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**Description**

A high-level plotting system, built using 'grid' graphics, that is optimized for speed and modularity. This has great utility for quick visualizations when testing code, with the key benefit that visualizations are updated independently of one another.
### Note
The suggested package `fastshp` can be installed with `install.packages("fastshp", repos = "https://rforge.net", ...)

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### See Also

Useful links:

- [http://quickplot.predictiveecology.org](http://quickplot.predictiveecology.org)
- [https://github.com/PredictiveEcology/quickPlot](https://github.com/PredictiveEcology/quickPlot)
- Report bugs at [https://github.com/PredictiveEcology/quickPlot/issues](https://github.com/PredictiveEcology/quickPlot/issues)

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### Description

For internal use only.

### Usage

```
.hasbbox(z, objClass, objName, objEnv)
```

### Arguments

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.parseElems    Parsing of elements

Description
This is a generic definition that can be extended according to class. Intended only for development use.

Usage
'.parseElems(tmp, elems, envir)

## S4 method for signature 'ANY'
'.parseElems(tmp, elems, envir)

Arguments

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<td>A character string to be parsed</td>
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Value
An object, parsed from a character string and an environment

Author(s)
Eliot McIntire

.quickPlotObjects-class

Description
This class contains the union of spatialObjects and several other plot-type objects. Currently, this includes SpatialPoints*, SpatialPolygons*, SpatialLines*, RasterLayer, RasterStack, and ggplot objects. These are the object classes that the Plot function can handle.

Author(s)
Eliot McIntire

See Also
quickPlotClasses
clearPlot  
Clear plotting device

Description

Under some conditions, a device and its metadata need to be cleared manually. This can be done with either the `new = TRUE` argument within the call to `plot`. Sometimes, the metadata of a previous plot will prevent correct plotting of a new `plot` call. Use `clearPlot` to clear the device and all the associated metadata manually.

Usage

```r
clearPlot(dev = dev.cur(), removeData = TRUE, force = FALSE)

## S4 method for signature 'numeric,logical'
clearPlot(dev = dev.cur(),
          removeData = TRUE, force = FALSE)

## S4 method for signature 'numeric,missing'
clearPlot(dev, force)

## S4 method for signature 'missing,logical'
clearPlot(removeData, force)

## S4 method for signature 'missing,missing'
clearPlot(dev = dev.cur(),
          removeData = TRUE, force = FALSE)
```

Arguments

- **dev**  
  Numeric. Device number to clear.

- **removeData**  
  Logical indicating whether any data that was stored in the `.quickPlotEnv` should also be removed; i.e., not just the plot window wiped.

- **force**  
  Logical or "all". Sometimes the graphics state cannot be fixed by a simple `clearPlot()`. If TRUE, this will close the device and reopen the same device number. If "all", then all `quickPlot` related data from all devices will be cleared, in addition to device closing and reopening.

Author(s)

Eliot McIntire

Examples

```r
library(sp)
library(raster)
requireNamespace("rgdal") # required for raster loading
```
```r
library(RColorBrewer)

files <- dir(system.file("maps", package = "quickPlot"), full.names = TRUE, pattern = "tif")
maps <- lapply(files, raster)
names(maps) <- lapply(maps, names)

# put layers into a single stack for convenience
landscape <- stack(maps$DEM, maps$forestCover, maps$forestAge, maps$habitatQuality, maps$percentpine)

# can change color palette
setcolors(landscape, n = 50) <- list(DEM = topo.colors(50),
forestCover = brewer.pal(9, "Set1"),
forestAge = brewer.pal("Blues", n = 8),
habitatQuality = brewer.pal(9, "Spectral"),
percentpine = brewer.pal("GnBu", n = 8))

# Make a new raster derived from a previous one; must give it a unique name
habitatQuality2 <- landscape$habitatQuality^0.3
names(habitatQuality2) <- "habitatQuality2"

# make a SpatialPoints object
caribou <- sp::SpatialPoints(coords = cbind(x = stats::runif(1e2, -50, 50),
y = stats::runif(1e2, -50, 50)))

# use factor raster to give legends as character strings
ras <- raster(extent(0, 3, 0, 4), vals = sample(1:4, size = 12, replace = TRUE), res = 1)
levels(ras) <- data.frame(ID = 1:4, Name = paste0("Level", 1:4))
Plot(ras, new = TRUE)

# Arbitrary values for factors, including zero and not all levels represented in raster
levs <- c(0:5, 7:12)
ras <- raster(extent(0, 3, 0, 2), vals = c(1, 1, 3, 5, 8, 9), res = 1)
levels(ras) <- data.frame(ID = levs, Name = LETTERS[c(1:3, 8:16)])
Plot(ras, new = TRUE)

# Arbitrary values for factors, including zero and not all levels represented in raster
levs <- c(0:5, 7:23)
ras <- raster(extent(0, 3, 0, 2), vals = c(1, 1, 3, 5, 8, 9), res = 1)
levels(ras) <- data.frame(ID = levs, Name = LETTERS[c(1:23)])
Plot(ras, new = TRUE)

# SpatialPolygons
sr1 <- sp::Polygon(cbind(c(2, 4, 4, 1, 2), c(2, 3, 5, 4, 2))) * 20 - 50
sr2 <- sp::Polygon(cbind(c(5, 4, 2, 5), c(2, 3, 2, 2))) * 20 - 50
srs1 <- sp::Polygons(list(sr1), "s1")
srs2 <- sp::Polygons(list(sr2), "s2")
sP <- sp::SpatialPolygons(list(srs1, srs2), 1:2)
clearPlot()
Plot(ras)
```
clearPlot()
Plot(landscape)

