



MET CS688 C1

WEB ANALYTICS AND MINING

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USING SHINY

Using package shiny

- Shiny brings R to the Web and combines the computational power of R with the interactivity of the modern web.
- Shiny is an R package that makes it easy to build interactive web applications (apps) and visualizations straight from R.

`install.packages("shiny")`

- To use it, not that much web development skills are needed.
- Shiny apps have two components:
 - user-interface script (`ui.R`) - controls the layout and appearance of the app.
 - server script (`server.R`) - contains the instructions that the computer needs to build the app.
- Shiny app are created simply by making a new directory and saving a *ui.R* and *server.R* file inside it.
- Every Shiny app has the same structure: two R scripts saved together in a directory.
- The user-interface (`ui`) script controls the layout and appearance of the app. It is defined in a source script named *ui.R*.
- The *server.R* script contains the instructions that the computer needs to build the app.
- Note that each app will need its own unique directory.

Using package shiny

- The Shiny apps collect a value from the user through widgets (web elements)
 - Widget a way for users to send messages to the Shiny app.
 - The widgets are added to a web page in the same way that another types of HTML content
- Another thing to notice is that the Shiny apps automatically responds to user changes in the widgets. Here is the Shiny Widgets Gallery
<http://shiny.rstudio.com/gallery/widget-gallery.html>
- The reactive output is achieved by adding an R object to the user-interface with *ui.R* and calling the widget value of the R object in *server.R*
- In addition to the two regular scripts *ui.R* and *server.R* you can include other scripts too.
- You would reference them in *server.R* as
`source("MyRscript.R")`

Using Shiny R package

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Exercise: Create Shiny Web App

- Try code Example 8 Shiny app code that turns into a Web App the previous “GoogleNewsSource” search for a user specified query.
- This is illustrated on the next few slides.

Example 7: Shiny app code that search "YahooNewsSource"

Shiny app that searches "YahooNewsSource" for a search query specified by the user.

Note:

- The default is "Web Analytics"
- Next the query "Microsoft" was typed.

This app uses the single line of code

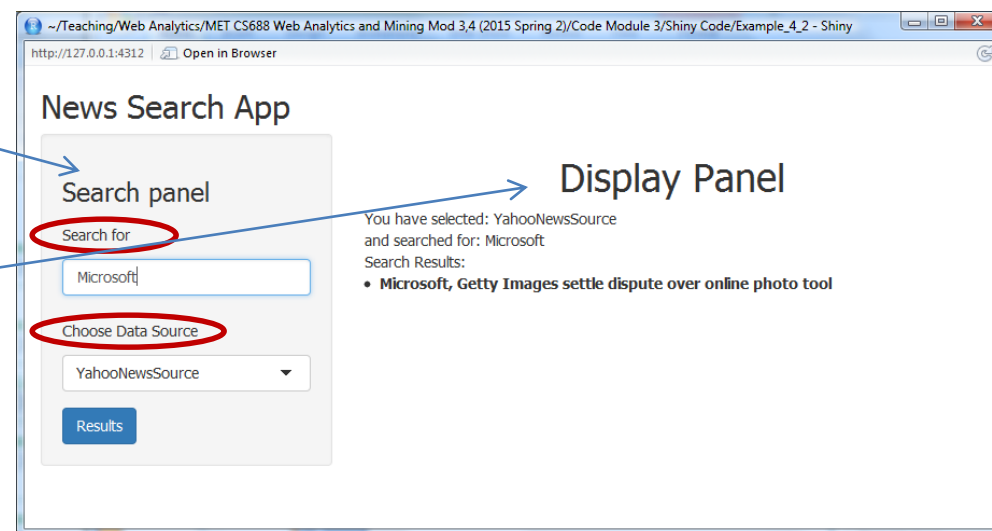
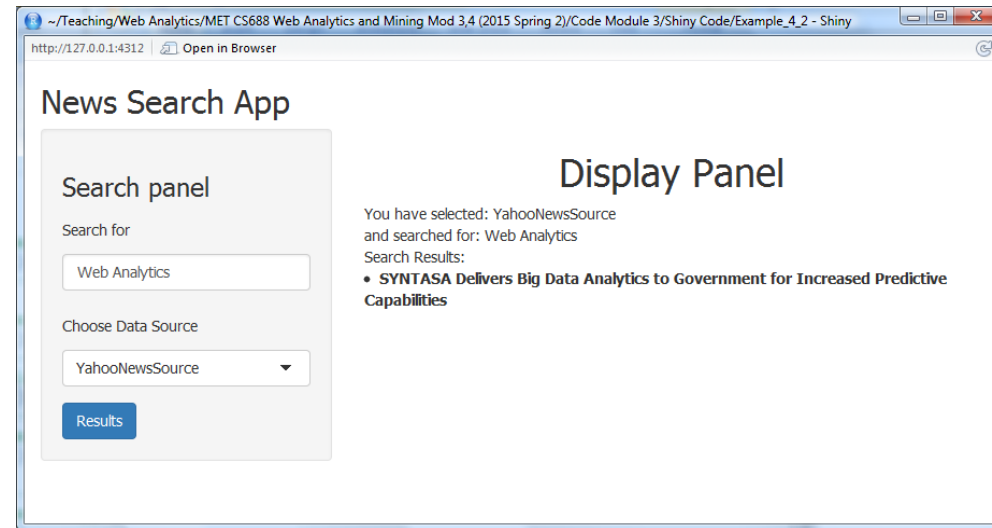
```
result <- WebCorpus(YahooNewsSource("Web Analytics"))
```

The search panel (on the left) contains two fields:

- one to choose what to search for
- another one to choose the data source.
- It also contains a button to submit the result.

