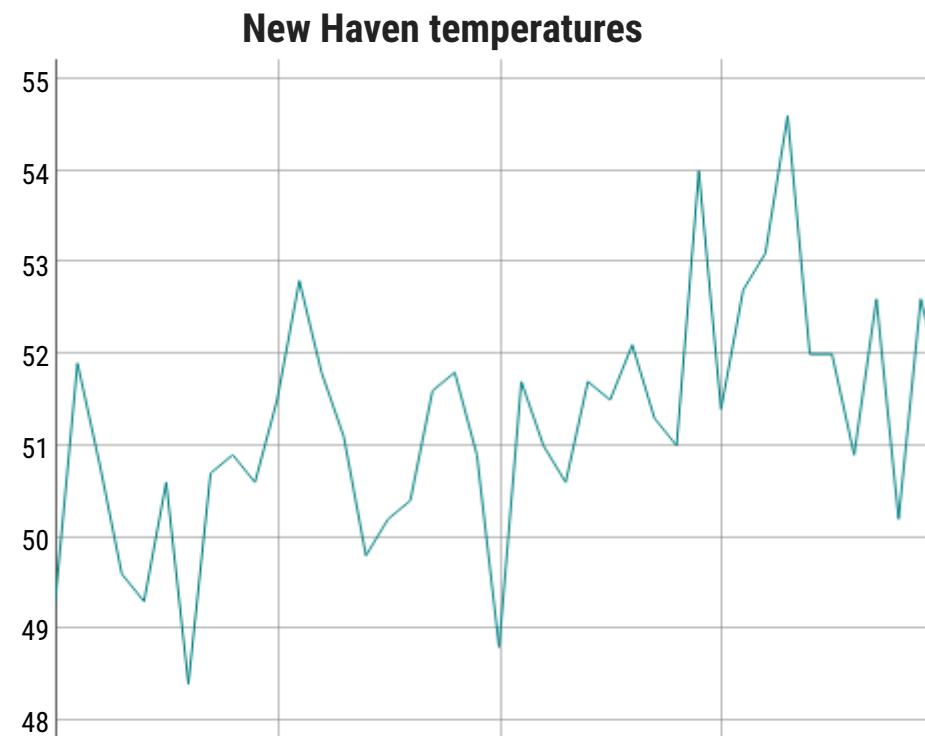
Dygraphs

<https://rstudio.github.io/dygraphs>

Dygraphs

The *dygraphs* package wraps the dygraphs Javascript pacman::p_load, which is build to chart time-series data.

```
pacman::p_load(dygraphs)
dygraph(nhtemp, main = "New Haven temperatures") %>%
  dyRangeSelector(dateWindow = c("1920-01-01", "1960-01-01"))
```