# Can overplot, using addTo
Plot(caribou, addTo = "landscape$forestAge", size = 4, axes = FALSE)

# can add a plot to the plotting window
Plot(caribou, new = FALSE)

# Can add two maps with same name, if one is in a stack; they are given
# unique names based on object name
Plot(landscape, caribou, maps$DEM)

# can mix stacks, rasters, SpatialPoint*
Plot(landscape, habitatQuality2, caribou)

# can mix stacks, rasters, SpatialPoint*, and SpatialPolygons*
Plot(landscape, caribou)
Plot(habitatQuality2, new = FALSE)
Plot(spP)
Plot(spP, addTo = "landscape$forestCover", gp = gpar(lwd = 2))

# provide arrangement, NumRow, NumCol
Plot(spP, arr = c(1, 4), new = TRUE)

# example base plot
clearPlot()
Plot(1:10, 1:10, addTo = "test", new = TRUE) # if there is no "test" then it will make it
Plot(4, 5, pch = 22, col = "blue", addTo = "test")
obj1 <- rnorm(1e2)
Plot(obj1, axes = "L")

# Can plot named lists of objects (but not base objects yet)
ras1 <- ras2 <- ras
a <- list()
for (i in 1:2) {
  a[[paste0("ras", i)]] <- get(paste0("ras", i))
}
aSpP <- spP
clearPlot()
Plot(a)

# clean up
clearPlot()
divergentColors

Description

Switch to an existing plot device, or if not already open, launch a new graphics device based on operating system used. On Windows and Mac, if no x is provided, then this will open or switch to the first non R Studio device, which is much faster than the png-based R Studio Plot device. Currently, this will not open anything new.

Usage

dev(x, ...)

Arguments

x The number of a plot device. If missing, will open a new non-RStudio plotting device

... Additional arguments passed to newPlot.

Details

For example, dev(6) switches the active plot device to device #6. If it doesn’t exist, it opens it. NOTE: if devices 1-5 don’t exist they will be opened too.

Value

Opens a new plot device on the screen. Invisibly returns the device number selected.

Author(s)

Eliot McIntire and Alex Chubaty

Examples

## Not run:
  dev(4)

## End(Not run)

divergentColors  Divergent colour palette

Description

Creates a palette for the current session for a divergent-color graphic with a non-symmetric range. Based on ideas from Maureen Kennedy, Nick Povak, and Alina Cansler.
equalExtent

Usage

divergentColors(start.color, end.color, min.value, max.value,
    mid.value = 0, mid.color = "white")

    ## S4 method for signature 'character,character,numeric,numeric'
divergentColors(start.color,
    end.color, min.value, max.value, mid.value = 0, mid.color = "white")

Arguments

start.color          Start colour to be passed to colorRampPalette.
end.color           End colour to be passed to colorRampPalette.
min.value           Numeric minimum value corresponding to start.colour. If attempting to
                    change the color of a RasterLayer, this can be set to minValue(RasterObject).
max.value           Numeric maximum value corresponding to end.colour. If attempting to change
                    the color of a RasterLayer, this can be set to maxValue(RasterObject).
mid.value           Numeric middle value corresponding to mid.colour. Default is 0.
mid.color           Middle colour to be passed to colorRampPalette. Defaults to "white".

Value

A diverging colour palette.

Author(s)

Eliot McIntire and Alex Chubaty

See Also

colorRampPalette

Examples

divergentColors("darkred", "darkblue", -10, 10, 0, "white")

equalExtent                Assess whether a list of extents are all equal

Description

Assess whether a list of extents are all equal
Usage

equalExtent(extents)

## S4 method for signature 'list'
equalExtent(extents)

Arguments

extents list of extents objects

Author(s)

Eliot McIntire

Examples

library(igraph)
library(raster)

files <- system.file("maps", package = "quickPlot") %>%
dir('.', full.names = TRUE, pattern = "tif")
maps <- lapply(files, function(x) raster(x))
names(maps) <- sapply(basename(files), function(x) {
  strsplit(x, split = "\." )[1][1]
})
extnts <- lapply(maps, extent)
equalExtent(extnts) ## TRUE

getColors

Get and set colours for plotting Raster* objects

Description

Get and set colours for plotting Raster* objects

getColors works as a replacement method or a normal function call. This function can accept
RColourBrewer colors by name. See examples.

Usage

getcors(object)

## S4 method for signature 'Raster'
getcors(object)

## S4 method for signature 'ANY'
getcors(object)
getColors

```r
## S4 method for signature 'SpatialPoints'
getColors(object)

setColors(object, ..., n) <- value

## S4 replacement method for signature 'RasterLayer,numeric,character'
setColors(object, ...,
  n) <- value

## S4 replacement method for signature 'RasterLayer,missing,character'
setColors(object, ...,
  n) <- value

## S4 replacement method for signature 'RasterStack,numeric,list'
setColors(object, ..., n) <- value

## S4 replacement method for signature 'Raster,missing,list'
setColors(object, ..., n) <- value

setColors(object, value, n)

## S4 method for signature 'RasterLayer,character,numeric'
setColors(object, value, n)

## S4 method for signature 'RasterLayer,character,missing'
setColors(object, value)
```

**Arguments**

- `object` A Raster* object.
- `...` Additional arguments to colorRampPalette.
- `n` An optional vector of values specifying the number of levels from which to interpolate the color palette.
- `value` Named list of hex color codes (e.g., from RColorBrewer::brewer_pal), corresponding to the names of RasterLayers in `x`.