The search results are displayed on the right (in the display panel).

The app responds automatically to user's changes in the widgets.



Example 7: Shiny app code that search "YahooNewsSource"

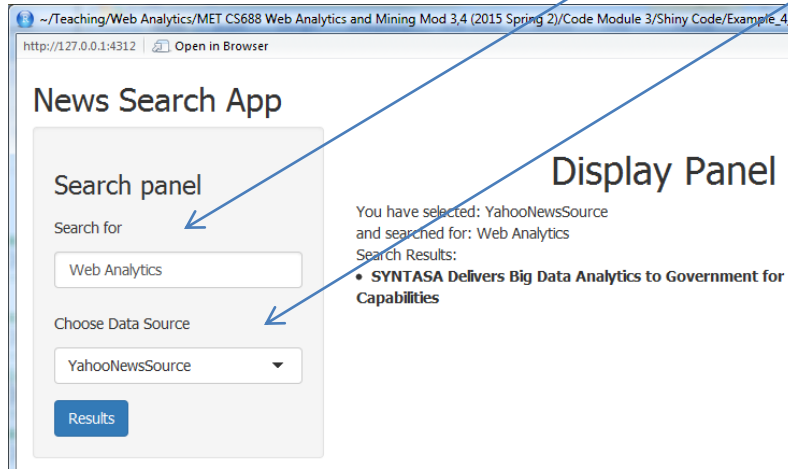
- Note: You run a Shiny app with `runApp(app's folder)`
 - The "YahooNewsSource" example line is in bold.
 - Note the WebSource is referenced (`input$text.Search`), which is specified in the user-interface script (`ui.R`)
- The rest of the code just displays the first heading of the result in an HTML format.

```
# Example 4.2: Shiny app that search "YahooNewsSource" for a keyword that we specify
# server.R
library(shiny)
library(tm)
library(tm.plugin.webmining)
# Define server logic required to implement search
shinyServer(function(input, output) {
  output$text1 <- renderUI({
    Str1 <- paste("You have selected:", input$select)
    Str2 <- paste("and searched for:", input$text.Search)
    result <- WebCorpus(YahooNewsSource(input$text.Search))
    dataOutput <- paste("<li>",strong(meta(result[[1]])$heading),"</li>") # Get the first result
    Str3 <- "Search Results:"
    HTML(paste(Str1, Str2, Str3, dataOutput, sep = '<br/>'))
  })
})
```

Example 7: Shiny app code that search "YahooNewsSource"

Note:

- Widget **textInput()** creates a field to enter text.
- Widget **selectInput()** creates select list control.
- The first two arguments for each widget are:
 - Name (i.e. "text.Search")
 - Label (label = h5("Search for"))



```
# Example 3: Shiny app that search "YahooNewsSource" for a specify search query
# ui.R
library(shiny)

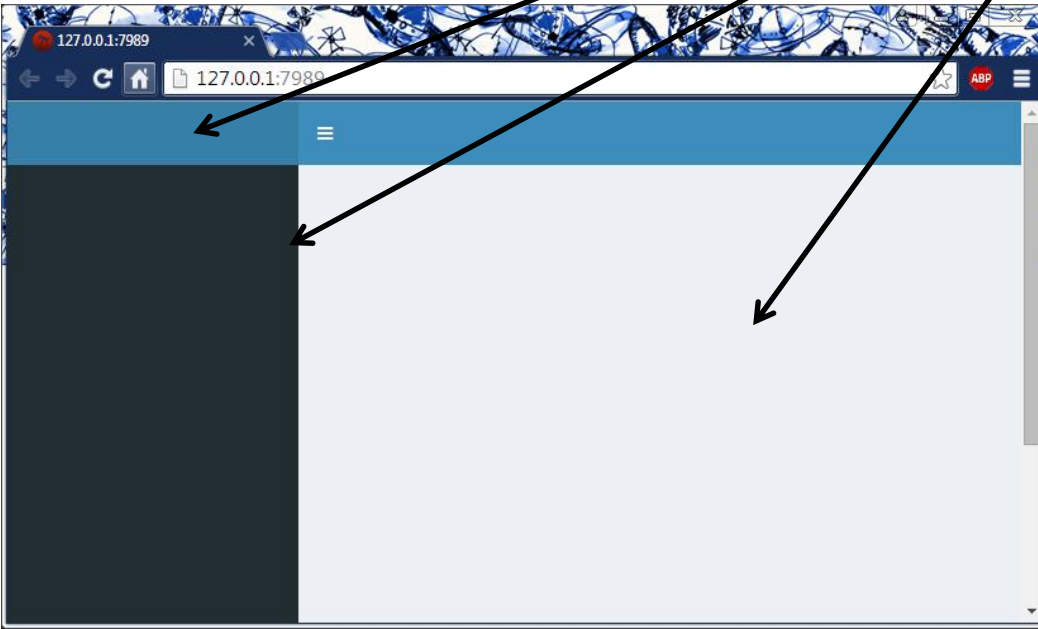
# Define UI for application
shinyUI(fluidPage(
  titlePanel("News Search App"), # Application title (Panel 1)

  sidebarLayout(
    sidebarPanel(h3("Search panel"),
      # Search for
      textInput("text.Search", label = h5("Search for"),
        value = " Web Analytics"),
      # Where to search
      selectInput("select",
        label = h5("Choose Data Source"),
        choices = c("YahooNewsSource", "GoogleNewsSource"),
        selected = "Yahoo! News"),
      # Start Search
      submitButton("Results")
    ),
    # Display Panel (Panel 3)
    mainPanel(
      h1("Display Panel", align = "center"),
      htmlOutput("text1")
    )
  )
))
```


