

# Extracting marine data from Bio-ORACLE

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### 1. Explore Bio-ORACLE data sets

Bio-ORACLE is a website that allow users to download biotic, geophysical and environmental data for surface and benthic marine realms in raster format. All data layers are available globally at the same spatial resolution of 5 arcmin (approximately 9.2 km at the equator). At the time of writing, Bio-ORACLE also allows you to download future layers for four variables: sea temperature, salinity, current velocity and ice thickness. A list of all available data sets for surface and benthic layers can be found [here](#).

#### Example applications of Bio-ORACLE marine layers

- Species distribution modelling / Ecological niche modelling
- Seascape genomics
- Genotype-environment associations
- Redundancy analysis

```
library(tidyverse)
library(sdmpredictors)
library(raster)
library(sp)
library(dismo)
```

#### Install and load R packages

**Export a csv file containing marine variables of interest** The code below uses the `tidyverse` packages and regular expressions to extract information for the following variables: sea temperature, salinity, bathymetry, current velocity, dissolved oxygen, primary production, phosphate concentration, pH and silicate concentration. The exported files contain useful information such as the layer codes and descriptions, the units of measurement, and the resolution.

```

# List marine data sets
datasets = list_datasets(terrestrial = FALSE, marine = TRUE)

# Variables of interest
variables = c("temp", "salinity", "bathy", "curvel", "ox", "pp", "ph", "silicate")

# Extract present-day data sets
present = list_layers(datasets) %>%
  # select certain columns
  dplyr::select(dataset_code, layer_code, name, units, description, contains("cellsize"), version) %>%
  # keep variables of interest using a regular expression
  dplyr::filter(grepl(paste(variables, collapse = "|"), layer_code))

# Export present-day data sets to csv file
write_csv(present, path = "bio-oracle-present-datasets.csv")

# Future Representative Concentration Pathway (RCP) scenarios of interest
rcp = c("RCP26", "RCP45", "RCP60", "RCP85")

# Extract future data sets
future = list_layers_future(datasets) %>%
  # keep RCP scenarios of interest
  dplyr::filter(grepl(paste(rcp, collapse = "|"), scenario)) %>%
  # keep data for 2050 and 2100
  dplyr::filter(year == 2050 | year == 2100) %>%
  # keep variables of interest using a regular expression
  dplyr::filter(grepl(paste(variables, collapse = "|"), layer_code))

# Export future data sets to csv file
write_csv(future, path = "bio-oracle-future-datasets.csv")

```

For the remainder of this post, we will focus on bathymetry and sea temperature but all of the code should be directly applicable to any of the other raster layers.

