



USE PYTHON TO GENERATE PDF REPORT

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Reticulate

The `MPIThems` templates aren't just for R programmers; due to the `reticulate` package, Python programmers may use them as well. The `reticulate` package offers a Python engine for R Markdown, allowing for simple interchange between Python and R chunks. for install reticulte use cran repository as below:

```
install.packages("reticulate")
```

Choose Python version

The first step to running Python code is to choose the Python engine or environment. There are two ways to choose a Python environment:

1. By default, `reticulate` uses the system Python found on your OS. To find the path, run the R command `Sys.which("python")` on the console. Alternatively, to use your installed Python, add your Python path with the command `use_python()` to set the default engine.

```
library(reticulate)
use_python("/usr/local/bin/python")
```

2. If you have an Anaconda or Miniconda, you may use the `use_condaenv()` or `use_virtualenv()` to run Python code in any of these environments.

```
use_condaenv("Python3.8", required = TRUE) # Name of environment
```

The Conda environment `r-reticulate` will be created when the `reticulate` package is installed. To see the list of your conda environment, run in `conda list env bash` or R command `reticulate::conda_list()`. Run the `py_config()` command to ensure that `reticulate` is utilizing your updated conda env.

Install Python Package

The `reticulate` env has mininl Python pacakges. In order to install a new package, use `py_install()` command. The packages will be installed by default in `r-reticulate` env. For more information you can see `reticulate`'s vignette `Installing Python Packages`

```
py_install("pandas")
```

Check Python working

To ensure that everything is working properly, try writing a basic Python code in RMarkdown. Set the Python command in the Python chunk `{python}` for this.

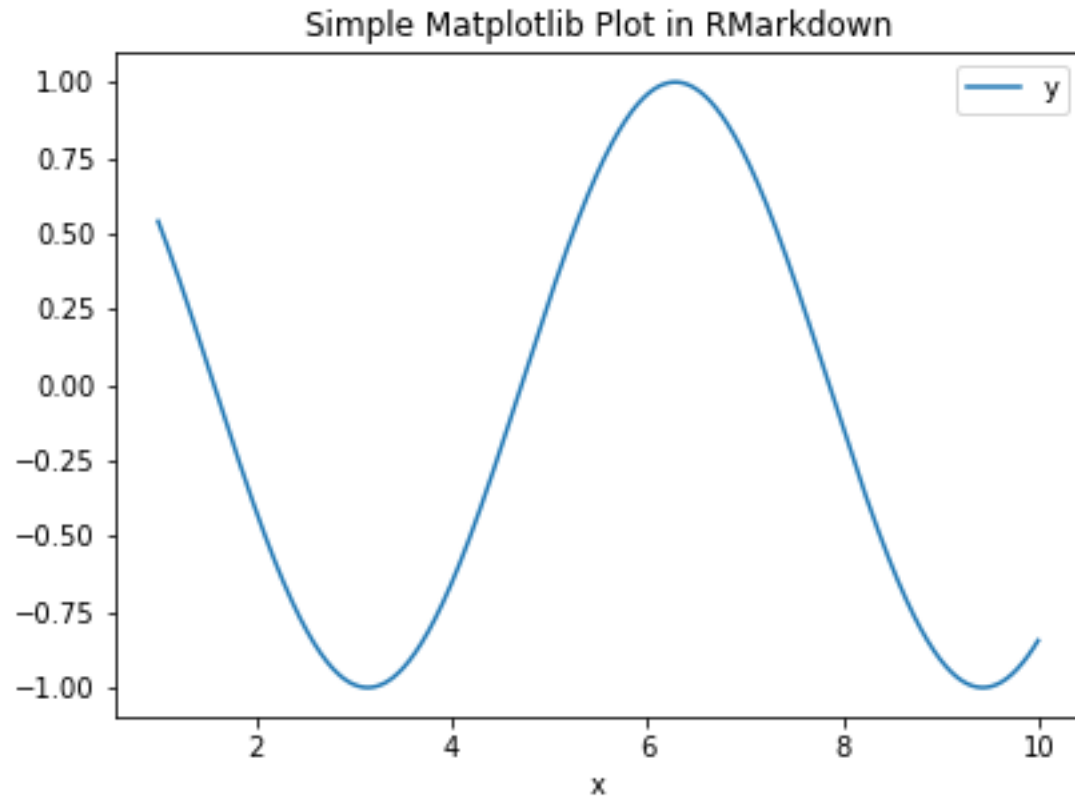
```
'''{python}
import numpy as np
import pandas as pd
np.arange(1, 10)
'''
```

```
array([1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9])
```

For the convenience of Python coding in RMarkdown, it is recommended that you create a shortcut to generate the Python chunk. To create shortcut go to `Tools -> Modify Keyboard Shortcuts` and search `python` word to find `Insert Chunk`. Then click on it and set a suitable shortcut for it. `Ctrl + Alt + P` sounds a good option.