Shinydashboard

Similarly Shinydashboard also contains 3 panels

- dashboardHeader
- dashboardSidebar
- dashboardBody



```
# Single script app
# Shinydashboard Example
## app.R ##
library(shiny)
library(shinydashboard)

ui <- dashboardPage(
  dashboardHeader(),
  dashboardSidebar(),
  dashboardBody()
)

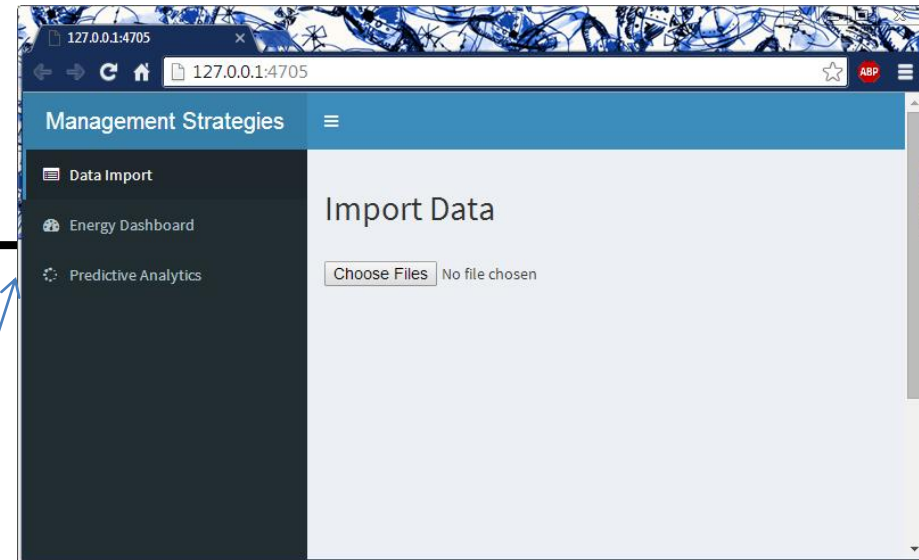
server <- function(input, output) { }

shinyApp(ui, server)
```

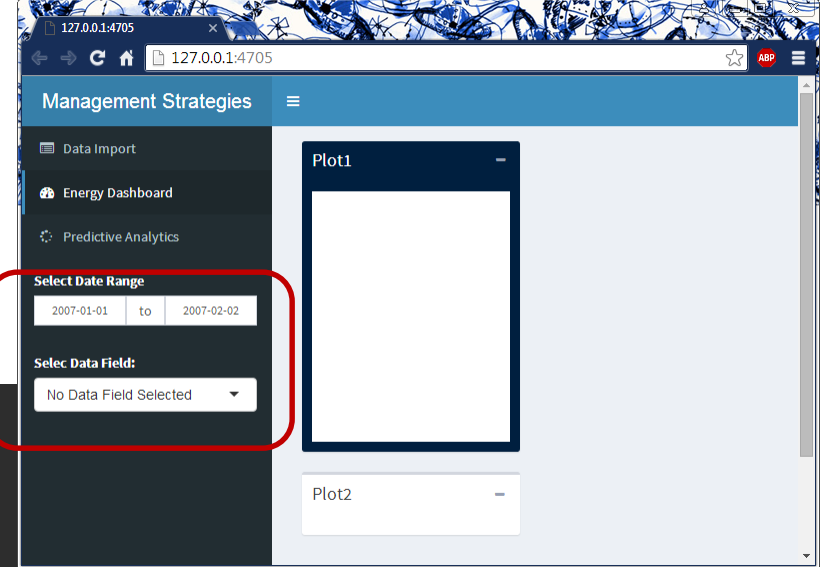
Building your first Shinydashboard

- In a similar fashion to Tabs, Menu items are added to `dashboardSidebar()`.
- The header is added with

```
## app.R ##  
library(shiny)  
library(shinydashboard)  
ui <- dashboardPage(  
  dashboardHeader(title = "Management Strategies", titleWidth = 250,  
    dropdownMenuOutput("messageMenu")  
  ),  
  
  dashboardSidebar(  
    width = 250,  
    dashboardSidebar(width = 250,  
      sidebarMenu(id="menu",  
        menuItem("Data Import", tabName = "readdata", icon = icon("list-alt")),  
        menuItem("Energy Dashboard", tabName = "dashboard", icon = icon("dashboard")),  
        menuItem("Predictive Analytics", tabName = "analytics", icon = icon("spinner"))  
      )  
    ),  
  dashboardBody()  
)  
server <- function(input, output) { }  
shinyApp(ui, server)
```



- A conditional panel can be created depending on the selected menu, in this case when menu with tabName “dashboard” is selected two other widgets are displayed



```
1 library(shiny)
2 library(shinydashboard)
3 library(googleVis)
4
5
6 ui <- dashboardPage(
7   dashboardHeader(title = "Management Strategies", titleWidth = 250,
8     dropdownMenuOutput("messageMenu")
9 ),
10
11   dashboardSidebar(
12     width = 250,
13     sidebarMenu(id="menu",
14       menuItem("Data Import", tabName = "readdata", icon = icon("list-alt")),
15       menuItem("Energy Dashboard", tabName = "dashboard", icon = icon("dashboard")),
16       menuItem("Predictive Analytics", tabName = "analytics", icon = icon("spinner"))
17     ),
18     conditionalPanel(
19       condition = "input.menu == 'dashboard'",
20       dateRangeInput('dateRange',
21         label = 'Select Date Range',
22         start = "2007-01-01", end = "2007-02-02"),
23       selectizeInput("selectedData", ("Selec Data Field:"),
24         options = list(dropdownParent = 'body'),
25         choices = c("No Data Field Selected"))
26     ),
27   ),
28   dashboardBody(
29
```

