

Scripts define HOW

The report defines WHAT & WHY

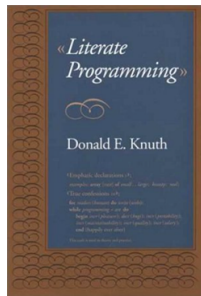
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Literate programming

Let us change our traditional attitude to the construction of programs:
Instead of imagining that our main task is to instruct a computer what to do, **let us concentrate rather on explaining to humans what we want the computer to do.**

—Donald E. Knuth, *Literate Programming*, 1984



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Writing reports

- **HTML**: HyperText Markup Language, used to create web pages. Developed in 1993
- **LaTeX**: a typesetting system for production of technical/scientific documentation, PDF output. Developed in 1994
- **Sweave**: a tool that allows embedding of the R code in LaTeX documents, PDF output. Developed in 2002
- **Markdown**: a lightweight markup language for plain text formatting syntax. Easily converted to HTML

HTML example

- HTML files have .html extension
- Pairs of tags define content/formatting

```
<h1> Header level 1 </h1>  
<a href="http://www.."> Link </a>  
<p> Paragraph </p>
```

HTML example

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<head>
<meta http-equiv="Content-Type" content="text/html; charset=utf-8">
</head>
<body>
<h1>Markdown example</h1>
<p>This is a simple example of a Markdown document.</p>
You can emphasize code with <strong>bold</strong> or <em>italics</em>.
</body>
</html>
```

LaTeX example

- LaTeX files usually have a .tex extension
- LaTeX commands define appearance of text, and other formatting structures

http://www.electronics.oulu.fi/latex/examples/example_1

LaTeX example

```
\documentclass{article}
\usepackage{graphicx}
\begin{document}
\title{Introduction to \LaTeX{}}
\author{Author's Name}
\maketitle
\begin{abstract}
This is abstract text: This simple document shows very basic f
\LaTeX{}```.
\end{abstract}
\section{Introduction}
```


Sweave example

- Sweave files typically have .Rnw extension
- LaTeX syntax for text, `<<chunk_name>>= <code>` @ syntax outlines code blocks

```

\documentclass{article}
\usepackage{amsmath}
\usepackage{natbib}
\usepackage{indentfirst}
\DeclareMathOperator{\logit}{logit}
% \VignetteIndexEntry{Logit-Normal GLMM Examples}
\begin{document}
First we attach the dat
<<booth>>=
library(bernor)
data(booth)
attach(booth)
@

```

Knitr

- Knitr: a package for dynamic report generation written in R Markdown. PDF, HTML, DOCX output. Developed in 2012

<https://github.com/yihui/knitr>

```
install.packages('knitr', dependencies = TRUE)
```

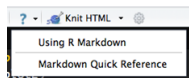
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knitr

Elegant, flexible and fast
dynamic report generation with R



Markdown syntax



`*italic*` `_italic_` *italics*

`**bold**` `__bold__` **bold**

Headers

`#` Header 1

`##` Header 2

`###` Header 3

Markdown syntax | Lists

Unordered List

- * Item 1
- * Item 2
 - + Item 2a
 - + Item 2b

Ordered List

1. Item 1
2. Item 2
3. Item 3
 - + Item 3a
 - + Item 3b

Markdown syntax

superscript²

~~strikethrough~~

Horizontal Rule / Page Break

Blockquotes

A friend once said:

- > It's always better to give
- > than to receive.

Markdown syntax

Links

`http://example.com`

`[linked phrase](http://example.com)`

Images

``

`![optional caption text](figures/img.png)`

Markdown syntax

Tables

```

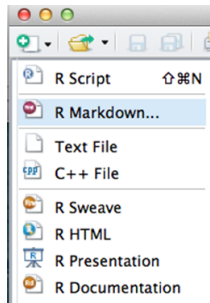
First Header | Second Header
-----|-----
Content Cell | Content Cell
Content Cell | Content Cell

```

First Header	Second Header
Content Cell	Content Cell
Content Cell	Content Cell

Creating R markdown document

- Regular file with .Rmd extension
- Use RStudio



Creating R markdown document

```
1 > ---
2 title: "Example"
3 author: "Mikhail G. Dozmorov"
4 date: "June 3, 2016"
5 output: html_document
6 > ---
7
8 This is an R Markdown document. Markdown is a simple formatting
9 syntax for authoring HTML, PDF, and MS Word documents. For more
10 details on using R Markdown see <http://rmarkdown.rstudio.com>.
11
12 When you click the Knit button a document will be generated
13 that includes both content as well as the output of any
14 embedded R code chunks within the document. You can embed an R
15 code chunk like this:
16
17 ```{r}
18 summary(cars)
19 ```
20
21 You can also embed plots, for example:
22 |
23 ```{r, echo=FALSE}
24 plot(cars)
25 ```
26
27 Note that the `echo = FALSE` parameter was added to the code
28 chunk to prevent printing of the R code that generated the
29 plot.
```

YAML header (think settings)

- YAML: YAML Ain't Markup Language
- YAML is a simple text-based format for specifying data, like JSON

