

satin: a R package for extracting and visualizing satellite data for oceanographic applications

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Satellites, sensors



AVHRR



QuikSCAT

http://aspera.jpl.nasa.gov/download/pub/sea_surface_temperature/avhrr/pathfinder/data_v5

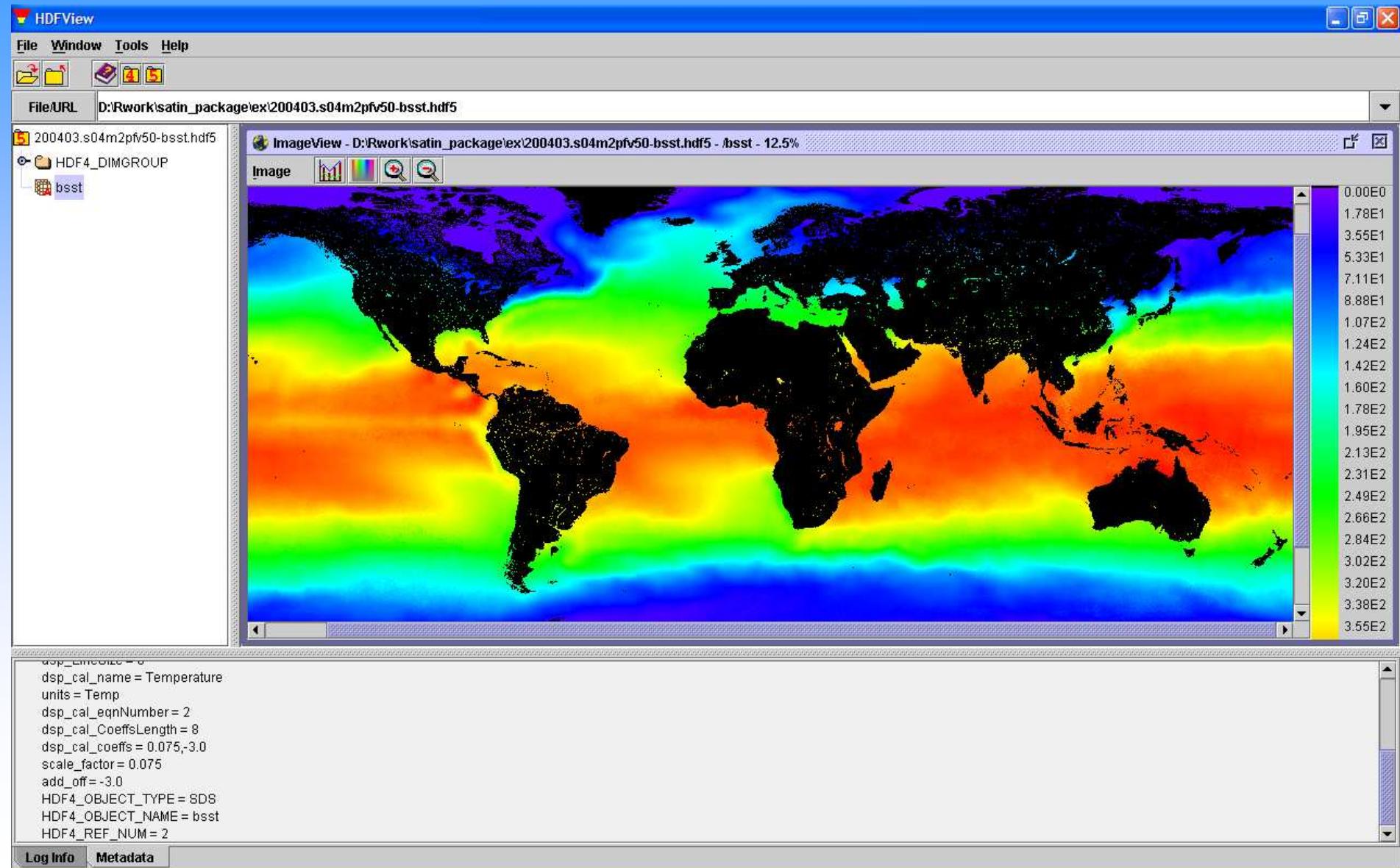
<http://oceancolor.gsfc.nasa.gov/cgi/l3>

ftp://podaac.jpl.nasa.gov/pub/ocean_wind/quikscat/L3/data/



Images: NASA

Hierarchical Data Format (hdf) files



Converting hdf version 4 files to v.5

```
`hdf4to5` <-
function(nom.hdf4, path2exe=NULL)
{
  nom.hdf5 <- paste(nom.hdf4, "5", sep="")
  if (is.null(path2exe))
    path2exe="D:/Rwork/AVHRR/h4h5-1.2-windows/bin/"
  h4h5cmd <- paste(path2exe, "h4toh5.exe", sep="")
  shell(paste(h4h5cmd, nom.hdf4, nom.hdf5, sep=" "))
}
```

From the HDFGroup:
<http://www.hdfgroup.org/>

> hdf4to5("200805.s04m3pfprt-bsst.hdf")