- The content of the dashboardBody() for each menu name is created here. Note that menu1 "readdata" contains fileInput() widget while menu2 "dashboard" contains 2 plots.

```
29 dashboardBody(  
30   tabItems(  
31     # 1 First tab content  
32     tabItem(tabName = "readdata",  
33             h2("Import Data"),  
34             fileInput('fileIn', '', multiple=T, accept=c('application/txt')) # Data Loading  
35           ),  
36  
37     # 2 Second tab content  
38     tabItem(tabName = "dashboard",  
39             fluidRow(  
40               column(width = 12,  
41                 box( title = "Plot1", background = "navy", collapsible = TRUE,  
42                     plotOutput("plot1", height = 250)  
43                 )),  
44               column(width = 12,  
45                 box( title = "Plot2", collapsible = TRUE, #widht = 900,  
46                     htmlOutput("plot2", height = 250)  
47                 ))  
48             )  
49           ),  
50  
51     # 3 Tab content  
52     tabItem(tabName = "analytics",  
53             h2("Machine Learning Tools")  
54           )  
55   )  
56 )  
57 )  
58  
59 server <- function(input, output, session) {  
60   # Plot 1  
61   # Plot 2  
62   # Analytics  
63   # ...  
64 }
```

The “server” function contains most of the code that does the work.

```
59 server <- function(input, output, session) {  
60   source("DataPreprocessing.R") # Call to script  
61   options(shiny.maxRequestSize=130*1024^2) # Increase Shiny upload maximum of 130Mb  
62  
63  
64   # Initialize reactiveValues  
65   values <- reactiveValues(EnergyData = data.frame(),  
66                             Selected.Field.Indx = 1,  
67                             Selected.Field.Data = 1,  
68                             File.Data = 1  
69                             ) # Set init Reactive Values  
70  
71   observe({  
72  
73     if (is.null(input$fileIn)) # Anything below does not execute until file is selected  
74       return(NULL)  
75     inFile <- input$fileIn  
76     fileNames <- inFile$name  
77  
78     print(input$dateRange)  
79  
80  
81     load(inFile$datapath)  
82     power$Date <- as.Date(power$Date, format="%d/%m/%Y")  
83     power <- power[complete.cases(power),] # remove NA  
84  
85     FROM <- 2; TO <- 1;  
86     updateSelectizeInput(session, "selectedData", choices = head(tail(names(power),n=-FROM),-TO))  
87  
88     temp <- Data_Preprocessing(power,c(power$Date[1],tail(power$Date,1)))  
89     isolate({ values$EnergyData <- temp })  
90  
91   })  
92 }
```

Run R script & Specify data upload size

Set global variables used in server.

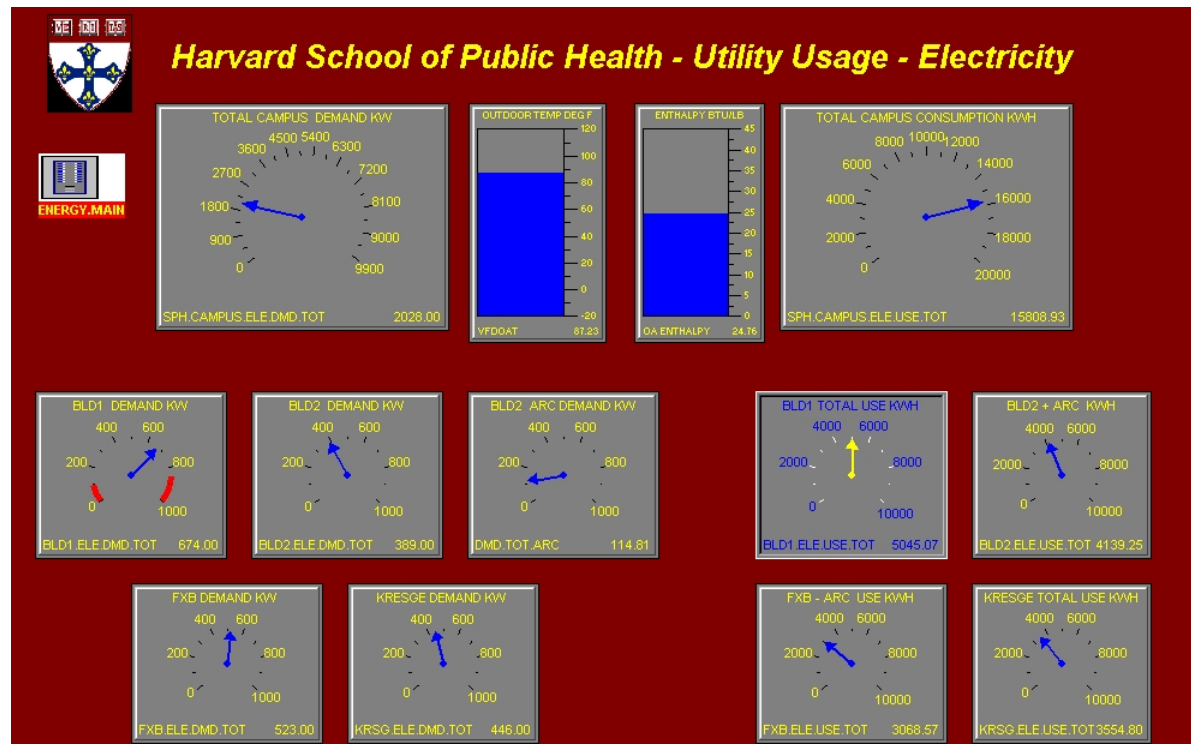
Used for Input/Output immediate execution on change such as file load.

