

AGING ARTICLES. HOW TIME AFFECTS REPRODUCIBILITY OF SCIENTIFIC PAPERS.

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- Reproducible research are papers with accompanying software tools that allow the reader to directly reproduce methods that are presented in the research paper
 - Robert Gentleman & Duncan Temple Lang
- The intention of such research is to find correlations between age of article and its reproducibility
 - Piotr Sieńko

Idea



The method

1. Pick an article
2. Extract code snippets
3. Evaluate code in own environment
4. Analyse of the results
5. Assign rating (using custom scale)
6. Repeat

Source – The R Journal



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(the predecessor of The R Journal)

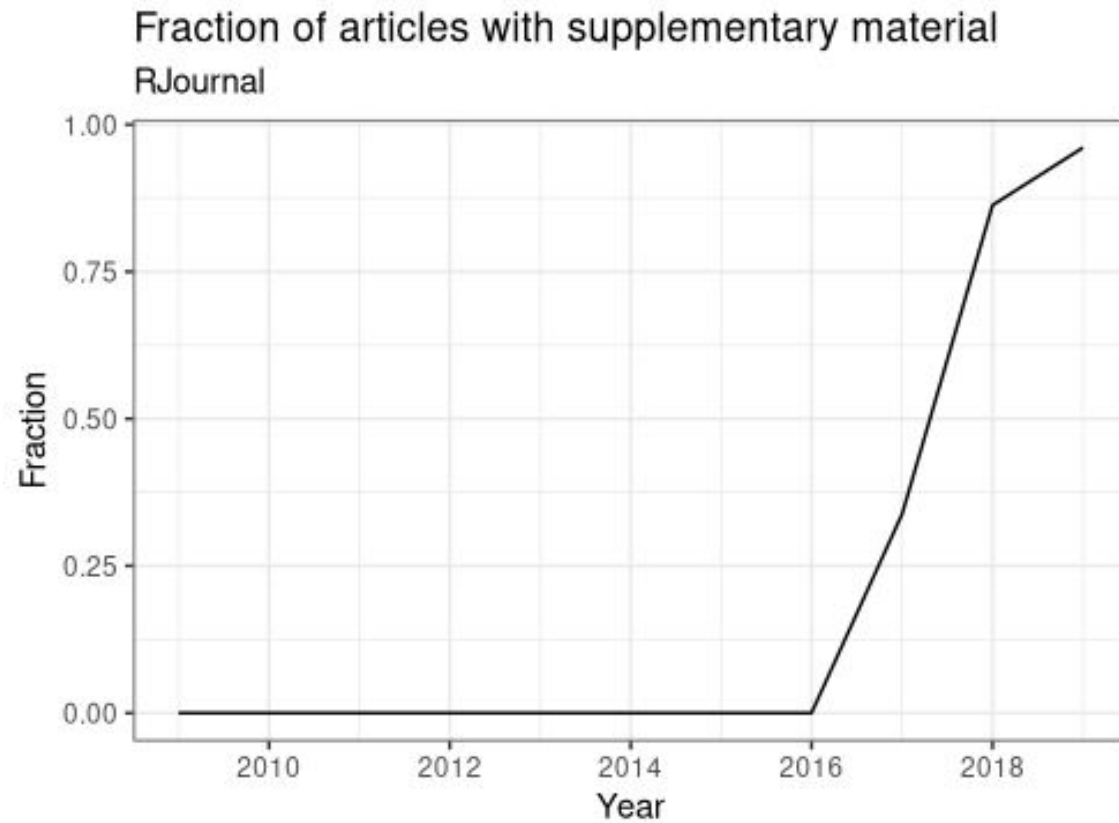
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Get the code

CodeExtractorR package:

1. PDF -> HTML
2. stringi + regex = .R file



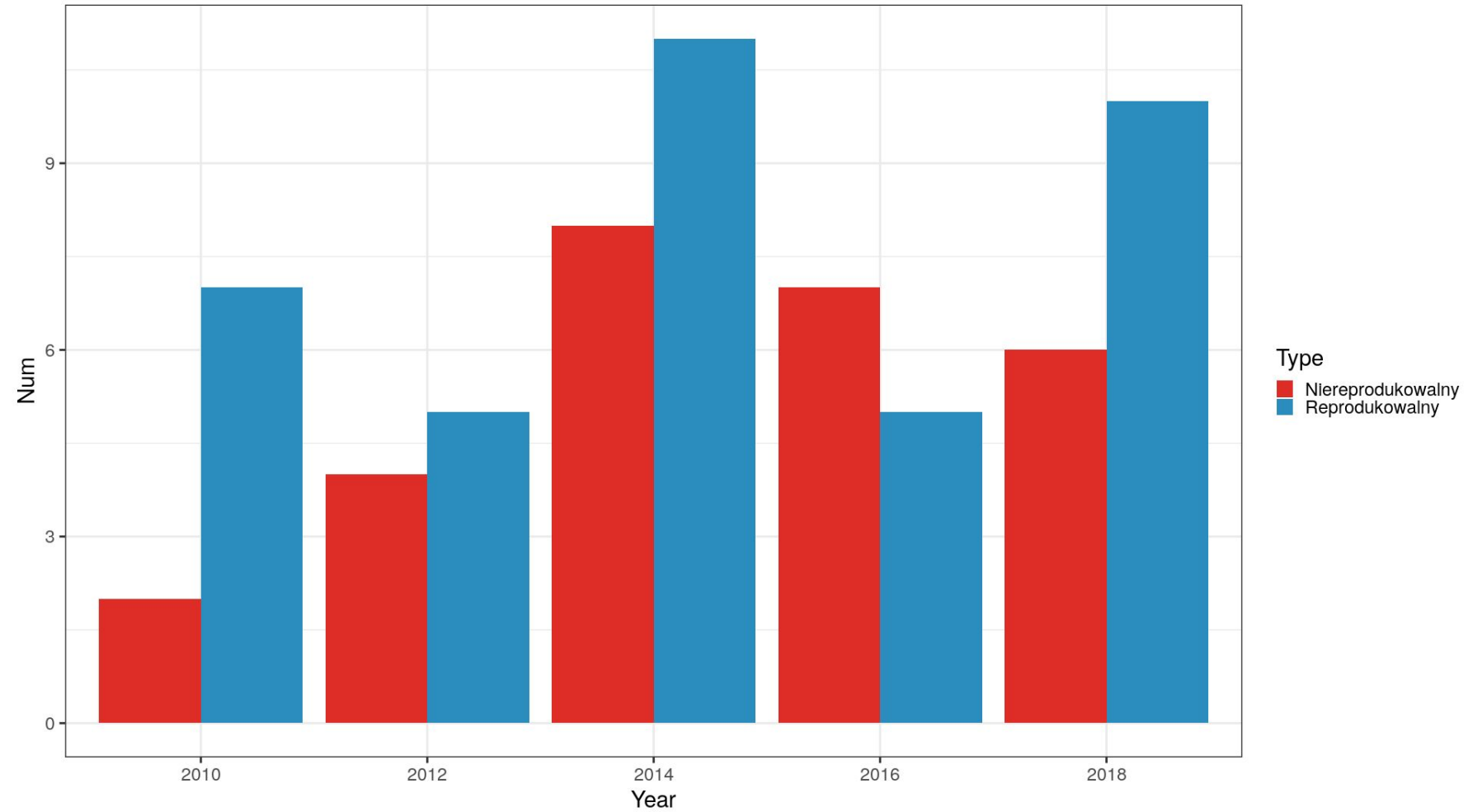
Reproducibility Scale

- - None of the examples work
- I** - Some examples give expected results
- II** - Majority of examples give expected results
- III** - All examples work

