

Session 7: Introduction to R Markdown

R for Stata Users

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Preamble

- Make sure you have the packages `tinytex`, `stargazer`, and `huxtable` installed

```
# Package we used for other sessions, install only if needed
```

```
install.packages("huxtable")
```

```
# New packages
```

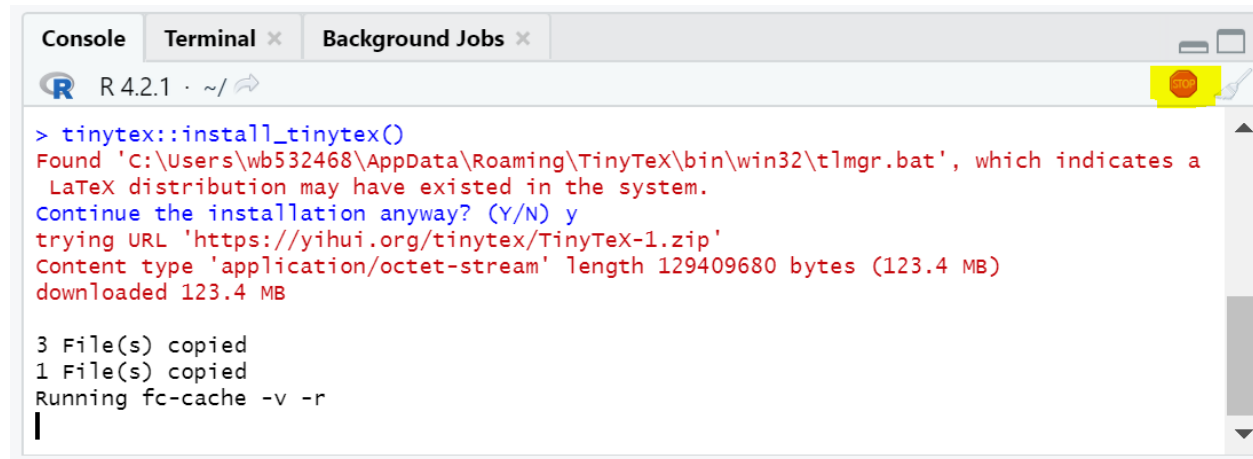
```
install.packages("tinytex")
```

```
install.packages("stargazer")
```

```
# No need to load the packages for now
```

Preamble (🕒 5 min)

- Use `tinytex` to install LaTeX with: `tinytex::install_tinytex()`
- This will take a while. Leave it running:



```
Console Terminal x Background Jobs x
R 4.2.1 · ~/
> tinytex::install_tinytex()
Found 'C:\Users\wb532468\AppData\Roaming\TinyTeX\bin\win32\tlmgr.bat', which indicates a
LaTeX distribution may have existed in the system.
Continue the installation anyway? (Y/N) y
trying URL 'https://yihui.org/tinytex/TinyTeX-1.zip'
Content type 'application/octet-stream' length 129409680 bytes (123.4 MB)
downloaded 123.4 MB

3 File(s) copied
1 File(s) copied
Running fc-cache -v -r
|
```

- LaTeX can be unpredictable in WB computers. It's possible that this didn't work
- Don't worry for now, just follow the appropriate instructions we'll specify in the exercises

Introduction

- This is an **introduction** to R Markdown
- We'll show:
 1. How to write and knit (output) R Markdown documents
 2. How to format text and R code in R Markdown documents
 3. How to include regression tables in R Markdown documents

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Dynamic documents

Dynamic documents and R Markdown

- Dynamic documents are documents that include both text and code outputs
- They are generated by a script and are updated automatically every time the script runs
- R Markdown is a type of dynamic document

Dynamic documents

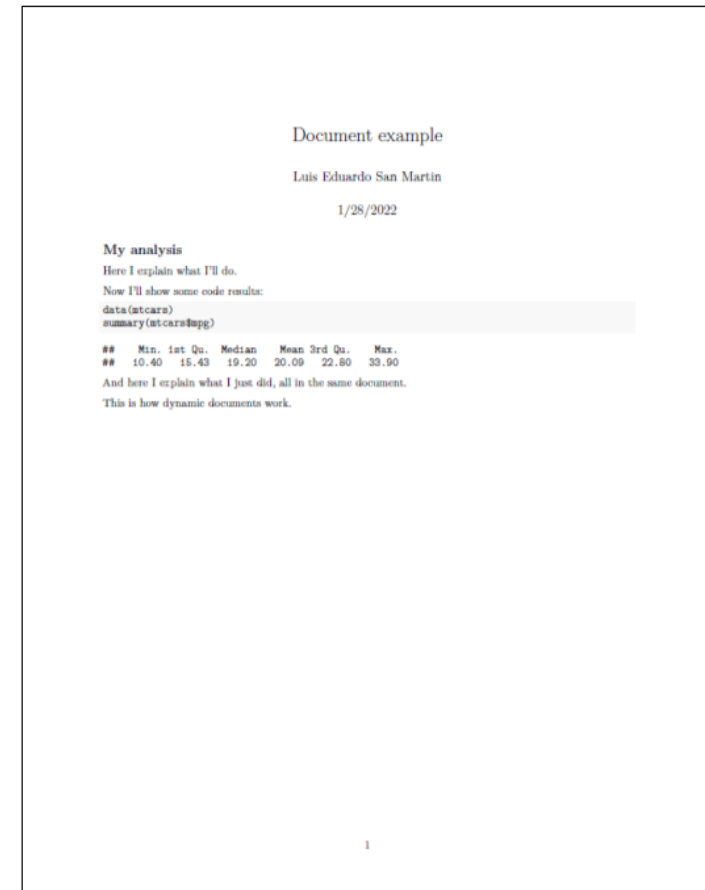
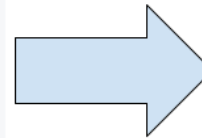
- Code outputs and text are fully integrated

```
r-markdown-example.Rmd
---
title: "Document example"
author: "Luis Eduardo San Martin"
date: "1/28/2022"
output: pdf_document
---
## My analysis
Here I explain what I'll do.
Now I'll show some code results:


```
{r}
data(mtcars)
summary(mtcars$mpg)

```


And here I explain what I just did, all in the same script.
This is how dynamic documents work.
```



Dynamic documents

- You can format the text and code outputs as much as you need

```
## Figure 3. Availability of SDG gender indicators by region (N=181 countries)
```{r availabilitydat}

avail_plt_df <- read_csv(paste0(output_dir, '/SPI_Gender_UNSD_data_5yr.csv')) %>%
 filter(!iso3c %in% pop_exclude_cntry) %>%
 mutate(availability=100*ind_quality) %>% #convert ind_quality measure which is 0-1 to percentage
available by multiplying by 100
 filter(date==2020 & goal=="Combined") %>% #keep just most recent year
 left_join(WDI_df) %>%
 mutate(income_alt_groups=case_when(
 income_level=="High income" & SP.POP.TOTL<=500000 ~ "Hgh Income & Pop <= 500K",
 income_level=="High income" & SP.POP.TOTL>500000 ~ "Hgh Income & Pop >= 500K",
 TRUE ~ income_level
),
 pop_groups=case_when(
 SP.POP.TOTL<=500000 ~ "Pop <= 500K",
 SP.POP.TOTL>500000 ~ "Pop > 500K",
)
)

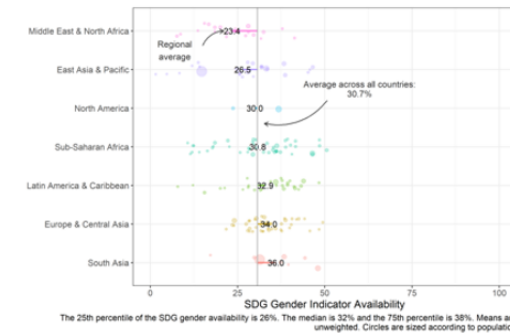
avail_plt_df %>%
 write_excel_csv(paste0(output_dir, '/SPI_Gender_availability_inc_reg_pop.csv'))
...

```{r avail_chart1}
set.seed(241399)

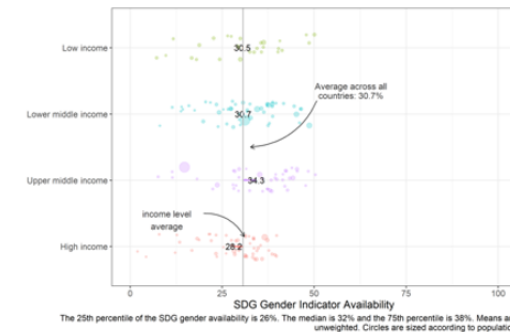
#calculate global average
world_avg <-
  avail_plt_df %>%
  summarise(avg = mean(availability, na.rm = T)) %>%
  pull(avg)
```



1.3 Figure 3. Availability of SDG gender indicators by region (N=181 countries)



1.4 Figure 4. Availability of SDG gender indicators by income group (N=181 countries)



Dynamic documents

- Each document element and formatting is defined by R and Markdown code
- You can define the document type you need

R Markdown script

```
1 ---
2 title: "Outbreak Situation Report"
3 date: "4/24/2021"
4 output: word_document
5 ---
6
7 ---[r setup, echo=FALSE]
8 pacman::p_load(rio, here, tidyverse, janitor, incidence2, flextable)
9 linelist <- rio::import(here::here("data", "case_linelists", "linelist_cleaned.rds"))
10
11
12 This report is for the Incident Command team of the fictional outbreak of Ebola cases.
13 **As of `r format(max(linelist$date_hospitalisation, na.rm=T), "%d %B")` there have
14 been `r nrow(linelist)` cases reported as hospitalized.**
15
16 ## Summary table of cases by hospital
17
18 ---[r, echo=F, out.height="75%"]
19 linelist %>%
20 filter(!is.na(hospital)) %>%
21 group_by(hospital) %>%
22 summarise(cases = n(),
23           deaths = sum(outcome == "Death", na.rm=T),
24           recovered = sum(outcome == "Recover", na.rm=T)) %>%
25 adorn_totals() %>%
26 qflextable()
27
28 ## Epidemic curve by age
29
30 ---[r, echo=F, warning=F, message=F, out.height = "75%", out.width="100%"]
31 # create epicurve
32 age_outbreak <- incidence(
33   linelist,
34   date_index = date_onset, # date of onset for x-axis
35   interval = "week", # weekly aggregation of cases
36   groups = age_cat)
37
38 # plot
39 plot(age_outbreak, n_breaks = 3, fill = age_cat, col_pal = muted, title = "Epidemic
40 curve by age group")
```