In the following example, we use the `pandas` package to construct a data frame and `matplotlib` to plot the data.

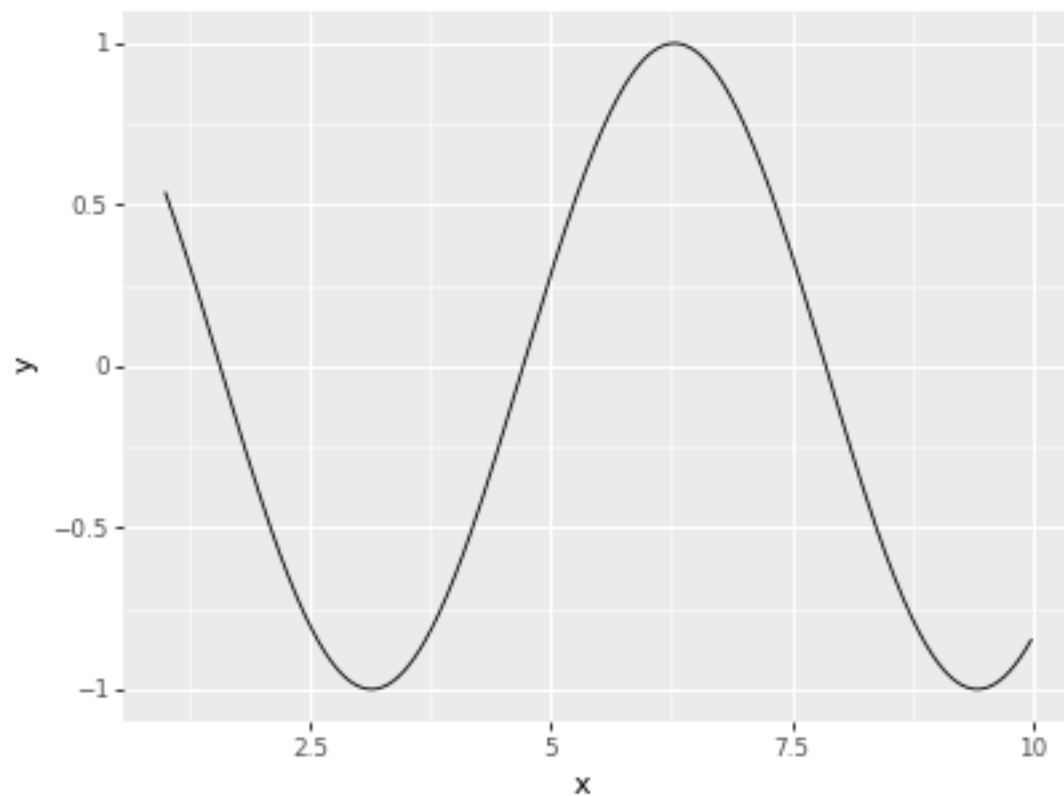
```
```python
import matplotlib as plt
df = pd.DataFrame(data = {"x":np.arange(1,10,.01)})
df = df.assign(y=np.cos(df["x"]))
df.plot(x="x", y = "y", title = "Simple Matplotlib Plot in RMarkdown")
```



Fortunately, Package `ggplot2` has also been implemented for Python. Below is an example of drawing a `ggplot` in Python

```
from plotnine.data import economics
from plotnine import ggplot, aes, geom_line
ggplot(df) + aes(x="x", y="y") + geom_line()
```

```
<ggplot: (-9223363304618956698)>
```



## Calling Python from R

All objects created within Python chunks are available to R by calling the `py$object`. In the below example, we plot the previously Python-produced data with ggplot in R.

```
ggplot(py$df, aes(x=x, y=y)) +
 geom_line()
```