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Internal functions

```
get_DateString( )  
get_nomSST( )
```

```
> fnames <- c(  
  "2007.s04y3pfret-bsst.hdf",  
  "200001.s04m3pfv50-bsst-16b.hdf",  
  "2000001-2000008.s0483pfv50-bsst-16b.hdf",  
  "2000001-2000005.s0453pfv50-bsst-16b.hdf",  
  "2007005.s04d3pfret-bsst.hdf",  
  "2009031-2009035.s0453pfret-sst.hdf",  
  "A20071822007212.L3m_MO_SST_4.hdf5",  
  "A20081222008152.L3m_MO_CHLO_4.hdf5",  
  "QS_XWGRD3_2008366.20090021524.hdf5",  
  "200901.s04w3pfret-bsst.hdf"  
)
```

```
> for (i in 1:length(fnames)) {  
+   av.perio <- get_DateString( fnames[i] )  
+   print(av.perio)  
+ }  
  
[1] "2007"  
[1] "Jan 2000"  
[1] "1 - 8 Jan 2000"  
[1] "1 - 5 Jan 2000"  
[1] "5 Jan 2007"  
[1] "31 Jan - 4 Feb 2009"  
[1] "1 - 31 Jul 2007"  
[1] "1 - 31 May 2008"  
[1] "31 Dec 2008"  
[1] "Week 1 2009"
```

extraction functions

Extracting SST from AVHRR data in hdf format

Description

Sea Surface Temperature data for a user defined area is extracted from Pathfinder hdf v5 files

Usage

```
xtAVHRR(nom.hdf5, lats, lons)
```

Arguments

nom.hdf5 name of the hdf file

lats a vector with minimum and maximum latitude

lons a vector with minimum and maximum longitude

```
> ex01 <- xtAVHRR( "2008121.s04d3pf3t-bsst.hdf5",
  lats = c(22, 33), lons = c(-117, -106) )
```

Structure of returned object

```
> class(exo1)
```

```
[1] "list"
```

```
> names(exo1)
```

```
[1] "longitude" "latitude" "sst" "period"
```

```
> exo1$longitude[1:5]
```

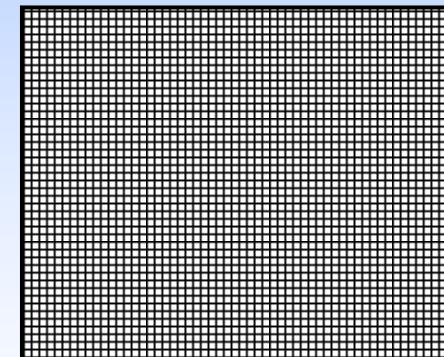
```
[1] -116.96 -116.91 -116.87 -116.83 -116.78
```

```
> exo1$latitude[1:5]
```

```
[1] 22.03 22.08 22.12 22.17 22.21
```

```
> exo1$sst[1:5, 1:5]
```

	[,1]	[,2]	[,3]	[,4]	[,5]
[1,]	20.175	20.175	20.175	20.250	20.250
[2,]	20.175	20.175	20.175	20.175	20.175
[3,]	20.025	20.100	20.100	20.100	20.100
[4,]	20.025	20.025	20.025	20.025	20.100
[5,]	20.025	20.025	20.025	20.025	20.025



```
> exo1$period  
[1] "30 Apr 2008"
```

extraction functions

The extraction for aqua Modis is the same

```
exo2 <- xtModis("A20081212008128.L3m_8D_CHLO_4.hdf5",
                 lats = c(22, 33), lons = c(-117, -106) )
```

And also the structure of the returned object

```
> class(exo2)
[1] "list"

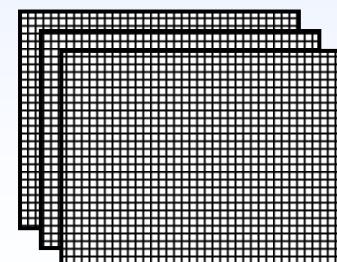
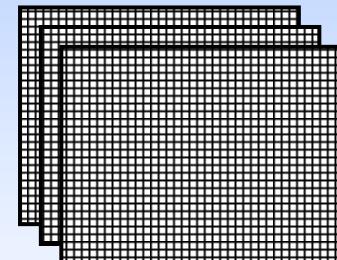
> names(exo2)
[1] "longitude"  "latitude"   "param"     "period"
```

Idem for QuikSCAT:

```
exo3 <- xtQuikscat("QS_XWGRD3_200812120081230017.hdf5",
                     lats=c(22, 33), lons=c(-117, -106) )
```

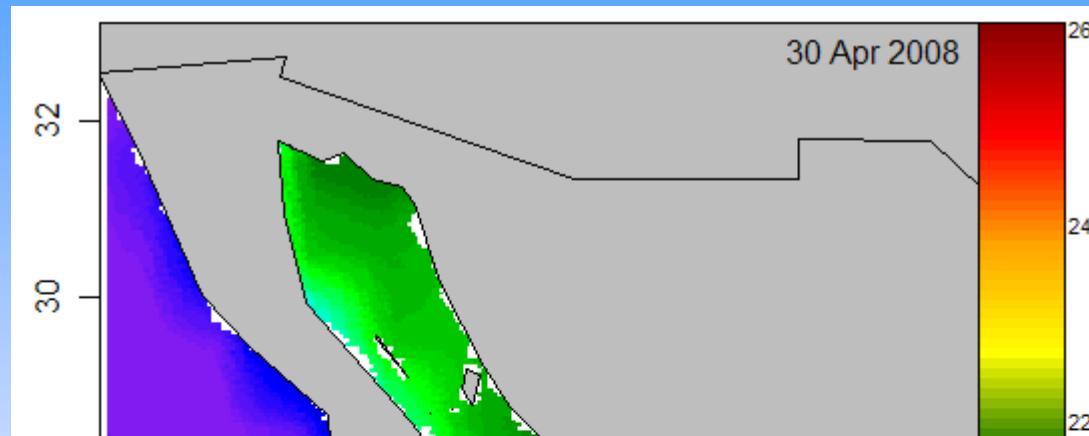
But its structure differs a little:

```
> names(exo3)
[1] "longitude"  "latitude"   "ucomp"    "vcomp"    "period"
```

