

R Markdown Cheat Sheet

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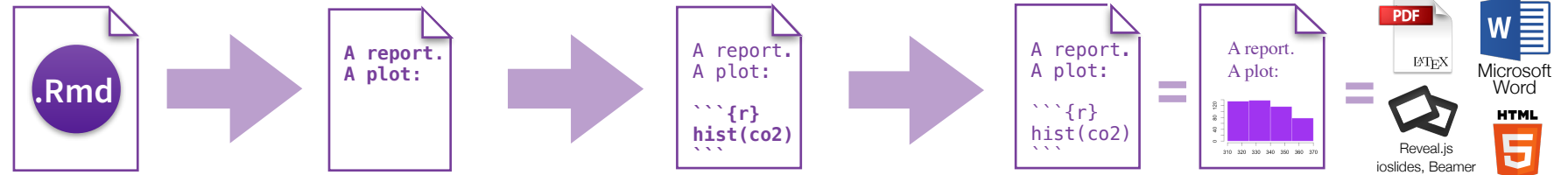
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1. Workflow

R Markdown is a format for writing reproducible, dynamic reports with R. Use it to embed R code and results into slideshows, pdfs, html documents, Word files and more. To make a report:

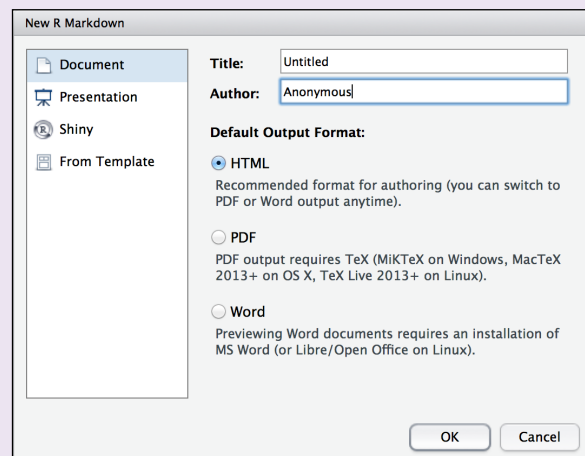
- i. Open** - Open a file that uses the .Rmd extension.
- ii. Write** - Write content with the easy to use R Markdown syntax
- iii. Embed** - Embed R code that creates output to include in the report
- iv. Render** - Replace R code with its output and transform the report into a slideshow, pdf, html or ms Word file.



2. Open File

Start by saving a text file with the extension .Rmd, or open an RStudio Rmd template

- In the menu bar, click **File ► New File ► R Markdown...**
- A window will open. Select the class of output you would like to make with your .Rmd file
- Select the specific type of output to make with the radio buttons (you can change this later)
- Click OK



3. Markdown

Next, write your report in plain text. Use markdown syntax to describe how to format text in the final report.

syntax

Plain text
End a line with two spaces to start a new paragraph.
italics and `_italics_`
bold and `__bold__`
superscript² and `^2^`
~~strikethrough~~ and `~strikethrough~`
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Header 3
Header 4
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Header 6

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horizontal rule (or slide break):

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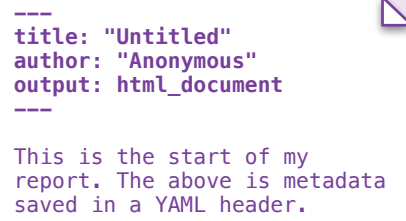
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4. Choose Output

Write a YAML header that explains what type of document to build from your R Markdown file.

