# Computing

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# Writing reports

## R Markdown

- This is an R Markdown presentation. Markdown is a simple formatting syntax for authoring HTML, PDF (via LaTeX). For more details on using R Markdown see http://rmarkdown.rstudio.com.
- You can edit .Rmd files in Emacs, Rstudio, or others. I use Rstudio.
- 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.

## Slide with Bullets

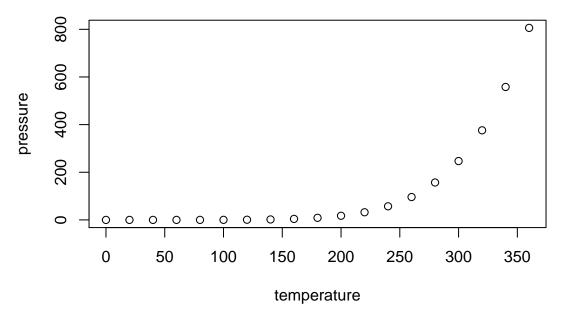
- Bullet 1
- Bullet 2
- Bullet 3

## Slide with R Output

## summary(cars)

```
##
        speed
                         dist
##
    Min.
           : 4.0
                   Min.
                           : 2.00
    1st Qu.:12.0
                    1st Qu.: 26.00
   Median:15.0
                   Median : 36.00
##
##
   Mean
           :15.4
                   Mean
                           : 42.98
##
    3rd Qu.:19.0
                    3rd Qu.: 56.00
   Max.
           :25.0
                   Max.
                           :120.00
```

## Slide with Plot



## When to use it

- I now use Rmd for almost everything.
- For class presentations, I knit to html (as here).
- For assignments/solutions/notes, I knit to pdf.

```
title: "HW 1"
author: "STAT - S782"
date: "Due 26 September 2017"
output:
   pdf_document:
    includes:
       in_header: ../Support/782macros.tex
   number_sections: yes
   template: ../Support/dm-docs.tex
   toc: no
```

## Using (latex) macros

- The in\_header line includes a text document with macros like \newcommand{\Expect}[1]{\mathbb{E}\left[ #1 \right]}
- You can also write these directly in your .Rmd, though I find this to be buggy.
- The template line is a template I made which includes packages, etc. And it makes the title the way I like.

## Fancy talks

- I think the html presentation looks ugly, but it's fine for class.
- I made the seminar talk last week in .Rmd .

```
title: "Approximation regularization for analysis of large data sets"
author: |
    | Daniel J. McDonald
    | Indiana University, Bloomington
    | \alo{\footnotesize mypage.iu.edu/~dajmcdon}
date: |
    | 4 November 2016
output:
    beamer_presentation:
        keep_tex: yes
        fig_caption: no
        includes:
            in_header: ApproxRegMacros.tex
```

## **Benefits**

- Easy to display/not your code and output
- Easy to regenerate when making minor adjustments.
- I hate the following workflow:
  - 1. Write a presentation/paper in LaTeX.
  - 2. Include a pdf figure.
  - 3. Figure labels are too small.
  - 4. Regenerate figure in R and save (fig and code).
  - 5. Compile .tex again.
  - 6. Now the lines don't show up.
  - 7. Etc.
- I can do everything in one document now.

## Expert workflow

- This is the ideal. It's fine for talks and most things, but not for complicated research or papers.
- For papers:
  - 1. Complicated code in many files.
  - 2. Paper needs a special .tex template.
  - 3. Often, R results are saved on a computing cluster.
- In this case, you should use minimal make (see K. Broman's tutorial).
  - 1. You write a *Makefile* in your directory which indicates dependencies.
  - 2. You keep your directory organized
    - project/
    - project/code/
    - project/manuscript/
    - project/data/
    - project/figures/
    - project/Makefile
  - 3. The Makefile determines what needs to be (re)run to create the manuscript and runs scripts in succession.

## (less-than) Ideal

- I'm not good about doing that (I wish I were).
- I do keep things organized though.
- Code should consist of functions, perhaps wrapped in a package, a script containing parameters to be set, a script to run the functions to produce output, another script to produce graphics from the output.
- Don't put everything in one long script.
- Don't type anything in the console.
- Avoid creating a series of different versions: code1.R, code1modified.R, newestCode1.R, etc.
- Use version control (built into Rstudio) to handle such things or move old versions to a Deprecated folder.
- Still make interim reports for me or collaborators in .Rmd
- You can load code or output into your .Rmd.
- So if you like python, you should learn Jupyter or save output and load into .Rmd

## Cluster computing

#### IU cluster

- 1. Create an account on Karst.
- 2. You can now use http://rstudio.iu.edu/ if you want to run programs on another machine.
- 3. This is not in parallel.