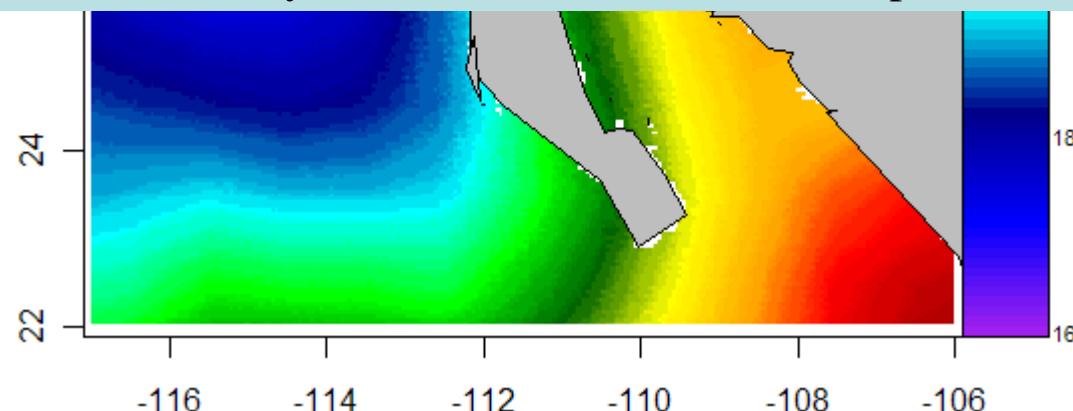


mapping functions (SST, Sea Surface Temperature, °C)

> satinPlot(ex01)

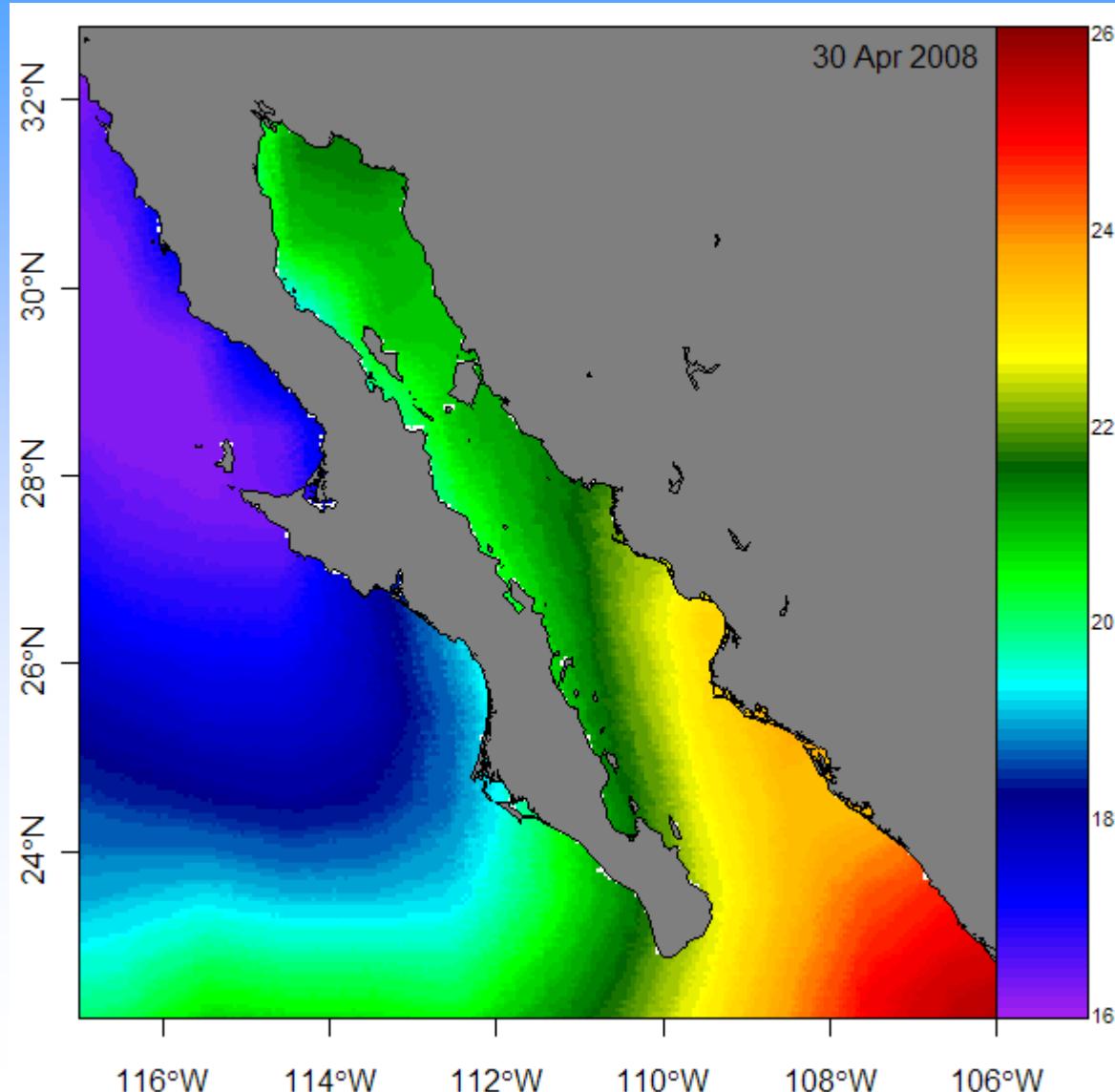


```
satinPlot(xyz, xlims = NULL, ylims = NULL, zlims = NULL, map = NULL,  
         map.col = "grey", map.outline = "black", colimg = NULL,  
         xlab = "longitude", ylab = "latitude", colbar = TRUE, colbar.pos = "r",  
         xoffs = 0, yoffs = 0, main = NULL, main.pos = "tr", ...)
```



