Real world reproducible research

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Research

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"the full software environment, code, and data that produce the results"
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- Buckheit and Donoho, 1995; Donoho, 2010, 385

Reproducible

- Computational work is reproducible if one can take the data and the code and produce the same set of results.
- Minimum Standard

The data and code used to make a finding are available and they are sufficient for an independent researcher to recreate the finding

-C. Gandrud, Reproducible Research with R and RStudio

Reproducible ≠ Correct

- Code may have bugs.
- Methods may be poorly behaved.
- Could be experimental artifacts.

"a study can be reproducible and still be wrong."

- Peng, 2014

Keys to Reproducibility

• Data

• Code

• Sufficient to recreate independently.

The most important tool is the mindset, when starting, that the end product will be reproducible.

-Keith Baggerly