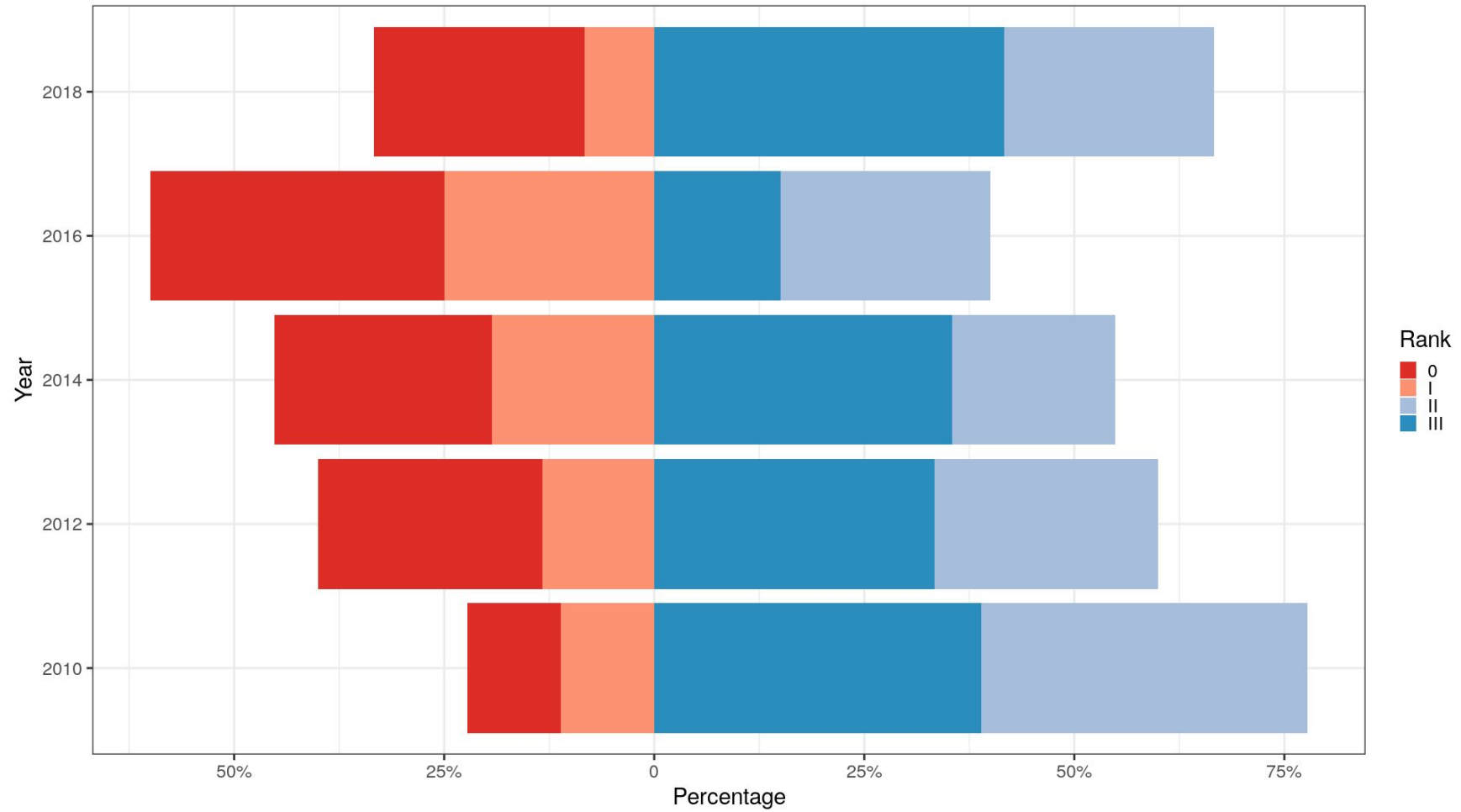
Non-standard Situations

- Installation issues
- Charts without code
- Insignificant differences in results
- Updated package methods

Partial Results



Partial Results II



Limitations

- flexible scale
- personal judgement
- size of the sample
- ...



THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION

Feel free to ask questions