Data Visualization with R Shiny tutorial

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Progress bar

If some computation in server.R can take a long time, it is useful to wrap the corresponding code inside the Shiny withProgress() function.

In server.R

```
withProgress(message = ... ,
  detail = ' \dots ', value = 0,
  ... function code ...
  incProgress(1/3)
  ... function code ...
  incProgress(1/3)
  ... function code ...
  incProgress(1/3)
  ... function code ...
})
```

R Flexdashboard

```
Go to File >
New File >
R Markdown >
From Template >
Flex Dashboard
```

Click on Knit to see the empty dashboard.

R Flexdashboard

In the first R block, load the libraries and the data:

```
library(flexdashboard)
library(tidyverse)
library(leaflet)
load("geocodedData.Rdata")
```

Change the names of the R Markdown headers and fill the R blocks with the code from dashboard1.Rmd.

Click on Knit to see the final dashboard.

Adding shiny to the flexdashboard

Modify the header by adding shiny and using a rows orientation:

```
title: "Flexdashboard 2" runtime: shiny
```

We will add one sidebar column:

```
Column {.sidebar}
```

We fill the R block with R shiny code to create a slider and a checkbox as done previously in ui.R.

Adding shiny to the flexdashboard

Create a simple row and a row with several tabs:

Row

Row {.tabset}

We fill the R block with R shiny code to create plots as done previously in server.R.

In this case, the filtering is done for every block of R code. We cannot define a reactive object to filter the years.

Shiny dashboards

Adding a menu to the sidebar

```
sidebarMenu(id = NULL,
  menuItem("Name",
    icon = \dots
    tabName = ...
    badgeLabel = ... ,
    badgeColor = ... ,
  sliderInput( ... )
```

tabName will be referred to in the dashboard body to create the corresponding graph.

Improving the UI - Adding a menu to the sidebar

```
tabItems(
  tabItem(tabName = ...,
    fluidRow(
      box(width = 10,
          plotOutput("trend"),
          checkboxInput( ... )),
          box(width = 2, ...)
    ),
```

tabName corresponds to the value given in menuItem in the sidebar.

Improving the UI - Adding info boxes

In the file ui.R:

```
infoBoxOutput(width = 3, "infoYears")
```

In the file server.R:

```
output$infoYears = renderInfoBox({
  infoBox(title,
    value = NULL,
    icon = ...,
    color = ...,
    fill = ...
)
```

Improving the UI - Adding icons

See a list of icons here:

- https://fontawesome.com/icons
- https://icons.getbootstrap.com/