

# Using GADMTTools

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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.

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## 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
<b>fileNames</b>	<b>Character vector</b> 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).
<b>level</b>	<b>Integer</b> - the level of the administrative boundaries (0 is the country, higher values equal finer divisions)
<b>basefile</b>	<b>Character</b> - the path of the directory where shapefiles are stored. Default is “./GADM”
<b>baseurl</b>	<b>Character</b> - the url of GADM files. Default is <a href="http://biogeo.ucdavis.edu/data/gadm2.8/rds/">http://biogeo.ucdavis.edu/data/gadm2.8/rds/</a>
<b>simplify</b>	<b>Numeric</b> numerical tolerance value to be used by the Douglas-Peucker 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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## Loading a shapefile

```
library(GADMTools)
library(sp)

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

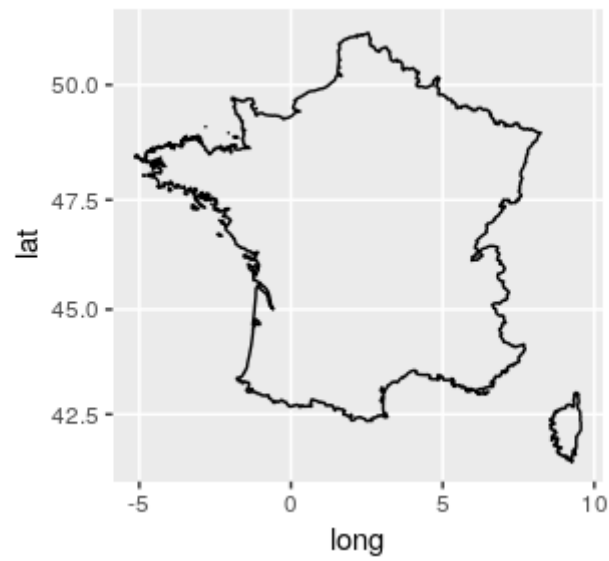


Figure 1: loading a single country (France) @ level = 0

## Loading an administrative level

```
library(GADMTools)
library(sp)