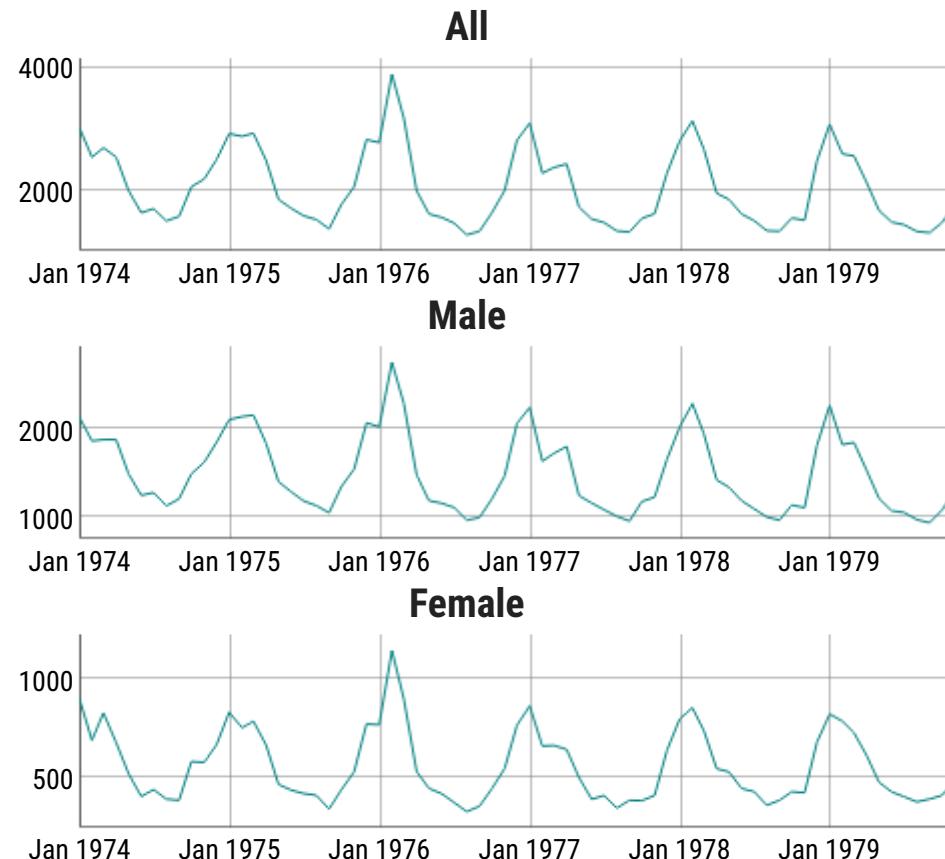


Dygraphs

We can also create multiple linked time series

```
dygraph(ldeaths, main = "All",
        group = "lung-deaths")
dygraph(mdeaths, main = "Male",
        group = "lung-deaths")
dygraph(fdeaths, main = "Female",
        group = "lung-deaths")
```

You could name the group anything you like, as long as it's the same across the plots.

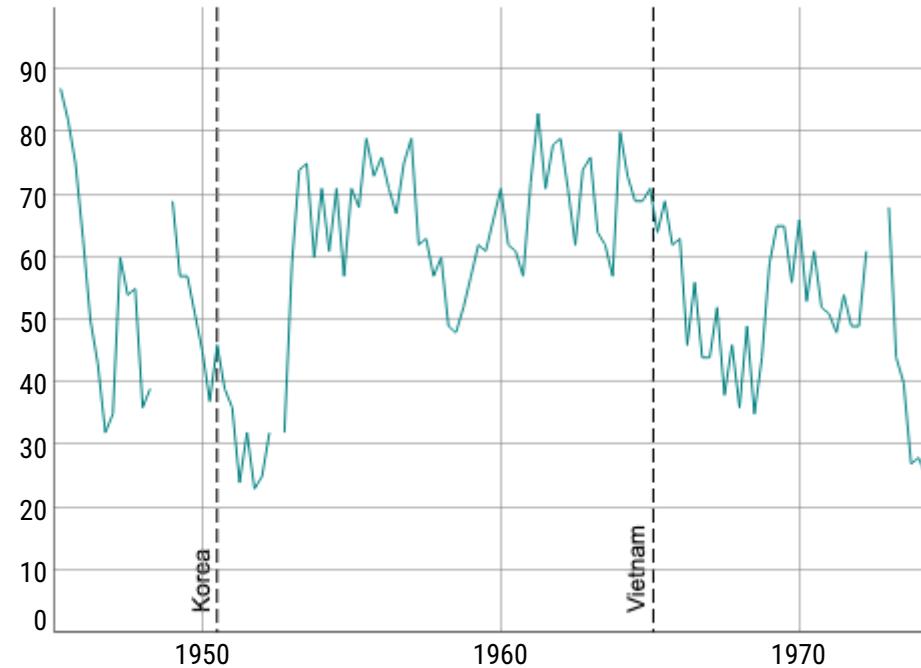


Dygraphs

You could also annotate dygraphs

```
dygraph(presidents, main = "Quarterly Presidential Approval Ratings") %>%  
  dyAxis("y", valueRange = c(0, 100)) %>%  
  dyEvent("1950-6-30", "Korea", labelLoc = "bottom") %>%  
  dyEvent("1965-2-09", "Vietnam", labelLoc = "bottom")
```

Quarterly Presidential Approval Ratings



Highcharter

<https://jkunst.com/highcharter/index.html>

Highcharter

- The **highcharter** package provides a rich set of plotting functions for dynamic graphics
- The R package is, in spirit, similar to **ggplot2**
 - It uses *mappings*, *aesthetics* and *geometries* (called *types*)
 - Customization can be added using additional functions in a pipe
 - Very rich set of chart types

Highcharter

```
pacman::p_load(highcharter)

hchart(object=penguins,
       type="scatter",
       mapping = hcaes(x = body_mass_g,
                         y = flipper_length_mm ,
                         group = species)) %>%
  hc_legend(align='right',
            verticalAlign='top')
```

See how the elements are similar to what you'd put in a **ggplot2** pipe, except they are in a single function

Options can be added with pipes



Highcharter

Unlike **ggplot2**, the object to be plotted doesn't have to be a data frame

```
hc1=hchart(diamonds$cut, type='column')  
hc1
```

