

# Profiling a table layout using Grid

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## 1 Setup

```
> library(grid)
> d <- head(iris)
> dlong <- iris
> reps <- 5
> rowMax.units <- function(u, nrow) {
+   matrix.indices <- matrix(seq_along(u), nrow = nrow)
+   do.call(unit.c, lapply(seq(1, nrow), function(ii) {
+     max(u[matrix.indices[ii, ]])
+   }))
+ }
> colMax.units <- function(u, ncol) {
+   matrix.indices <- matrix(seq_along(u), ncol = ncol)
+   do.call(unit.c, lapply(seq(1, ncol), function(ii) {
+     max(u[matrix.indices[, ii]])
+   }))
+ }
```

## 2 Creating lists of grobs

Two functions are defined here, `makeContent` and `makeContentInVp`. Both return a list of text grobs from a data.frame, but the second one assigns a named viewport to each grob. A third version, `makeContentInVp2` evaluates the possibility of editing the viewport in a list of grobs previously created.

```
> makeContent <- function(d) {
+   content <- as.character(unlist(c(d)))
+   textii <- function(d, gp = gpar(), name = "row-label-") {
+     function(ii) textGrob(label = d[ii], gp = gp, name = paste(name,
+       ii, sep = ""))
+   }
+   makeOneLabel <- textii(d = content, gp = gpar(col = "blue"),
+     name = "content-label-")
+   lg <- lapply(seq_along(content), makeOneLabel)
+   list(lg = lg, nrow = nrow(d), ncol = ncol(d))
+ }
> makeContentInVp <- function(d) {
+   content <- as.character(unlist(c(d)))
```

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+   nc <- ncol(d)
+   nr <- nrow(d)
+   n2nm <- function(nr, nc) {
+     expand.grid(seq(1, nr), seq(1, nc))
+   }
+   vp.ind <- n2nm(nr, nc)
+   textii <- function(d, gp = gpar(), name = "content-label-") {
+     function(ii) textGrob(label = d[ii], gp = gp, name = paste(name,
+       ii, sep = ""), vp = viewport(layout.pos.row = vp.ind[ii,
+         1], layout.pos.col = vp.ind[ii, 2]))
+   }
+   makeOneLabel <- textii(d = content, gp = gpar(col = "blue"))
+   lg <- lapply(seq_along(content), makeOneLabel)
+   list(lg = lg, nrow = nrow(d), ncol = ncol(d))
+ }

> makeContentInVp2 <- function(d) {
+   content <- as.character(unlist(c(d)))
+   nc <- ncol(d)
+   nr <- nrow(d)
+   n2nm <- function(nr, nc) {
+     expand.grid(seq(1, nr), seq(1, nc))
+   }
+   vp.ind <- n2nm(nr, nc)
+   editVp <- function(glist) {
+     for (ii in seq_along(glist)) glist[[ii]] <- editGrob(glist[[ii]],
+       vp = viewport(layout.pos.row = vp.ind[ii, 1], layout.pos.col = vp.ind[ii,
+         2]))
+     glist
+   }
+   textii <- function(d, gp = gpar(), name = "content-label-") {
+     function(ii) textGrob(label = d[ii], gp = gp, name = paste(name,
+       ii, sep = ""))
+   }
+   makeOneLabel <- textii(d = content, gp = gpar(col = "blue"))
+   lg <- lapply(seq_along(content), makeOneLabel)
+   lg <- editVp(lg)
+   list(lg = lg, nrow = nrow(d), ncol = ncol(d))
+ }

> summary(content <- makeContent(d))

      Length Class  Mode
lg     30    -none- list
nrow     1    -none- numeric
ncol     1    -none- numeric

> summary(content2 <- makeContentInVp(d))

      Length Class  Mode
lg     30    -none- list
nrow     1    -none- numeric
ncol     1    -none- numeric

```

We can evaluate the relative performance of `makeContentInVp` and `makeContentInVp2`,

```
> d <- do.call(rbind, lapply(1:reps, function(ii) dlong))
> system.time(makeContentInVp(d))
```

user	system	elapsed
0.248	0.000	9.159

```
> system.time(makeContentInVp2(d))
```

user	system	elapsed
4.820	0.004	10.400

No big difference so far.

### 3 Functions that create a table from a list of grobs

- `table1` uses `frameGrob` and `packGrob`
- `table2` uses `frameGrob` but calculates the sizes manually and uses `placeGrob`
- `table3` creates a `grid.layout` and draws the grobs in the different viewports.
- `table4` creates a `grid.layout` and draws grobs that had a previously specified viewport.