Populates with data the “dashboard” menu widget “selectedData”.

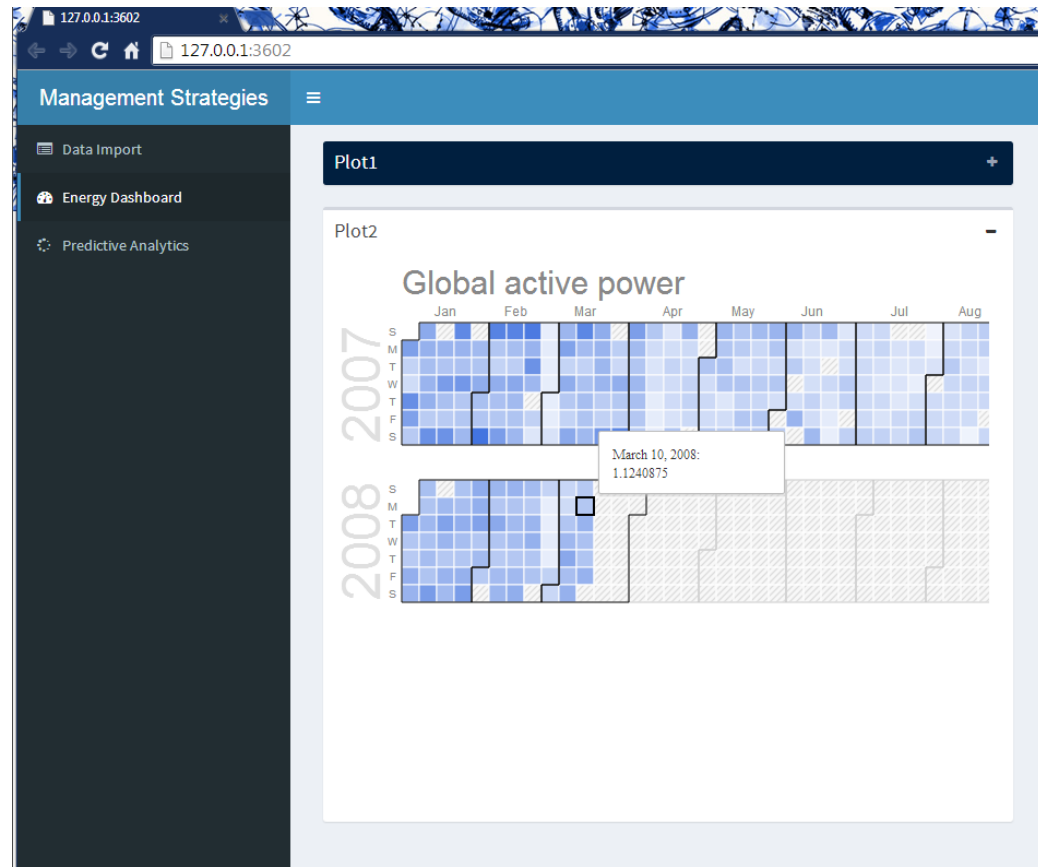
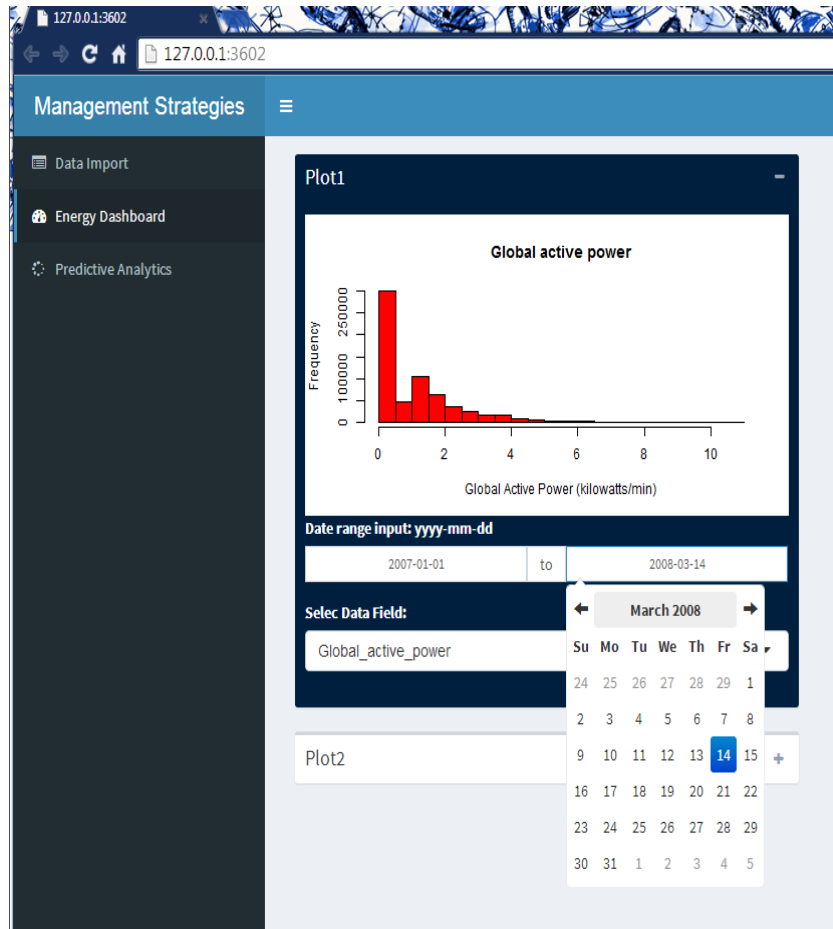
Populate with data the global server variable “EnergyData”. Note how “isolate({})” is used to change its value, otherwise the variable value is used as “values\$EnergyData”.

