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Empowering Institutional Research

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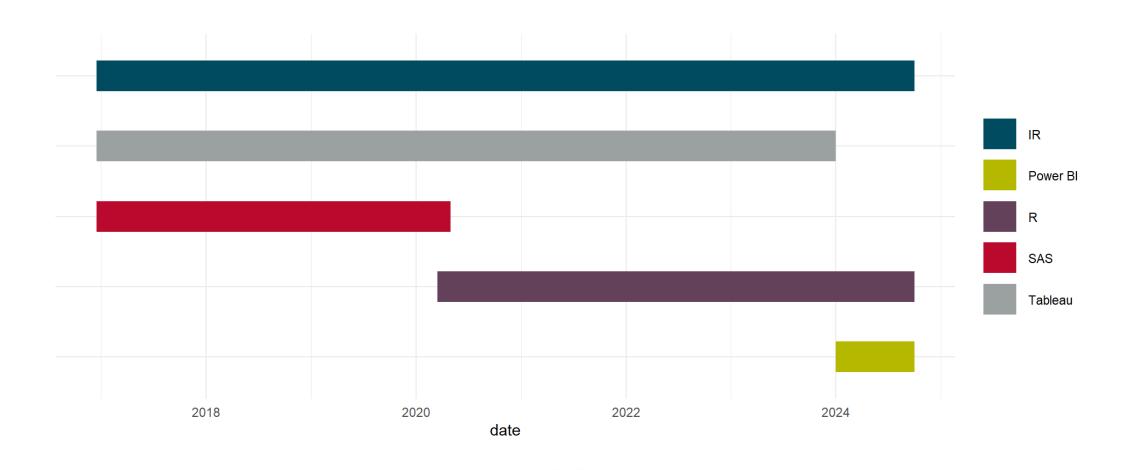
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Agenda

- Issues IR staff face with B.I.
- Potential Solution
- Live Demo
- UGA use cases
- Other potential use cases
- Future possibilities
- Q&A

About Me



Problems with "Big B.I."

Let's discuss some pain points when using classic B.I. tools

Lacking Context



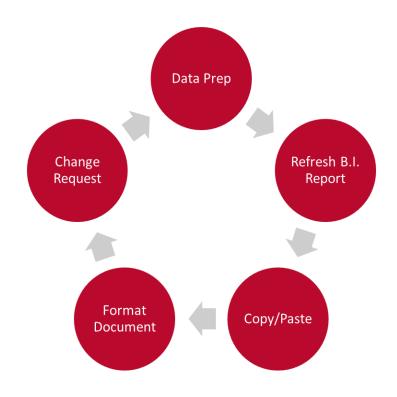
Data Prep

- Are you pulling data from multiple sources?
- Are you doing data prep in R, Python, Julia, etc.?
- Are you doing complex statistical work?

Public Dashboards

 Many B.I. tools have limitations when publishing to their public service

Copy/Paste Cycle



Potential Solution!

- Quarto is a new markdown platform that natively works in R, Python, Julia, and Observable. It blends scripts, output, and word processing to create beautiful documents, pdfs, presentations, and interactive HTML files
- Since R/Python etc. are open source, there are very few limitations (and they are FREE!)
- Downside is that the learning curve quickly steepens with additional complexities
 - Security, scheduling, etc.

Quarto can...

- **be authored** in your favorite code editor
- render from qmd or Jupyter notebook to PDF, Word, HTML, etc.
- execute code in R, Python, and more
- publish to GitHub Pages, Netlify, and more
- orchestrate multiple inputs and outputs with Quarto projects

Quarto can...

```
format: html
## IPEDS
This chart shows IPEDS data
 .ibrary(educationdata)
 library(ggplot2)
Library(dplyr)
sfa <- get education data(level = "college-university",
   filters = list(year = 2017, unitid = 139959)) %>%
  select (unitid, year, type of aid, income level,
         average_grant, total_grant, net_price,
         number of students, number receiving grants) %>%
  filter(type of aid==9,income level != 99) %>%
  arrange(income level) %>%
  mutate(income level desc = case when(
    income level == 1 ~ 'Less than $30,000',
    income level == 2 ~ '$30,001-$48,000',
    income level == 3 ~ '$48,001-$75,000',
    income level == 4 ~ '$75,001-$110,000',
    income level == 5 ~ '$110,001 or more'))
ggplot(data=(sfa %>%
  mutate(income level desc=factor(income level desc,
                                  levels=income level desc))),
       aes(y=income_level_desc, x=average_grant)) +
  geom bar (
 color="blue",
  fill=rgb(0.1,0.4,0.5,0.7)
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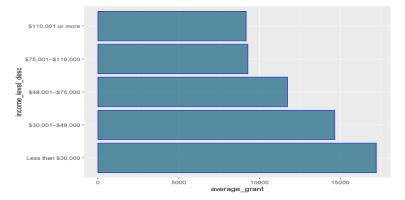
ggplot2 demo

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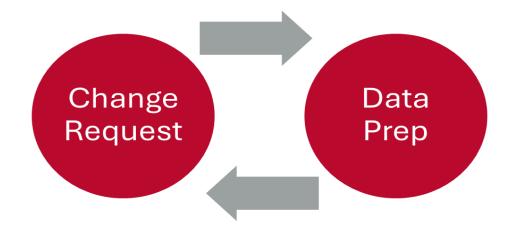




Quarto Cycle

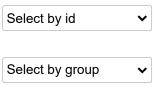


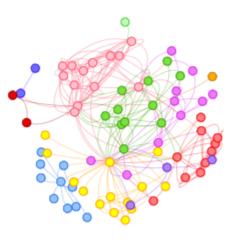
Quarto Cycle



Quarto takes code and (and text) and creates output locally

```
1  # Libraries
2  library(visNetwork)
3
4  nodes <- jsonlite::fromJSON("https://raw.githubuse
5
6  edges <- jsonlite::fromJSON("https://raw.githubuse
7
8
9  visNetwork(nodes, edges, height = "300px", width =
10  visOptions(selectedBy = "group",
11  highlightNearest = TRUE,
12  nodesIdSelection = TRUE) %>%
13  visPhysics(stabilization = FALSE)
```





Live Demo

Using IPEDS data to display financial aid data and net price at specific institutions.

UGA use case

- Law School Admissions Report
- Budget Planning Process
- Technical Documentation

Back to reality

- Quarto will not replace your enterprise B.I. tools
- It will work for some niche projects
 - Document creation, parameterization, reproducible
 - Complex math
 - nasty data prep
 - cool visualizations

Future Considerations

Because Quarto and R are open source, users are making more flexible applications Serverless deployment:

- webR
- Shinylive
- quarto-live

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All files available here:



