

# Organizing a Data Analysis

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## Data analysis files

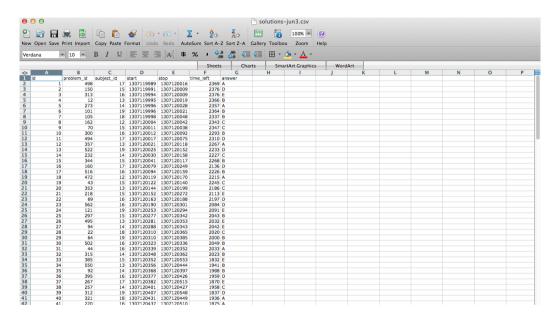
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#### **Raw Data**

MEDICATION HISTORY -----ALLERGIES ----ast Updated: 01 Dec 2011 @ 0851 Last Updated: 11 Apr 2011 @ 1737 Medication: AMLODIPINE RESYLATE 10MG TAR llergy Name: Instructions: TAKE ONE TABLET BY MOUTH TAKE ONE-HALF TABLET FOR TRIMETHOPRIM ocation: DAYT29 GRAPEFRUIT JUICE --ate Entered: 09 Mar 2011 Status: Active eaction: Refills Remaining: 3 llergy Type: Last Filled On: 20 Aug 2010 DRUG A Drug Class: Initially Ordered On: 13 Aug 2010 ANTI-INFECTIVES, OTHER Quantity: 45 bserved/Historical: HISTORICAL omments: The reaction to this allergy was MILD (NO SQUELAE) Days Supply: 90 Pharmacy: DAYTON llergy Name: TRAMADOL Prescription Number: 2718953 ocation: DAYT29 ate Entered: 09 Mar 2011 Medication: IBUPROFEN 600MG TAB eaction: Instructions: TAKE ONE TABLET BY MOUTH FOUR TIMES A DAY WITH FOOE URINARY RETENTION llergy Type: DRUG Status: Active Refills Remaining: 3 A Drug Class: NON-OPIOID ANALGESICS Last Filled On: 20 Aug 2010 bserved/Historical: HISTORICAL Initially Ordered On: 01 Jul 2010 omments: gradually worsening difficulty emptying bladder Committee 250

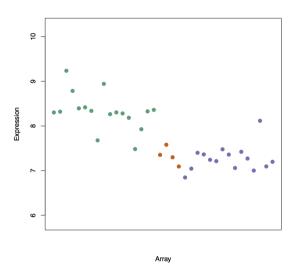
- · Should be stored in your analysis folder
- · If accessed from the web, include url, description, and date accessed in README

## **Processed data**



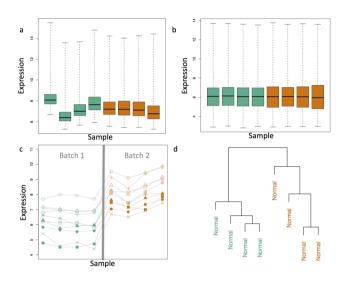
- · Processed data should be named so it is easy to see which script generated the data.
- · The processing script processed data mapping should occur in the README
- Processed data should be tidy

## **Exploratory figures**



- · Figures made during the course of your analysis, not necessarily part of your final report.
- · They do not need to be "pretty"

## **Final Figures**



- · Usually a small subset of the original figures
- · Axes/colors set to make the figure clear
- · Possibly multiple panels

## Raw scripts

```
source("reamodel.R")
    dp <- ddm[, c("group", "pm25_0", "pm25_1", "symfree0", "symfree1")]</pre>
    dp$p_id <- row.names(dp)</pre>
   fitx0 < -lm(pm25_1 \sim pm25_0 + age + no2_0 + pm10_0, data = subset(ddm, group ==
    fitx1 < -lm(pm25_1 \sim ns(pm25_0, 2) + age + no2_0 + pm10_0, data = subset(ddm, arc
   fity0 <- alm(cbind(symfree1, 14-symfree1) ~ symfree0 + age + factor(gender), date
10 fity1 <- qlm(cbind(symfree1, 14-symfree1) ~ symfree0 + age + factor(gender), date
11
12 y10 <- predict(fity0, subset(ddm, group == 1), type = "response") * 14
13 y01 <- predict(fity1, subset(ddm, group == 0), type = "response") * 14
14 p10 <- predict(fitx0, subset(ddm, group == 1))
15 p01 <- predict(fitx1, subset(ddm, group == 0))
17 vy <- data.frame(p_id = as.integer(c(names(v10), names(v01))),
                     symfree00 = c(y10, y01)
   pp <- data.frame(p_id = as.integer(c(names(p10), names(p01))),</pre>
20
                     pm25_00 = c(p10, p01)
21
22 m \leftarrow merge(dp, yy, by = "p_id")
23 mm \leftarrow merge(m, pp, by = "p_id")
```