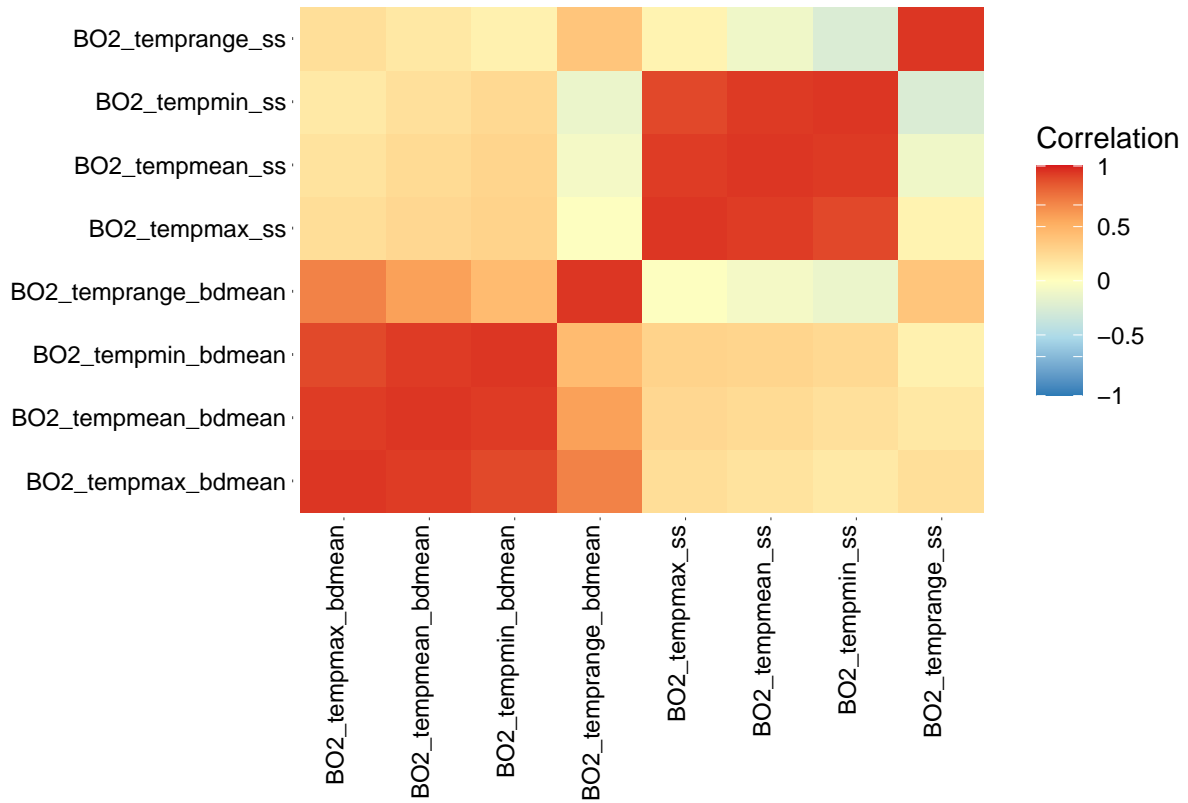
**Check collinearity between sea temperature layers** Variables that are correlated with each other can affect the performance of models downstream. Therefore, if two variables are deemed to be correlated then usually only one of these is used in the analysis. In the example below, we specify the layer codes of our variables of interest and then assess their correlation.

```

# Create vectors of sea temperature layers
temp.bottom = c("B02_tempmax_bdmean", "B02_tempmean_bdmean", "B02_tempmin_bdmean", "B02_temprange_bdmean")
temp.surface = c("B02_tempmax_ss", "B02_tempmean_ss", "B02_tempmin_ss", "B02_temprange_ss")
temp.bottom.surface = c(temp.bottom, temp.surface)

# Check correlation between sea temperature layers
layers_correlation(temp.bottom.surface) %>% plot_correlation

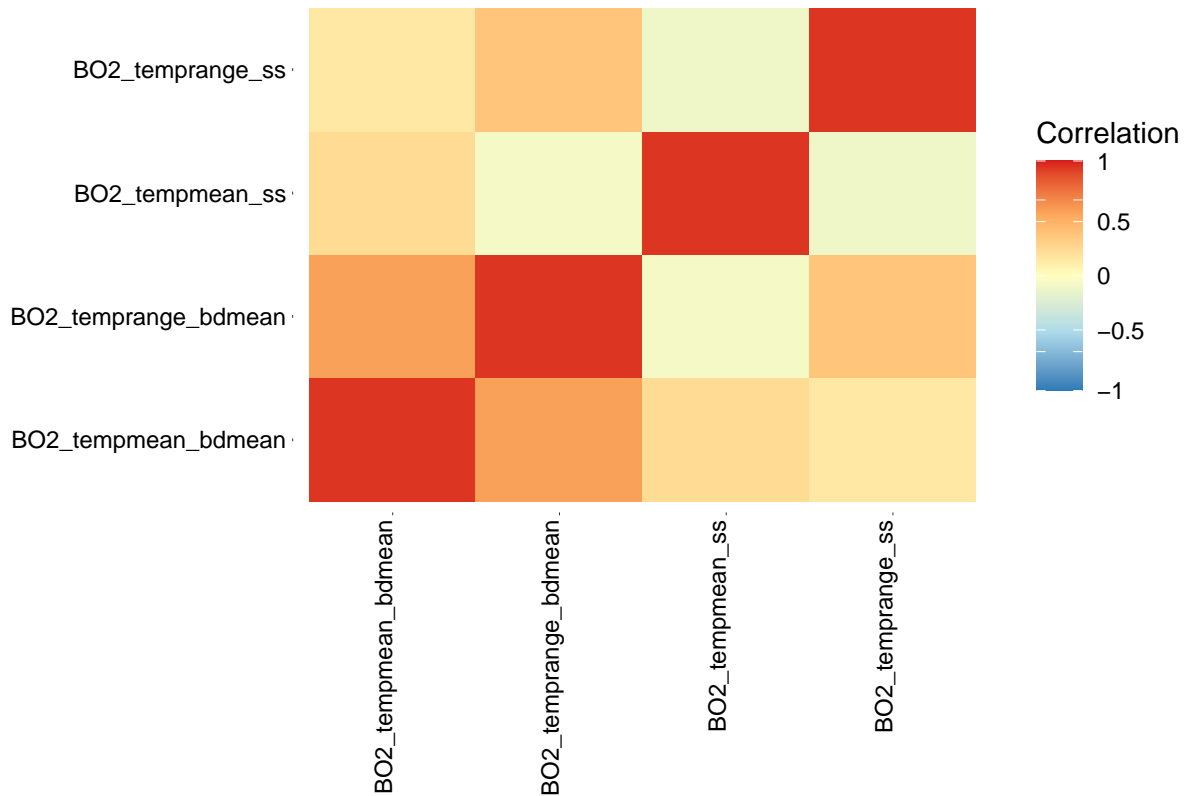
```



```

# Re-examine layers that are not correlated (-0.6 > x < 0.6)
temp.present = c("BO2_tempmean_bdmean", "BO2_temprange_bdmean", "BO2_tempmean_ss", "BO2_temprange_ss")
layers_correlation(temp.present) %>% round(digits = 2)
##           BO2_tempmean_bdmean BO2_temprange_bdmean BO2_tempmean_ss
## BO2_tempmean_bdmean           1.00             0.59             0.24
## BO2_temprange_bdmean           0.59             1.00             -0.08
## BO2_tempmean_ss                 0.24            -0.08             1.00
## BO2_temprange_ss                0.15             0.38            -0.11
##           BO2_temprange_ss
## BO2_tempmean_bdmean           0.15
## BO2_temprange_bdmean           0.38
## BO2_tempmean_ss               -0.11
## BO2_temprange_ss              1.00
layers_correlation(temp.present) %>% plot_correlation