mapping functions (SST, Sea Surface Temperature, °C)

```
> satinPlot(ex01, map = nwmexico, map.col = "grey50", map.outline = "black", yoffs = 1.2)
```



Map was obtained from:

“Global Self-consistent
Hierarchical High-resolution
Shoreline Database”
(GSHHS)

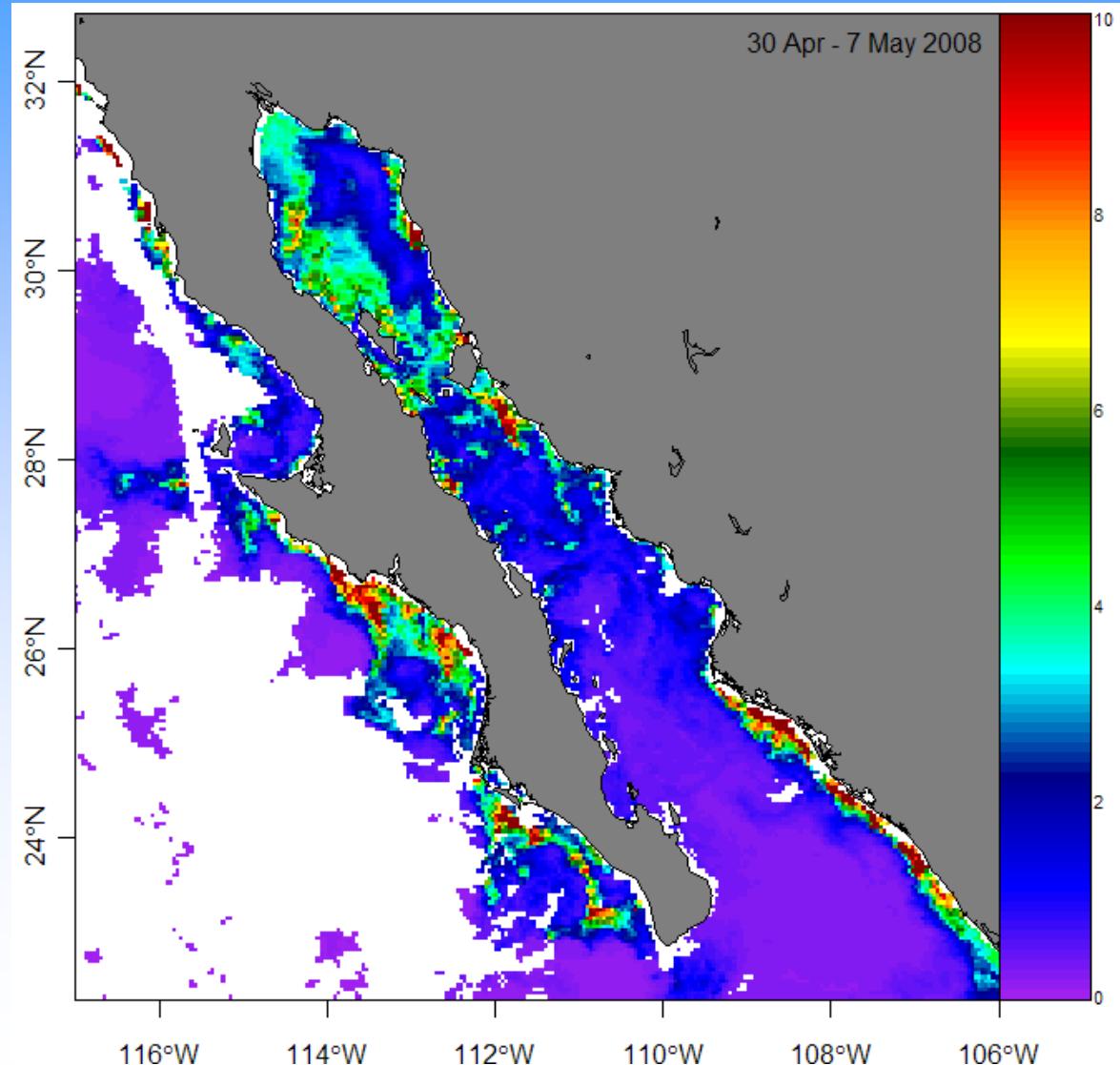
with function:

Rgshhs(maptools)

mapping functions (Chlorophyll a concentration, mg·m⁻³)

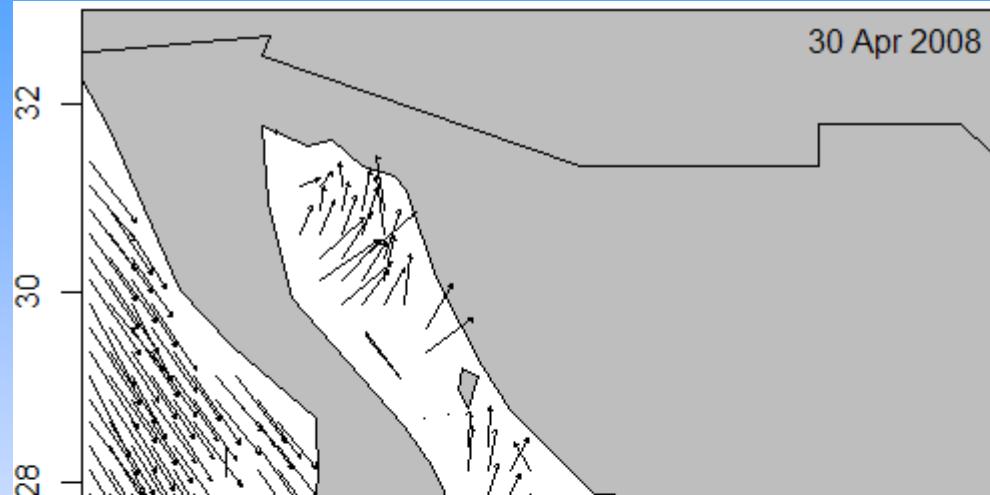
```
> cb <- genColorPal(0, 10, 0.1)
```

```
> satinPlot(exo2, zlim=c(0, 10),  
  map = nwmexico,  
  map.col = "grey50",  
  map.outline = "black",  
  colimg = cb, yoffs = 1.2)
```

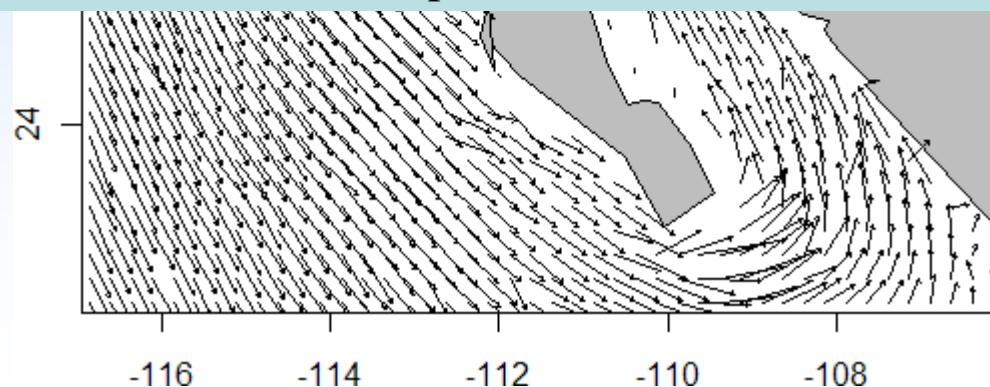


mapping functions (Ocean wind speed, m·s⁻¹)

```
> quiverc(exo3, pass="mean")
```

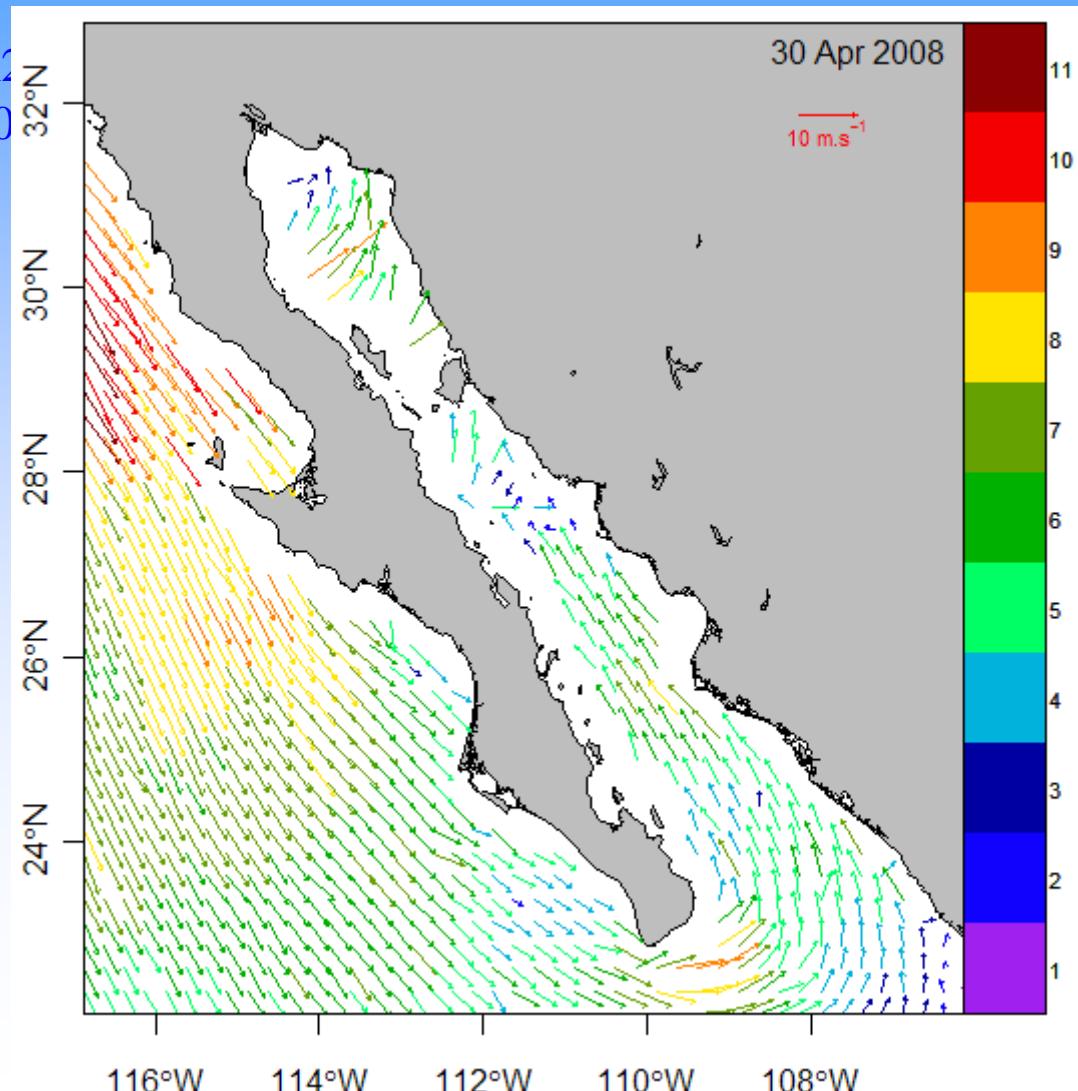


```
quiverc(qso, pass, scale=1, length=0.05, colarrow=NULL, add2map=FALSE,  
        ra.pos=NULL, ra.speed=NULL, ra.col="black", map=NULL,  
        map.col="grey", map.outline="black", colbar=FALSE, colbar.pos="r",  
        main=NULL, main.pos="tr", ...)
```



mapping functions (Ocean wind speed, m·s⁻¹)

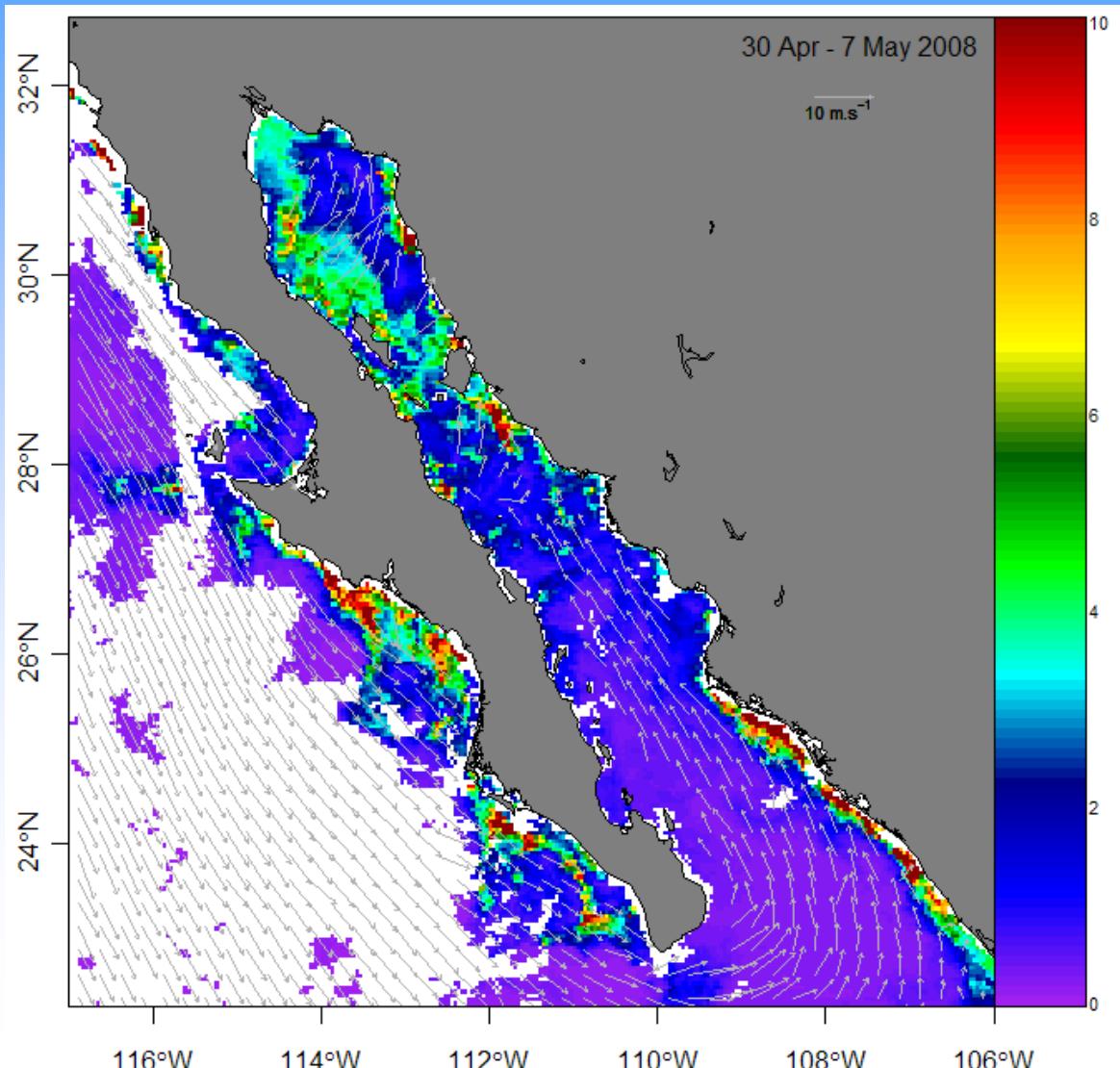
```
> cb2 <- genColorPal(0, 11, 1)
> cb2arr <- genColorArrows(exo3, pass="mean", cb2)
$pal
> quiverc(exo3, pass = "mean",
[1] "#A020F0" "#0F03FD" "#0000A2"
[6] "#00B100" "#65A100" "#FFE400"
[11] "#8B0000"
[1] FALSE, ra.pos =
c(-108, 30), ra.speed = 10,
$breaks
[1] 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11
"black", colbar = TRUE,
colbar.pos = "r")
```