Case Study

- This is the application interface (as of 2015) that Harvard School of Public Health and Boston College are using for energy management.



More user friendly Energy Management Dashboard can be easily created and relevant data visualized with Shiny Dashboard and Google visualization package using all of the statistical and computational power of R.



Ranking

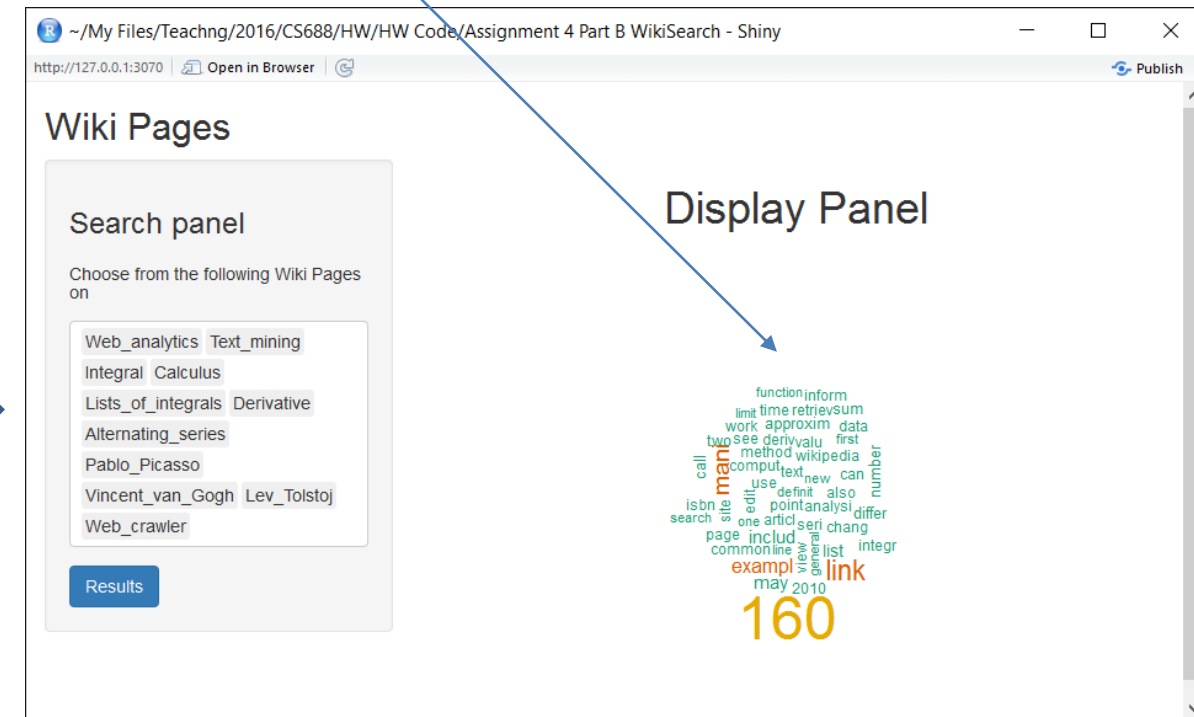
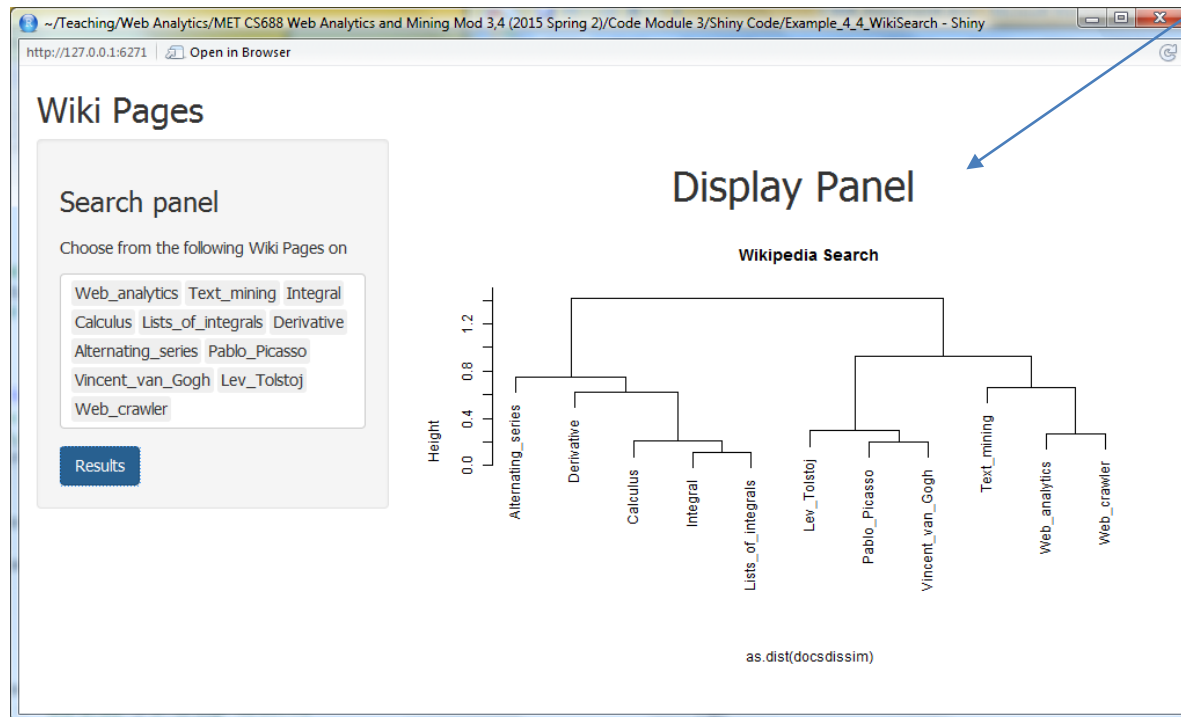
- Discrepancy between the terms in a web page, and how web users would describe that web page.
- Thus crawling may not extract text that is useful for indexing of these pages.
- Ranking—The search engine compares the query to the documents in the index and ranks documents according to how closely they match the query.
- The interconnection of the web pages can be represented in a graph.
 - Nodes (web pages)
 - Edges (links or endorsements)
- A possible way to deal with this problem is to introduce scoring and ranking measures derived from the graph's link structure.
- The math (SVD) behind typical ranking-finding similar web pages such as HITS algorithm similar to document similarity in text mining.