```
> table1 <- function(content) {
+   gcells = frameGrob(name = "table.cells", layout = grid.layout(content$nrow,
+     content$ncol))
+   label.ind <- 1
+   for (ii in seq(1, content$ncol, 1)) {
+     for (jj in seq(1, content$nrow, 1)) {
+       gcells = packGrob(gcells, content$lg[[label.ind]],
+         row = jj, col = ii, dynamic = TRUE, border = unit(rep(2,
+           4), "mm"))
+       label.ind <- label.ind + 1
+     }
+   }
+   grid.draw(gTree(children = gList(gcells)))
+ }
```

  

```
> table2 <- function(content) {
+   padding <- unit(4, "mm")
+   lg <- content$lg
+   wg <- lapply(lg, grobWidth)
+   hg <- lapply(lg, grobHeight)
+   widths.all <- do.call(unit.c, wg)
+   heights.all <- do.call(unit.c, hg)
+   widths <- colMax.units(widths.all, content$ncol)
+   heights <- rowMax.units(heights.all, content$nrow)
+   gcells = frameGrob(name = "table.cells", layout = grid.layout(content$nrow,
+     content$ncol, width = widths + padding, height = heights +
+     padding))
```

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+   label.ind <- 1
+   for (ii in seq(1, content$ncol, 1)) {
+     for (jj in seq(1, content$nrow, 1)) {
+       gcells = placeGrob(gcells, content$lg[[label.ind]],
+                           row = jj, col = ii)
+       label.ind <- label.ind + 1
+     }
+   }
+   grid.draw(gTree(children = gList(gcells)))
+ }

> table3 <- function(content) {
+   padding <- unit(4, "mm")
+   lg <- content$lg
+   wg <- lapply(lg, grobWidth)
+   hg <- lapply(lg, grobHeight)
+   widths.all <- do.call(unit.c, wg)
+   heights.all <- do.call(unit.c, hg)
+   widths <- colMax.units(widths.all, content$ncol)
+   heights <- rowMax.units(heights.all, content$nrow)
+   cells = viewport(name = "table.cells", layout = grid.layout(content$nrow,
+     content$ncol, width = widths + padding, height = heights +
+     padding))
+   pushViewport(cells)
+   label.ind <- 1
+   for (ii in seq(1, content$ncol, 1)) {
+     for (jj in seq(1, content$nrow, 1)) {
+       pushViewport(vp = viewport(layout.pos.row = jj, layout.pos.col = ii))
+       grid.draw(lg[[label.ind]])
+       upViewport()
+       label.ind <- label.ind + 1
+     }
+   }
+   upViewport()
+ }

> table4 <- function(content) {
+   padding <- unit(4, "mm")
+   lg <- content$lg
+   wg <- lapply(lg, grobWidth)
+   hg <- lapply(lg, grobHeight)
+   widths.all <- do.call(unit.c, wg)
+   heights.all <- do.call(unit.c, hg)
+   widths <- colMax.units(widths.all, content$ncol)
+   heights <- rowMax.units(heights.all, content$nrow)
+   vp <- viewport(layout = grid.layout(content$nrow, content$ncol,
+     w = widths + padding, h = heights + padding))
+   grid.draw(gTree(children = do.call(gList, lg), vp = vp))
+ }

```

5.1	3.5	1.4	0.2	1
4.9	3	1.4	0.2	1
4.7	3.2	1.3	0.2	1
4.6	3.1	1.5	0.2	1
5	3.6	1.4	0.2	1
5.4	3.9	1.7	0.4	1

table1(content)

5.1	3.5	1.4	0.2	1
4.9	3	1.4	0.2	1
4.7	3.2	1.3	0.2	1
4.6	3.1	1.5	0.2	1
5	3.6	1.4	0.2	1
5.4	3.9	1.7	0.4	1

table2(content)

5.1	3.5	1.4	0.2	1
4.9	3	1.4	0.2	1
4.7	3.2	1.3	0.2	1
4.6	3.1	1.5	0.2	1
5	3.6	1.4	0.2	1
5.4	3.9	1.7	0.4	1

table3(content)

5.1	3.5	1.4	0.2	1
4.9	3	1.4	0.2	1
4.7	3.2	1.3	0.2	1
4.6	3.1	1.5	0.2	1
5	3.6	1.4	0.2	1
5.4	3.9	1.7	0.4	1

table4(content2)

```
> d <- dlong  
> content <- makeContent(d)  
> content2 <- makeContentInVp(d)
```