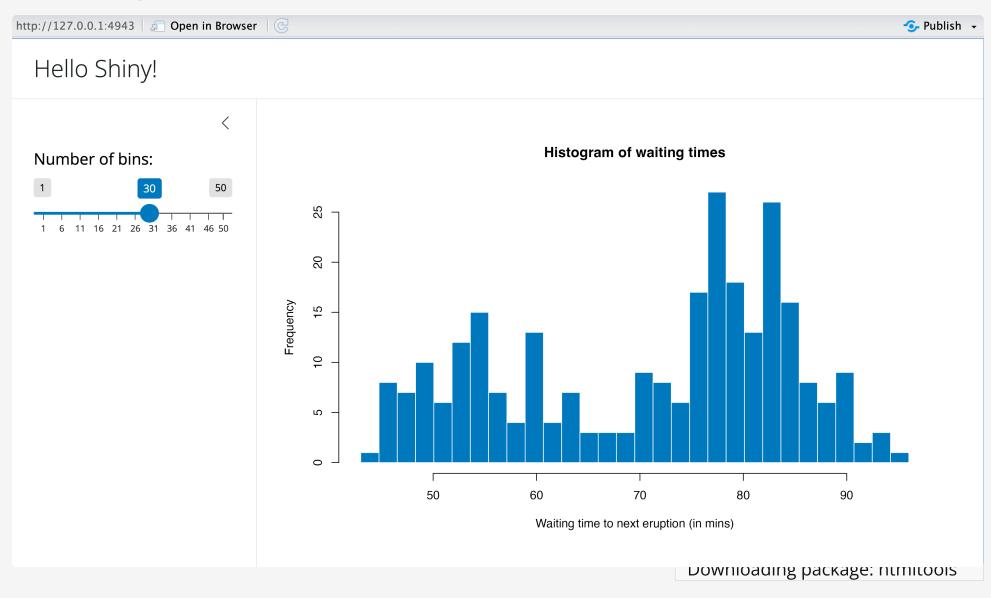
Interactivity

Downloading package: evaluate

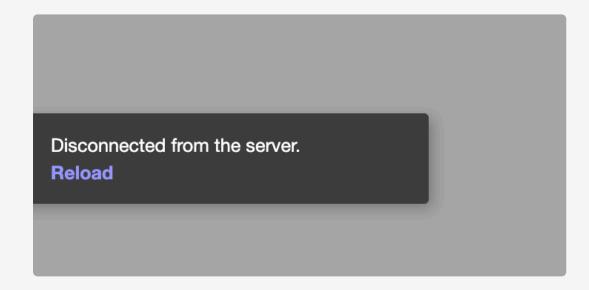
Interactive elements

Shiny is fine!



But Shiny has problems!

- Requires a whole live server
- Is often difficult to learn
- Slow to load
- Times out regularly

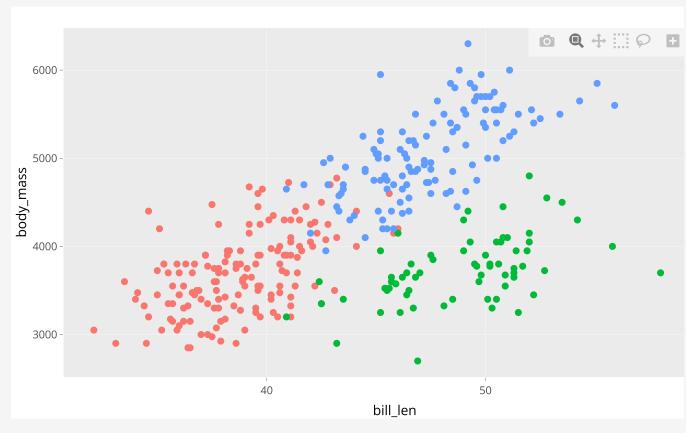


Newer approaches to interactivity

- {plotly} and {ggiraph}
 - Regular R + ggplot, but can't deal with live data
- Observable JS
 - Can deal with live data (even remote APIs), but uses a different language
- quarto-live (→ LITERAL MAGIC→)
 - Can deal with live data and uses regular R/Python

