

Language engine for including data in Rmarkdown

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Overview

This document contains a proof of concept for adding a data language engine to Rmarkdown that allows placing data directly inside Rmarkdown documents to create completely self-contained Rmarkdown documents. The implementation is based on the idea that **data** chunks will contain the contents of the data files, potentially encoded as text using some encoding method.

Two generic **data** chunks formats are implemented: **text** and **binary**. Three encodings are currently implemented: **asis** (**text** only), **base64** (requires base64enc package) and **gpg** (requires gpg package). Decoded data from a chunk must be assigned to a variable using the **output.var** chunk option and/or written to a file using the **output.file** chunk option.

There is an **external.file** chunk option that allows one to specify the filename of an external text file that will be used as chunk contents. This is useful when initially developing a Rmarkdown file with **data** chunks to keep the file small and readable.

The implementation also includes helper functions **data_decode** and **data_encode**.

The implementation is quite simple, but it works well. One potential drawback is that this could encourage creating Rmarkdown documents with large datasets inside that are unreadable. This could be prevented or discouraged by limiting the size of **data** chunks, perhaps with a chunk option to allow the user to violate size limits if they really want to.

Implementation of language engine

```
# Helper function to decode encoded text
# If as_text=TRUE, then returns a character string
# If as_text=FALSE, then returns a raw vector
data_decode = function(data,encoding,as_text=FALSE,options=list()) {
  if (!is.list(options))
    stop("options must be a list.")

  switch(
    encoding,
    base64 = {
      x = base64enc::base64decode(data)
      if (as_text)
        x = rawToChar(x)
      x
    },
    gpg = {
```

```

    tf = tempfile()
    writeLines(data,tf)
    on.exit(file.remove(tf))
    do.call(gpg::gpg_decrypt,c(data=tf,as_text=as_text,options))
  },
  stop("Unknown encoding: ",encoding)
)
}

# Helper function to encode (typically) binary files for inclusion in data chunks
# Silently returns encoded text. Encoded text is also spit out to console for
# copy-n-paste to Rmarkdown document. This can be suppressed by saving encoded text
# to a file using output argument
data_encode = function(file,encoding,options=list(),output=NULL) {
  if (!is.list(options))
    stop("options must be a list.")

  data = switch(
    encoding,
    base64 =
      do.call(base64enc::base64encode,
        c(what=file,options,linewidth=64,newline="\n")),
    gpg = {
      if (is.null(options$receiver))
        stop("Missing GPG receiver in options list. See ?gpg::gpg_encrypt for details.")
      do.call(gpg::gpg_encrypt,c(data=file,options))
    },
    stop("Unknown encoding: ",encoding)
  )

  if(is.null(output)) {
    cat(data)
  } else {
    writeLines(data,output)
  }

  invisible(data)
}

# Data engine itself
eng_data = function(options) {
  output = ''

  if (is.null(options$output.var) && is.null(options$output.file))
    stop("One of output.var or output.file must be supplied in data chunk options.")

  code = options$code

  # Option to include external file
  # Useful to keep initial file size small and readable.
  if (!is.null(options$external.file)) {
    if (!is.null(code))
      warning("Non-empty data chunk, but given external.file chunk option. Using external file and ignoring code.")
  }
}

```

```

    code = readLines(options$external.file)
  }

  format = options$format
  if (is.null(format))
    format = 'text'
  if (!is.character(format) || !(format %in% c("text", "binary")))
    stop("format must be either 'text' or 'binary'.")

  encoding = options$encoding
  if (is.null(encoding)) {
    encoding = switch(
      format,
      text = 'asis',
      binary = 'base64'
    )
  }
  if (!is.character(encoding) || !(encoding %in% c("asis", "base64", "gpg")))
    stop("encoding must be one of: 'asis', 'base64', 'gpg'.")

  decoding.ops = options$decoding.ops
  if (is.null(decoding.ops))
    decoding.ops = list()
  if (!is.list(decoding.ops))
    stop("decoding.ops should be a list. Got object of class ", class(decoding.ops)[1])

  if (encoding == "asis") {
    data = paste(code, collapse=ifelse(is.null(options$newline), "\n", options$newline))
  } else {
    data = data_decode(code, encoding, as_text=(format=="text"), options=decoding.ops)
  }

  # Assign to output.var and/or write to file output.file
  if (!is.null(options$output.var))
    assign(options$output.var, data, envir = knitr::knit_global())
  if (!is.null(options$output.file))
    switch(format,
      text = writeLines(data, options$output.file),
      binary = writeBin(data, options$output.file)
    )

  knitr::engine_output(options, code, output)
}

# Add to knitr's list of data engines
knitr::knit_engines$set(data=eng_data)

```

Test of text chunk

Note that `format="text"` is optional as data chunks default to `text` if no format is specified.