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hc1
```

Highcharter

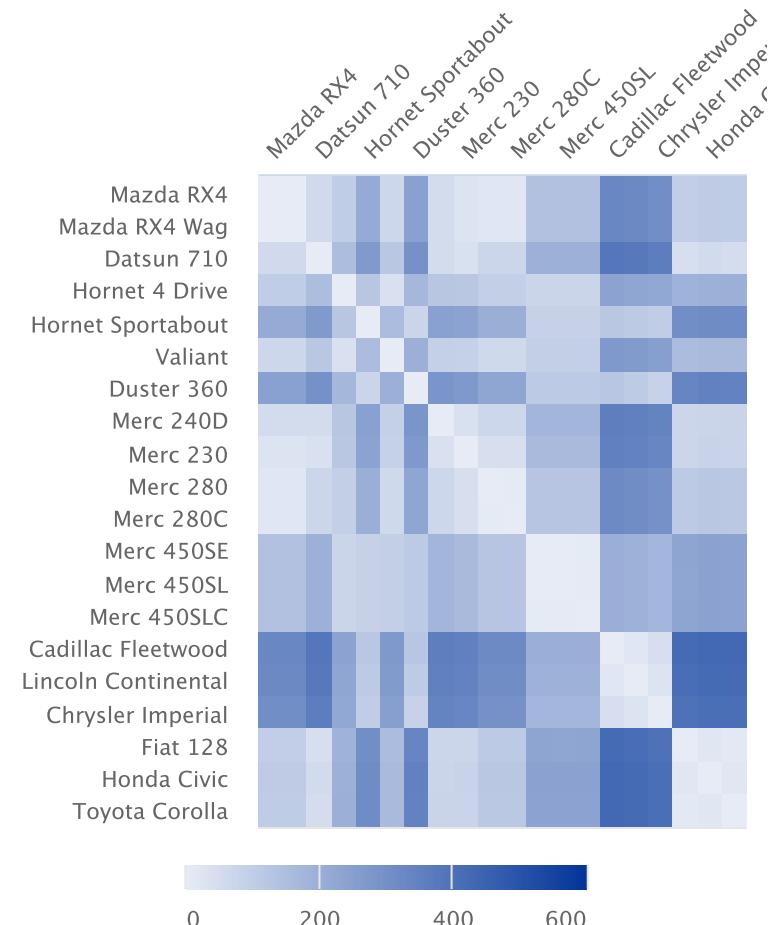
We can make some more complex plots using **highcharter**

```
pacman::p_load(survival)
pacman::p_load(widgetframe)

data(lung)
lung <- dplyr::mutate(lung,
                      sex = ifelse(sex == 1, "Male",
fit <- survfit(Surv(time, status) ~ sex, data = lung)
hchart(fit, ranges=TRUE)
```

Highcharter

