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R Shiny

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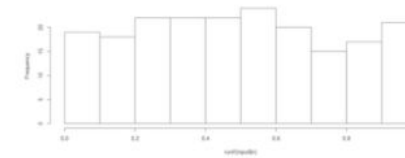
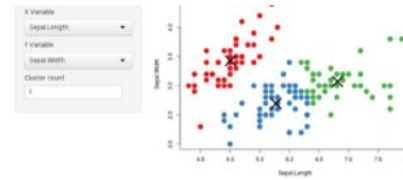
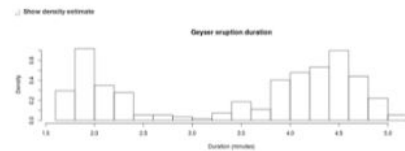
Introduction

Shiny can be used to build web apps and interactive documents

Useful if you need a live environment

Start Simple

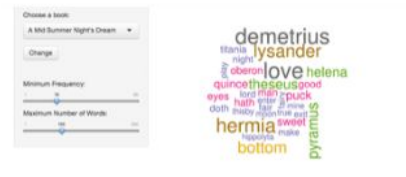
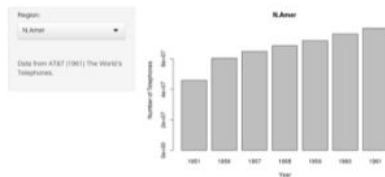
If you're new to Shiny, these simple but complete applications are designed for you to learn from.



Faithful

Kmeans example

Single-file shiny app



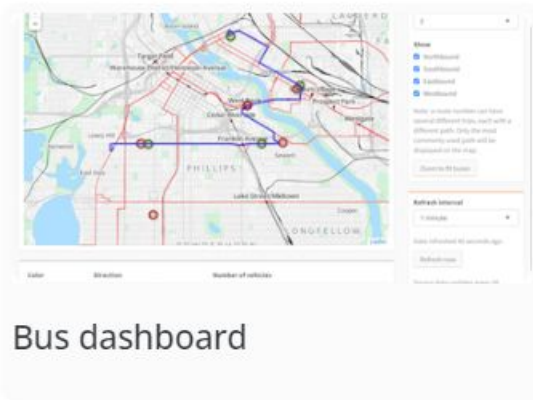
Telephones by region

Word cloud

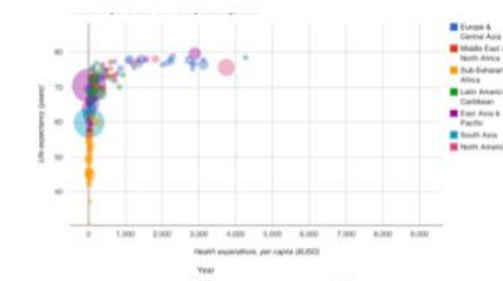
See: <https://shiny.posit.co/r/gallery/#feature-demos>

Interactive visualizations

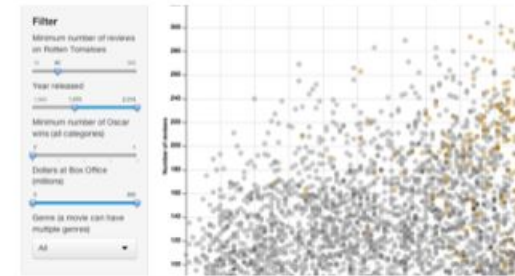
Shiny is designed for fully interactive visualization, using JavaScript libraries like [d3](#), [Leaflet](#), and [Google Charts](#).



