Interactive Visualisation with R (and just R)

Hands on Workshop @ #ODSC 2017 (13:30 - 15:00)

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The Interactive Data Network (IDN) provides support, training and consultancy in the development of interactive data visualisations of research data at Oxford University, provided by Research Support Services in IT Services.

We currently provide support in creating interactive visualisations using a variety of "point & click" and scripting tools, contact us for support in thinking about and presenting your research through web-based visualisations via researchsupport@it.ox.ac.uk

IDN Shinyapps.io

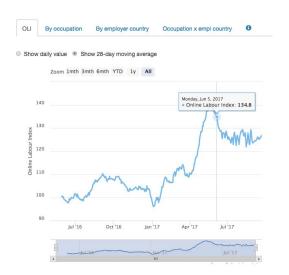
University of Oxford has a subscription to shinyapps.io where researchers may host their interactive data visualisations built using R and Shiny. To learn more about this read the <u>IDN</u> Shinyapps.io Guide, or email researchsupport@it.ox.ac.uk.

We provide the following support in producing visualisations for shinyapps.io:

- · Showcase of examples of visualisations we've built
- Overview of what R, htmlwidgets and Shiny are useful for
- Advice on developing <u>interactive visualisations with</u> <u>htmlwidgets</u>
- Template Shiny apps for common visualisation requirements

The visualisation embedded here is the result of Case Study with the Oxford Internet Institute to build an interactive dashboard for the Online Labour Index project

which seeks to provide the first economic indicator for the online gig economy. This is hosted on the IDN shinyapps.io account.



Supported Visualisation Tools

The IDN provides expertise and advice in using a wide variety of visualisation tools, click the images below for guides to the most popular tools we work with.







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The IDN supports researchers in creating and hosting interactive visualisations of research data.

Read more @ idn.it.ox.ac.uk



in LEARNING

Less about this. More about R.



Workshop Attendees: BEFORE ATTENDING PLEASE DO THE FOLLOWING

Setting up R, RStudio and all the packages

You must follow all of these steps BEFORE arriving to the workshop:

- An installation of R https://cran.r-project.org/
- An installation of RStudio https://www.rstudio.com/products/rstudio/download/

Before arriving at the workshop, please run the following code in RStudio:

```
install.packages("tidyverse")
install.packages("gapminder")
install.packages("shiny")
install.packages("leaflet")
install.packages("highcharter")
install.packages("plotly")
install.packages("visNetwork")
```

The following package also needs to be installed, if you have ANY problems when installaing the package please refer to the instructions https://github.com/r-spatial/sf:

```
install.packages("sf")
```

Provided the above package installs correctly please also run the following code:

```
install.packages("statesRcontiguous")
```

Obtaining the course materials

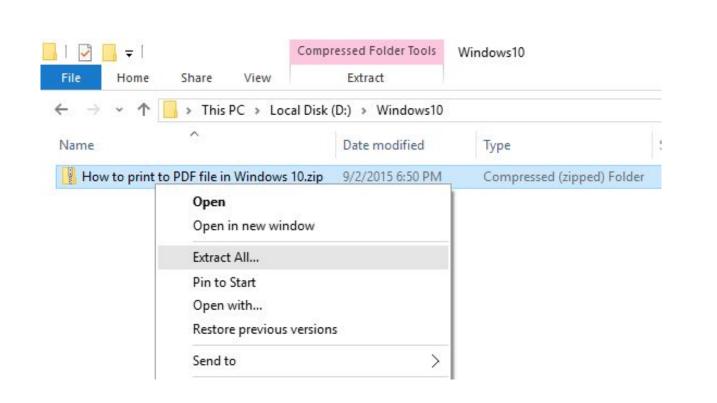
As close as possible to the course please download the materials in this repository (https://github.com/martinjhnhadley/2017-odsc-interactive-viz-with-R). Here's a short URL https://goo.gl/TXTrz3.

Click on "Clone or download" and select "Download as ZIP". Ensure to unzip the folders to a convenient location.



https://goo.gl/TXTrz3















Shiny,





R is the programming (or scripting) language we're using to make interactive viz!

If you need a quick intro:

datacamp.com/courses/intro-to-statistics-with-r-introduction



RStudio is *the* IDE for data science (and package development) for R.