```



Note that the version of the `layers_correlation()` function used in this post does not accept version 2.1 of the layers (e.g. `BO21_tempmean_bdmean`) so version 2.0 was used to illustrate the code above.

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## 2. Download and import Bio-ORACLE rasters

Create vectors containing layer codes to download (version 2.1). Then combine these two vectors into one vector.

```
# Create vectors containing layer codes to download (version 2.1)
temp.present = gsub("B02", "B021", temp.present)
temp.future = c("B021_RCP26_2050_tempmean_bdmean", "B021_RCP45_2050_tempmean_bdmean", "B021_RCP60_2050_temprange_bdmean", "B021_RCP26_2100_tempmean_bdmean", "B021_RCP45_2100_tempmean_bdmean", "B021_RCP60_2100_temprange_bdmean", "B021_RCP26_2050_temprange_bdmean", "B021_RCP45_2050_temprange_bdmean", "B021_RCP60_2050_tempmean_ss", "B021_RCP26_2100_tempmean_ss", "B021_RCP45_2100_tempmean_ss", "B021_RCP60_2100_temprange_ss", "B021_RCP26_2050_temprange_ss", "B021_RCP45_2050_temprange_ss", "B021_RCP60_2050_tempmean_ss", "B021_RCP26_2100_temprange_ss", "B021_RCP45_2100_temprange_ss", "B021_RCP60_2100_tempmean_ss"
)

# Combine present-day and future vectors
temp = c(temp.present, temp.future)
```

Download raster layers to the `sdmpredictors/`Meta folder and import the rasters into R. If the rasters have

already been downloaded then R will only import the data.

```
# Download rasters to sdmpredictors/Meta folder and import into R
options(sdmpredictors_datadir = "C:/R-4.0.2/library/sdmpredictors/Meta/")
bathy.raster = load_layers("MS_bathy_5m")
names(bathy.raster) = "MS_bathy_5m"
temp.rasters = load_layers(temp)
## Warning in load_layers(temp): Layers from different eras (current, future,
## paleo) are being loaded together
```

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### 3. Plot rasters

Define a boundary and crop rasters to this extent.

```
# Define a boundary
boundary = extent(c(xmin = -11.5, xmax = 2.5, ymin = 49.6, ymax = 57))

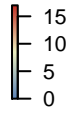
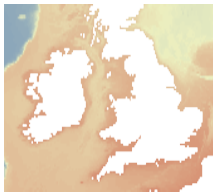
# Crop rasters to boundary extent
bathy.raster = crop(bathy.raster, boundary)
temp.rasters = crop(temp.rasters, boundary)
```

Plot rasters using `raster::plot()` function.

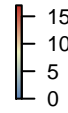
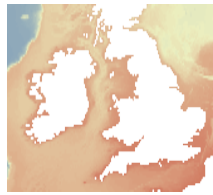
```
# Define colour scheme
cols = colorRampPalette(c("#5E85B8", "#EDFOC0", "#C13127"))

# Plot mean bottom mean temperature
raster::subset(temp.rasters, grep("tempmean_bdmean", names(temp.rasters), value = TRUE)) %>%
  plot(col = cols(100), zlim = c(0,17), axes = FALSE, box = FALSE)
```

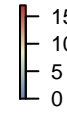
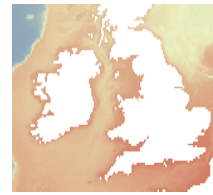
**BO21\_tempmean\_bdmean**



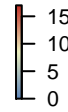
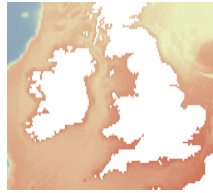
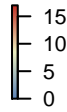
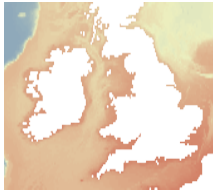
**\_RCP26\_2050\_tempmean\_bdmea**



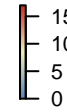
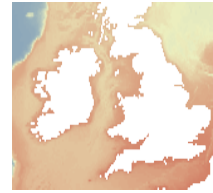
**\_RCP45\_2050\_tempmean\_bdmea**