**Value**

Returns a named list of colors.

Returns a Raster with the colortable slot set to values.

**Author(s)**

Alex Chubaty

**See Also**

`setColors<-.brewer_pal`
getColors

**Examples**

```r
library(igraph)
library(raster)

ras <- raster(matrix(c(0, 0, 1, 2), ncol = 2, nrow = 2))

getColors(ras) #> none

# Use replacement method
setColors(ras, n = 3) <- c("red", "blue", "green")
getColors(ras)

clearPlot()
Plot(ras)

# Use function method
ras <- setColors(ras, n = 3, c("red", "blue", "yellow"))
getColors(ras)

clearPlot()
Plot(ras)

# Using the wrong number of colors, e.g., here 2 provided,
# for a raster with 3 values... causes interpolation, which may be surprising
ras <- setColors(ras, c("red", "blue"))
clearPlot()
Plot(ras)

# Real number rasters - interpolation is used
ras <- raster(matrix(runif(9), ncol = 3, nrow = 3)) #> runif(9)
  setColors(c("red", "yellow")) #> interpolates when real numbers, gives warning

clearPlot()
Plot(ras)

# Factor rasters, can be contiguous (numerically) or not, in this case not:
ras <- raster(matrix(sample(c(1, 3, 6), size = 9, replace = TRUE), ncol = 3, nrow = 3))
levels(ras) <- data.frame(ID = c(1, 3, 6), Names = c("red", "purple", "yellow"))
ras <- setColors(ras, n = 3, c("red", "purple", "yellow"))
getColors(ras)

clearPlot()
Plot(ras)

# if a factor raster, and not enough labels are provided, then a warning
# will be given, and colors will be interpolated
# The level called purple is not purple, but interpolated between red and yellow
suppressWarnings({
  ras <- setColors(ras, c("red", "yellow"))
  clearPlot()
})
```
```
Plot(ras)
})

# use RColorBrewer colors
setColors(ras) <- "Reds"
clearPlot()
Plot(ras)
```

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**gpar**

**Importing some grid functions**

**Description**

Currently only the `gpar` function is imported. This is a convenience so that users can change `Plot` arguments without having to load the entire grid package.

**Usage**

```r
gpar(...)```

### S4 method for signature 'ANY'

```
gpar(...)```

**Arguments**

```
... Any number of named arguments.
```

**See Also**

`gpar`

---

**griddedClasses-class**

*The griddedClasses class*

**Description**

This class is the union of several spatial objects from `raster` and `sp` packages.

**Details**

Members:

- RasterLayer, RasterLayerSparse, RasterStack;

Notably missing is RasterBrick, for now.
Author(s)

Eliot McIntire

See Also

quickPlotClasses

isRstudioServer  

**Determine if current session is RStudio Server**

**Description**

Determine if current session is RStudio Server

**Usage**

isRstudioServer()

**Examples**

isRstudioServer() # returns FALSE or TRUE

layerNames  

**Extract the layer names of Spatial Objects**

**Description**

There are already methods for Raster* objects. This adds methods for SpatialPoints*, SpatialLines*, and SpatialPolygons*, returning an empty character vector of length 1. This function was created to give consistent, meaningful results for all classes of objects plotted by Plot.

**Usage**

layerNames(object)

```r
## S4 method for signature 'list'
layerNames(object)
```

```r
## S4 method for signature 'ANY'
layerNames(object)
```

```r
## S4 method for signature 'Raster'
layerNames(object)
```

```r
## S4 method for signature '.quickPlot'
```
layerNames(object)

## S4 method for signature 'igraph'
layerNames(object)

**Arguments**

object A Raster*, SpatialPoints*, SpatialLines*, or SpatialPolygons* object; or list of these.

**Author(s)**

Eliot McIntire

**Examples**

```r
library(igraph)
library(raster)

## RasterLayer objects
files <- system.file("maps", package = "quickPlot") %>%
dir(., full.names = TRUE, pattern = "tif")
maps <- lapply(files, function(x) raster(x))
names(maps) <- sapply(basename(files), function(x) {
  strsplit(x, split = "\."))[1][1]
})
layerNames(maps)

## Spatial* objects
caribou <- SpatialPoints(coords = cbind(x = stats::runif(1e2, -50, 50),
y = stats::runif(1e2, -50, 50)))
layerNames(caribou)

sr1 <- Polygon(cbind(c(2, 4, 4, 1, 2), c(2, 3, 5, 4, 2)) * 20 - 50)
sr2 <- Polygon(cbind(c(5, 4, 2, 5), c(2, 3, 2, 2)) * 20 - 50)
srs1 <- Polygons(list(sr1), "s1")
srs2 <- Polygons(list(sr2), "s2")
spP <- SpatialPolygons(list(srs1, srs2), 1:2)
layerNames(spP)

l1 <- cbind(c(10, 2, 30), c(30, 2, 2))
l1a <- cbind(l1[, 1] + .05, l1[, 2] + .05)
l2 <- cbind(c(1, 20, 3), c(10, 1.5, 1))
s1l <- Line(l1)
s1la <- Line(l1a)
s12 <- Line(l2)
s1 <- Lines(list(s1l, s1la), ID = "a")
s2 <- Lines(list(s12), ID = "b")
s1 <- SpatialLines(list(s1, s2))
layerNames(s1)
```
### Description

The primary conceived usage of this is to draw arrows following the trajectories of agents.