```
---  
title: "Untitled"  
author: "Your Name"  
date: "Current date"  
output: html_document  
---
```

output is the critical part - it defines the output format. Can be pdf_document or word_document

R Markdown | Code embedding

- Chunks of code are labeled
- ❶ with single backticks, '`<code>`', rendered in a monospace font, non-executable. A simple code formatting option
- ❷ with single backticks, '`r <code>`', for inline code. `r` indicates executable R code. Instead of hard coding numbers, the inline code allows to evaluate variables in real time.
- There are '`r paste(nrow(my_data))`' rows
- The estimated correlation is '`r cor(x, y)`'

<https://support.rstudio.com/hc/en-us/articles/205368677-R-Markdown-Dynamic-Documents-for-R>

Large code chunks

- Marked with triple backticks

```
```{r chunk_name, eval=FALSE}  
x = Inf + .Machine$xmin
x
```
```

- The chunk name is optional
- By default, the code AND its output are displayed in the final report

Chunk options, comma-separated

- `echo=FALSE` (Default: `TRUE`): hides the code, but not the results/output.
- `results='hide'` (Default: `'asis'`) hides the results/output. `'hold'` - hold all the output until the end of a chunk.
- `eval=FALSE` (Default: `TRUE`): disables code execution.
- `cache=TRUE` (Default: `FALSE`): turn on caching of calculation-intensive chunk.
- `fig.width=##, fig.height=##`: customize the size of a figure generated by the code chunk

Global chunk options

- Some options you would like to set globally, instead of typing them for each chunk

```
```{r global_options, eval=FALSE}
knitr::opts_chunk$set(fig.width=12, fig.height=8, fig.path='Figs',
 echo=FALSE, warning=FALSE, message=FALSE)
```
```

- `warning=FALSE` and `message=FALSE` suppress any R warnings or messages from being included in the final document
- `fig.path='Figs/'` the figure files get placed in the Figs subdirectory. (Default: not saved at all)

<https://github.com/mdozmorov/MDmisc>

An example of R Markdown document

```
```{r libraries, echo=TRUE}
library(ggplot2)
```
```

There are `r paste(length(LETTERS))` letters in English alphabet.

```
```{r count_combinations, echo=TRUE}
max_number_of_combinations <- 5
count_combinations <- list()
for (i in 1:max_number_of_combinations) {
 count_combinations <- c(count_combinations, ncol(combn(length(LETTERS), i)))
}
```
```

A total of `r paste(count_combinations[[2]])` pairwise combinations of them can be selected. Or, `r paste(count_combinations[[3]])` combinations of three letters can be selected.

Displaying data as tables

- knitr has built-in function to display a table

```
data(mtcars)
knitr::kable(head(mtcars))
```

- pander package allows more customization

```
pander::pander(head(mtcars))
```

- xtable package has even more options

```
xtable::xtable(head(mtcars))
```

- DT package, an R interface to the DataTables library

```
DT::datatable(mtcars)
```


Creating the final report

- Markdown documents *.md can be converted to HTML using

```
markdown::markdownToHTML('markdown_example.md',  
  'markdown_example.html')
```

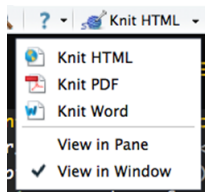
- Another option is to use:

```
rmarkdown::render('markdown_example.md')
```

At the backend it uses `pandoc` command line tool, installed with Rstudio
<http://pandoc.org/>

Creating the final report

- Rstudio: one button
- `knit2html()`, `knit2pdf`



- **Note:** KnitR compiles the document in an R environment separate from yours (think Makefile). Do not use `./Rprofile` file.

Things to include in your final report

```
```{r session_info, results='hide', message=FALSE}  
library("dplyr")
library("pander")
diagnostics <- devtools::session_info()
platform <- data.frame(diagnostics$platform %>% unlist, stringsAsFactors=FALSE)
colnames(platform) <- c("description")
pander(platform)
packages <- as.data.frame(diagnostics$packages)
pander(packages[packages$`*` == "*",])
```
```

- Include `session_info()` at the end: outputs all packages/versions used
- `set.seed(12345)`: initialize random number generator