YAML sets title, date, and output type

Code chunk loads packages and data

Text and in-line code

Code chunk makes table

Headings

Code chunk makes plot

Output (e.g. Word document)

outbreak_report - Read-Only - Compatibility Mode

ayout References Mailings Review View Zotero Help Picture Format

Outbreak Situation Report

4/24/2021

This report is for the Incident Command team of the fictional outbreak of Ebola cases. As of 30 April there have been 5888 cases reported as hospitalized.

Summary table of cases by hospital

hospital	cases	deaths	recovered
Central Hospital	454	193	165
Military Hospital	896	399	309
Missing	1,469	611	514
Other	885	395	290
Port Hospital	1,762	785	579
St. Mark's Maternity Hospital (SMMH)	422	199	126
Total	5,888	2,582	1,983

Epidemic curve by age

Epidemic curve by age group

Why use dynamic documents?

- Increased research transparency. Documents are fully reproducible
- No more copying and pasting outputs from R to a document editor
- Nice option for simple documents that don't require a lot of formatting, but you can also customize your documents as needed
- Can include code snippets

Knitting R Markdown documents

Knitting R Markdown documents

- R markdown combines text, R code, and rendered outputs
- The text follows Markdown's syntax
- The code and outputs follow R's syntax
- Knitting an R Markdown document is rendering the text and code portions into a single output
- The output can be a PDF, Word, HTML document, or others

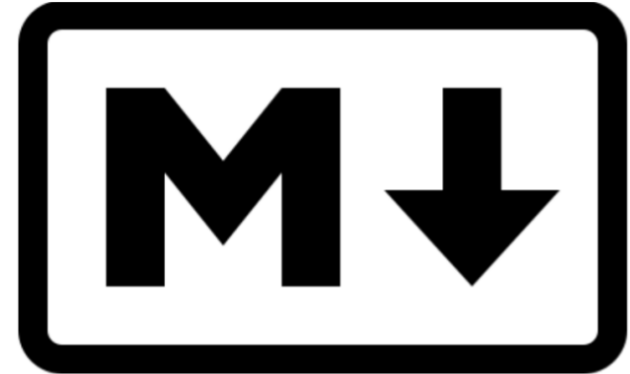
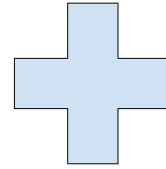
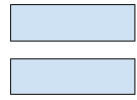
Knitting R Markdown documents

Exercise 1: Knit an R Markdown document (⌚ 2 min, leave it running)

1. Download the file `r-markdown-template.Rmd` from : <https://osf.io/7g6t9/>
2. Open this file in RStudio
 - If the installation of tinytex didn't work, change line 2 to: `output:`
`html_document`
3. Click on `Knit`. If RStudio asks you to update some packages, select `Yes`

Markdown

Markdown



Code part

Text part

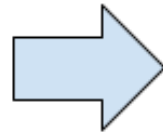
Markdown

- The text part of R Markdown follows the syntax of Markdown
- Markdown is a "light" markup language. It's similar to Latex or HTML, but simpler
- Markdown was designed to be easily readable while allowing to format text and document sections

Markdown - Headers

- Headers in markdown are preceded by pound (#) symbols
- Additional pound symbols denote a lower level in the headers hierarchy

```
# This is a header  
## Subheader 1  
### Subheader 2  
#### Subheader 3
```



This is a header
Subheader 1
Subheader 2
Subheader 3

Markdown - Paragraphs

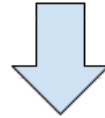
- Text not preceded by special symbols are regular paragraphs.

Paragraphs

This is a line of text.

This is another line in the same paragraph.

New paragraphs are separated by two line breaks.



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Markdown - Text emphasis

- Emphasized text is enclosed by special symbols.

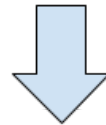
Text emphasis

Text in italics goes between `*asterisks*` or `_underscores_`.

Text in bold goes between `**two asterisks**` or `__two underscores__`.

You can combine asterisks and underscores to `**emphasize with italics and bold _at the same time_**`.

Strikethrough text `~~uses two tildes~~`.



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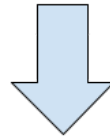
Markdown - Lists

- Markdown allows us to use both ordered and unordered lists.

Lists

Ordered lists:

1. Include a number and a dot before every item
2. Also remember to include a blank line before the beginning of the list
1. The actual number does not matter, the item will have the correct order number



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Unordered lists:

```
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+ Or a plus symbol  
- Or a minus symbol
```



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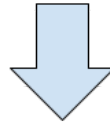
Markdown - Links

- We can also include links as text in Markdown.