Plotly

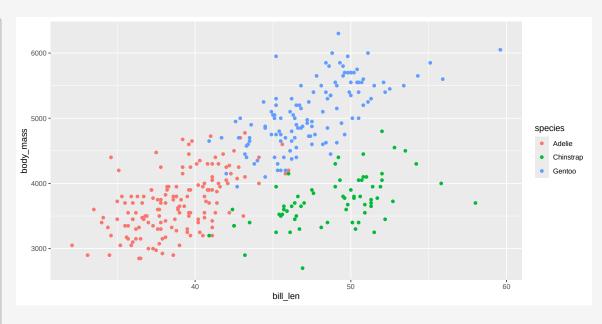
plotly::ggplotly() automatically converts ggplot
objects to plotly plots



1 ggplotly(basic_plot

Downloading package: ggplot2

{ggiraph}



```
1 girafe(ggobj = plot_thing)
```

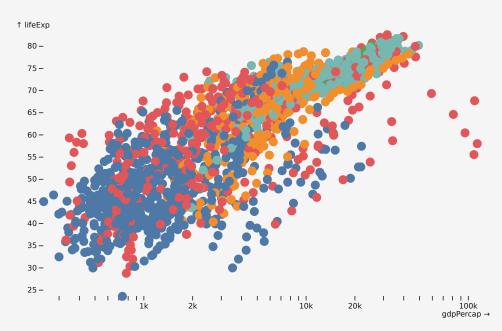
Observable Plot

This is R:

```
1 library(gapminder)
2
3 # Make the gapminder data available to Observable J
4 ojs_define(gapminder = gapminder)
```

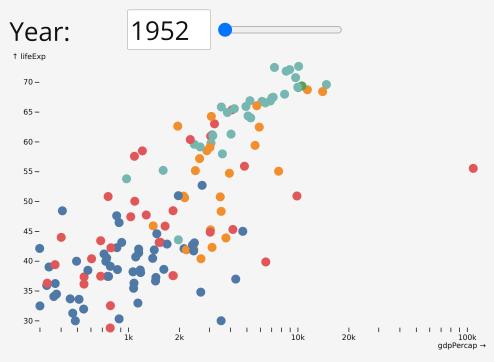
This is Observable JS:

```
gapminder_js = transpose(gapminder)
   Plot.plot({
     x: {type: "log"},
     marks: [
       Plot.dot(gapminder_js, {
           x: "gdpPercap", y: "lifeExp", fill: "contin
10
           channels: {
11
             Country: d => d.country
12
13
14
           tip: true
15
16
17
18 )
```



Observable Plot

```
4 viewof current_year = Inputs.range(
     [1952, 2007],
     {value: 1952, step: 5, label: "Year:"}
 9 // Filter the data based on the selected year
10 gapminder_filtered = gapminder_js.filter(d => d.yea
11
12 Plot.plot({
     x: {type: "log"},
14
     marks: [
       Plot.dot(gapminder_filtered, {
15
           x: "gdpPercap", y: "lifeExp", fill: "contin
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```



Observable Plot examples

- Quarto documentation + Observable Plot documentation + Arquero vs. {dplyr}
- Quarto OJS examples
- Hack Your Way To Scientific Glory
- Using USAID data to make fancy world maps with Observable Plot + ForeignAssistance dot gov emergency backup
- Dashboard with OJS chunks

Our turn

Play with {plotly} and {ggiraph}

Together we'll make some plots with plotly::ggplotly() and ggiraph::girafe() (see this for a general ggplotly tutorial)

I'll post all the final code on the course website when we're done.

Play with Observable

jk we won't do that today. It's a whole different language and takes a while to get used to. Do this on your own—it's neat!

Dashboards

Dashboard detour

With {plotly} and {ggiraph}, you know enough to make basic dashboards!

```
title: My dashboard
format: dashboard
## Row
```{r}
Row
```

## **Dashboard layouts**

Quarto uses special Markdown syntax to place dashboard components in dashboard layouts.

```
title: "Palmer Penguins"
author: "Someone cool"
format: dashboard
 Chart 1
Row {height=70%}
```{r}
## Row {height=30%}
```{python}
 Chart 2 Chart 3
```{ojs}
```

Documentation: https://quarto.org/docs/dashboards/layout.html

Dashboard components

- Plots
- Tables
- Value boxes
- Text and content cards

Dynamic content

- Dashboards are still static HTML sites
 - If using live data, you're limited(ish) to OJS
- Dashboards can connect to Shiny servers though
 - But then the site has to live on a Shiny server

Our turn

Make a dashboard about penguins

Together we'll make an interactive dashboard about the Palmer Penguins.

I'll post all the final code on the course website when we're done.

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webRand Quarto Live

R in the browser

webR is a special version of R that's compiled for Javascript and Node.js using WebAssembly



tl;dr

Through compiled Javascript magic, you can run R in your browser.

Quarto Live makes it trivial to use (and it works with Python and Pyodide)

Enabling webR

Install the extension:

```
Terminal
quarto add r-wasm/quarto-live
```

Use special format and include special file (for now)

```
format: live-html
engine: knitr
---

{{< include ./_extensions/r-wasm/live/_knitr.qmd >}}
```

Using webR

Make webr chunks

Install packages

You don't have access to *every* package on CRAN; packages have to be compiled for WebAssembly/Javascript (many/most are though!)

Packages come from the webR public package repository

```
1 ---
2 format: live-html
3 webr:
4  packages:
5  - dplyr
6  - palmerpenguins
7  - ggplot2
8 ---
```

Teaching with webR

```
exercise.qmd

1 Fill in the blank to fill the density plots by species
2
3 ```{webr}
4 #| exercise: ex_1
5 ggplot(palmerpenguins::penguins, aes(x = body_mass_g)) +
6 geom_density(aes(____), alpha = 0.7)
7 ```
```

```
Exercise Start Over

1 ggplot(palmerpenguins::penguins, aes(x = body_mass_g)) +
2 geom_density(aes(_____), alpha = 0.7)
```

More with exercises

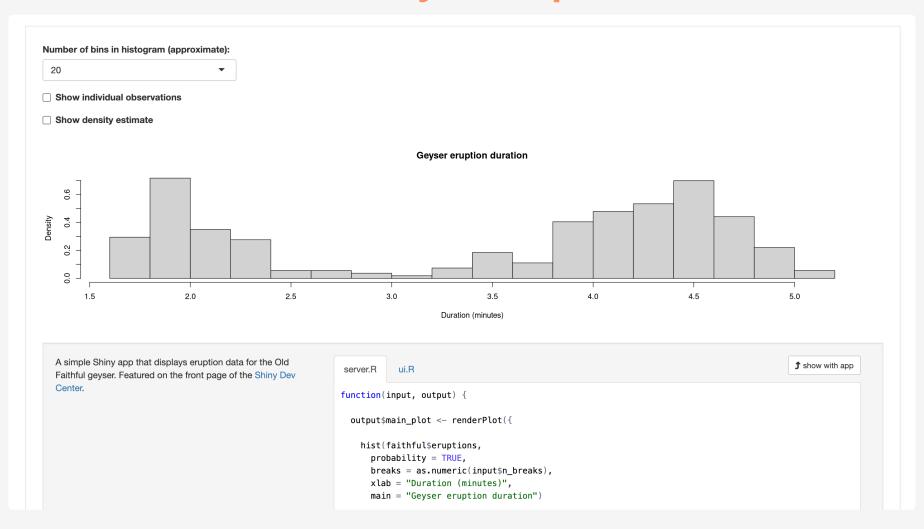
- R for Data Science exercises and lessons
- "Grade" exercises and provide feedback

Use OJS to interact with live R

Replicate/replace basic Shiny apps!

Old Faithful app

Classic Old Faithful Shiny example



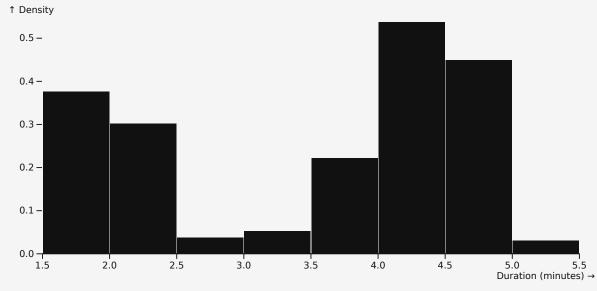
Old Faithful app with OJS

(2 hours fighting with Claude...); see website for full code

Number of bins

- Show individual observations
- Show density estimate

Bandwidt 1 adjustment.



Old Faithful app with webR

(8 minutes reading the documentation); see website for full code

Number of bins

Show individual observations

Show density estimate

Geyser eruption duration

Our turn

Together we'll do this:

- 1. Create a {webr} chunk that helps teach something and provides feedback
- 2. Recreate the **Shiny k-means example**
- 3. Bonus: Make a live ggplot plot!

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What's next?

Course outline

- Intro to Quarto
- Creating basic websites
- Advanced website features
- Publishing
- Customization and branding
- Interactivity

Stay curious and keep playing