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

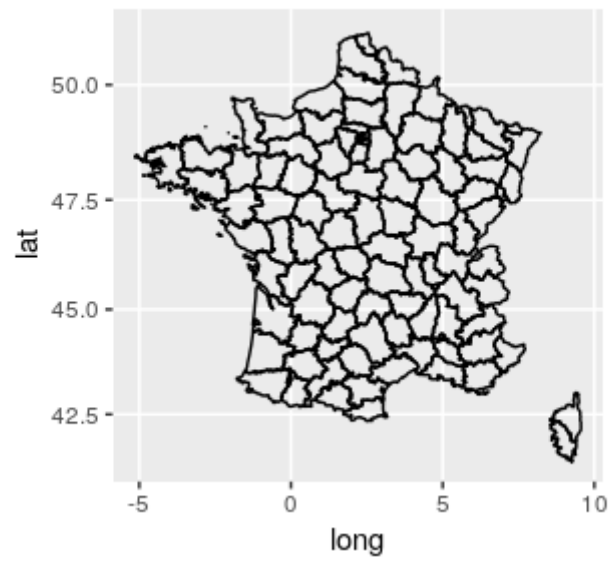


Figure 2: loading regions of a country (France) @ level = 2

## Assembling many shapefiles

```
library(GADMTools)
library(sp)

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

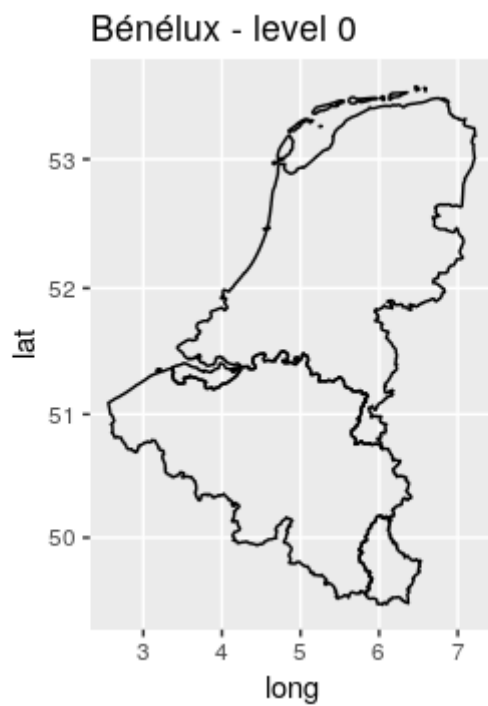


Figure 3: Benelux = Belgium + Luxembourg + Netherlands @ level = 0

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

### `subset()`

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

Parameter	Description
<b>x</b>	<b>Object</b> GADMWrapper
<b>level</b>	<b>Integer</b> the level at which the regions are extracted from
<b>regions</b>	<b>String vector</b> of named regions



## Example

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

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

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[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”

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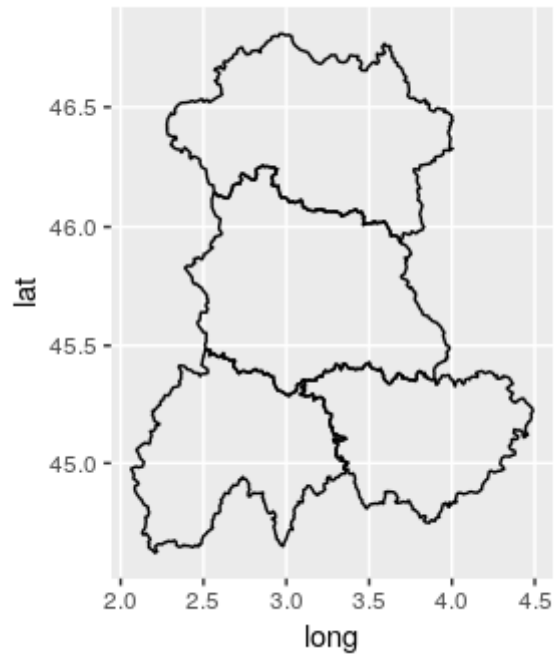


Figure 4: extracting (subset) some departments in France @ level = 2

## Removing regions

`remove()`

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

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

## Example

```
library(GADMTools)
library(sp)

FR = gadm.loadCountries("FRA", level=1)
plotmap(FR)
listNames(FR, level=1)
FR2 = remove(FR, level = 1, regions = c("Alsace", "Lorraine"))
plotmap(FR2)
```

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[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”		

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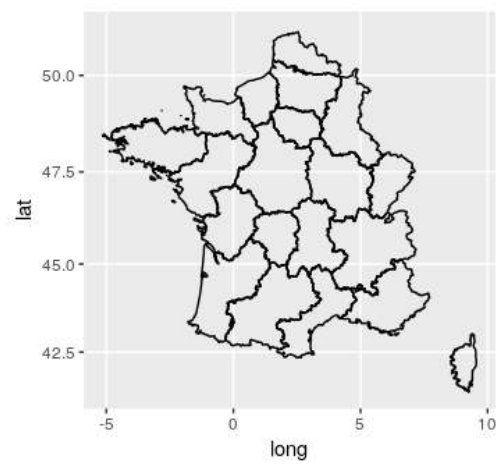
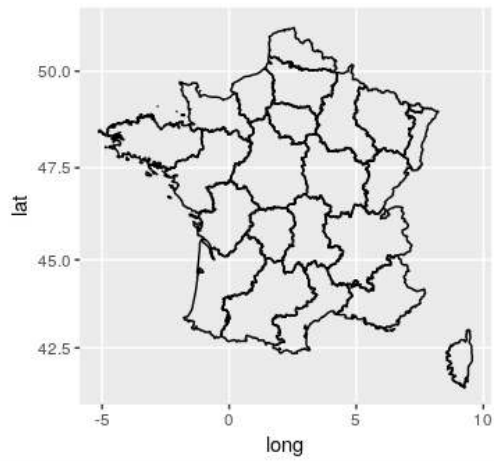


Figure 5: removing 2 regions from France @ level = 1

# Graphics

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

## Examples

For these examples we are using this data.frame

lieu_lat	lieu_long	type	comptage	nocif	id_data	identifieur
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

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**Note :** with this data.frame, we have to rename *lieu\_lat* and *lieu\_long* to respectively *latitude* and *longitude*

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```
library(GADMTools)
library(sp)

map = gadm.loadCountries("FRA", level=1, simplify=0.01)
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")
```