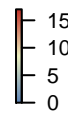
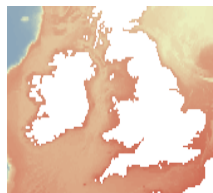
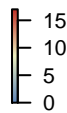
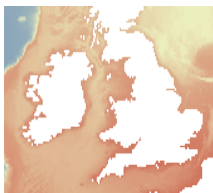
**\_RCP60\_2050\_tempmean\_bdmea**



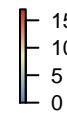
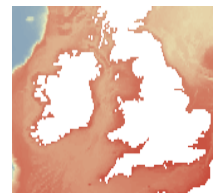
**\_RCP26\_2100\_tempmean\_bdmea**



**\_RCP45\_2100\_tempmean\_bdmea**

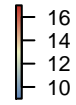


**\_RCP85\_2100\_tempmean\_bdmea**

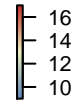


```
# Plot sea surface mean temperature
raster::subset(temp.rasters, grep("tempmean_ss", names(temp.rasters), value = TRUE)) %>%
  plot(col = cols(100), zlim = c(9,17), axes = FALSE, box = FALSE)
```

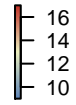
BO21\_tempmean\_ss



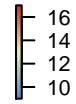
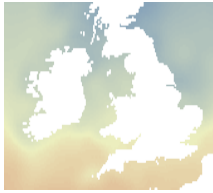
I21\_RCP26\_2050\_tempmean\_ss



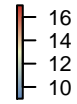
I21\_RCP45\_2050\_tempmean\_ss



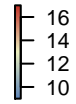
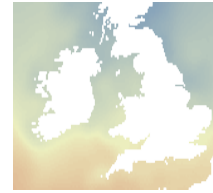
I21\_RCP60\_2050\_tempmean\_ss



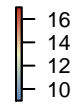
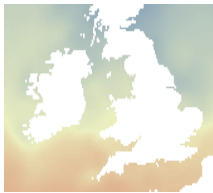
I21\_RCP85\_2050\_tempmean\_ss



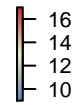
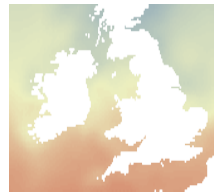
I21\_RCP26\_2100\_tempmean\_ss



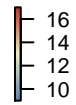
I21\_RCP45\_2100\_tempmean\_ss



I21\_RCP60\_2100\_tempmean\_ss

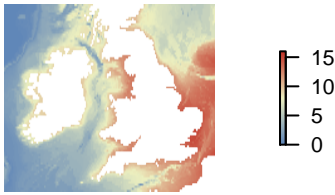


I21\_RCP85\_2100\_tempmean\_ss

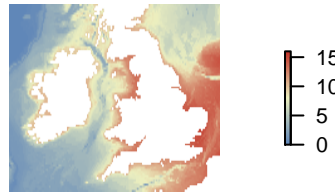


```
# Plot mean bottom temperature range
raster::subset(temp.rasters, grep("temprange_bdmean", names(temp.rasters), value = TRUE)) %>%
  plot(col = cols(100), zlim = c(0,16), axes = FALSE, box = FALSE)
```