- May be less commented (but comments help you!)
- · May be multiple versions
- May include analyses that are later discarded

## Final scripts

```
50
    ## Main 'pgibbs()' function
51
52
53
    pgibbs <- function(gibbsState,
54
                    maxit = 80000.
55
                    verbose = TRUE,
56
                    dbfile = "statepgibbs",
57
                    deleteCache = FALSE.
58
                    singleAgeCat = TRUE,
59
                    siamaE = NULL
60
                    delta = NULL) {
61
           library(MASS)
62
63
           ## Setup database of results
           if(file.exists(dbfile)) {
65
                  if(deleteCache) ·
                         message("removing existing cache file")
67
                         file.remove(dbfile)
68
69
                  else
70
                         stop(sprintf("cache file '%s' already exists", dbfile))
```

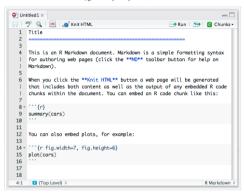
- Clearly commented
  - Small comments liberally what, when, why, how
  - Bigger commented blocks for whole sections
- Include processing details
- Only analyses that appear in the final write-up

## R markdown files

#### **R Markdown Documents**

To work with R Markdown (.Rmd) files in RStudio you first need to ensure that the knitr package (version 0.5 or later) in installed.

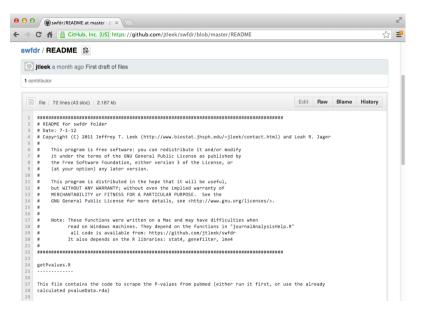
To create a new R Markdown file, go to File | New | and select R Markdown. A new file is create with a default template to get you oriented:



Note that the toolbar provides some useful tools for working with R Markdown:

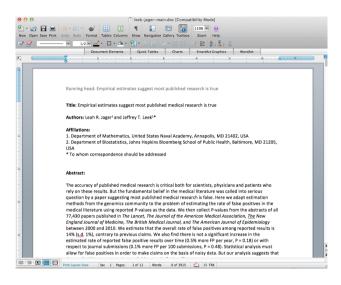
- Ouick Reference Click the MD toolbar button to open a quick reference guide for Markdown.
- Knit HTML Click to knit the current document to HTML, see the Knitting to HTML section below for more details.
- Run Run the current line or selection of lines in the console. This allows running R code inside a code chunk similar to a normal R source file.
- Chunks The chunks menu provides assistance with inserting, running, and chunk navigation. See the Chunk Menu and Options section below for more details.
- · R markdown files can be used to generate reproducible reports
- Text and R code are integrated
- Very easy to create in Rstudio

#### Readme files



- · Not necessary if you use R markdown
- · Should contain step-by-step instructions for analysis
- Here is an example https://github.com/jtleek/swfdr/blob/master/README

## Text of the document



- It should include a title, introduction (motivation), methods (statistics you used), results (including measures of uncertainty), and conclusions (including potential problems)
- · It should tell a story
- · It should not include every analysis you performed
- References should be included for statistical methods

## **Further resources**

- Information about a non-reproducible study that led to cancer patients being mistreated: The Duke Saga Starter Set
- Reproducible research and Biostatistics
- Managing a statistical analysis project guidelines and best practices
- · Project template a pre-organized set of files for data analysis