Links

Include the link text in brackets followed by the URL in parentheses.
Like this:

This is [[the WB website](https://https://www.worldbank.org)](https://https://www.worldbank.org)



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This is the WB website

<https://https://www.worldbank.org>

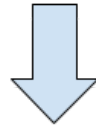
Markdown - Tables

- Lastly, we can include tables in Markdown text.

Tables

Use vertical lines to separate columns and at least three dashes to separate column headers.

```
|This is column 1|This is column 2|
|-----|-----|
|Row 1          |Row 1          |
|Row 2          |Row 2          |
```



Tables

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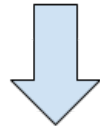
This is column 1	This is column 2
Row 1	Row 1
Row 2	Row 2

Markdown - Tables

- Lastly, we can include tables in Markdown text.

The width of the cells can vary in the markdown text and the output will look the same.

```
|This is column 1 |This is column 2|  
|---|-----|  
|Row 1 |Row 1 |  
|Row 2 |Row 2|
```



The width of the cells can vary in the markdown text and the output will look the same.

This is column 1	This is column 2
Row 1	Row 1
Row 2	Row 2

Exercise 1 results

- If exercise 1 worked, you'll now see this PDF file (or HTML) in the folder where you saved `r-markdown-template.Rmd`

Name	Date modified	Type
Code	1/28/2022 2:51 PM	File folder
DataSets	8/24/2020 3:42 PM	File folder
Output	4/5/2021 4:37 PM	File folder
descriptive-statistics.R	1/13/2022 1:29 PM	R File
r-markdown-template.pdf	2/1/2022 10:51 PM	Adobe Acrobat Docu...
r-markdown-template.Rmd	2/1/2022 10:36 PM	RMD File

- If it's still running, let it run until it finishes
- If it failed, try again after changing `output: html_document` in line 2

R Code

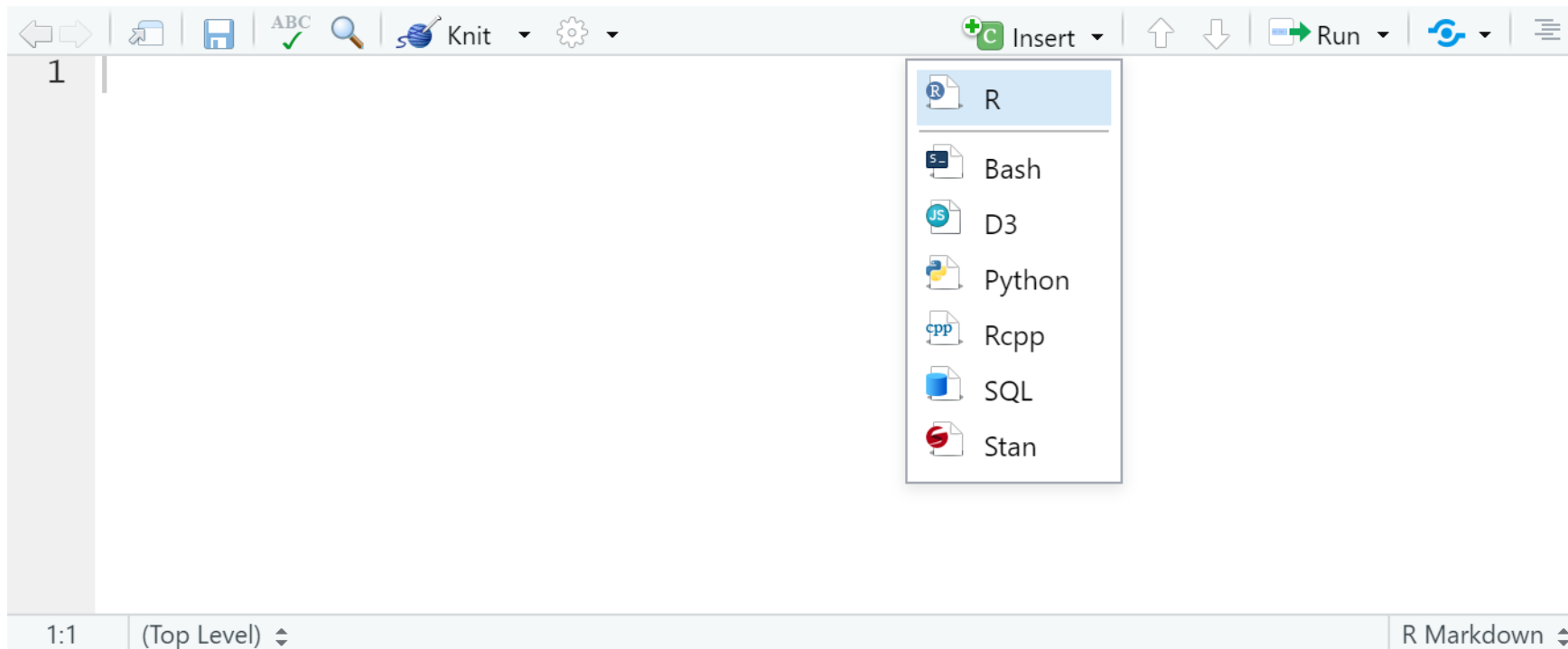
Including R code

- R code in R Markdown goes inside **fenced code blocks**, as the one below

```
```${r}
Your R code goes here
```
```