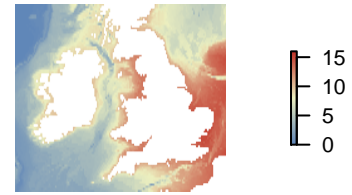
**BO21\_temprange\_bdmean**



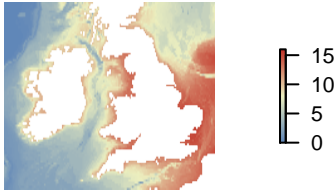
**RCP26\_2050\_temprange\_bdme**



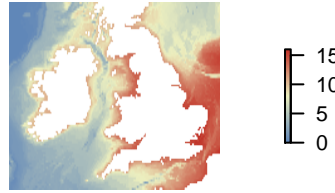
**RCP45\_2050\_temprange\_bdme**



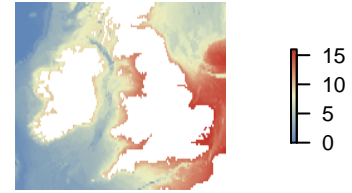
**RCP60\_2050\_temprange\_bdme**



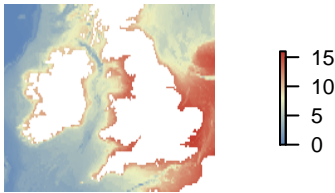
**RCP85\_2050\_temprange\_bdme**



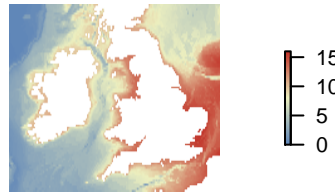
**RCP26\_2100\_temprange\_bdme**



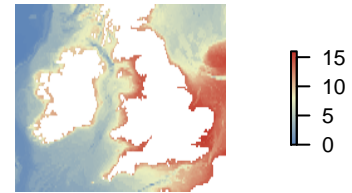
**RCP45\_2100\_temprange\_bdme**



**RCP60\_2100\_temprange\_bdme**



**RCP85\_2100\_temprange\_bdme**

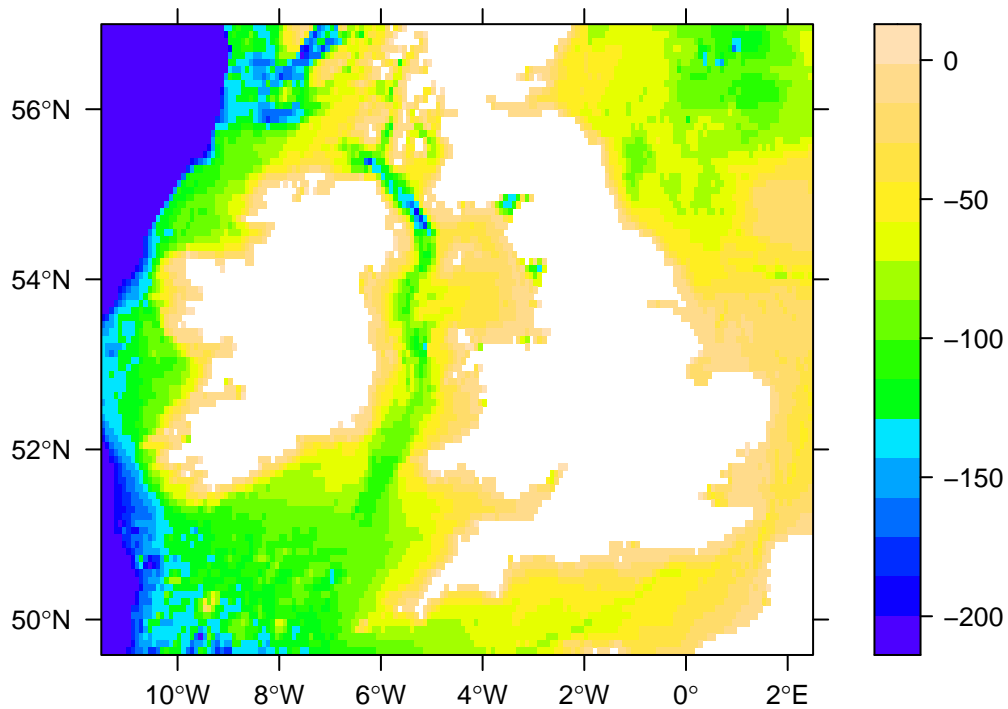


Plot rasters using `sp::splot()` function.

```
# Plot bathymetry up to 200 m depth  
sp::splot(bathy.raster, zlim = c(-200, 0), main = names(bathy.raster),  
          scales = list(draw=TRUE), col.regions = topo.colors(100))
```



## MS\_bathy\_5m



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### 4. Extract data from rasters

**Prepare point data** Create or import a file containing longitude and latitude points. In this example, we will create 100 random points directly from a raster layer.

```
set.seed(123)
random.pts = randomPoints(bathy.raster, n = 100) %>% as_tibble()
```

Convert tibble to a `SpatialPoints` object and set coordinate reference system (CRS).

```
random.pts = SpatialPoints(random.pts, proj4string = CRS("+proj=longlat +datum=WGS84"))
random.pts
## class      : SpatialPoints
## features   : 100
## extent     : -11.45833, 2.458333, 49.70833, 56.95833 (xmin, xmax, ymin, ymax)
## crs        : +proj=longlat +datum=WGS84 +no_defs
```

Check points CRS matches raster CRS.

```
projection(random.pts) == projection(bathy.raster)
## [1] TRUE
```