The company behind it - RStudio - build tools which work seamlessly together to make your lives easier (and to make R more powerful).



htmlwidgets is a framework for building bindings between JavaScript libraries and R.





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htmlwidgets allows develops to build their own R packages that provide end-users with access to these high-level JavaScript libraries with R code.



htmlwidgets.org

htmlwidgets for R

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HTML widgets work just like R plots except they produce interactive web visualizations. A line or two of R code is all it takes to produce a D3 graphic or Leaflet map. HTML widgets can be used at the R console as well as embedded in R Markdown reports and Shiny web applications. In addition to the widgets featured below you may also want to check out the htmlwidgets gallery.

dygraphs Time series charting Plotly Interactive graphics with D3 rbokeh R interface to Bokeh Highcharter R interface to Highcharts visNetwork Graph data visualization with vis.js networkD3 Graph data visualization with D3 d3heatmap Interactive heatmaps with D3 DataTables Tabular data display

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Leaflet

http://rstudio.github.io/leaflet/

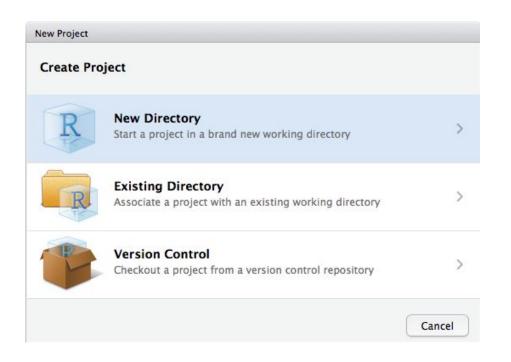
Leaflet is a JavaScript library for creating dynamic maps that support panning and zooming along with various annotations like markers, polygons, and popups.

```
library(leaflet)
pal <- colorquantile("YlOrRd", NULL, n = 8)
leaflet(orstationc) %>%
  addTiles() %>%
  addCircleMarkers(color = -pal(tann))
```



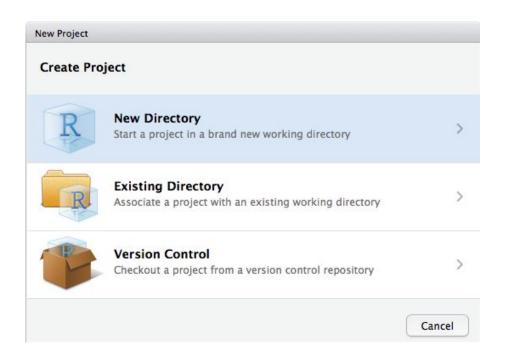


Leaflet



Make your life easy by making your work reproducible.

Start as you mean to go on.



Projects make file paths easy.

Projects give you structure.

Projects make code portable.



> install.packages("leaflet")

1 library("leaflet")

Leaflet

> head(quakes)

	lat	long	depth	mag	stations
1	-20.42	181.62	562	4.8	41
2	-20.62	181.03	650	4.2	15
3	-26.00	184.10	42	5.4	43
4	-17.97	181.66	626	4.1	19
5	-20.42	181.96	649	4.0	11
6	-19.68	184.31	195	4.0	12



```
quakes %>%
  leaflet() %>%
  addTiles() %>%
  addCircleMarkers()
```





I think the best motivating example for %>% comes from Hadley Wickham's talk in useR2016.

Citation:

twitter.com/AmeliaMN/status/748193609401327616













```
1 foo_foo <- little_bunny()
2 bop_on(scoop_up(hop_through(foo_foo,
3 3 2 1 forest),
4 field_mouse),
5 head)
```

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1 foo_foo <- little_bunny()</pre>
2 foo_foo %>%
    hop_through(forest) %>%
    scoop_up(field_mouse) %>%
    bop_on(head)
```

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1 foo_foo %>%
2 hop_through(forest)
```

hop_through(foo_foo, forest)

Leaflet

```
quakes %>%
  leaflet() %>%
  addTiles() %>%
  addCircleMarkers()
```



leaflet provides access to values in columns via ~

```
quakes %>%
  leaflet() %>%
  addTiles() %>%
  addCircleMarkers(label = ~mag)
```

Any guesses why this doesn't quite work as you'd expect?