### Usage

```r
makelines(from, to)
```

```r
## S4 method for signature 'SpatialPoints,SpatialPoints'
makelines(from, to)
```

### Arguments

- `from`: Starting spatial coordinates (`SpatialPointsDataFrame`).
- `to`: Ending spatial coordinates (`SpatialPointsDataFrame`).

### Value

A `SpatialLines` object. When this object is used within a `plot` call and the `length` argument is specified, then arrow heads will be drawn. See examples.

### Author(s)

Eliot McIntire

### Examples

```r
library(sp)
library(raster)

# Make 2 objects
caribou1 <- SpatialPoints(cbind(x = stats::runif(10, -50, 50),
                              y = stats::runif(10, -50, 50)))
caribou2 <- SpatialPoints(cbind(x = stats::runif(10, -50, 50),
                              y = stats::runif(10, -50, 50)))

caribouTraj <- makelines(caribou1, caribou2)

clearPlot()
Plot(caribouTraj, length = 0.1)

# or to a previous Plot
files <- dir(system.file("maps", package = "quickPlot"), full.names = TRUE, pattern = "tif")
maps <- lapply(files, raster)
names(maps) <- lapply(maps, names)
```
newPlot <- makeLines(caribou1, caribou2)

clearPlot()
Plot(maps$DEM)
Plot(caribouTraj, addTo = "maps$DEM", length = 0.1)

clearPlot()

---

**newPlot**  
*Open a new plotting window*

**Description**

Open a new plotting window

**Usage**

```r
newPlot(noRStudioGD = TRUE, ...)
dev.useRSGD(useRSGD = FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

- `noRStudioGD` Logical. Passed to dev.new. Default is TRUE to avoid using RStudio graphics device, which is slow.
- `...` Additional arguments.
- `useRSGD` Logical indicating whether the default device should be the RStudio graphic device, or the platform default (quartz on macOS; windows on Windows; x11 on others, e.g., Linux).

**Note**

`dev.new` is supposed to be the correct way to open a new window in a platform-generic way; however, it doesn’t work in RStudio (SpaDES#116). Use `dev.useRSGD(FALSE)` to avoid RStudio for the remainder of this session, and `dev.useRSGD(TRUE)` to use the RStudio graphics device. (This sets the default device via the `device` option.)

**Author(s)**

Eliot McIntire and Alex Chubaty

**See Also**

`dev`
Examples

```r
## Not run:
## set option to avoid using Rstudio graphics device
dev.useRSGD(FALSE)

## open new plotting window
newPlot()

## End(Not run)
```

### numLayers

Find the number of layers in a Spatial Object

#### Description

There are already methods for Raster* in the raster package. Adding methods for list, SpatialPolygons, SpatialLines, and SpatialPoints, gg, histogram, igraph. These latter classes return 1.

#### Usage

```r
numLayers(x)
```

#### Arguments

- `x` A `.quickPlotObjects` object or list of these.

#### Value

The number of layers in the object.
Author(s)

Eliot McIntire

Examples

```r
library(igraph)
library(raster)

files <- system.file("maps", package = "quickPlot") %>%
  dir(., full.names = TRUE, pattern = "tif")
maps <- lapply(files, function(x) raster(x))
names(maps) <- sapply(basename(files), function(x) {
  strsplit(x, split = "\\.")[[1]][1]
})
stck <- stack(maps)

numLayers(maps)
numLayers(stck)
```

Description

This can take objects of type `Raster*`, `SpatialPoints*`, `SpatialPolygons*`, and any combination of those. These can be provided as individual objects, or a named list. If a named list, the names either represent a different original object in the calling environment and that will be used, or if the names don’t exist in the calling environment, then they will be copied to `quickPlotEnv` for reuse later. It can also handle `ggplot2` objects or base::`histogram` objects created via call to `exhist <- hist(1:10, plot = FALSE)`. It can also take arguments as if it were a call to `plot`. In this latter case, the user should be explicit about naming the plot area using `addTo`. Customization of the `ggplot2` elements can be done as a normal `ggplot2` plot, then added with `Plot(ggplotObject).

Usage