WikiSearch – Exercise/Assignment

- Task: Rank how close are the several selected Wikipedia pages
 - Use code from Example 8 to create a Web app to
 - Download the pages, analyze the text content and
 - Find similarity between them
- Note the similarity depends not that much on the most common words to all documents but on the most common words in a particular **subset** of document.
- As in any ML task (classification, clustering, etc.) figuring out which data features are common to a particular subset is the most important aspect.
- Profiling the data (visually) is always necessary.
- Follow assignment WikiSearch instructions

WikiSearch – Assignment

- Modify WikiSearch web app by just adding few lines of code to display the most frequent words in a word cloud.
- Web page selection - by removing or adding additional Wikipedia web pages.
- Modify WikiSearch web app and change the application from this to this
- Simple task, just add few lines of code in WikiSearch.R.
- These are lines of code you already have used before.



Checkout package wordcloud2 <https://cran.r-project.org/web/packages/wordcloud2/vignettes/wordcloud.html>

Example Search Wikipedia web pages: Script ui.R

- As before creates the Panels
 1. The object "titles" that contains the titles of the several Wikipedia web pages is passed to "choices" in `selectInput()`.
 2. The widget `selectInput()` has an argument multiple set to TRUE so multiple choices can be selected/deselected.
 3. Before in `mainPanel()` we had `htmlOutput()` to display an HTML text.
 4. Now we use `plotOutput()` in `mainPanel()` to be able to display a plot in the Display Panel.
- **For the Assignment 4 it is good enough to just wordcloud-plot for the most frequent terms.**
- The rest of the code is standard compared to the previous ui.R script that you have used.

```
# Example 4: Shiny app that search Wikipedia web pages
# ui.R
library(shiny)
titles <- c("Web_analytics","Text_mining","Integral", "Calculus",
            "Lists_of_integrals", "Derivative","Alternating_series",
            "Pablo_Picasso","Vincent_van_Gogh","Lev_Tolstoj","Web_crawler")
# Define UI for application
shinyUI(fluidPage(
  # Application title (Panel 1)
  titlePanel("Wiki Pages"),
  # Widget (Panel 2)
  sidebarLayout(
    sidebarPanel(h3("Search panel"),
      # Where to search
      selectInput("select",
        label = h5("Choose from the following Wiki Pages on"),
        choices = titles,
        selected = titles, multiple = TRUE),
      # Start Search
      submitButton("Results")
    ),
    # Display Panel (Panel 3)
    mainPanel(
      h1("Display Panel",align = "center"),
      plotOutput("distPlot")
    )
  )
))
```

Example Search Wikipedia web pages: Script server.R

- Note what you need to change in **server.R**
 - This code returns result from "WikiSearch.R"
 - This code plots the results as a dendrogram.
 - You need a wordcloud instead.

```
# Example 4: Shiny app that search Wikipedia web pages
# server.R
library(shiny)
library(tm)
library(stringi)
library(proxy)
source("WikiSearch.R")

shinyServer(function(input, output) {
  output$distPlot <- renderPlot({
    # Progress Bar while executing function
    withProgress({
      setProgress(message = "Mining Wikipedia ...")
      result <- SearchWiki(input$select)
    })
    plot(result, labels = input$select, sub = "", main="Wikipedia Search")
  })
})
```

Example Search Wikipedia web pages: Script WikiSearch.R

- The reference to the used libraries and the script *WikiSearch.R*.
 1. The script *WikiSearch.R* uses *lapply()* to download all of the selected web pages and to create a corpus.
 2. Some items are removed (articles) to save space.
 3. The preprocessing as before is done with the *content_transformer()* function and then applied to the corpus with *tm_map()*.
 4. The document term matrix is formed and it can be fairly large for a larger set of web pages.
 5. Note the reduction of the document term matrix by removing the sparse terms.
 6. In this particular case the euclidian distance measure is used for hierarchical clustering.
- Note that it may take some time to execute the *WikiSearch.R* script before it displays the result.

```
# Example 4: Shiny app that search Wikipedia web pages
# Wikipedia Search

library(tm)
library(stringi)
library(WikipediR)

SearchWiki <- function (titles) {
  articles <- lapply(titles,function(i) page_content("en","wikipedia", page_name =
i,as_wikitext=TRUE)$parse$wikitext)
  docs <- Corpus(VectorSource(articles)) # Get Web Pages' Corpus
  remove(articles)

  # Text analysis - Preprocessing
  transform.words <- content_transformer(function(x, from, to) gsub(from, to, x))
  temp <- tm_map(docs, transform.words, "<.+?>", " ")
  temp <- tm_map(temp, transform.words, "\\t", " ")
  temp <- tm_map(temp, content_transformer(tolower)) # Conversion to Lowercase
  temp <- tm_map(temp, stripWhitespace)
  temp <- tm_map(temp, removeWords, stopwords("english"))
  temp <- tm_map(temp, removePunctuation)
  temp <- tm_map(temp, stemDocument, language = "english") # Perform Stemming
  remove(docs)

  # Create Dtm
  dtm <- DocumentTermMatrix(temp)
  dtm <- removeSparseTerms(dtm, 0.4)
  dtm$dimnames$Docs <- titles

  docsdissim <- dist(as.matrix(dtm), method = "euclidean") # Distance Measure
  h <- hclust(as.dist(docsdissim), method = "ward.D2") # Group Results
}
```