Including R code

- To add new block, you can type the fences directly, or go to **Insert** > **R** in the script panel of RStudio, or type **CTRL** + **ALT** + **i**



Including R code

Exercise 2: Include the summary of a variable (🕒 2 min)

1. Create a header named `R Code` at the bottom of `r-markdown-template.Rmd`
2. Create a new fenced code block where you load the dataset `mtcars`
 - `mtcars` is a built-in dataset. Load it with: `data(mtcars)`
3. Inside the same block, get the summary of the variable `mpg` with `summary(mtcars$mpg)`
4. Knit. You'll have to **close the PDF document if you have it opened**

Including R code

```
## R Code
```

```
```{r}
```

```
data(mtcars)
```

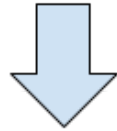
```
summary(mtcars$mpg)
```

```
```
```


Including R code

R code

```
````{r}  
data(mtcars)
summary(mtcars$mpg)
````
```



R code

```
data(mtcars)  
summary(mtcars$mpg)
```

```
##      Min. 1st Qu.  Median    Mean 3rd Qu.    Max.   
##  10.40  15.43   19.20   20.09  22.80   33.90
```

Including R code

- What about running only the code block and not knitting the document?
- You can do that with the ▶ icon at the upper right corner of the block
- The other icon (▶||) will run all previous code blocks until this block

R Code

```
```{r}
data(mtcars)
summary(mtcars$mpg)
```
```



Including R code

- Note that the output echoes both the code and the output
- What if we wanted to include the output but not the code?
- We use the argument `echo = FALSE` in the fenced code block for that
- Code block arguments are separated by commas inside the curly brackets, as in: `{r, echo = FALSE}`

Including R code

Exercise 3: Omit the code when knitting R code (🕒 1 min)

1. Add the option `echo = FALSE` to the fenced code block created in exercise 2
2. Knit the document and see how it's different now

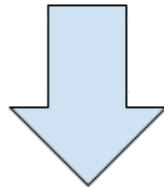
Including R code

```
```{r, echo = FALSE}  
data(mtcars)
summary(mtcars$mpg)
```
```

Including R code

R code

```
```{r, echo = FALSE}
data(mtcars)
summary(mtcars$mpg)
```
```



R code

```
##      Min. 1st Qu.  Median    Mean 3rd Qu.    Max.
##  10.40  15.43   19.20   20.09  22.80   33.90
```

Including R code

- To include only R code but not the output, we use the option `eval = FALSE`

```
```{r, eval = FALSE}  
data(mtcars)
summary(mtcars$mpg)
```
```

Including R code

R code

```
````{r, eval = FALSE}  
data(mtcars)
summary(mtcars$mpg)
````
```



R code

```
data(mtcars)  
summary(mtcars$mpg)
```


R Plots

Including R plots

- Adding R plots is similar to adding R code
- Include the code producing the plot in a fenced block
- The block option `echo = FALSE` is useful when we only want to include the plot but not the code producing it

Including R plots

Exercise 4: Include an R plot in your document (🕒 2 min)

1. Create a header named `R Plots`
2. Create a new fenced code block with the option `echo = FALSE`
3. Add the following code inside the new block:

```
plot(mtcars$wt,  
     mtcars$mpg,  
     main = "Plot example",  
     xlab = "Car weight",  
     ylab = "Miles per gallon")
```

Including R plots

```
# R plots
```

```
```{r, echo = FALSE}
```

```
plot(mtcars$wt,
 mtcars$mpg,
 main = "Plot example",
 xlab = "Car weight",
 ylab = "Miles per gallon")
```

```
```\n
```


Inline code

Including code inline

- Inline code is enclosed by backtick followed by an r (``r``) and a single backtick
- For example:

The mean of mpg is ``r mean(mtcars$mpg)``.

- Will be rendered as:

The mean of mpg is `20.090625`.

- Note that inline code doesn't go enclosed in code blocks, it's just regular Markdown text

Including code inline

Exercise 5 (🕒 2 min)

1. Create a new header named `Inline code` in `markdown-template.Rmd`
2. Add an unordered list with the following text and include inline R code to render the corresponding numbers in each case
 - The number of elements in `mtcars` is: (use function `nrow(mtcars)`)
 - The mean of weight is: (use function `mean(mtcars$wt)`)
 - The standard deviation is: (use function `sd(mtcars$wt)`)

Including code inline

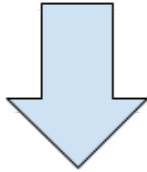
Inline code

- The number of elements in `mtcars` is ``r nrow(mtcars)``
- The mean of weight is ``r mean(mtcars$wt)``
- The standard deviation is ``r sd(mtcars$wt)``