```r
Plot(..., new = FALSE, addTo = NULL, gp = gpar(), gpText = gpar(),
gpAxis = gpar(), axes = FALSE, speedup = 1, size = 5,
cols = NULL, col = NULL, zoomExtent = NULL, visualSqueeze = NULL,
legend = TRUE, legendRange = NULL, legendText = NULL, pch = 19,
title = NULL, na.color = "#FFFFFF00", zero.color = NULL,
length = NULL, arr = NULL, plotFn = "plot")
```

## S4 method for signature 'ANY'
```r
Plot(..., new = FALSE, addTo = NULL, gp = gpar(),
gpText = gpar(), gpAxis = gpar(), axes = FALSE, speedup = 1,
size = 5, cols = NULL, col = NULL, zoomExtent = NULL,
```
Arguments

... A combination of spatialObjects or non-spatial objects. For many object classes, there are specific Plot methods. Where there are no specific ones, the base plotting will be used internally. This means that for objects with no specific Plot methods, many arguments, such as addTo, will not work. See details.

ew Logical. If TRUE, then the previous named plot area is wiped and a new one made; if FALSE, then the ... plots will be added to the current device, adding or rearranging the plot layout as necessary. Default is FALSE. This currently works best if there is only one object being plotted in a given Plot call. However, it is possible to pass a list of logicals to this, matching the length of the ... objects. Use clearPlot to clear the whole plotting device.

addTo Character vector, with same length as .... This is for overplotting, when the overplot is not to occur on the plot with the same name, such as plotting a SpatialPoints* object on a RasterLayer.

gp A gpar object, created by gpar function, to change plotting parameters (see grid package).

gpText A gpar object for the title text. Default gpar(col = "black").

gpAxis A gpar object for the axes. Default gpar(col = "black").

axes Logical or "L", representing the left and bottom axes, over all plots.

speedup Numeric. The factor by which the number of pixels is divided by to plot rasters. See Details.

size Numeric. The size, in points, for SpatialPoints symbols, if using a scalable symbol.

cols (also col) Character vector or list of character vectors of colours. See details.

col (also cols) Alternative to cols to be consistent with plot. cols takes precedence, if both are provided.

zoomExtent An Extent object. Supplying a single extent that is smaller than the rasters will call a crop statement before plotting. Defaults to NULL. This occurs after any downsampling of rasters, so it may produce very pixelated maps.

visualSqueeze Numeric. The proportion of the white space to be used for plots. Default is 0.75.

legend Logical indicating whether a legend should be drawn. Default is TRUE.

legendRange Numeric vector giving values that, representing the lower and upper bounds of a legend (i.e., 1:10 or c(1,10) will give same result) that will override the data bounds contained within the grobToPlot.
legendText  Character vector of legend value labels. Defaults to NULL, which results in a pretty numeric representation. If Raster has a Raster Attribute Table (rat; see raster package), this will be used by default. Currently, only a single vector is accepted. The length of this must match the length of the legend, so this is mostly useful for discrete-valued rasters.

pch  see ?par.

title  Logical or character string. If logical, it indicates whether to print the object name as the title above the plot. If a character string, it will print this above the plot. NOTE: the object name is used with addTo, not the title. Default NULL, which means print the object name as title, if no other already exists on the plot, in which case, keep the previous title.

na.color  Character string indicating the color for NA values. Default transparent.

zero.color  Character string indicating the color for zero values, when zero is the minimum value, otherwise, zero is treated as any other color. Default transparent.

length  Numeric. Optional length, in inches, of the arrow head.

arr  A vector of length 2 indicating a desired arrangement of plot areas indicating number of rows, number of columns. Default NULL, meaning let Plot function do it automatically.

plotFn  An optional function name to do the plotting internally, e.g., "barplot" to get a barplot() call. Default "plot".

toDev  Numeric. Which device should the new rePlot be plotted to. Default is current device.

fromDev  Numeric. Which device should the replot information be taken from. Default is current device

clearFirst  Logical. Should clearPlot be run before replotting. Default TRUE.

Details

NOTE: Plot uses the grid package; therefore, it is NOT compatible with base R graphics. Also, because it does not by default wipe the plotting device before plotting, a call to clearPlot is helpful to resolve many errors. Careful use of the other device tools, such as dev.off() and dev.list() might also clear problems that may arise.

If new = TRUE, a new plot will be generated, but only in the figure region that has the same name as the object being plotted. This is different than calling clearPlot(); Plot(Object), i.e., directly before creating a new Plot. clearPlot() will clear the entire plotting device. When new = FALSE, any plot that already exists will be overplotted, while plots that have not already been plotted will be added. This function rearranges the plotting device to maximize the size of all the plots, minimizing white space. If using the RStudio IDE, it is recommended to make and use a new device with dev(), because the built in device is not made for rapid redrawing. The function is based on the grid package.

Each panel in the multipanel plot must have a name. This name is used to overplot, rearrange the plots, or overlay using addTo when necessary. If the . . . are named spatialObjects, then Plot will use these names. However, this name will not persist when there is a future call to Plot that forces a rearrangement of the plots. A more stable way is to use the object names directly, and any layer names (in the case of RasterLayer or RasterStack objects). If plotting a RasterLayer and the
layer name is "layer" or the same as the object name, then, for simplicity, only the object name will be used. In other words, only enough information is used to uniquely identify the plot.

Because of modularity, Plot must have access to the original objects that were plotted. These objects will be used if a subsequent Plot event forces a rearrangement of the Plot device. Rather than saving all the plot information (including the data) at each Plot call (this is generally too much data to constantly make copies), the function saves a pointer to the original R object. If the plot needs to be rearranged because of a future addition, then Plot will search for that original object that created the first plots, and replot them. This has several consequences. First, that object must still exist and in the same environment. Second, if that object has changed between the first time it is plot and any subsequent time it is replotted (via a forced rearrangement), then it will take the object *as it exists*, not as it existed. Third, if passing a named list of objects, Plot will either create a link to objects with those names in the calling environment (e.g., .GlobalEnv) or, if they do not exist, then Plot will make a copy in the hidden .quickPlotEnv for later reuse.

cols is a vector of colours that can be understood directly, or by colorRampePalette, such as c("orange", "blue"), will give a colour range from orange to blue, interpolated. If a list, it will be used, in order, for each item to be plotted. It will be recycled if it is shorter than the objects to be plotted. Note that when this approach to setting colours is used, any overplotting will revert to the colortable slot of the object, or the default for rasters, which is terrain.color()

cols can also accept RColorBrewer colors by keyword if it is character vector of length 1. i.e., this cannot be used to set many objects by keyword in the same Plot call. Default terrain.color(). See Details.

Some coloring will be automatic. If the object being plotted is a Raster, then this will take the colorTable slot (can be changed via setColors() or other ways). If this is a SpatialPointsDataFrame, this function will use a column called colors and apply these to the symbols.

Silently, one hidden object is made, .quickPlot in the .quickPlotEnv environment, which is used for arranging plots in the device window, and identifying the objects to be replotted if rearranging is required, subsequent to a new = FALSE additional plot.

This function is optimized to allow modular Plotting. This means that several behaviours will appear unusual. For instance, if a first call to Plot is made, the legend will reflect the current color scheme. If a second or subsequent call to Plot is made with the same object but with different colours (e.g., with cols), the legend will not update. This behaviour is made with the decision that the original layer takes precedence and all subsequent plots to that same frame are overplots only.

speedup is not a precise number because it is faster to plot an non-resampled raster if the new resampling is close to the original number of pixels. At the moment, for rasters, this is set to 1/3 of the original pixels. In other words, speedup will not do anything if the factor for speeding up is not high enough (i.e., >3). If no sub-sampling is desired, use a speedup value less than 0.1.

These gp* parameters will specify plot parameters that are available with gpar(). gp will adjust plot parameters, gpText will adjust title and legend text, gpAxis will adjust the axes. size adjusts point size in a SpatialPoints object. These will persist with the original Plot call for each individual object. Multiple entries can be used, but they must be named list elements and they must match the ... items to plot. This is true for a RasterStack also, i.e., the list of named elements must be the same length as the number of layers being plotted. The naming convention used is: RasterStackName$layerName,i.e, landscape$DEM.
Value

Invisibly returns the .quickPlot class object. If this is assigned to an object, say obj, then this can be plotted again with Plot(obj). This object is also stored in the locked .quickPlotEnv, so can simply be replotted with rePlot() or on a new device with rePlot(n), where n is the new device number.

Author(s)

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See Also

clearPlot, gpar, raster, par, SpatialPolygons, grid.polyline, ggplot, dev

Examples