This is a text.

It has two lines.

```
t
```

```
## [1] "This is a text.\nIt has two lines."
```

```
cat(t)
```

```
## This is a text.
```

```
## It has two lines.
```

For numeric input

1,2,3,4,5,6

7,8,9

```
x = as.numeric(strsplit(t1,"[,\\n]")[1])
```

```
x
```

```
## [1] 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9
```

For CSV data

id,res

1,a

2,b

3,c

```
x = read.csv(text=t2)
```

```
x
```

id	res
1	a
2	b
3	c

Test of binary chunk

RDS data with base64 encoding

```
tf = tempfile()
```

```
H4sIAAAAAAAAAA4vgYmBgYGZgZgNiViCTgTU0xE3XgoGBSRjI
YQLid1CakYGFgRNI8yXn5xYkJpfEZ+aVFKcWosmyJCUWpOLF
eMHIEPofSCfIKgcVBjCw/4BKQ9UIIJnFnJiUDDQR2XjWvMTc
1GKoOiaoIGMiJJEEMgUAP3IVTdMAAAA=
```

```
readRDS(tf)
```

```
## $a
```

```
## [1] 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
```

```
##
```

```
## $b
```

```
## [1] "abc"
```

PNG image with base64 encoding

Note that `echo=FALSE` is essential for long data chunks.



Figure 1: Test image file

Note: Knitting will fail if a temporary file is used for storing image chunk as the image file will be erased before document is passed to pandoc for formatting.

GPG encrypted binary data

Import private key for decrypting chunk

Normally, the decryption key would not be included in the Rmarkdown document, but I am doing so here so that code works for all. This will import the test key into your GPG key ring. This test key does not have a password, but most real keys would and the keyring management software would ask you for that password when knitting the document.

First the code for generating and exporting the key. Not evaluated, but keeping around for reference:

```
gpg::gpg_keygen("Test Key", "test@test.org")
id = gpg::gpg_list_keys("test@test.org")$id
gpg::gpg_export(id, secret = TRUE)
```

Next the key itself in a `text` chunk.

-----BEGIN PGP PRIVATE KEY BLOCK-----

```
lQVYBF6A3p8BDADcaf7tveXZUpi0IfEpmYrPP8/OSXSh3iBkd5bdTvbq/FwLGIsD
dp/dFqAWS+OBqCIMFAtV63FUOG4kXYpkajdl2QU1Hy0aY9F9K0imc5JUM1SEry5F
CckjzDFp3u4pmmCPWKf2jVnaHzahJfKz9J9qD9BfBSynfyQU2XgsrRqNgiqueNcOi
f0674hpReawneCBwhENKMWL3801a0tP1IDx9cFI6busii0aIHIIYW6qbv178offy
00WogstsQ3EJQbPBPkkgVTn8wwGUtoorc/2AonSoz99QC4nMwBaDUGuE9032yRv
Q7Pe6bWVBuIeV5ASAfSSEypzNHB576BF6MTy+1JvhfXI41Yu97geQJMOcplJ8xav
xAhIvrKjkDoW3zwrZlG54G2TidwEyXoDx7cyRVnCF9tsBCmhEDiKvzlg2IE9Fo65
+LWrD12qCKi7cu4XE28q4zy7S4adhUCBcuflZ8wKMVvbZRXvqnAHBAK8gQxMqHMc
EjWAb7rvnN9bkTUAEEAAQAL/if4vPeGYaGivhKkuSRvK0Iu0104tIMKULuF6IEX
```