## Parallel on a cluster

- For IU computing, parallel (or any job submission not via Karst desktop), occurs via a TORQUE script.
- These are a pain to write. Basically you need:
  - 1. Some code which does things (R, C++, python, etc.)
  - 2. A script which tells the scheduler how many resources you need and how to run your code (R CMD BATCH myscript.R)
  - 3. Then you ssh into Karst or Big Red and run qsub myTorqueScript
  - 4. Wait until it is done.
  - 5. If you are doing complicated things, you have to do this.

## Simple parallelization

- Most of my major computing needs are "embarassingly parallel"
- I want to run a few algorithms on a bunch of different simulated datasets under different parameter configurations.
- Perhaps run the algos on some real data too.
- R has packages which are good for parallelization (snow, snowfall, Rmpi, etc.)
- It also has a package for parallel experiments which works on the cluster batchtools.

#### Intro to batchtools

- Batchtools does a few things:
  - 1. It automates writing/submitting TORQUE scripts.
  - 2. It automatically stores output, and makes it easy to collect.
  - 3. It generates lots of jobs.

- 4. All this from R directly.
- In addition to rstudio.iu.edu, I find it useful to be able to ssh into Karst (or Big Red)

ssh dajmcdon@karst.uits.iu.edu

• And you should download an sftp client (Cyberduck or Fetch are on IUware for Mac)

## Setup

- 1. Create a directory where all your jobs will live (in subdirectories). Mine is newBatch
- 2. In that directory, you need a template file. myBatchJobs.tmpl
- 3. A configuration file which lives in your home directory. You must name it .batchtools.conf.R.

## My template

#### batchtools.conf.R

```
cluster.functions = makeClusterFunctionsTORQUE('~/newBatch/myBatchJobs.tmpl')
```

#### .modules

- I always load R because that's what I use 99% of the time.
- To do this automatically, add to your home directory a file called .modules.
- It should contain only the line module load r.
- You don't get to use the software unless you first issue a module load command when you log on.

## Using batchtools

## Comments

- Unfortunately, batchtools is a recent upgrade of BatchExperiments
- I used that one a lot. Some things have changed.
- Start with nicely organized code.

#### Workflow

See the vignette: vignette("batchtools")

- 1. Create a Registry with makeRegistry() (or makeExperimentRegistry()) or load an existing from the file system with loadRegistry().
- 2. Define computational jobs with batchMap() or batchReduce() if you used makeRegistry() or define with addAlgorithm(), addProblem() and addExperiments() if you started with makeExperimentRegistry(). It is advised to test some jobs with testJob() in the interactive session and with testJob(external = TRUE) in a separate R process. Note that you can add additional jobs if you are using an ExperimentRegistry.
- 3. If required, query the data base for job ids depending on their status, parameters or tags (see findJobs()). The returned tables can easily be combined in a set-like fashion with data base verbs: union (ojoin() for outer join), intersect (ijoin() for inner join), difference (ajoin() for anti join).
- 4. Submit jobs with submitJobs(). You can specify job resources here. If you have thousands of fast terminating jobs, you want to chunk() them first. If some jobs already terminated, you can estimate the runtimes with estimateRuntimes() and chunk jobs into heterogeneous groups with lpt() and binpack().
- 5. Monitor jobs. getStatus() gives a summarizing overview. Use showLog() and grepLogs() to investigate log file. Run jobs in the currently running session with testJob() to get a traceback().
- 6. Collect (partial) results. loadResult() retrieves a single result from the file system. reduceResults() mimics Reduce() and allows to apply a function to many files in an iterative fashion. reduceResultsList() and reduceResultsDataTable() collect results into a list or data.table, respectively.