Including code inline

Inline code

- The number of elements in mtcars is: ``r nrow(mtcars)``
- The mean of weight is: ``r mean(mtcars$wt)``
- The standard deviation is: ``r sd(mtcars$wt)``



Inline code

- The number of elements in mtcars is: 32
- The mean of weight is: 3.21725
- The standard deviation is: 0.9784574

Including code inline

You can use the function `round()` to control the number of decimals displayed.

```
# Inline code
```

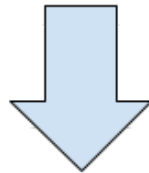
- The number of elements in `mtcars` is ``r nrow(mtcars)``
- The mean of weight is ``r round(mean(mtcars$wt), 1)``
- The standard deviation is ``r round(sd(mtcars$wt), 2)``

Including code inline

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`# Inline code`

```
- The number of elements in mtcars is: `r nrow(mtcars)`  
- The mean of weight is: `r round(mean(mtcars$wt), 1)`  
- The standard deviation is: `r round(sd(mtcars$wt), 2)`
```



Inline code

- The number of elements in mtcars is: 32
- The mean of weight is: 3.2
- The standard deviation is: 0.98

Including code inline

You can also combine R inline code with the markdown syntax for tables to produce statistics tables.

```
# Inline code in tables
```

```
|Column: weight| Value |
|-----|-----|
|N | `r nrow(mtcars)` |
|Mean | `r round(mean(mtcars$wt), 1)` |
|SD | `r round(sd(mtcars$wt), 2)` |
```

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|SD          | `r round(sd(mtcars$wt), 2)` |
```



Inline code in tables

Column: weight	Value
N	32
Mean	3.2
SD	0.98

Including regression outputs

Including regression outputs

- In a previous session, we saw that we can produce regression tables in LaTeX
- We can use code producing LaTeX outputs along with the code block option `results = "asis"` to display them in the knitted document

Including regression outputs - Stargazer

- First, we'll start with the function `stargazer()` from the package `stargazer`
- The first argument of `stargazer()` is a regression result
- We also include the arguments `echo = FALSE` and `message = FALSE` in the code block to omit printing the code and messages that appear when loading `stargazer`
- In `stargazer()` we include `header = FALSE` to omit printing `stargazer` metadata

Important: When using external packages in RMarkdown, you need to have them loaded in a code block regardless of if they're already loaded in your current session. Libraries have to load again for each knit.

Including regression outputs - Stargazer

```
```{r, echo = FALSE, message = FALSE, results = "asis"}  
Loading stargazer
library(stargazer)

Creating a simple regression
model <- lm(mpg ~ cyl + hp, data = mtcars)

Printing it with stargazer
stargazer(model, header = FALSE) # add: type = "html" if knitting to HTML
```
```

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```



Table 2:

| <i>Dependent variable:</i> | |
|----------------------------|------------------------|
| | mpg |
| cyl | -2.265***
(0.576) |
| hp | -0.019
(0.015) |
| Constant | 36.908***
(2.191) |
| Observations | 32 |
| R ² | 0.741 |
| Adjusted R ² | 0.723 |
| Residual Std. Error | 3.173 (df = 29) |
| F Statistic | 41.422*** (df = 2; 29) |

Note: *p<0.1; **p<0.05; ***p<0.01

Including regression outputs - Stargazer

Exercise 6 (🕒 3 min)

1. Create a new header named `Regressions - Stargazer` in `r-markdown-template.Rmd`
2. Add a new code block with the arguments `echo = FALSE` and `results = "asis"`
3. Load `stargazer` in the code block
4. Add a regression of the variable `mpg` on `wt` and `hp`
5. Use `stargazer`'s arguments `header = FALSE`, `title = "your_title"` and `omit = c("Constant")` to customize your table
 - If your output is HTML instead of PDF, include the argument `type = "html"` in `stargazer()`

Including regression outputs - Stargazer

```
# Regressions - Stargazer

```{r, echo = FALSE, message = FALSE, results = "asis"}
library(stargazer)
model <- lm(mpg ~ wt + hp, data = mtcars)
stargazer(model,
 header = FALSE,
 title = "Best table ever",
 omit = c("Constant"))
```
```

Including regression outputs - Stargazer

Table 2: Best table ever

| | <i>Dependent variable:</i> |
|-------------------------|----------------------------|
| | mpg |
| wt | −3.878***
(0.633) |
| hp | −0.032***
(0.009) |
| Observations | 32 |
| R ² | 0.827 |
| Adjusted R ² | 0.815 |
| Residual Std. Error | 2.593 (df = 29) |
| F Statistic | 69.211*** (df = 2; 29) |

Note: *p<0.1; **p<0.05; ***p<0.01

Including regression outputs - Huxtable

- Remember `huxtable`? we can also use it to include regression tables in R Markdown
- The advantage of using `huxtable` compared to `stargazer` is that we don't have to define the type of output we're generating with R Markdown. `huxtable` automatically detects it and will transform the output as needed in the resulting document
- `huxtable` has an important disadvantage, though: it requires to install external libraries in your local LaTeX installation

Including regression outputs - Huxtable

- Conveniently, the library `huxtable` has a function that handles that installation for us (needed only if you're knitting to PDF)