```r
library(sp)
library(raster)
requireNamespace("rgdal") # required for raster loading
library(RColorBrewer)

files <- dir(system.file("maps", package = "quickPlot"), full.names = TRUE, pattern = "tif")
maps <- lapply(files, raster)
names(maps) <- lapply(maps, names)

# put layers into a single stack for convenience
landscape <- stack(maps$DEM, maps$forestCover, maps$forestAge,
                   maps$habitatQuality, maps$percentPine)

# can change color palette
setcolors(landscape, n = 50) <- list(DEM = topo.colors(50),
                                      forestCover = brewer.pal(9, "Set1"),
                                      forestAge = brewer.pal("Blues", n = 8),
                                      habitatQuality = brewer.pal(9, "Spectral"),
                                      percentPine = brewer.pal("GnBu", n = 8))

# Make a new raster derived from a previous one; must give it a unique name
habitatQuality2 <- landscape$habitatQuality * 0.3
names(habitatQuality2) <- "habitatQuality2"

# make a SpatialPoints object
caribou <- sp::SpatialPoints(coords = cbind(x = stats::runif(1e2, -50, 50),
                                        y = stats::runif(1e2, -50, 50)))

# use factor raster to give legends as character strings
ras <- raster(extent(0, 3, 0, 4), vals = sample(1:4, size = 12, replace = TRUE), res = 1)

# needs to have a data.frame with ID as first column - see ?raster::ratify
levels(ras) <- data.frame(ID = 1:4, Name = paste0("Level", 1:4))
Plot(ras, new = TRUE)

# Arbitrary values for factors, including zero and not all levels represented in raster
```
```r
levs <- c(0:5, 7:12)
ras <- raster(extent(0, 3, 0, 2), vals = c(1, 1, 3, 5, 8, 9), res = 1)
levels(ras) <- data.frame(ID = levs, Name = LETTERS[c(1:3, 8:16)]
Plot(ras, new = TRUE)

# Arbitrary values for factors, including zero and not all levels represented in raster
levs <- c(0:5, 7:23)
ras <- raster(extent(0, 3, 0, 2), vals = c(1, 1, 3, 5, 8, 9), res = 1)
levels(ras) <- data.frame(ID = levs, Name = LETTERS[1:23])
Plot(ras, new = TRUE)

# SpatialPolygons
sr1 <- sp::Polygon(cbind(c(2, 4, 4, 1, 2), c(2, 3, 5, 4, 2)) * 20 - 50)
sr2 <- sp::Polygon(cbind(c(5, 4, 2, 5), c(2, 3, 2, 2)) * 20 - 50)
srs1 <- sp::Polygons(list(sr1), "s1")
srs2 <- sp::Polygons(list(sr2), "s2")
spP <- sp::SpatialPolygons(list(srs1, srs2), 1:2)
clearPlot()
Plot(ras)

clearPlot()
Plot(landscape)

# Can overplot, using addTo
Plot(caribou, addTo = "landscape$forestAge", size = 4, axes = FALSE)

# can add a plot to the plotting window
Plot(caribou, new = FALSE)

# Can add two maps with same name, if one is in a stack; they are given
# unique names based on object name
Plot(landscape, caribou, maps$DEM)