6eVxgIuulr85CwLAMX6f0+4+vuvwuKBARth5G+J2ygcrxE0SyJ4FejcQ0hsyg8N
1HLaoDAzyLNSc/ye8jMd75jx2yMD0rw6JBpPYMvWou4JpcNJP000f6ucfgGd8pI/
jjotaecpHuJgLfaoapeUyqIq8JK8C/WT+EdGfCpw7Y0bqQq4I6ZCZPuETbKMwcQ0H
yqfWC7bK9Lk/MvbdSWDH1j70f/t1KaUEBZ2z5xTALqxaFgbwXh+7FybzV+09Sxsn
l5deeuBQXwkbPthapjRpvRo197tJRHLJ8wQVCwag39ip5cvuWQIsej3qILKTepz
VBdgZa4hIyLX8uUCAtLrVYwvWzV1oWxPLAkXJ6KPCzB0jQb7q7UUYrBOUaavdnt2
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+xbdWP/j6313N3u4a9BSd3PMvQYA4CLwr+gBfX+dybX3jq3ldB3HJS/Lv90e64rh
BarRu+ByyE05BcVJZ+ZEU0cBjF/pvG1qI9mfqBuZX/e2aW1lmMsxcXN1WRu5b5vE
geoRwqPMNIo4JIo2hByHZEPEQLcYW/QRy5xkoNbl+udPuS3PMEUnfnPeQKursY71
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PLKS9H82idCq00nrU3LtdKJx9VHJ6wLOT16D6zZAdgNB0wK9dzStayfIqQzN/FAz
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BQkYw5eUfMq7tUqXgsXmJA0pVplUSosZknCIpoyoEU7rvS9BF9xdcprRixU5kxeYY
knQg5jtb+vx3Stpp0vbuvFFaGgEJhNP6Tg3al7gBCOwEEAJmStko4cyf1e45pIMF
+jGbIeozSjeKPWjdJCr4q05tvKgsiAe7BulgUlnhS6Ty5JyQHsiM/WZTPko2BsN2
8Apa/nu0vYwRwFLGGXVWV3jQroPI9Hbft9ctBhUZXN0IEtleSA8dGVzdEBOZXN0
Lm9yZz6JAdQEEwEKAD4WlQTv1603A7Tx/z8NeR/qzEhnRW4g7QUCXoDenwIbAwUJ
A8JnAAULCQgHAgYVCgkICwIEFgIDAQIEAQIXgAAKCRDqzEhnRW4g7WxrC/94WT6J
HEEGyb9Bskm2ik+c/qUW8w7JgizYRi6jqis+qiIesh99MZ/XPm5mgMTIvKrOz/IG
xaU+RKYFF5DqsAc4obg/ZmC10SY9FgDWlMEm7hEqourQxfJZXGWRNcU6DTr2tC/K
GpTNkhr802LnjUePeVJU5MMuJ8eyQV+NgGhwXTIcPA6ERwHIC1n24N3QDFNoijcc
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cd9WtbddFj7yGwPnjMB2vxYVJreENGbE/LZIZPaJKJHPReWQ+GBSGkyY7nrT32SP
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/mlnNFMbKUEBrxYyPo2JVSsYfPf1WzLL1dmv8JPC5fyEKYhEC+zBvlytRWqkZV88
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eK5u0YJ24AmxPW5YGvXn00sGAPXLRfarrI9IgSz28+QpfYtt0Ibjp3n3AxB3ImHo
oK+CLsc1vHtsdEV8hE1Wo9k5EqcdlhPBbeC6IILFqT69Ldx8jK85hxr0bYs2NVLC
qyWo1T3bovPePCEenN4++VPBtVBKEt51MByNIKwC3Bw0zvHcygLCHE3iXRQ40dhq
AZWrPl0qwnC8x9+UqZowCp/JRWD5qBjd6EPVaxwbtcUdjD0hZ1y51xbUaX59Vlul

```
BGLse/0Q47m71HrF+d9rGUNlQQYAkDQsdbzi j mB/tVzcRXJWbZVg jwLci ofxVpoM
TEYyw8+oS YDI1L3Dikejp3XymVr+9pKGmPZjLqL9Q01J9epeHt5wgLjuWTXtkVLW
kbnt7vTy257BIsHGDwiJzMI7PujTlQ4B1ZTPz2W yUJ7gn1f+J9wYpN0r7qeE2pg6
c0eiPqMt5h88jWTUH/eAJ0nAWx46k w gQY4uZz7xsFtCcwQgqVe9bD5MNv/bBUdPW
RkF8ZbRCPRk4V12DYM/rXC2VGCFZ60eJAbYEGA EKACAWIQTv1603A7Tx/z8NeR/q
zEhnRW4g7QU CXoDenwIbDAAKCRDqzEhnRW4g7ZayC/954y+kfmjtIzSRDBRp0o2s
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NhoczB5rE9oaApMZHAj9u9Uv2zy0osfc0Pcy+RN9b2noodVS/7Ei2BjWl+V/MGqa
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P4xDMM+BVuD i6QTcFfbPtqYbuuT40FyyaSzee0oWxvKoX2pL81VnMwvb7Uy47Dxf
Ng9Af4cf3nf9UzesAVbSy1gtvlZlYX0HwtZNVLNJSS4=
=C6UF
-----END PGP PRIVATE KEY BLOCK-----
```

```
gpg::gpg_import("key")
```

```
##      found      imported      secrets signatures      revoked
##          3          1          2          0          0
```