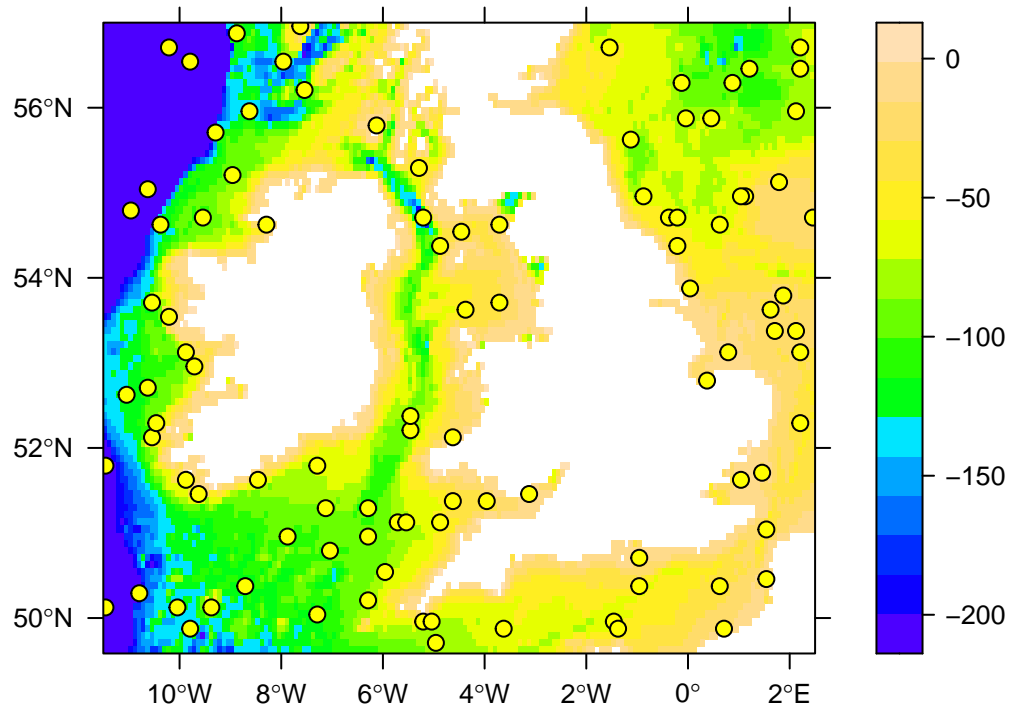
Plot points over bathymetry raster.

```

# raster::plot(bathy.raster, axes = TRUE, box = TRUE, main = names(bathy.raster))
# points(random.pts$x, random.pts$y, pch = 21, cex = 1, bg = "yellow", col = "black")
sp::spplot(bathy.raster, zlim = c(-200, 0), main = names(bathy.raster),
           scales = list(draw=TRUE), col.regions = topo.colors(100),
           sp.layout = c("sp.points", random.pts, pch = 21, cex = 1, fill = "yellow", col = "black")
           )

```

## MS\_bathy\_5m



Create a tibble or data.frame to store Bio-ORACLE marine data for each point.

```

marine.data = tibble(ID = 1:nrow(random.pts@coords),
                     Lon = random.pts$x,
                     Lat = random.pts$y
                     )

```

```

marine.data
## # A tibble: 100 x 3
##   ID      Lon      Lat
##   <int> <dbl> <dbl>
## 1     1    2.21  52.3
## 2     2   -0.125 56.3
## 3     3   -9.88  53.1
## 4     4   -3.62  49.9
## 5     5  -10.6   55.0
## 6     6   -3.71  53.7
## 7     7  -10.2   53.5
## 8     8   -3.96  51.4
## 9     9   -7.88  51.0

```

```
## 10    10 -10.8    50.3
## # ... with 90 more rows
```

**Extract data for each point** Combine all rasters into one raster stack.

```
rasters = raster::stack(bathy.raster, temp.rasters)
nlayers(rasters)
## [1] 37
```

Extract data from each raster layer for each point and store in a list.

```
store_data = list()
for (i in 1:nlayers(rasters)){
  store_data[[i]] = raster::extract(rasters[[i]], random.pts)
}
```

Add the extracted data as new columns to `marine.data`.

```
# Name variables in the list and then combine data
names(store_data) = names(rasters)
marine.data = bind_cols(marine.data, as_tibble(store_data))
marine.data
## # A tibble: 100 x 40
##       ID      Lon    Lat MS_bathy_5m B021_tempmean_b~ B021_temprange_~
##   <int> <dbl> <dbl>      <dbl>      <dbl>      <dbl>
## 1     1     2.21  52.3      -37         10.2        12.3
## 2     2    -0.125  56.3      -89         7.92        5.78
## 3     3    -9.88   53.1      -61         10.2        4.52
## 4     4    -3.62   49.9      -64         11.3        5.90
## 5     5   -10.6   55.0     -2101        3.32        0.627
## 6     6    -3.71   53.7      -32         11.0        9.62
## 7     7   -10.2   53.5      -21         11.4        7.40
## 8     8    -3.96   51.4      -28         11.8        9.32
## 9     9    -7.88   51.0     -103         10.4        2.86
## 10    10   -10.8   50.3     -187         10.8        0.970
## # ... with 90 more rows, and 34 more variables: B021_tempmean_ss <dbl>,
## # B021_temprange_ss <dbl>, B021_RCP26_2050_tempmean_bdmean <dbl>,
## # B021_RCP45_2050_tempmean_bdmean <dbl>,
## # B021_RCP60_2050_tempmean_bdmean <dbl>,
## # B021_RCP85_2050_tempmean_bdmean <dbl>,
## # B021_RCP26_2100_tempmean_bdmean <dbl>,
## # B021_RCP45_2100_tempmean_bdmean <dbl>,
## # B021_RCP60_2100_tempmean_bdmean <dbl>,
## # B021_RCP85_2100_tempmean_bdmean <dbl>,
## # B021_RCP26_2050_temprange_bdmean <dbl>,
## # B021_RCP45_2050_temprange_bdmean <dbl>,
## # B021_RCP60_2050_temprange_bdmean <dbl>,
## # B021_RCP85_2050_temprange_bdmean <dbl>,
## # B021_RCP26_2100_temprange_bdmean <dbl>,
## # B021_RCP45_2100_temprange_bdmean <dbl>,
## # B021_RCP60_2100_temprange_bdmean <dbl>,
## # B021_RCP85_2100_temprange_bdmean <dbl>, B021_RCP26_2050_tempmean_ss <dbl>,
```

```
## # B021_RCP45_2050_tempmean_ss <dbl>, B021_RCP60_2050_tempmean_ss <dbl>,
## # B021_RCP85_2050_tempmean_ss <dbl>, B021_RCP26_2100_tempmean_ss <dbl>,
## # B021_RCP45_2100_tempmean_ss <dbl>, B021_RCP60_2100_tempmean_ss <dbl>,
## # B021_RCP85_2100_tempmean_ss <dbl>, B021_RCP26_2050_temprange_ss <dbl>,
## # B021_RCP45_2050_temprange_ss <dbl>, B021_RCP60_2050_temprange_ss <dbl>,
## # B021_RCP85_2050_temprange_ss <dbl>, B021_RCP26_2100_temprange_ss <dbl>,
## # B021_RCP45_2100_temprange_ss <dbl>, B021_RCP60_2100_temprange_ss <dbl>,
## # B021_RCP85_2100_temprange_ss <dbl>
```