Assignment Hints

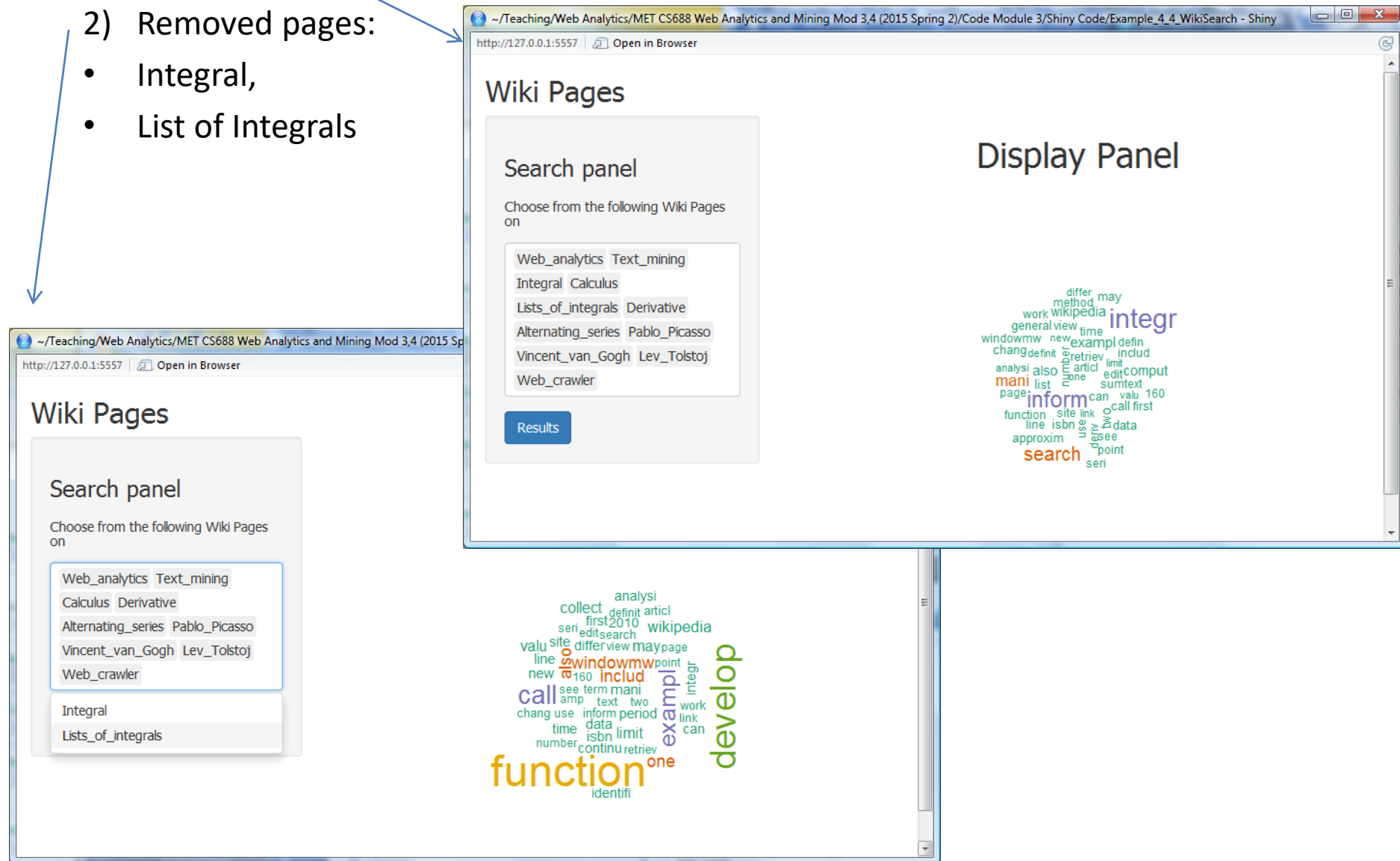
- Easiest maybe to create a script and test without Shiny, and then add it to Shiny.
- Changes are needed only at the plotting part.
- You would need to disable the code for hierarchical clustering.
- You already know how to find the most frequent terms from a **matrix** of dtm.
- Note it is easier to order the terms in decreasing order, you can find out how
 - `> ?order`
- Considering the decreasing order (most to list frequent) it is easier instead of `tail()` to use `head()`. Check how do you select the n first terms using `head()`.
 - `> ?head`
- At the end it is just a matter of replacing the hierarchical plot line in the Example code with the line for wordcloud. Something like:
 - `wordcloud(names(freq[head(ord,n=50)]), freq[head(ord,n=50)], scale=c(4,0.9), colors=brewer.pal(6, "Dark2"))`
- You can find more on the `scale()` and the other wordcloud options from the help files.

Word cloud for the 50 most common words for:

1) All the Wiki Pages

2) Removed pages:

- Integral,
- List of Integrals



Word Clouds in Shiny

If you are more enthusiastic about this for more in depth example you can see:

- <http://shiny.rstudio.com/gallery/word-cloud.html>