Data chunk

```
tf = tempfile()
```

```
-----BEGIN PGP MESSAGE-----
Version: GnuPG v2
```

```
hQGMA9TPonHna5j3AQwAqNofDHURDA3k4I64cahxx0+Nv88ppTOrJ4+9Bbvr1VcC
7fXfudpf b7fjOSRZWagquyBnvu4vAVFsyzvBrvcg4WqW+cgm/m11rTjM/idkoZcl
DuLrkmHnRCuWVftw9hy0+/ghGKW95CQljqksq5rL+ZVjyF3PFXBRMGJXoYo6h2qe
AmJlWLHWuIV8BHtyFW hUum+VUXOTDuixMt1AeRwaohQgY1HPpQp+w5Xv+OGK4Evg
7dnOxg/USWtYDGOwNp7xPXMqIYP77XHdhlzmuinPhT3h37cQciswKryWbSdq6Mr+
a7g5h/zjQ1f+DbhMj0zfm0W2NKiF/rCoV0c1NGzzLYBZ9RgJ0ZvvN0slRn04E24y
tc ds64cGT6z3y7mrYrDQpnHr00GCM/Sk/p4gqi iSB2oBHq5ZZqbxqINWVjZRuZD+
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VobFt/kpqzBwtTr4nJqUpFtDTXQSZLceri7bfUEcFGCtYpkExh3RaKagjn71HLOk
Rig3esmXKQhL9kRw5UHx4ti71ntAswEs4LCqPrWLJ43EEKbokmdFdE6R35tsqniq
2tADnUazcqXMiLqcbxo6TwW1eqmLuLwLHyM7WPrinizgS+sEED1uS+xRVrd1ruJ
oH9QuxSp8P0mihI53+AbVA==
=WRY/
-----END PGP MESSAGE-----
```

```
d = readRDS(tf)
d
```

```
## $a
## [1]  1  2  3  4  5  6  7  8  9 10
##
## $b
## [1] "abc"
```

Encoding a binary file for incorporation in Rmarkdown

Below I demonstrate how to use the helper function `data_encode` to encode binary files for insertion in `data` chunks.

base64

```
data_encode(tf, "base64")
```

```
## H4sIAAAAAAAAAA4vgYmBgYGZgZgNiViCTgTU0xE3XgoGBSRjIYQLid1CakYGFgRNI
## 8yXn5xYkJpfEZ+aVFKcWosmyJCUWpOLFeMHIEPofSCfIKgcVBjCw/4BKQ9UIIJnF
## nJiUDDQR2XjWvMTc1GKoOiaoIGMijJEEMgUAP3IVTdMAAAA=
```

