Writing with LATEX in Stata Do-file Editor

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Abstract

MarkDoc not only supports writing text using Markdown Syntax but also allows writing and styling text using HTML and LaTeX. These new features will appeal only to professional users (Wierdos) and the majority of the users will enjoy writing with Markdown. In this short turorial I will demonstrate how to weave a document in MarkDoc using LaTeX.

1 Introduction

There is a new feature in MarkDoc that allows you to weave your document Using LATEX. This might only be interesting to some of you.

Hey look, it's math.

$$\alpha = \sqrt{\beta} \tag{1}$$

1.1 Adding Stata output

Below I will add some Stata commands and outputs.

. sysuse auto, clear (1978 Automobile Data)

. describe

Contains data from C:\Program Files (x86)\Stata12\ado\base/a/auto.dta
obs: 74 1978 Automobile Data
vars: 12 13 Apr 2011 17:45
size: 3,182 (_dta has notes)

variable name	storage type	display format	value label	variable label
make	str18	%-18s		Make and Model
price	int	%8.0gc		Price
mpg	int	%8.0g		Mileage (mpg)
rep78	int	%8.0g		Repair Record 1978
headroom	float	%6.1f		Headroom (in.)
trunk	int	%8.0g		Trunk space (cu. ft.)
weight	int	%8.0gc		Weight (lbs.)
length	int	%8.0g		Length (in.)
turn	int	%8.0g		Turn Circle (ft.)
displacement	int	%8.0g		Displacement (cu. in.)
gear_ratio	float	%6.2f		Gear Ratio
foreign	byte	%8.0g	origin	Car type

Sorted by: foreign

list in 1/3

	AMC Concord 4,099	22 3	2.5 11 2,930
	length turn 186 40	-	gear_r~o foreign 3.58 Domestic
-	+		
2.	AMC Pacer 4,749		
-	length turn	displa~t	gear_r~o foreign 2.53 Domestic
3.	make		
	_	displa~t	gear_r~o foreign 3.08 Domestic
-	hist price		

. hist price
(bin=8, start=3291, width=1576.875)

. graph export graph.png, width(400) replace (file graph.png written in PNG format)



Figure 1: This graph shows the histogram of the price variable

2 Regression

Let's end this do-file with a regression analysis.

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3 Conclusion

Writing a document with LATEX in MarkDoc is so natural and does not require additional options or commands. MarkDoc automatically recognizes that you are writing with LATEX. All that you need to do is to export a tex file from the options. Also remember not to mix HTML, LATEX, and Markdown in a single document. Make your mind what markup language you want to use for weaving your document.

	(1)			
VARIABLES	price			
mpg	-238.9***			
	(53.08)			
Constant	11,253***			
	(1,171)			
Observations	74			
R-squared	0.220			
Standard errors in parentheses				

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*** p<0.01, ** p<0.05, * p<0.1