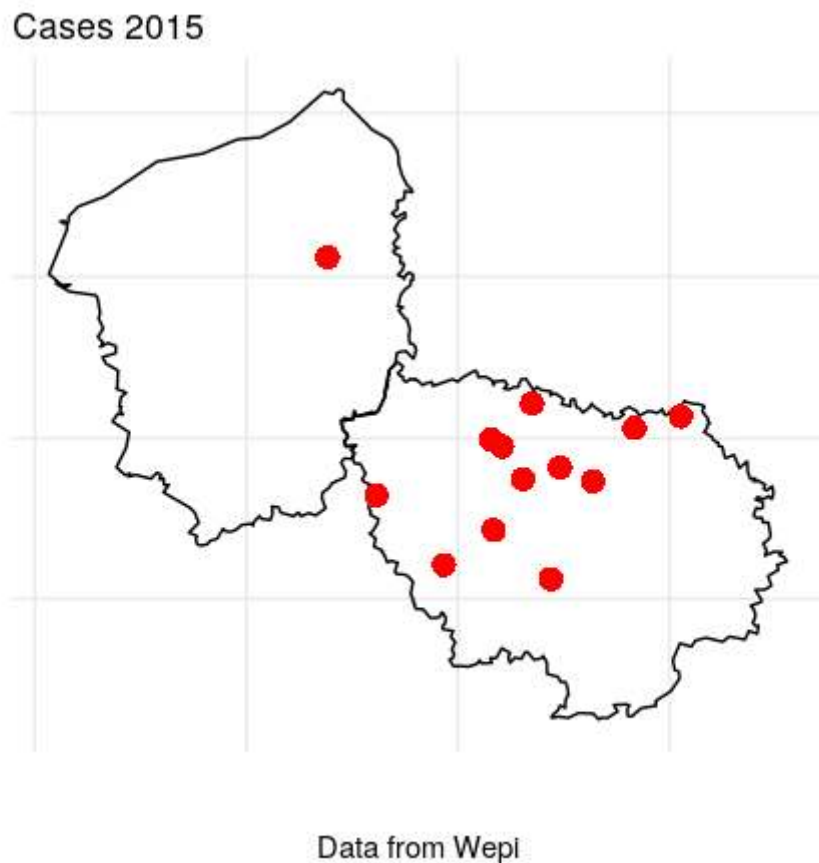


Figure 6: simple points

```
# Classified dots
```

```
#-----
```

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

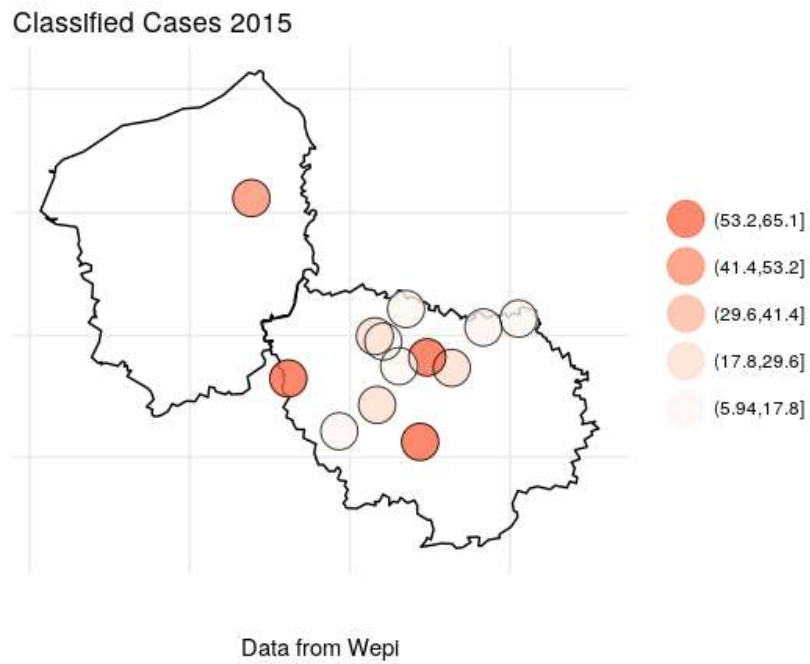


Figure 7: colored points (classification)

```
# Typed points
```

```
#-----
```