GPG

```
id = gpg::gpg_list_keys("test@test.org")$id
data_encode(tf, "pgp", options=list(receiver=id))
```

```
## -----BEGIN PGP MESSAGE-----
## Version: GnuPG v2
##
## hQGMA9TPonHna5j3AQv/Xj8rhCPyFoQ3y2MKFIVzTjbzX1rVR4e8yz7QV/PrSpQV
## NB8msMlwNaGvCKhSATrH5H2nnVx3T6dAHCiGHZDiM8s/dCBGCKgBv1Xcq++hDbox
## D6cF0s2S44TGQo1HC6MRmJ3ifA60znnSyfcsGY0o9CDgKPIapZ04KKZ2uwAsCea0
## K+4eNVS/X2uuzBpS8AfV7ZXFj15oRhyxCSW10uC2vCZjs/2JBaVfeTZ5ts0AA03G
## Gv7eBcett6hL+6IvVmoIb4Ab3FyU5wekiEdpfMnk3SdZmmuM7bWDRRN/jUir6/Ia
## w9GnyURdRL9e/ZXS3W3mVKhKtYatWmy67WXh7UXPVZ7B1/zMlid35s7pDuNlkvzk
## Dkrqc831Z2B/ckjbVVf9xD1KUTbt9m4NzDFKzff7Gd18slrMJWC5sghtIeP0oiAY
## scR0jNPv60ck7rb84o+oe8rFQ6s0oModXSL4LJ4WvrhSn16heQ4UXbbV4zn+Vo+r
## Mw+k49ierTSKvxieX1T/Or8BwQlBcVM1mJnwYKg4mLLjxp98EbBpSp66LkLWttoV
## iAqmVm8Fyg0QWzeE104NxvWBeZEHh1FwL+8Qqo97oH+qpDAVZE2bCEK80qM3hGbI
## bAs/Un3rV74Xz7h1kjTg+F+SiCiB4PSuW9jIiKHHQtT881TfX7WgHlMerGw5pnf9
## wkXLAjtzTuT/A6iYtMJQKkg67GgLJnutI6jRsgdfEkCUXf3Ke4oJvwCpGs+oEumf
## ikB6KtI9AEhSmuZel/Ewog==
## =0xo5
## -----END PGP MESSAGE-----
```

GPG saving to file

```
id = gpg::gpg_list_keys("test@test.org")$id
data_encode("test.RDS", "pgp", options=list(receiver=id), output="test.gpg")
cat(readLines("test.gpg"), sep="\n")
```

```
## -----BEGIN PGP MESSAGE-----
## Version: GnuPG v2
##
## hQGMA9TPonHna5j3AQv/ai8Rhra4mL7VhpJTNQnXZG2FTI/+3g5DbV9bDV//cX4F
## iNrRC7/5nw0y61RczqoKU8z/LTs7K9E9P+dQrdaGbtb9oUJqFACJK9v4Nr6rtG1+
## xXIfWfP3pZsdNenWtnjySOUZ7A33CQR32p+j3C53XzrXWITxM3ldcVsG/A8I/ewA
## F6creYoKCrCM4QpQMNZBMOIH0HsZjyRVVfFad2VDGsQ1LsFBW4j08o1eK+Poaz7/
```



```
## Cxp/cQj0fs7jte2dYKHMT70M6wmzEjN1DIB1KvPkpLWrpPCbN9tVAVa9RWtVDvh3
## 18XdSZ40fJc7P1lWkoYXJT+1Uzt1vwEhE96/7mqRY6d/WMAQ15/xhdNuxEZBJTWr
## HVOHMqYEUhUJjLVOfnLRNRTToGxnBgFtPffI3A/BM0be1U5hMKKy7C3Smjv4t1rOK
## uMtBv6KCP9Gf0xgnTQstXmh8MftaLzC5/PrRXEgdc0a1rF6dI52MJxX/dAKHorK7
## uCGEAdcOkmjvZLF6zQ9A0r8B40DFRA2+GQQIg/sddbBARog/rYbrClz/Mx4xZoJ/
## YBjC3HYkPdCe1KyPA0N4mB9r43Aa9hpth+/vATqquLKPQ+FDVrdkld/uNpr2Pc9I
## 7NCycME10ye/hEaN2G6k/9dsZJYaePQuQcs570Za0YVpB7xBcR1T9luY1060Pw9B
## XD6/ZZcyX4jaT53IUPpM07sIWZeAKZoea5gAeKh1slrl+CzcGxeiXtUrhXgo39ti
## pXR6E7QpqrNWCJELwJcxFQ==
## =b6mK
## -----END PGP MESSAGE-----
```

```
file.remove("test.gpg")
```

```
## [1] TRUE
```

Test using external file

When initially creating a document, it can be practical to store data in external files to keep the document itself small and readable. The `external.file` chunk option allows one to achieve this. The `external.file` must be the filename of a file containing text exactly as it would be incorporated into a `data` chunk (i.e., with encoding for binary files).

This is from an external file.

```
ext
```

```
## [1] "This is from an external file."
```

Remove imported key

I am cleaning up by removing the imported GPG key. The keyring management software may ask you about this before doing it.

```
id = gpg::gpg_list_keys("test@test.org")$id
gpg::gpg_delete(id,secret=TRUE)
```

```
## [1] "EACC4867456E20ED"
```