## Example (slightly dated)

```
library(BatchExperiments)
library(precondls)
library(splines)

reg = makeExperimentRegistry(id='AllCompressionAnalyses', packages = 'precondls')

## Parameter settings (make changes here) ------

## Cluster resources
n.chunks = 200 # for submitting multple jobs on a cluster
nodes = 1
ppn = 1
walltime = '24:00:00'
memory = '10gb'

## Data generation parameters
covType = 'corrUniform'
```

```
noisesd = 50 # note that this value propagates to the ridge algorithm with
                      # optimal lambda, see line 72, and change there as well
rhos = c(.2, .8)
ntrain = 5000
ntest = 5000
p = c(50,100,250,500)
nrepls.sim = 50
## Compression algorithm parameters (simulation)
compTypes = c('qxy','qxqy','linComb','convexComb')
lam.min.sim = 0.05
lam.max.sim.randn = 150
lam.max.sim.constant = 50000
q.sim = c(500, 1000, 1500)
## Compression algorithm parameters (genetics)
compTypes.genes = c('xy','qxy','qxqy','linComb','convexComb')
trainFrac = .75
lam.max.genes = .3
q.genes = c(10000, 20000)
## Compression algorithm parameters (galaxies)
compTypes.galaxies = c('xy','qxy','qxqy','linComb','convexComb')
lam.max.galaxies = .3
q.galaxies = c(1000, 2000)
p.galaxies = 250
## Code to run the simulation -----
addProblem(reg, id='ridgePrior', dynamic=createData, seed=12345)
dataParamsRidge = list(ntrain=ntrain, ntest=ntest,
    covType=covType, rho=rhos, p=p,
    bmethod='randN', SNR=NA, noisesd=noisesd, sd=sqrt(pi/2))
dataRidge.design = makeDesign('ridgePrior', exhaustive=dataParamsRidge)
addProblem(reg, id='constantBeta', dynamic=createData, seed=12345)
dataParamsConst = list(ntrain=ntrain, ntest=ntest,
    covType=covType, rho=rhos, p=p,
    bmethod=c('constant','ones'), SNR=NA, noisesd=noisesd)
dataConst.design = makeDesign('constantBeta', exhaustive=dataParamsConst)
compressSimAlgo <- function(job, static, dynamic, ...){</pre>
    out = compressedRidge(dynamic$Xtrain, dynamic$Ytrain,...)
    res = list(
        train = out$train,
        GCV = out$GCV,
        lam = out$lam,
        df = out$df,
        test = colMeans( (c(dynamic$Ytest) - predict(out, dynamic$Xtest))^2 ),
        esterr = colMeans( (dynamic$bstar - out$bhat)^2 ),
        oraclePred = mean( (dynamic $Ytest - dynamic $Xtest \( \frac{\chi*\chi}{k*\chi} \) dynamic $bstar)^2 )
    return(res)
```

```
ridgeSimOptimAlgo <- function(job, static, dynamic, ...){</pre>
    ## for use when the betas are gaussian
    lamstar = (50 / sqrt(pi/2))^2 / nrow(dynamic$Xtrain) # 50 is the noisesd, change if you change it a
    out = compressedRidge(dynamic$Xtrain, dynamic$Ytrain, 'xy', lam=lamstar)
    res = list(
        train = out$train,
        GCV = out$GCV,
        lam = out$lam,
        df = out$df,
        test = mean( (dynamic$Ytest - predict(out, dynamic$Xtest))^2 ),
        esterr = mean( (dynamic$bstar - c(out$bhat))^2 ),
        oraclePred = mean( (dynamic $Ytest - dynamic $Xtest \( \frac{\chi*\chi}{k*\chi} \) dynamic $bstar)^2 )
    return(res)
}
ridgeSimAlgo <- function(job, static, dynamic, ...){</pre>
    ## for use otherwise
    out = compressedRidge(dynamic$Xtrain, dynamic$Ytrain, 'xy', ...)
    best = which.min(out$GCV)
    res = list(
        train = out$train[best],
        GCV = out$GCV[best],
        lam = out$lam[best],
        df = out$df[best],
        test = mean( (dynamic$Ytest - predict(out, dynamic$Xtest)[,best])^2 ),
        esterr = mean( (dynamic$bstar - c(out$bhat[,best]))^2 ),
        oraclePred = mean( (dynamic$Ytest - dynamic$Xtest "*% dynamic$bstar)^2 )
    return(res)
}
olsSimAlgo <- function(job, static, dynamic, ...){</pre>
    out = lm(dynamic$Ytrain~dynamic$Xtrain)
    res = list(
        train = mean(residuals(out)^2),
        df = length(dynamic$bstar)+1,
        test = mean( (dynamic$Ytest - cbind(1, dynamic$Xtest) %*% coef(out))^2 ),
        esterr = mean( (dynamic$bstar - coef(out)[-1])^2 ),
        oraclePred = mean( (dynamic$Ytest - dynamic$Xtest "*% dynamic$bstar)^2)
    return(res)
}
addAlgorithm(reg, id='compressSim', fun=compressSimAlgo)
compressSimRidge.design = makeDesign('compressSim',
    exhaustive=list(compression=compTypes, q=q.sim, lam.min = lam.min.sim,
        lam.max=lam.max.sim.randn))
compressSimConst.design = makeDesign('compressSim',
    exhaustive=list(compression=compTypes, q=q.sim, lam.min = lam.min.sim,
        lam.max=lam.max.sim.constant))
```