mapping functions (overlaying wind vectors)

```
> satinPlot(exo2, zlim=c(0, 20), map = nwmexico, map.col = "grey50", ...)
```

```
> quiverc(exo3, pass="mean",
  scale=0.7, colarrow="grey80",
  add2map=TRUE,
  ra.pos=c(-108, 32),
  ra.speed=10, main="")
```



Processing several files at once

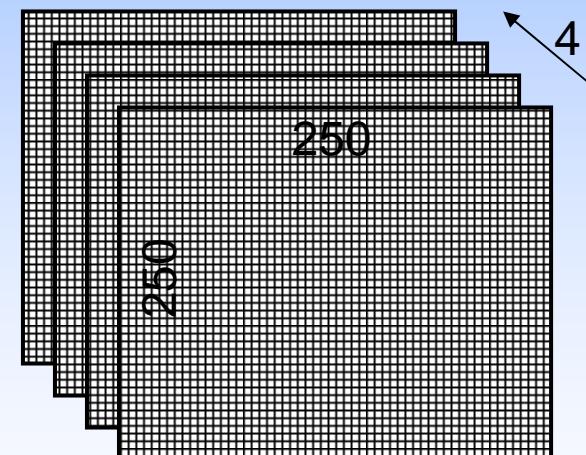
```
exo4 <- xtSensor(hdf5.files, lats = c(22, 33), lons = c(-117, -106),  
                  sensor = "avhrr")
```

```
> names(exo4)  
[1] "longitude"  "latitude"   "param"     "period"
```

```
> class(exo4$param)  
[1] "array"
```

```
> dim(exo4$param)  
[1] 250 250 4
```

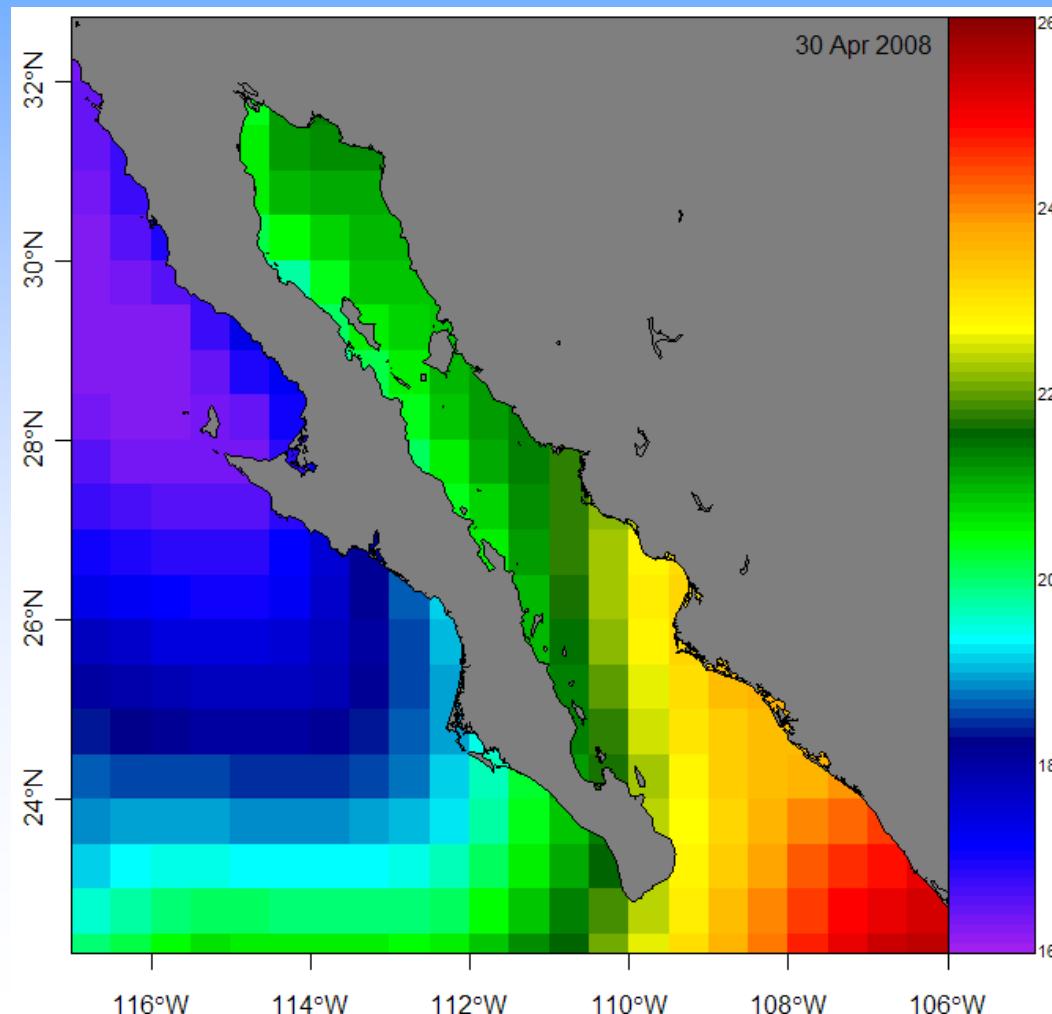
```
> exo4$period  
[1] "30 Apr 2008"  "1 May 2008"  "2 May 2008"  "3 May 2008"
```