```
# Only if you're knitting to PDF:  
huxtable::install_latex_dependencies()
```

- Once this finishes, we can use `huxtable` with R Markdown

Including regression outputs - Huxtable

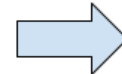
- For regressions, we use the function `huxreg()` as in the example below
- Note that the option `results = "asis"` is not used with `huxtable`

```
```{r, echo = FALSE, warning = FALSE}
library(huxtable)
model <- lm(mpg ~ wt + hp, data = mtcars)
huxreg(model)
```
```

Including regression outputs - Huxtable

- For regressions, we use the function `huxreg()` as in the example below
- Note that the option `results = "asis"` is not used with `huxtable`

```
```{r, echo = FALSE, warning = FALSE}
library(huxtable)
model <- lm(mpg ~ wt + hp, data = mtcars)
huxreg(model)
```
```



| | (1) |
|-------------|-----------------------|
| (Intercept) | 37.227 ***
(1.599) |
| wt | -3.878 ***
(0.633) |
| hp | -0.032 **
(0.009) |
| N | 32 |
| R2 | 0.827 |
| logLik | -74.326 |
| AIC | 156.652 |

*** p < 0.001; ** p < 0.01; * p < 0.05.

Including regression outputs - Huxtable

Exercise 7: Now with Huxtable (🕒 2 min)

1. Create a new header named `Regressions - Huxtable` in `r-markdown-template.Rmd`
2. Add a new code block with the argument `echo = FALSE`
3. Load huxtable in the code block
4. Add a regression table of the variable `mpg` on `wt` and `hp` using `huxreg()`
5. Use huxreg's argument `omit_coefs = c("(Intercept)")` to customize your table

Including regression outputs - Huxtable

```
# Regressions - Huxtable

```{r, echo = FALSE, warning = FALSE}
library(huxtable)
model <- lm(mpg ~ wt + hp, data = mtcars)
huxreg(model,
 omit_coefs = c("(Intercept)"))
```
```

Including regression outputs - Huxtable

| | (1) |
|--------|------------|
| wt | -3.878 *** |
| | (0.633) |
| hp | -0.032 ** |
| | (0.009) |
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*** $p < 0.001$; ** $p < 0.01$; * $p < 0.05$.

Including regression outputs - Huxtable

- If you want to include a title in your regression, use the command `set_caption()` with the result of `huxreg()` as argument

```
```{r, echo = FALSE, warning = FALSE}
library(huxtable)
library(dplyr)
model <- lm(mpg ~ wt + hp, data = mtcars)
table <- huxreg(model,
 omit_coefs = c("(Intercept)"))
table %>% set_caption("Another nice table")
```
```

Including regression outputs - Huxtable

Table 3: Another nice table

| | (1) |
|--------|-----------------------|
| wt | -3.878 ***
(0.633) |
| hp | -0.032 **
(0.009) |
| N | 32 |
| R2 | 0.827 |
| logLik | -74.326 |
| AIC | 156.652 |

*** $p < 0.001$; ** $p < 0.01$; * $p < 0.05$.

Thank you!

Annex

Annex - Opening a new R Markdown in R Studio

- Go to **File** > **New File** > **R Markdown**
- You can register the author name and the document title. This can be changed later if needed
- You can also define the default output format (HTML, PDF, Word). This can also be changed later
- Selecting **OK** will generate a template with document sections and code blocks that you can modify
- Selecting **Create Empty Document** will ignore the author, title, and output format registered and will result in a completely blank R Markdown document

Annex - Author, title, and output type

- The section enclosed in `---` at the beginning of the document can contain the author, title, and default output format
- You can add the author and document title with `author: NAME` and `title: TITLE`
- You can also change the default output format. Some options are:
 - `output: html_document`
 - `output: pdf_document`
 - `output: word_document`
 - `output: beamer_presentation`

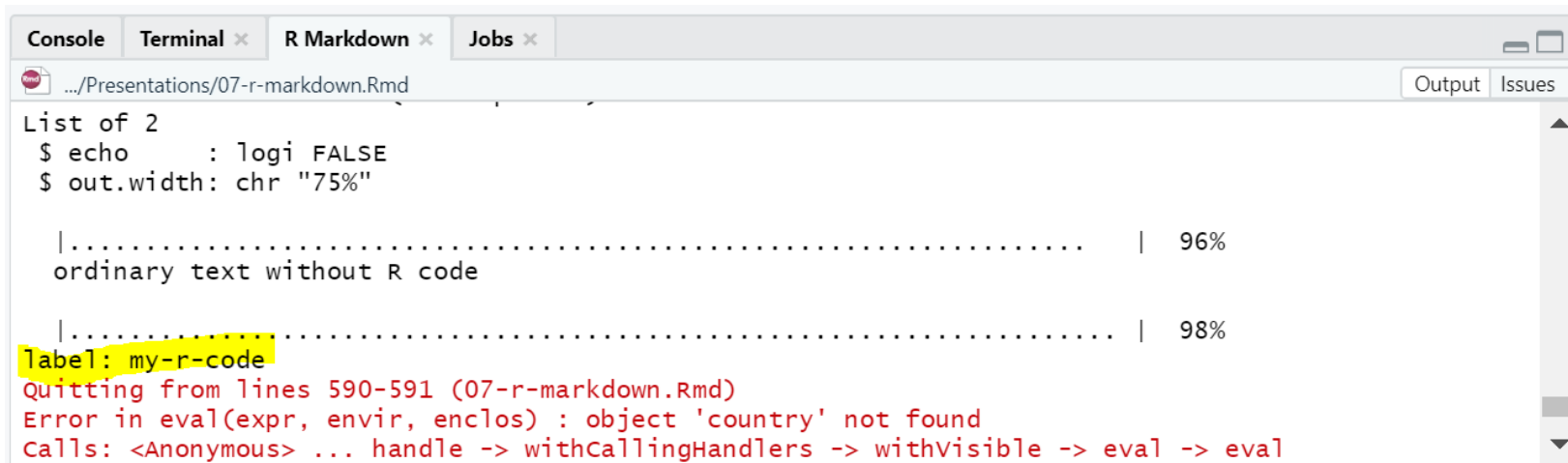
Annex - Naming R code blocks

- You can name R code blocks if you add the name after the `r` in the initial brackets
- The example below has the name `my-r-code`

