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Tools for a Reproducible Workflow

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"Reproducibility is just collaboration with people you don't know, including yourself next week"

—Philip Stark, UC Berkeley Statistics



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Write your code and your paper in the same file so you won't lose information or make copy and paste mistakes.

- Include tables by linking to a file, instead of a static image.
- Include number by linking to a value calculated by an analysis file, instead of a static number typed manually.
- Automatically update tables and numbers.
- Produce entire paper with one or two clicks.



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Possible in Python, R, and to a lesser extent, Stata

- Jupyter—several (many?) languages
- R—use R Studio to manage projects with built-in version control, and R Markdown/knitr for publication-quality dynamic documents.
- Stata-combine with LaTeX for two click workflow
- Stata-use 'markdoc' ado for some dynamic ability.







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OK, I'm convinced. How do I learn more?

- Work through my demos. Link
- Software Carpentry's tutorials Link