Summarize data by quadrants

```
> exo1.s <- simplifySat(exo1, extent=0.5, FUN=mean)
```

```
> satinPlot(exo1.s, map = nwmexico, map.col = "grey50", map.outline = "black",
  colimg = NULL, colbar = TRUE, colbar.pos = "r", xoffs = 0, yoffs = 1.2)
```

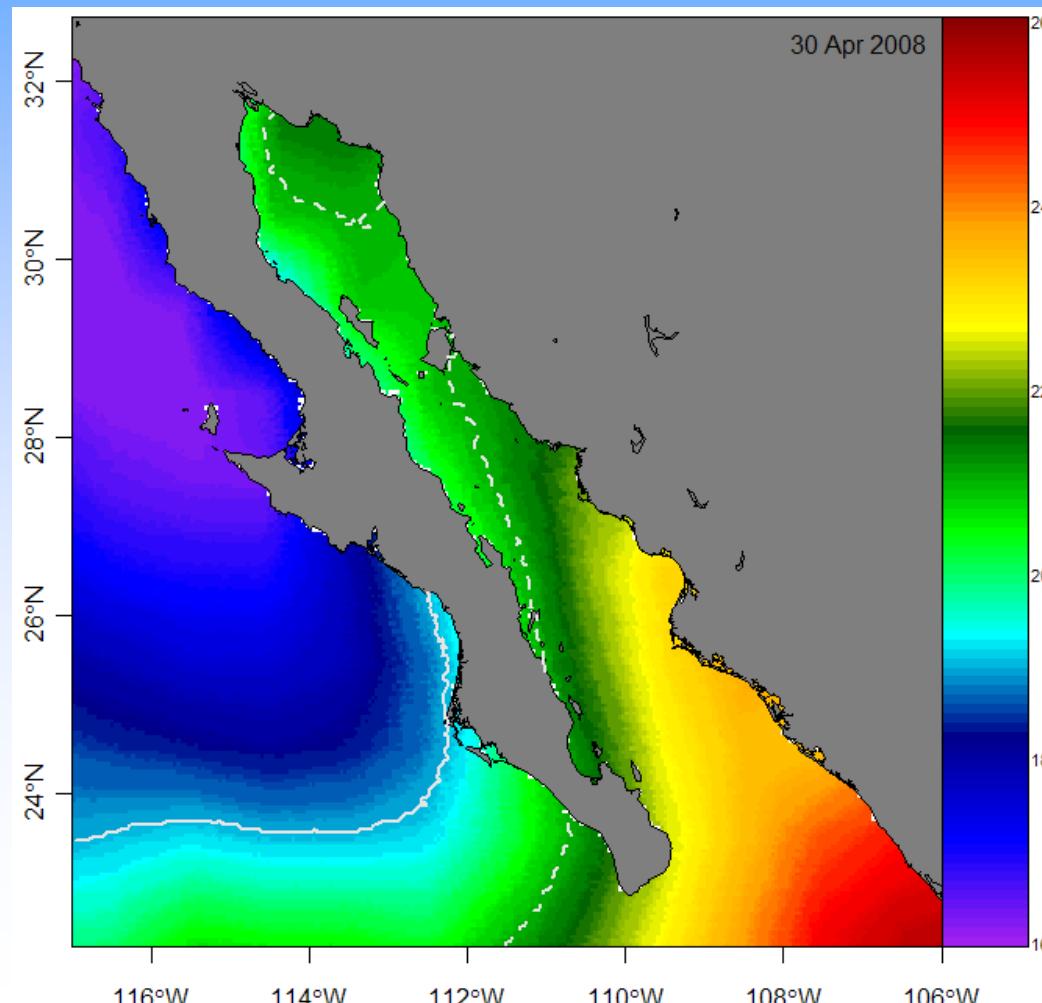


Obtaining isotherms

```
> isot <- isotherms(ex01, tlevels=c(19, 21))
```

```
> satinPlot(ex01, map = nwmexico, map.col = "grey50")
```

```
> addLines(isot$PolySet, col="grey90", lwd=2, lty=c(1, 2) )
```



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