```
```{r my-r-code}  
summary(mtcars$mpg)
```
```

Annex - Naming R code blocks

- This is very convenient to debug code blocks by clicking on **Output** under the **R Markdown** tab of the console, in case your file has an error



```
Console Terminal x R Markdown x Jobs x
.../Presentations/07-r-markdown.Rmd Output Issues
List of 2
$ echo      : logi FALSE
$ out.width: chr "75%"

|.....| 96%
ordinary text without R code

|.....| 98%
label: my-r-code
Quitting from lines 590-591 (07-r-markdown.Rmd)
Error in eval(expr, envir, enclos) : object 'country' not found
Calls: <Anonymous> ... handle -> withCallingHandlers -> withVisible -> eval -> eval
```

Annex - Including images

- The Markdown syntax to include images is: `![Image name](path/to/image)`
- For example:

```
![R logo](img/r-markdown/r-logo.jpg)
```

- Renders:



Annex - Including a LaTeX preamble in a PDF doc

- If you want to further customize a PDF document in R Markdown and you're familiar with LaTeX, you can include a LaTeX preamble that will be executed when you knit your document
- To enable this feature, replace `output: pdf_document` with the following code in the section enclosed by the three dashes (`---`) at the beginning of your document

```
output:  
  pdf_document:  
    includes:  
      in_header: "preamble.tex"
```

Annex - Complete regression table using Stargazer

```
```{r, echo = FALSE, message = FALSE, results = "asis"}
library(stargazer)
reg1 <- lm(mpg ~ wt + hp, data = mtcars)
reg2 <- lm(mpg ~ wt + hp + factor(gear), data = mtcars)
reg3 <- lm(qsec ~ wt + hp, data = mtcars)
reg4 <- lm(qsec ~ wt + hp + factor(gear), data = mtcars)

stargazer(reg1,
 reg2,
 reg3,
 reg4,
 title = "Best table ever",
 keep = c('wt', 'hp'),
 covariate.labels = c('Weight',
 'Horsepower'),
 dep.var.labels = c('Miles per Gallon',
 '1/4 Mile Time'),
 dep.var.caption = '',
 add.lines = list(c('N Gears FE', 'No', 'Yes', 'No', 'Yes')),
 keep.stat = c('n', 'adj.rsq'),
 header = FALSE,
 notes = 'Standard errors in parentheses')
...

```

Table 1: Best table ever

	Miles per Gallon		1/4 Mile Time	
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
Weight	-3.878*** (0.633)	-3.239*** (0.878)	0.942*** (0.266)	0.747* (0.371)
Horsepower	-0.032*** (0.009)	-0.035*** (0.013)	-0.027*** (0.004)	-0.023*** (0.005)
N Gears FE	No	Yes	No	Yes
Observations	32	32	32	32
Adjusted R <sup>2</sup>	0.815	0.811	0.628	0.616

*Note:* \*p<0.1; \*\*p<0.05; \*\*\*p<0.01  
Standard errors in parentheses



# Annex - Complete regression table using Stargazer

Table 1: Best table ever

	Miles per Gallon		1/4 Mile Time	
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
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Horsepower	-0.032*** (0.009)	-0.035*** (0.013)	-0.027*** (0.004)	-0.023*** (0.005)
N Gears FE	No	Yes	No	Yes
Observations	32	32	32	32
Adjusted R <sup>2</sup>	0.815	0.811	0.628	0.616

*Note:*

\*p<0.1; \*\*p<0.05; \*\*\*p<0.01  
Standard errors in parentheses

# Annex - Looking ahead

- [Markdown guide](#)
- [R Markdown: The Definitive Guide](#)
- [An introduction to Stata Markdown](#)
- [Stargazer official manual](#)
- [Introduction to Huxtable](#)