As htmlwidgets are generating HTML and JavaScript, be careful to provide [valid] strings as labels etc

```
quakes %>%
  leaflet() %>%
  addTiles() %>%
  addCircleMarkers(label = ~as.character(mag))
```



Choropleth

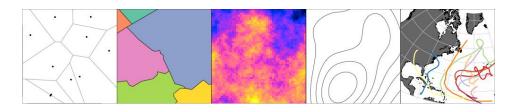




Leaflet 1 library(statesRcontiguous)

```
> str(shp_all_us_states)
Classes 'sf', 'tbl_df', 'tbl' and 'data.frame': 56 obs. of 14 variables:
 $ state.fips
                                  23 15 4 5 10 13 27 2 6 11 ...
                           : num
 $ state.short.name
                                  "ME" "HI" "AZ" "AR" ...
                           : chr
                           : chr "Maine" "Hawaii" "Arizona" "Arkansas" ...
 $ state.name
                           : chr "01779787" "01779782" "01779777" "00068085" ...
 $ state.ns
 $ a.land
                                 7.99e+10 1.66e+10 2.94e+11 1.35e+11 5.05e+09 ...
                           : num
                                 1.17e+10 1.18e+10 1.03e+09 2.96e+09 1.40e+09 ...
 $ a.water
                           : num
 $ affgeoid
                           : chr
                                 "0400000US23" "0400000US15" "0400000US04" "0400000US05" ...
                                  "23" "15" "04" "05" ...
 $ geo.id
                           : chr
 $ stusps
                           : chr
                                  "ME" "HI" "AZ" "AR" ...
 $ contiguous.united.states: logi TRUE FALSE TRUE TRUE TRUE TRUE ...
 $ is.state
                           : logi TRUE TRUE TRUE TRUE TRUE TRUE ...
 $ state.region
                           : chr "Northeast" "West" "West" "South" ...
 $ state.division
                                  "New England" "Pacific" "Mountain" "West South Central" ...
                           : chr
                           :sfc_MULTIPOLYGON of length 56; first list element: List of 2
 $ geometry
```





The sf library provides a consistent (and extremely powerful) workflow for GIS with R - I highly recommend it.

Read more here: https://r-spatial.github.io/sf/

Leaflet

```
1 library("statesRcontiguous")
2 library("leaflet")
  shp_all_us_states %>%
    leaflet() %>%
    addTiles() %>%
    addPolygons()
```





The tidyverse provides a consistent and elegant approach to doing data science with R.

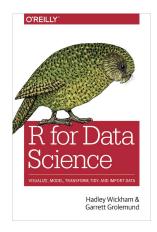
The tidyverse is an ecosystem of packages maintained and developed by the folks at RStudio.

Development of the tidyverse packages started in late 2014 but only became formalised as the "tidyverse" in late 2016.



We're going to jump in and out of the tidyverse.

The R for Data Science book is a deep-dive into the tidyverse and available freely here: r4ds.had.co.nz





```
library("tidyverse")
contiguous_states <- shp_all_us_states %>%
filter(contiguous.united.states == TRUE)
```



```
library("RColorBrewer")
palette_state_divisions <-
   colorFactor(brewer.pal(9, "Set3"),
        contiguous_states$state.division)</pre>
```

Leaflet

```
contiguous_states %>%
  leaflet() %>%
  addPolygons(fillColor = ~ palette_state_divisions(state.division)) %>%
  addLegend(pal = palette_state_divisions,
```

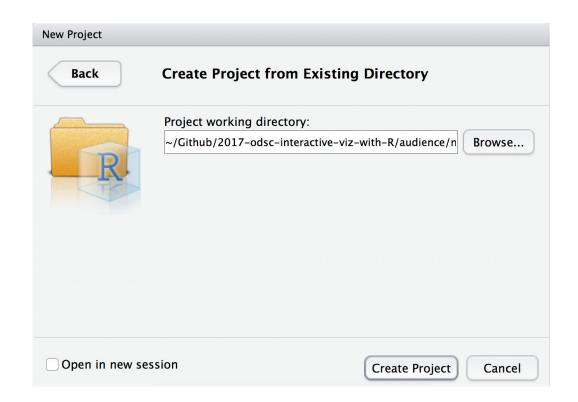
values = state.division)