```
pacman::p_load(highcharter)
mtcars2 <- mtcars[1:20, ]
x <- dist(mtcars2)
hchart(x)
```



Highcharter

Licensing issues

Highcharter has a dependency on Highcharts, a commercial JavaScript charting pacman::p_load. Highcharts offers both a commercial license as well as a free non-commercial license. Please review the licensing options and terms before using this software, as the highcharter license neither provides nor implies a license for Highcharts. Highcharts (<http://highcharts.com>) is a Highsoft product which is not free for commercial and Governmental use.

rbokeh

<http://hafen.github.io/rbokeh/>

rbokeh

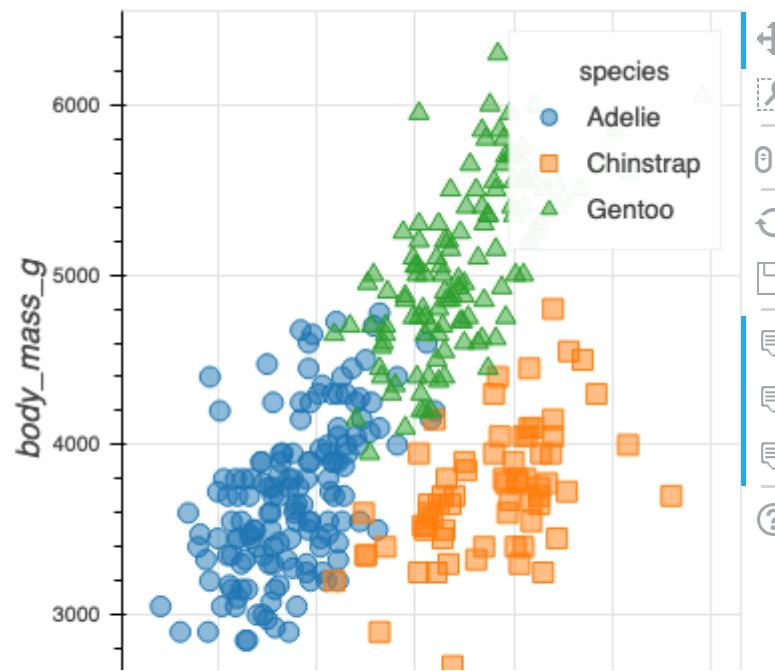
rbokeh wraps the **bokeh** plotting pacman::p_load in Python

It uses a layering concept similar to **ggplot2**

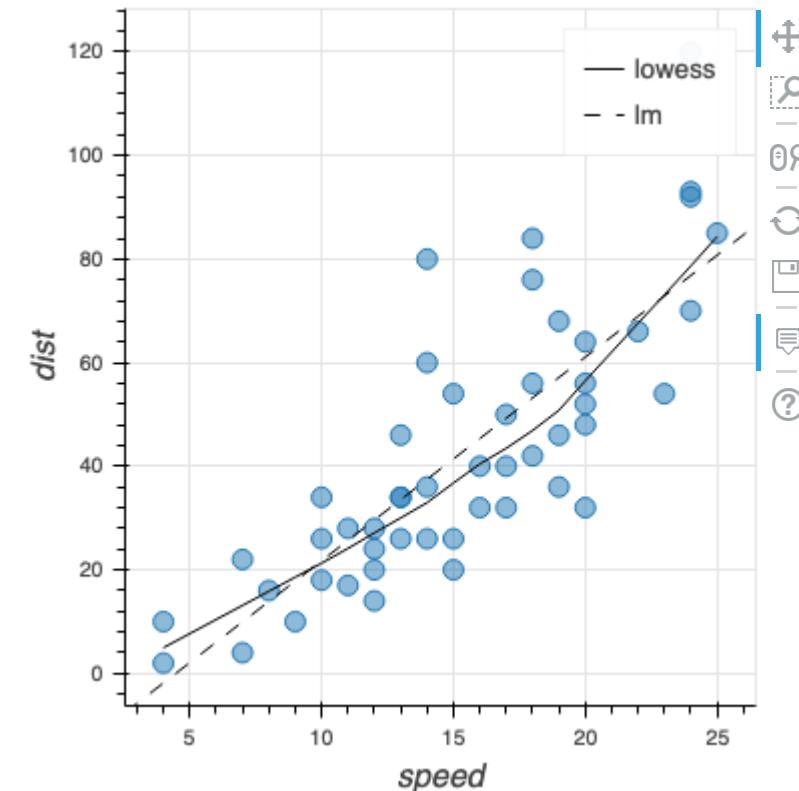
```
pacman::p_load(rbokeh)
```

The downloaded binary packages are in
`/var/folders/k4/xvcmx4yx76xdb141zy3hq8rc0000gn/T/`

```
p <- figure(width=400,height=400) %>%
  ly_points(bill_length_mm, body_mass_g,
            data=penguins,
            color=species, glyph = species,
            hover=list(bill_length_mm,body_mass_g))
p
```



```
z <- lm(dist ~ speed, data = cars)
p <- figure(width = 400, height = 400) %>%
  ly_points(cars, hover = cars) %>%
  ly_lines(lowess(cars), legend = "lowess") %>%
  ly_abline(z, type = 2, legend = "lm")
p
```



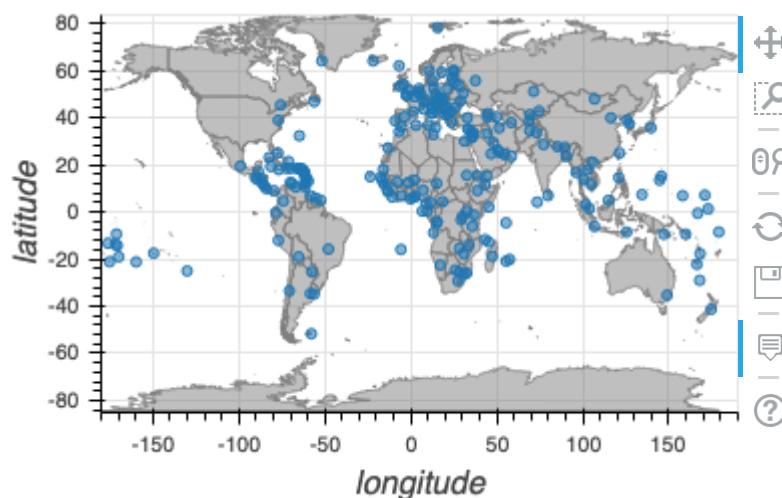
Maps

Maps

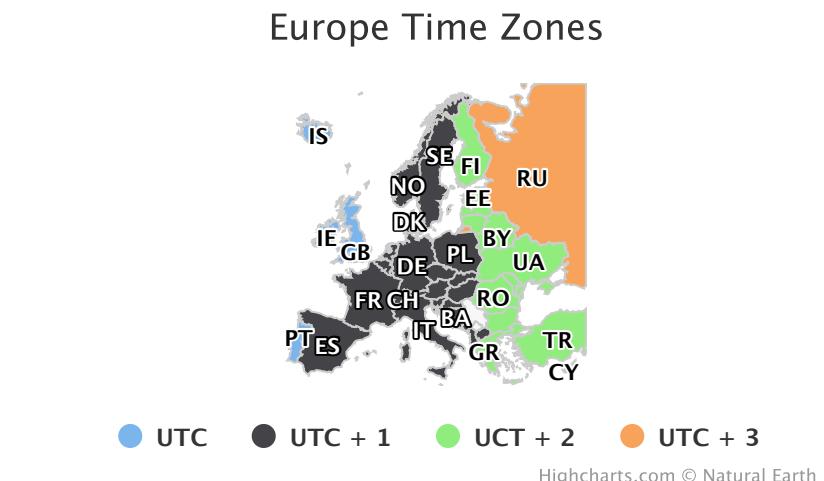
We've already seen maps with **leaflet** that allow data to be overlayed over cartographic maps

Using the packages introduced here, we also have mapping capabilities. See the respective websites for details

rbokeh



highcharter



Using D3.js in R

r2d3

D3.js is a state-of-the-art Javascript pacman::p_load for data-driven graphics

It is widely used in data journalism, including the New York Times and the Guardian

However, it controls each aspect of a chart and so can require rather long JS scripts



r2d3

If you know D3.js, you can use it pretty easily embed them in R using the **r2d3** package

```
pacman::p_load(r2d3)

r2d3(data = read_csv('../data/flare.csv'), d3_version = 4, script = 'bubbles.js')
```

Error: forcegraph is not defined

ReferenceError: forcegraph is not defined

```
r2d3(data = jsonlite::read_json('../data/miserables.json'), d3_version = 4, script = 'forcegraph.js')
```

networkD3

You can also draw networks slightly more easily using the **networkD3** package.

```
pacman::p_load(networkD3)
lemis <- jsonlite::fromJSON('..../data/miserables.json'
lemis$links <- lemis$links %>%
  mutate(ID = 1:n()) %>%
  gather(location, nm, source, target) %>%
  mutate(nm = as.integer(as.factor(nm))-1) %>%
  spread(location, nm)

forceNetwork(Links = lemis$links, Nodes = lemis$nodes
  Source='source', Target='target',
  Value = 'value',
  NodeID = 'id', Group = 'group', opacity=
  zoom = TRUE, fontSize = 20)
```

Crosstalk

Crosstalk is a package that allows multiple HTML widgets to share data and interact together.

Not all packages in the **htmlwidgets** family are **crosstalk**-compatible.

```
load('data/exdata.rda')
pacman::p_load(leaflet); pacman::p_load(crosstalk); pacman::p_load(d3scatter)

gpx1 <- gpx %>%
  mutate(Minutes = as.numeric(difftime(Time, min(Time), units = 'mins'))) %>%
  filter(Minutes <= 50) %>%
  left_join(run_data)

shared_gpx1 <- SharedData$new(gpx1)
bscols(
  leaflet(data = shared_gpx1, width="100%", height=450) %>% addTiles() %>%
    addCircleMarkers(~Longitude, ~Latitude, radius=1, color='blue'),
  list(
    d3scatter(shared_gpx1, ~Minutes, ~ HR, width="100%", height=450)
  )
)
bscols(
  filter_slider("Minutes", "Time", shared_gpx1, ~Minutes, width="100%")
)
```

leaflet + d3scatter + crosstalk

Linked graphs

Activity Monitoring with Sensors and R

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Conclusions

- There are many many resources today to create interactive graphics
- For many of them, there are wrappers in R
- You can explore the respective packages for many more details about the different kinds of charts and customizations that are possible.