

INTRODUCTION

bookdown+? Hmm... sounds like something related to the R[1] package bookdown [2]?

Yes, you *R* right. Everyone knows that bookdown is an excellent package for authoring books on programming languages. But it is only one side of the coin. It can do more than expected. bookdown smells like a tasty cake. I have been expecting someone to cut it. Now I am helping myself. Therefore I am developing bookdown+.

bookdown+ is an extension of bookdown. It is a collection of multiple templates, which I collected years ago on the basis of L^AT_EX, and have been tailoring them so that I can work happily under the umbrella of bookdown. bookdown+ shows you the other side of the coin, which helps you write academic journal articles, guitar books, chemical equations, mails, calendars, and diaries.

I believe some official bookdown templates will be available in the near future, but I cannot wait. Can you?

With bookdown+ you can

- record guitar chords,
- write a mail in an elegant layout,
- write a laboratory journal, or a personal diary,
- draw a monthly or weekly or conference calendar,
- and, of course, write academic articles in your favourite way,
- with chemical molecular formulae and equations,
- even in Chinese,
- and more wonders will come soon.

bookdown+ is developed on the basis of the following outstanding work:

- R bookdown package [2]
- Two minimal book examples using bookdown by Yihui Xie ^{1 2}
- gchords, a L^AT_EX package for typesetting guitar chord diagrams by Kasper Peeters ³
- Copernicus Publications L^AT_EX Package ⁴

¹ <https://github.com/yihui/bookdown-minimal>

² <https://github.com/rstudio/bookdown-demo>

³ <http://kasper.phi-sci.com/gchords/>

⁴ http://publications.copernicus.org/for_authors/latex_instructions.html

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