Bus dashboard



Google Charts



Movie explorer



SuperZip example

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App Structure

In its most basic form: UI and a Server

UI block: this is what your user can change

Server: uses reactive programming so that when something in the UI/input changes, all related outputs are automatically updated

```
library(shiny)

ui <- fluidPage(
  # front end interface
)

server <- function(input, output, session) {
  # back end logic
}

shinyApp(ui, server)
```

```
library(shiny)
ui <- fluidPage(
  "Hello, world!"
)
server <- function(input, output, session) {
}
shinyApp(ui, server)
```

See: <https://mastering-shiny.org/basic-app.html>



UI Block

There are many input formats you can use
(textInput, dateInput, dateRangeInput etc)

You can use sliders, lists, and multiple choice lists

This in and of itself is not particularly useful
beyond clicking a few buttons. Combining this with
the server makes it really cool!

```
ui <- fluidPage(  
  textInput("name", "What's your name?"),  
  passwordInput("password", "What's your password?"),  
  textAreaInput("story", "Tell me about yourself", rows = 3)  
)
```

What's your name?

What's your password?

Tell me about yourself

```
ui <- fluidPage(  
  numericInput("num", "Number one", value = 0, min = 0, max = 100),  
  sliderInput("num2", "Number two", value = 50, min = 0, max = 100),  
  sliderInput("rng", "Range", value = c(10, 20), min = 0, max = 100)  
)
```

Number one

Number two

Range

```
animals <- c("dog", "cat", "mouse", "bird", "other", "I hate animals")
```

```
ui <- fluidPage(  
  selectInput("state", "What's your favourite state?", state.name),  
  radioButtons("animal", "What's your favourite animal?", animals)  
)
```

What's your favourite state?

What's your favourite animal?

- ☒ dog
☐ cat
☐ mouse
☐ bird
☐ other
☐ I hate animals

See: <https://mastering-shiny.org/basic-ui.html>

Server Block

Relies on reactive programming where inputs are directly connected to output

```
ui <- fluidPage(  
  textInput("name", "What's your name?"),  
  textOutput("greeting")  
)  
  
server <- function(input, output, session) {  
  output$greeting <- renderText({  
    paste0("Hello ", input$name, "!")  
  })  
}
```

See: <https://mastering-shiny.org/basic-reactivity.html>

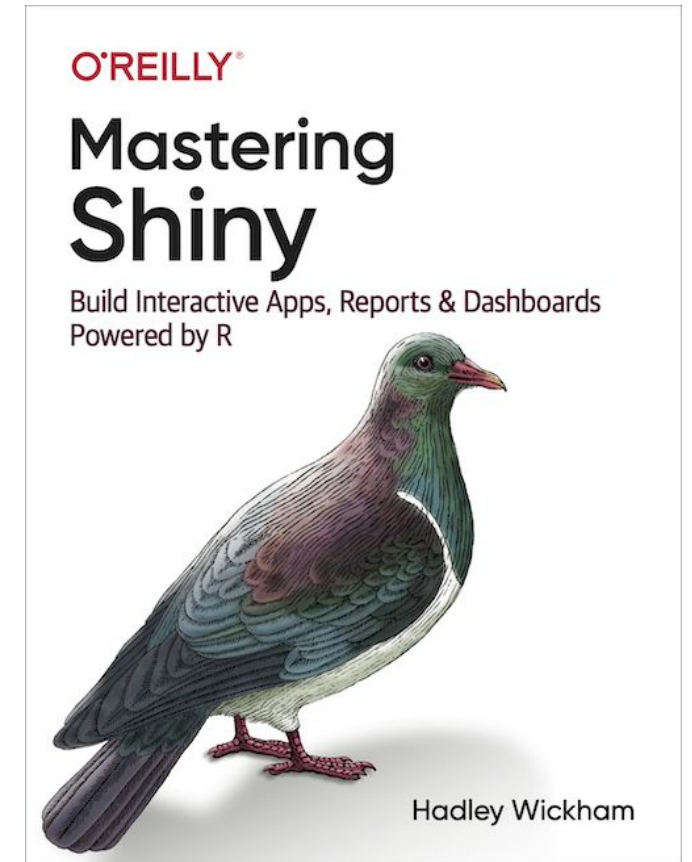


Additional Reading

<https://mastering-shiny.org/index.html>

<https://ourcodingclub.github.io/tutorials/shiny/>

<https://jcoliver.github.io/learn-r/016-intro-shiny.html>





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