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

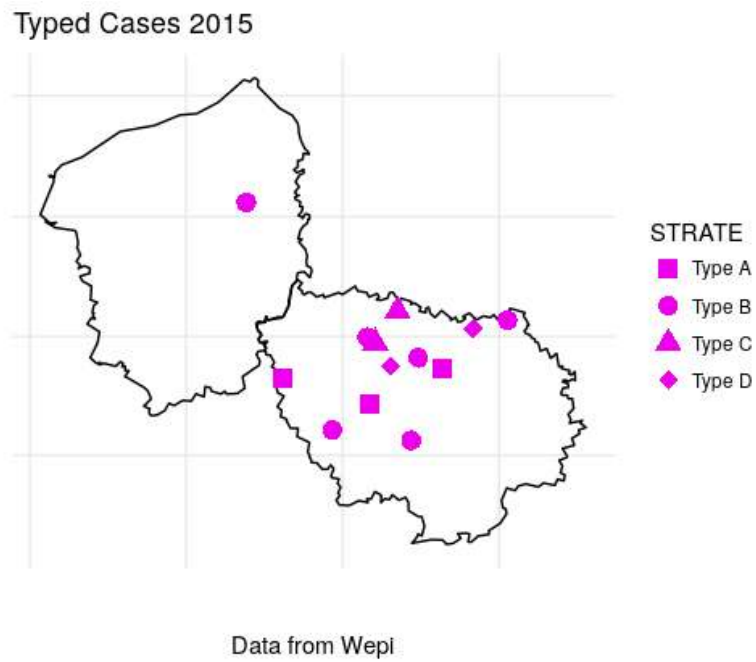


Figure 8: typed points (stratification)

## Plotting proportionals dots

### propDots()

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

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



## Examples

```
library(GADMTools)
library(sp)

France = gadm.loadCountries("FRA", level=1, simplify=0.01)
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")
```

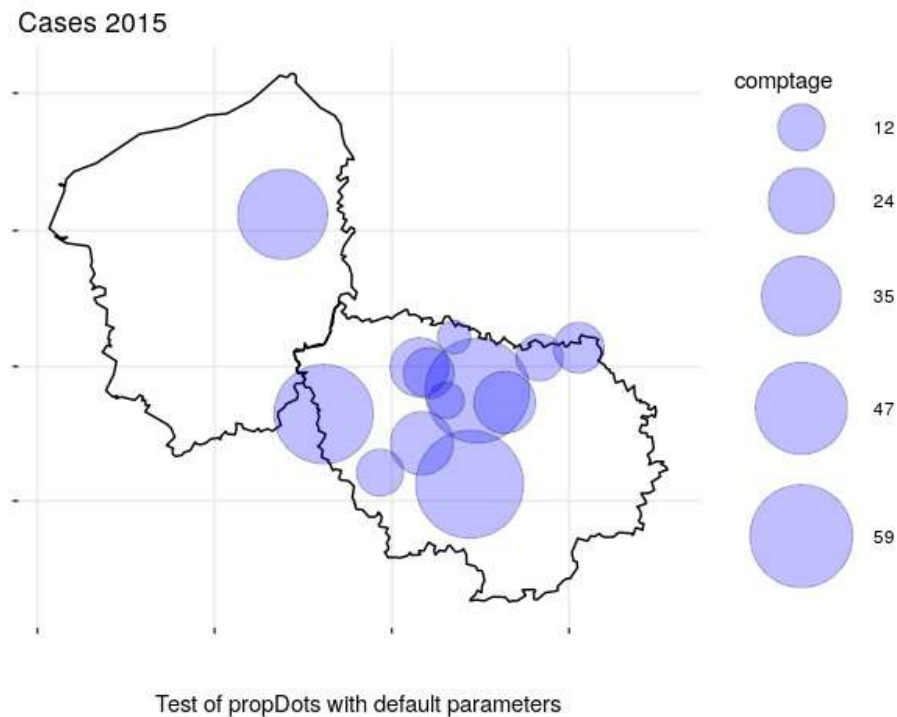


Figure 9: proportional dots with default parameters

```
# 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")
```