# can mix stacks, rasters, SpatialPoint*
Plot(landscape, habitatQuality2, caribou)

# can mix stacks, rasters, SpatialPoint*, and SpatialPolygons*
Plot(habitatQuality2, new = FALSE)
Plot(spP)
Plot(spP, addTo = "landscape$forestCover", gp = gpar(lwd = 2))

# provide arrangement, NumRow, NumCol
Plot(spP, arr = c(1, 4), new = TRUE)

# example base plot
clearPlot()
Plot(1:10, 1:10, addTo = "test", new = TRUE)  # if there is no "test" then it will make it
Plot(4, 5, pch = 22, col = "blue", addTo = "test")
obj1 <- rnorm(1e2)
Plot(obj1, axes = "L")
```
quickPlotClasses

# Can plot named lists of objects (but not base objects yet)
ras1 <- ras2 <- ras
a <- list()
for (i in 1:2) {
a[[paste0("ras", i)]] <- get(paste0("ras", i))
}
a$spP <- spP
clearPlot()
Plot(a)

# clean up
clearPlot()

---

quickPlotClasses quickPlot classes

Description

quickPlot uses S4 classes. "Dot" classes are not exported and are therefore intended for internal use only.

Plotting classes - used within Plot

New classes

.arrangement   The layout or "arrangement" of plot objects
.quickPlot     Main class for Plot - contains .quickGrob and .arrangement objects
.quickPlotGrob  GRaphical OBject used by quickPlot - smallest unit

Unions of existing classes:

.quickPlottables The union of all object classes Plot can accept
.quickPlotObjects The union of spatialObjects and several others
.spatialObjects   The union of several spatial classes

Author(s)

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See Also

Plot
**sample-maps**  
*Dummy maps included with quickPlot*

**Description**

All maps included here are randomly generated maps created using SpaDES.tools::gaussMap(). These are located within the maps folder of the package, and are used in the vignettes. Use `system.file("maps", package = "quickPlot")` to locate the ‘maps/’ directory on your system.

**Format**

raster

**Details**

- `DEM.tif`: converted to a a small number of discrete levels (in 100m hypothetical units).
- `habitatQuality.tif`: made to look like a continuous habitat surface, rescaled to 0 to 1.
- `forestAge.tif`: rescaled to possible forest ages in a boreal forest setting.
- `forestCover.tif`: rescaled to possible forest cover in a boreal forest setting.
- `percentPine.tif`: rescaled to percentages.

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**sp2sl**  
*Convert pairs of coordinates to SpatialLines*

**Description**

This will convert 2 objects whose coordinates can be extracted with `coordinates` (e.g., `sp::SpatialPoints*`) to a single SpatialLines object. The first object is treated as the "to" or destination, and the second object the "from" or source. This can be used to represent directional SpatialLines, especially with arrow heads, as in `Plot(sl, length = 0.1)`

**Usage**

`sp2sl(sp1, from)`

**Arguments**

- `sp1`  
  SpatialPoints* object

- `from`  
  SpatialPoints* object. Optional. If not provided, then the function will attempt to find the "previous" coordinates as columns (`prevX, prevY`) in the `sp1` object.
Examples

caribou <- sp::SpatialPoints(coords = cbind(x = stats::runif(1e1, -50, 50),
      y = stats::runif(1e1, -50, 50)))
caribouFrom <- sp::SpatialPoints(coords = cbind(x = stats::runif(1e1, -50, 50),
      y = stats::runif(1e1, -50, 50)))
caribouLines <- sp2sl(caribou, caribouFrom)
Plot(caribouLines, length = 0.1)

spatialObjects-class  The spatialObjects class

Description

This class is the union of several spatial objects from raster and sp packages.

Details

Members:

• RasterLayer, RasterLayerSparse, RasterStack;
• SpatialLines, SpatialLinesDataFrame;
• SpatialPixels, SpatialPixelsDataFrame;
• SpatialPoints, SpatialPointsDataFrame;
• SpatialPolygons, SpatialPolygonsDataFrame.

Notably missing is RasterBrick, for now.

Author(s)

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See Also

quickPlotClasses
thin

Thin a polygon using fastshp::thin

Description

For visualizing, it is sometimes useful to remove points in Spatial* objects. This will change the geometry, so it is not recommended for computation. This is similar to rgeos::gSimplify and sf::st_simplify, but faster than both (see examples) for large shapefiles, particularly if returnDataFrame is TRUE. thin will not attempt to preserve topology. It is strictly for making smaller polygons for the purpose (likely) of visualizing more quickly.

Usage

thin(x, tolerance, returnDataFrame, minCoordsToThin, ...)

## S3 method for class 'SpatialPolygons'
thin(x, tolerance = NULL,
    returnDataFrame = FALSE, minCoordsToThin = 0,
    maxNumPolygons =getOption("quickPlot.maxNumPolygons", 3000), ...)

## Default S3 method:
thin(x, tolerance, returnDataFrame, minCoordsToThin, ...)  

Arguments

- **x**: A Spatial* object
- **tolerance**: Maximum allowable distance for a point to be removed.
- **returnDataFrame**: If TRUE, this will return a list of 3 elements, xyOrd, hole, and idLength. If FALSE (default), it will return a SpatialPolygons object.
- **minCoordsToThin**: If the number of coordinates is smaller than this number, then thin will just pass through, though it will take the time required to calculate how many points there are (which is not NROW(coordinates(x)) for a SpatialPolygon)
- **...**: Passed to methods (e.g., maxNumPolygons)
- **maxNumPolygons**: For speed, thin can also simply remove some of the polygons. This is likely only a reasonable thing to do if there are a lot of polygons being plotted in a small space. Current default is taken from options('quickPlot.maxNumPolygons'), with a message.

Examples

library(raster)

b <- SpatialPoints(cbind(-110, 59, 1000))

crs(b) <- sp::CRS("+init=epsg:4326")
crsObj <- CRS(paste0("+proj=merc +lat_0=0 +lon_0=-115 +k=0.9992 +x_0=500000 +y_0=0 ",
                        "+datum=NAD83 +units=m +no_defs +ellps=GRS80 +towgs84=0,0,0"))

# make a random polygon -- code adapted from SpaDES::randomPolygon package:
areaM2 <- 1000 * 1e4 * 1.304 # rescale so mean area is close to hectares
b <- spTransform(b, crsObj))

radius <- sqrt(areaM2 / pi)

meanX <- mean(coordinates(b)[, 1]) - radius
meanY <- mean(coordinates(b)[, 2]) - radius

minX <- meanX - radius
maxX <- meanX + radius
minY <- meanY - radius
maxY <- meanY + radius

# Add random noise to polygon
xAdd <- round(runif(1, radius * 0.8, radius * 1.2))
yAdd <- round(runif(1, radius * 0.8, radius * 1.2))
nPoints <- 20
betaPar <- 0.6
X <- c(jitter(sort(rbeta(nPoints, betaPar, betaPar)) * (maxX - minX) + minX),
       jitter(sort(rbeta(nPoints, betaPar, betaPar)) * (maxX - minX) + minX, decreasing = TRUE))
Y <- c(jitter(sort(rbeta(nPoints / 2, betaPar, betaPar)) * (maxY - meanY) + meanY),
       jitter(sort(rbeta(nPoints, betaPar, betaPar)) * (maxY - meanY) + meanY, decreasing = TRUE),
       jitter(sort(rbeta(nPoints / 2, betaPar, betaPar)) * (meanY - minY) + minY))

Sr1 <- Polygon(cbind(X + xAdd, Y + yAdd))
Srs1 <- Polygons(list(Sr1), "s1")
a <- SpatialPolygons(list(Srs1), 1L)
crs(a) <- crsObj

# end of making random polygon

clearPlot()
Plot(a)
NROW(a@polygons[[1]]@Polygons[[1]]@coords)
if (require(fastshp)) {
  aThin <- quickPlot::thin(a, 200)
  NROW(aThin@polygons[[1]]@Polygons[[1]]@coords) # fewer
  Plot(aThin) # looks similar
}

# compare -- if you have rgeos
# if (require("rgeos")) {
#  aSimplify <- gSimplify(a, tol = 200)
#  NROW(aSimplify@polygons[[1]]@Polygons[[1]]@coords) # fewer
#  Plot(aSimplify)
# }

# compare -- if you have sf
# if (require("sf")) {

whereInStack

Find the environment in the call stack that contains an object by name
**whereInStack**

*Description*

This is similar to `pryr::where`, except instead of working up the search() path of packages, it searches up the call stack for an object. Ostensibly similar to `base::dynGet`, but it will only return the environment, not the object itself and it will try to extract just the object name from name, even if supplied with a more complicated name (e.g., if `obj$firstElement@slot1$size` is supplied, the function will only search for `obj`). The function is fairly fast. This function is an important component to the Plot function.

*Usage*