> install.packages("visNetwork")





vis.js

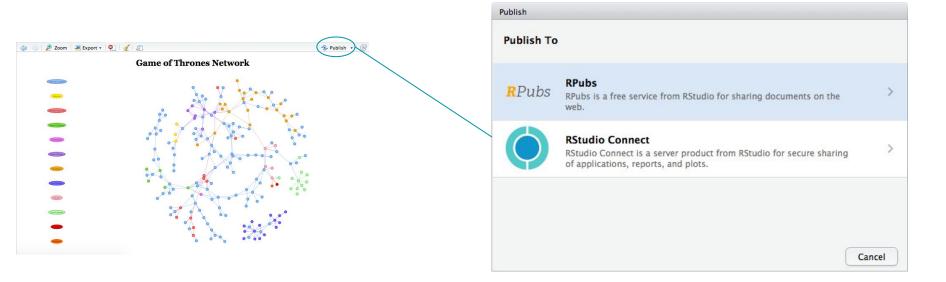
```
got-network.R ×
      Source on Save
Q Z →
III
1 library("tidyverse")
2 library("visNetwork")
  got_nodes <- read_csv("data/GoT_nodes.csv")</pre>
5 got_edges <- read_csv("data/GoT_edges.csv")</pre>
```

vis.js

```
got_edges <- got_edges %>%
  rename(from = source,
     to = target)
```

o vis.js







> install.packages("highcharter")

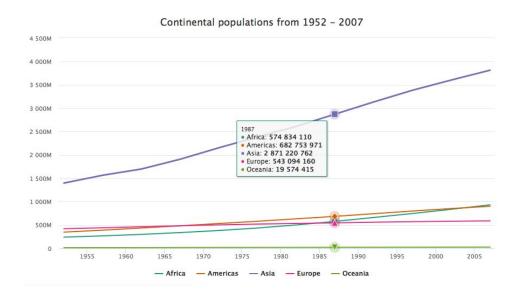
> library("highcharter")
Highcharts (www.highcharts.com) is a Highsoft software product which is
not free for commercial and Governmental use

Discount for highcharter users

Highsoft provide a discount to the highcharter users. It is a 50% discount on our Single Developer license. More details in http://announcements.highcharts.com/foss/.



gapminder



```
gapminder %>%
  group_by(year, continent) %>%
  summarise(mean.pop = mean(pop))
```

```
gap_mean_continet_pop %>%
  hchart(
    type = "line",
    hcaes(
      x = year,
      y = mean.pop,
      group = continent
```

highcharter uses a similar approach to ggplot2 for accessing data from data.frames

api.highcharts.com

```
my_chart %>%
hc_xAxis(title = "Year") %>%
hc_yAxis(title = "") %>%
hc_tooltip(
    shared = TRUE,
    valueDecimals = 0
)
```

Can we make a custom style for highcharter objects?

HIGHCHARTS api.highcharts.com

```
hc_style_gapminder <- function(hc){
  hc %>%
    hc_xAxis(title = "Year")
}
```





htmlwidgets allow us to create a vast range of different types of interactive visualisation with R code!

Each htmlwidgets library is a beast in its own right, you'll need to read the documentation (htmlwidgets.org)

Individual htmlwidgets may be deployed to RPubs.com!



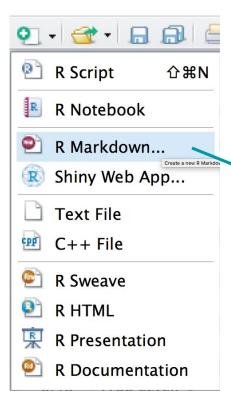


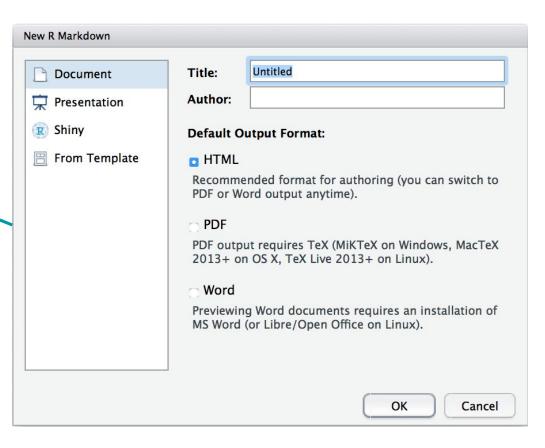
RMarkdown is a simple way to build reports and presentations that include R code.

RMarkdown can output html reports and presentations that include htmlwidgets.

RMarkdown reports can easily and freely be published to RPubs.com









Use caution creating RMarkdown presentations that include htmlwidgets.

You may need to use the widgetframe library to make htmlwidgets play nicely.

RPubs.com does not support documents using the widgetframe library.





If you need to use widgetframe in RMarkdown documents, consider using GitHub Pages to host your files.



preamble (or header) which tells RStudio what to output (and how), written in YAML

special code chunk that sets "global" code chunk options

title: "Untitled" output: slidy_presentation {r setup, include=FALSE} knitr::opts_chunk\$set(echo = FALSE) **Default Chunk Options** Output: Show output only 10 - ## R Markdown Show warnings 11 Show messages This is an R Markdown presentation. Markdown is a simple formatt ? Chunk options Apply PDF, and MS Word documents. For more details on using R Markdown http://rmarkdown.rstudio.com. 13 When you click the **Knit** button a document will be generated that includes both content as well as the output of any embedded R code chunks within the document. 16 - ## Slide with Bullets - Bullet 1 Bullet 2 - Bullet 3 21 22 - ## Slide with R Output 23 ```{r cars, echo = TRUE} @ × > summary(cars) 26 27 28 - ## Slide with Plot 29 @ X > 31 32

clicking the cog provides an interface for changing code chunk options (the global options in **this** case)

represent subheadings in the case of output: X_presentation documents these deliminate slides

naming code chunks allows you to easily navigate through your document and to find errors later



code chunk: both output and the code will be displayed because of the option echo = TRUE

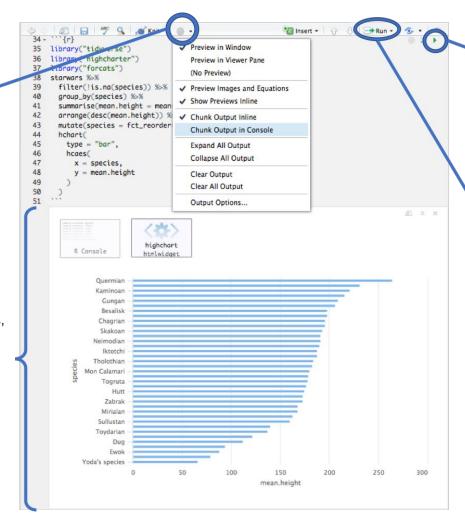


click this cog to access the options for the RMarkdown document, including "Chunk Output in Console"

output appears directly below code chunks, rather than in the console or viewer panel. This output has two elements:

- messages that would be printed to the console
- 2. the htmlwidget output itself





clicking the "play" button on a code chunk will run just that code chunk

click here for both the commands and keyboard shortcuts to evaluate:

- all code chunks
- all codes chunks above/below current chunk
- evaluate current code chunk





Continue



Shiny is a framework for creating interactive web applications using R.









Shiny on your local machine

Shiny on a server (for others to use)

> install.packages("shiny")





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Fully hosted solution for Shiny apps

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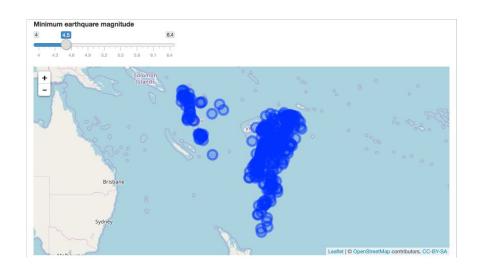
RStudio Connect

(Commercial use, 45 day evaluation license available)





Basic Shiny App







```
function(input, output){
  output$leaflet_map <- renderLeaflet({
   quakes %>%
      filter(mag <= input$min_magnitude) %>%
      leaflet() %>%
      addTiles() %>%
      addCircleMarkers()
  3)
```







```
ui.R
```

```
function(input, output){
                                                  fluidPage(
                                                    sliderInput("min_magnitude",
  output$leaflet_map <- render|eaflet({
                                                                "Minimum earthquare magnitude",
                                                                min = 4,
    quakes %>%
                                                                max = 6.4
      filter(mag <= input$min_magnitude) %>%
                                                                value = 4.5,
      leaflet() %>%
                                                                step = 0.1
      addTiles() %>%
      addCircleMarkers()
                                                    leafletOutput("leaflet_map")
  3)
```