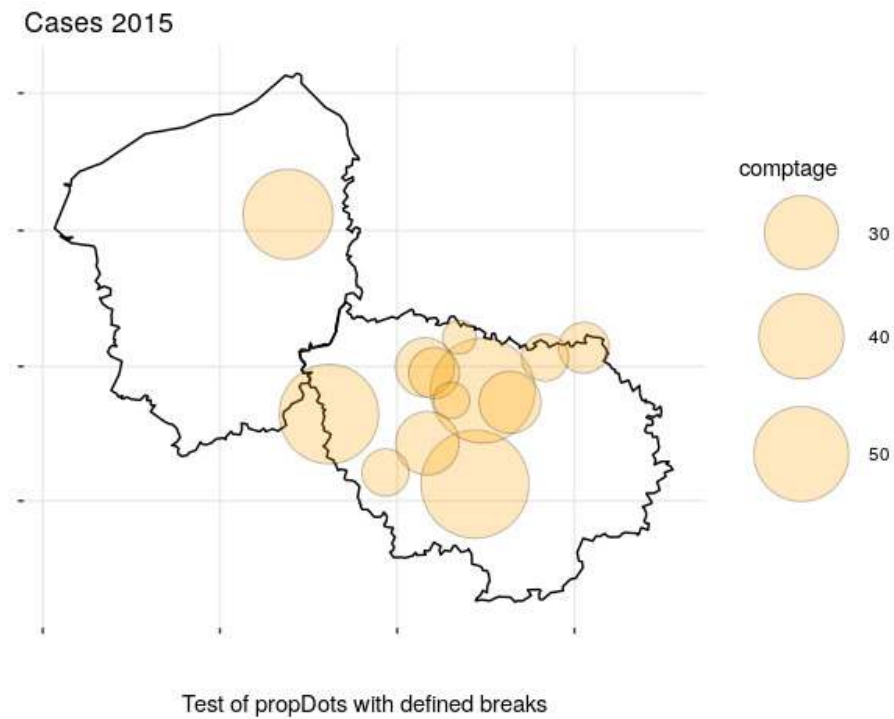


Figure 10: proportional dots with provided breaks

```
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"))
```