Check for NA values and drop rows if required.

```
# Check each column for NA values
na.check = map_int(marine.data, ~sum(is.na(.)))
summary(na.check > 0)
## Mode FALSE
## logical 40
```

```
# Remove NA records
# marine.data = marine.data %>% drop_na
```

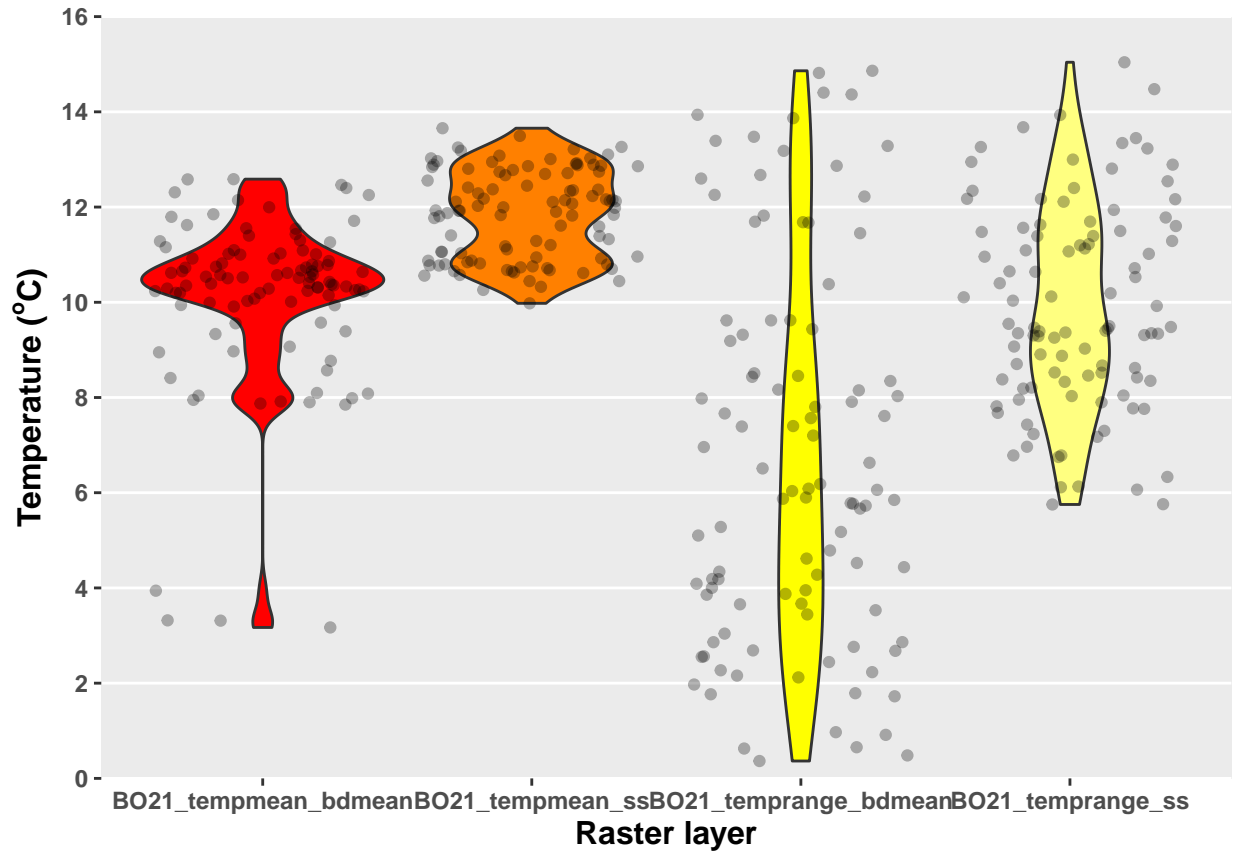
Round sea temperature values to three decimal places.

```
marine.data[-(1:4)] = apply(marine.data[-(1:4)], MARGIN = 2, FUN = round, digits = 3)
```