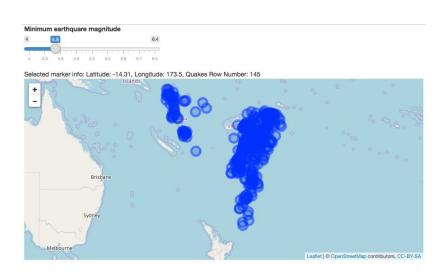


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function(input, output){
 output$leaflet_map <- renderLeaflet({
   quakes %>%
      filter(mag <= input$min_magnitude) %>%
      leaflet() %>%
      addTiles() %>%
     addCircleMarkers()
 3)
```

```
ui.R
```



Advanced Shiny App







```
output$magnitude_slider_UI <- renderUI({
 sliderInput(
    "min_magnitude",
    "Minimum earthquare magnitude",
   min = min(quakes$mag),
   max = max(quakes$mag),
   value = 4.5,
   step = 0.1
```

```
output$leaflet_map <- renderLeaflet({
  if (is.null(input$min_magnitude)) {
    return()
  bbox <- quakes_sf %>%
    st_bbox() %>%
    as.list()
  leaflet() %>%
    addTiles() %>%
    fitBounds(bbox$xmin, bbox$ymin, bbox$xmax, bbox$ymax)
```

```
observeEvent(input$min_magnitude,
               leafletProxy("leaflet_map") %>%
                 clearShapes() %>%
                 addCircleMarkers(
                   data = quakes_sf %>%
                     filter(mag <= input$min_magnitude),</pre>
                   layerId = ~ quake.id ## Add quake.id to the leaflet_map_marker_click object
             3)
```

fluidPage(

Rather than re-loading the map tiles, instead clear and add shapes

whenever input\$min_magnitude changes

```
ui.R
uiOutput("magnitude_slider_UI"),
uiOutput("selected_point_UI"),
leafletOutput("leaflet_map")
```





```
observeEvent(input$min_magnitude,
                                                          leafletProxy("leaflet_map") %>%
             output$magnitude_slider_UI <- renderUI({
                                                           clearShapes() %>%
               sliderInput(
                                                           addCircleMarkers(
                 "min_magnitude",
                                                             data = quakes_sf %>%
                 "Minimum earthquare magnitude",
                                                               filter(mag <= input$min_magnitude),</pre>
                min = min(quakes$mag),
                                                             layerId = ~ quake.id ## Add quake.id to the leaflet_map_marker_click object
                max = max(quakes$mag),
                 value = 4.5,
                                                       3)
                 step = 0.1
output$leaflet_map <- renderLeaflet({
 if (is.null(input$min_magnitude)) {
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   return()
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   st_bbox() %>%
                                                                                   uiOutput("magnitude_slider_UI"),
   as.list()
                                                                                   uiOutput("selected_point_UI"),
  leaflet() %>%
                                                                                   leafletOutput("leaflet_map")
   addTiles() %>%
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```

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server.R

```
## Rather than re-loading the map tiles, instead clear and add shapes
## whenever input$min_dagnitude changes
observeEvent(input$min_magnitude,
```

```
output$magnit
  sliderInput
    "min_magnitude",
    "Minimum earthquare magnitude",
    min = min(quakes$mag),
    max = max(quakes$mag),
    value = 4.5,
    step = 0.1
  )
})
```

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{
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```

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  leafletOutput("leaflet_map")
)
```





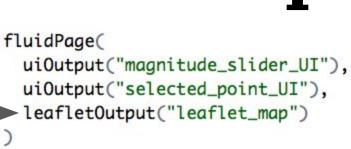
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        step = 0.1
    )
})
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    clearShapes() %>%
    addCircleMarkers(
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        filter(mag <= input$min_
        layerId = ~ quake.id ## Ad
    )
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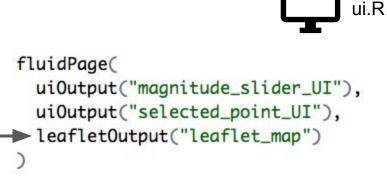




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```





RStudio Connect is a content management system for htmlwidgets, RMarkdown documents and Shiny apps.

RStudio Connect allows parameterised RMarkdown documents to be scheduled.















Shiny,



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