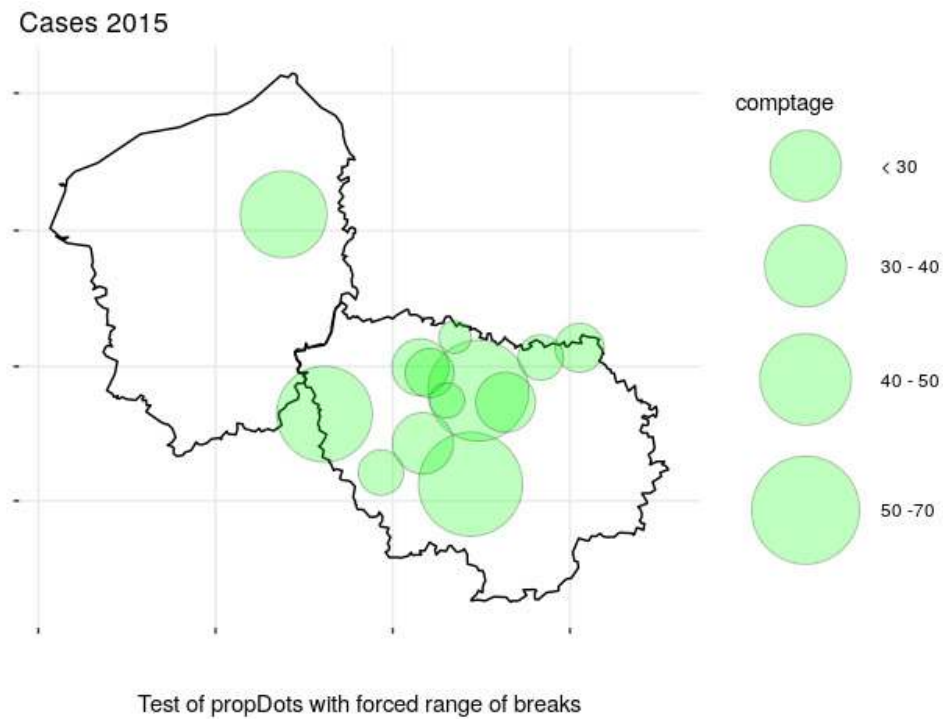


Figure 11: proportional dots with with forced range of breaks

## 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
<b>x</b>	<b>Object</b> GADMWrapper
<b>data</b>	<b>Object</b> data.frame with columns 'latitude' and 'longitude'
<b>color</b>	a valid color
<b>value</b>	<b>Character</b> Name of a column in the data.frame.
<b>breaks</b>	vector of breaks
<b>steps</b>	unused
<b>labels</b>	<b>Character vector</b> of labels
<b>opacity</b>	<b>float</b> Background opacity of the filled circles
<b>title</b>	<b>Character</b> The title of the plot
<b>note</b>	<b>Character</b> Add an annotation
<b>legend</b>	<b>Character</b> The title of the legend

## Exemple

```
library(GADMTools)
library(sp)

France = gadm.loadCountries("FRA", level=1, simplify=0.01)
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"
)
```

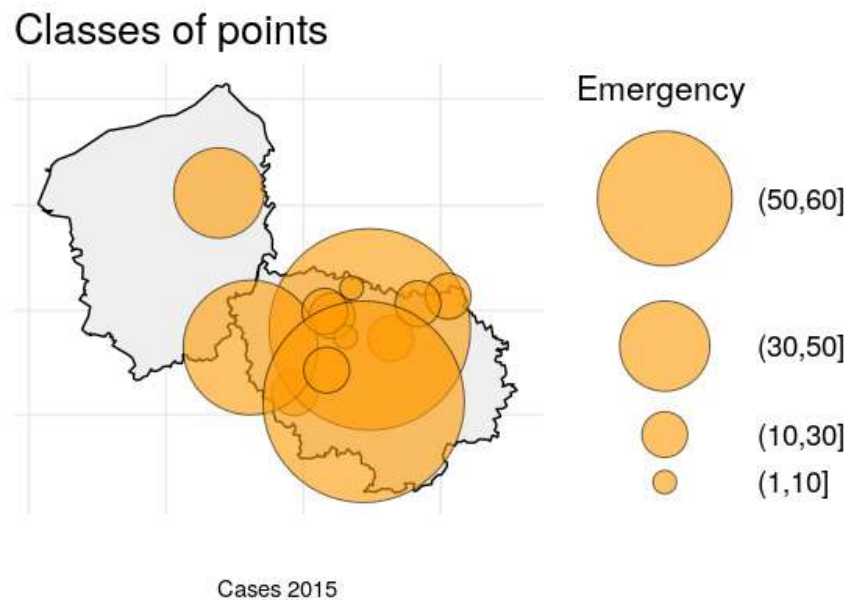


Figure 12: classified dots size

## Plotting density

### isopleth()

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

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

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## Example

```
library(GADMTTools)
library(sp)

France = gadm.loadCountries("FRA", level=1, simplify=0.01)
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)
```

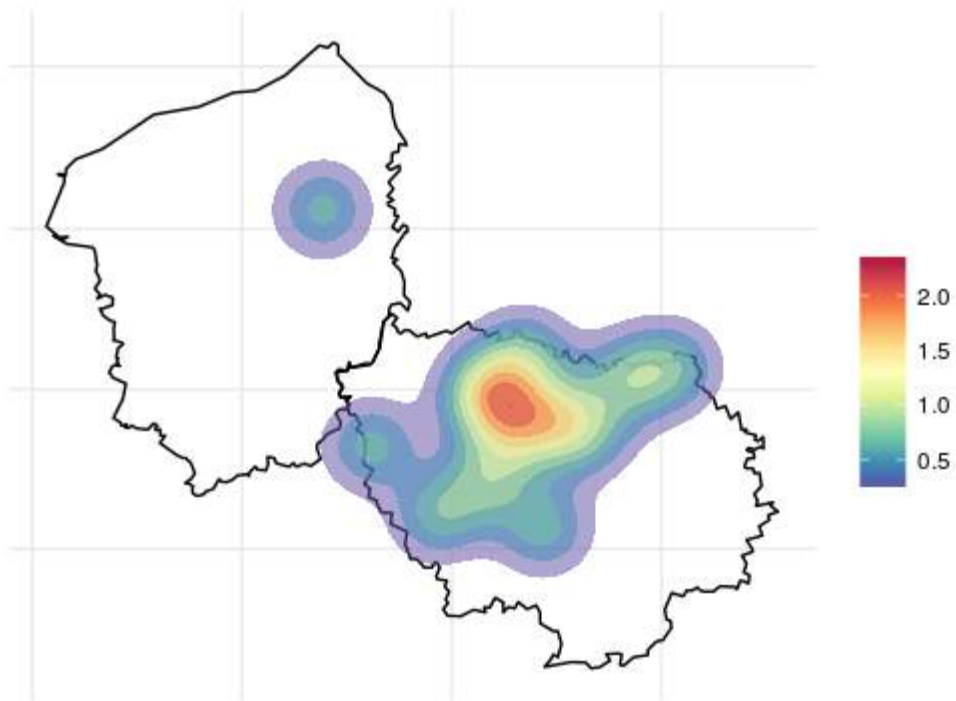


Figure 13: a density plot (isopleth)

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



## Example

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

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"

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

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

Chlamydia Incidence by Belgian district for 2003)

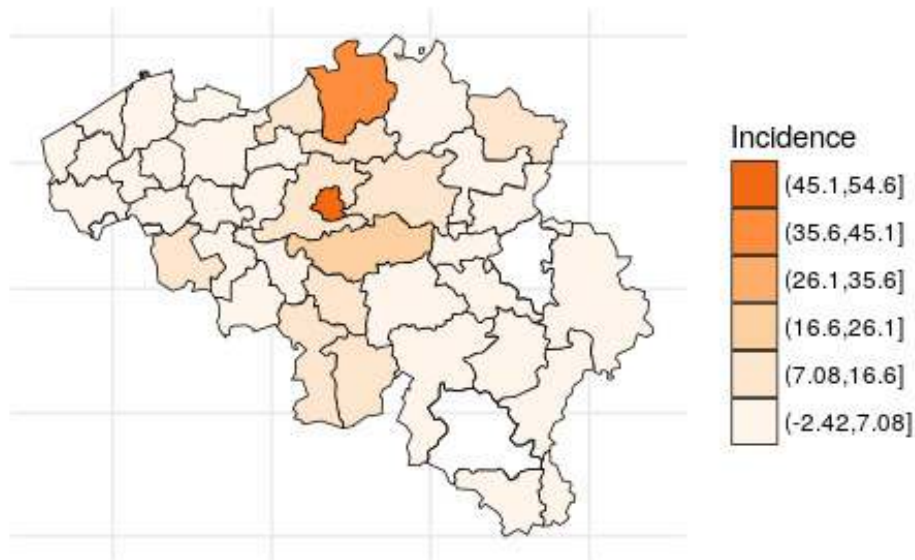


Figure 14: drawing a choropleth

## **fast.choropleth()**

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

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

## Example

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DAT = read.csv2("BE_chlamydia_incidence.csv")

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DAT$district <- as.character(DAT$district)
DAT[7,1] = "Brussel"
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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)")
```

### Chlamydia incidence by Belgian district (2003)



Figure 15: drawing a fast.choropleth