```r
whereInStack(name, whFrame = -1)
```

*Arguments*

- `name` An object name to find in the call stack
- `whFrame` A numeric indicating which sys.frame (by negative number) to start searching in

*Details*

The difference between this and what `get` and `exists` do, is that these other functions search up the enclosing environments, i.e., it matters where the functions were defined. `whereInStack` looks up the call stack environments. See the example for the difference.

*Value*

The environment that is in the call stack where the object exists, that is closest to the frame in which this function is called.

*Examples*

```r
b <- 1
inner <- function(y) {
  objEnv <- whereInStack("b")
  get("b", envir = objEnv)
}
findB <- function(x) {
  b <- 2
  inner()
}
findB() # Finds 2 because it is looking up the call stack, i.e., the user's perspective

# defined outside of findB2, so its enclosing environment is the same as findB2
innerGet <- function(y) {
  get("b")
}
findB2 <- function(x) {
  b <- 2
  innerGet()
}
```
findB2() # Finds 1 because b has a value of 1 in the enclosing environment of innerGet
b <- 3
findB2() # Finds 3 because b has a value of 3 in the enclosing environment of innerGet,
    # i.e., the environment in which innerGet was defined
findB() # Still finds 2 because the call stack hasn't changed

# compare base::dynGet
findB3 <- function(x) {
  b <- 2
  dynGet("b")
}
findB3() # same as findB(), but marginally faster, because it omits the stripping on
    # sub elements that may be part of the name argument

b <- list()
findB3 <- function(x) {
  b$a <- 2
  dynGet("b$a")
}
testthat::expect_error(findB3()) # fails because not an object name

findB <- function(x) {
  b$a <- 2
  env <- whereInStack("b$a")
  env
}
findB() # finds it
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