Visualise the spread of present-day sea temperature values for our points data set.

```
# Prepare a custom theme for ggplot
theme1 = theme(
  panel.grid.major.x = element_blank(),
  panel.grid.minor.y = element_blank(),
  axis.text = element_text(size = 9, face = "bold"),
  axis.title = element_text(size = 12, face = "bold")
)

# Violin plot and raw data
marine.data %>%
  # select only columns 5-8 (present-day sea temperature variables)
  dplyr::select(5:8) %>%
  # transform data to long format for plotting
  pivot_longer(names_to = "Variable", values_to = "Values", cols = everything()) %>%
  # plot data
  ggplot(data = .)+
  geom_violin(aes(x = Variable, y = Values, fill = Variable), show.legend = FALSE)+
  geom_jitter(aes(x = Variable, y = Values), show.legend = FALSE, alpha = 0.30)+
  scale_y_continuous(expand = c(0,0), limits = c(0,16), breaks = c(seq(0,16,2)))+
  scale_fill_manual(values = heat.colors(4))+
  xlab("Raster layer")+
  ylab(expression(bold("Temperature ("^o*"C)")))+
  theme1
```



Calculate the deepest and shallowest point.

```
marine.data %>%
  summarise(deepest = min(MS_bathy_5m), shallowest = max(MS_bathy_5m))
## # A tibble: 1 x 2
##   deepest shallowest
##   <dbl>     <dbl>
## 1    -2101         -2
```

Export data to a csv file.

```
write_csv(marine.data, path = "marine_data.csv")
```

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## 5. Download pdf and R session info

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```
sessionInfo()
## R version 4.0.2 (2020-06-22)
## Platform: x86_64-w64-mingw32/x64 (64-bit)
## Running under: Windows 10 x64 (build 19041)
##
## Matrix products: default
```

```

##
## locale:
## [1] LC_COLLATE=English_United Kingdom.1252
## [2] LC_CTYPE=English_United Kingdom.1252
## [3] LC_MONETARY=English_United Kingdom.1252
## [4] LC_NUMERIC=C
## [5] LC_TIME=English_United Kingdom.1252
##
## attached base packages:
## [1] stats      graphics  grDevices  utils      datasets  methods   base
##
## other attached packages:
## [1] dismo_1.1-4      sdmpredictors_0.2.8  rgdal_1.5-16
## [4] raster_3.3-13   sp_1.4-2             forcats_0.5.0
## [7] stringr_1.4.0    dplyr_1.0.2          purrr_0.3.4
## [10] readr_1.3.1      tidyr_1.1.2          tibble_3.0.3
## [13] ggplot2_3.3.2    tidyverse_1.3.0
##
## loaded via a namespace (and not attached):
## [1] tidyselect_1.1.0 xfun_0.16            reshape2_1.4.4      haven_2.3.1
## [5] lattice_0.20-41  colorspace_1.4-1    vctrs_0.3.4         generics_0.0.2
## [9] htmltools_0.5.0  yaml_2.2.1          utf8_1.1.4          blob_1.2.1
## [13] rlang_0.4.7      pillar_1.4.6        glue_1.4.2          withr_2.2.0
## [17] DBI_1.1.0        dbplyr_1.4.4        modelr_0.1.8        readxl_1.3.1
## [21] plyr_1.8.6       lifecycle_0.2.0     munsell_0.5.0       gtable_0.3.0
## [25] cellranger_1.1.0 rvest_0.3.6         codetools_0.2-16    evaluate_0.14
## [29] knitr_1.29       fansi_0.4.1         broom_0.7.0         Rcpp_1.0.5
## [33] scales_1.1.1     backports_1.1.9     jsonlite_1.7.0      farver_2.0.3
## [37] fs_1.5.0         hms_0.5.3           digest_0.6.25       stringi_1.4.6
## [41] grid_4.0.2       cli_2.0.2           tools_4.0.2         magrittr_1.5
## [45] crayon_1.3.4     pkgconfig_2.0.3     ellipsis_0.3.1      xml2_1.3.2
## [49] reprex_0.3.0     lubridate_1.7.9     assertthat_0.2.1    rmarkdown_2.3
## [53] httr_1.4.2       rstudioapi_0.11     R6_2.4.1            compiler_4.0.2

```