YAML

A YAML header is a set of key: value pairs at the start of your file. Begin and end the header with a line of three dashes (---)



The RStudio template writes the YAML header for you

The output value determines which type of file R will build from your .Rmd file (in Step 6)

output: html_document html file (web page)

output: pdf_document pdf document

output: word_document Microsoft Word .docx

output: beamer_presentation beamer slideshow (pdf)

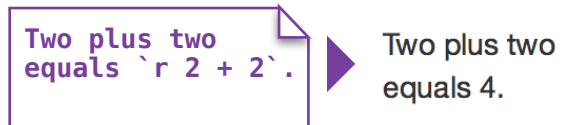
output: ioslides_presentation ioslides slideshow (html)



5. Embed Code Use knitr syntax to embed R code into your report. R will run the code and include the results when you render your report.

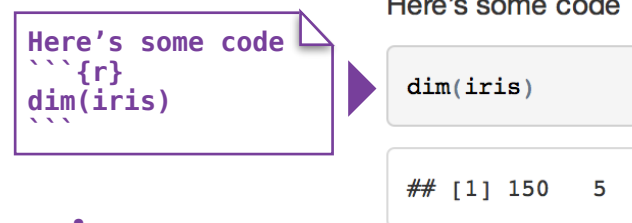
inline code

Surround code with back ticks and `r`. R replaces inline code with its results.



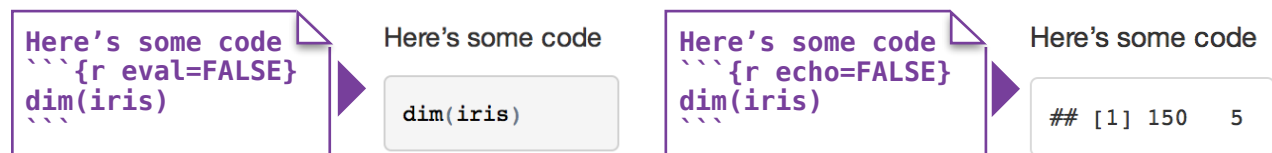
code chunks

Start a chunk with ````{r}`. End a chunk with `````.



display options

Use knitr options to style the output of a chunk. Place options in brackets above the chunk.



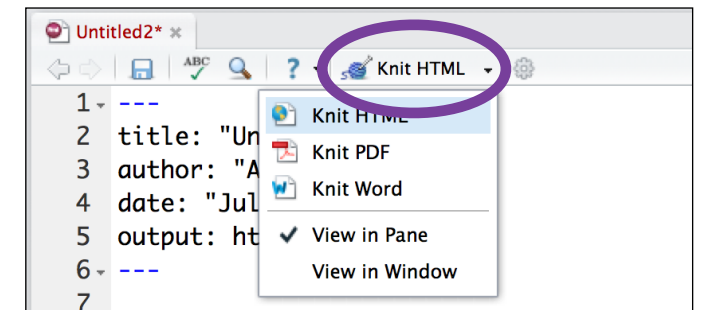
option	default	effect
<code>eval</code>	TRUE	Whether to evaluate the code and include its results
<code>echo</code>	TRUE	Whether to display code along with its results
<code>warning</code>	TRUE	Whether to display warnings
<code>error</code>	FALSE	Whether to display errors
<code>message</code>	TRUE	Whether to display messages
<code>tidy</code>	FALSE	Whether to reformat code in a tidy way when displaying it
<code>results</code>	"markup"	"markup", "asis", "hold", or "hide"
<code>cache</code>	FALSE	Whether to cache results for future renders
<code>comment</code>	"###"	Comment character to preface results with
<code>fig.width</code>	7	Width in inches for plots created in chunk
<code>fig.height</code>	7	Height in inches for plots created in chunk

For more details visit yihui.name/knitr/

6. Render Use your .Rmd file as a blueprint to build a finished report.

Render your report in one of two ways

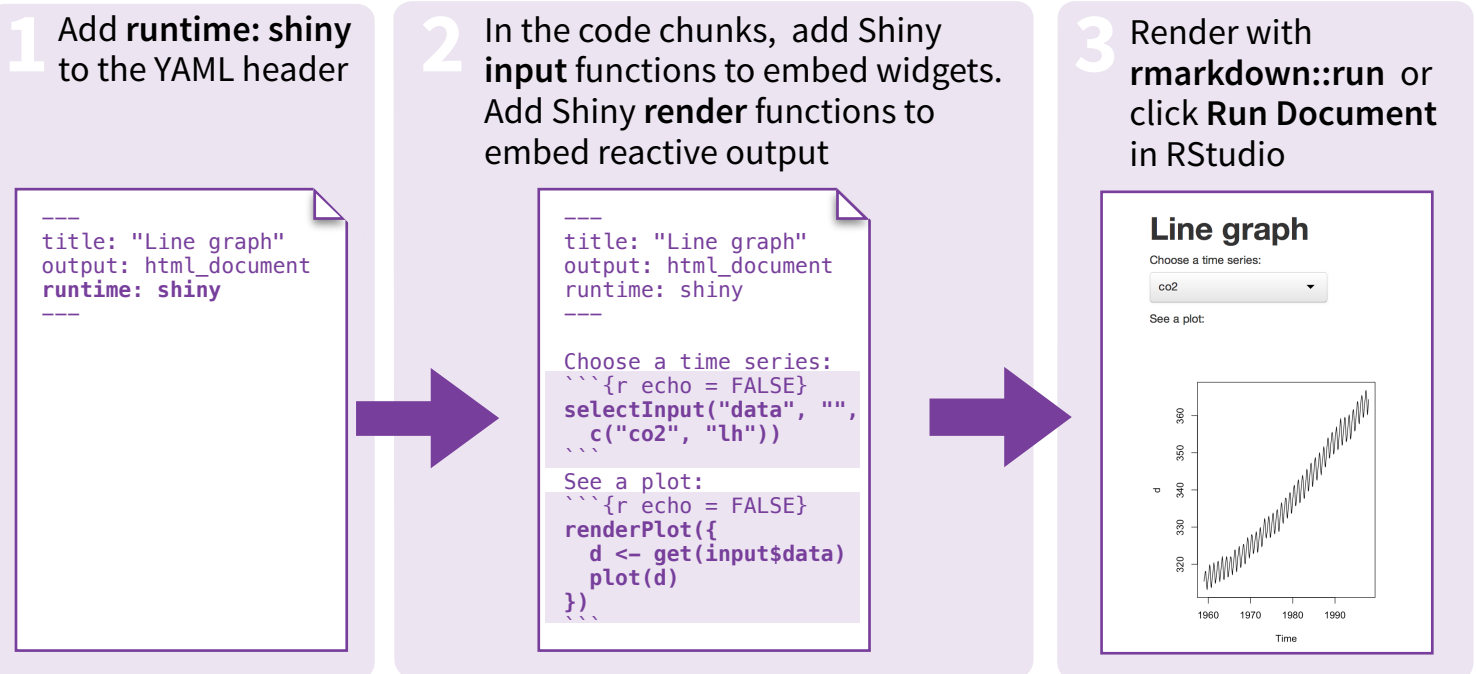
1. Run `rmarkdown::render("<file path>")`
2. Click the **knit HTML** button at the top of the RStudio scripts pane



When you render, R will

- execute each embedded code chunk and insert the results into your report
- build a new version of your report in the output file type
- open a preview of the output file in the viewer pane
- save the output file in your working directory

7. Interactive Docs Turn your report into an interactive Shiny document in 3 steps



* Note: your report will be a Shiny app, which means you must choose an html output format, like `html_document` (for an interactive report) or `ioslides_presentation` (for an interactive slideshow).

8. Publish Share your report where users can visit it online

9. Learn More

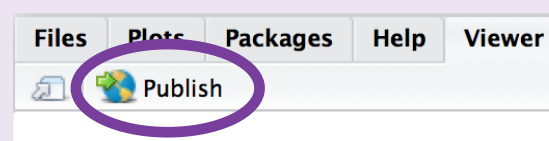
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