

# MyFirstRMD

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## R Markdown (This is a level two header. Compare it to what it looks like in markdown)

This is an R Markdown document. Markdown is a simple formatting syntax for authoring HTML, PDF, and MS Word documents. For more details on using R Markdown see <http://rmarkdown.rstudio.com>.

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. You can embed an R code chunk like this:

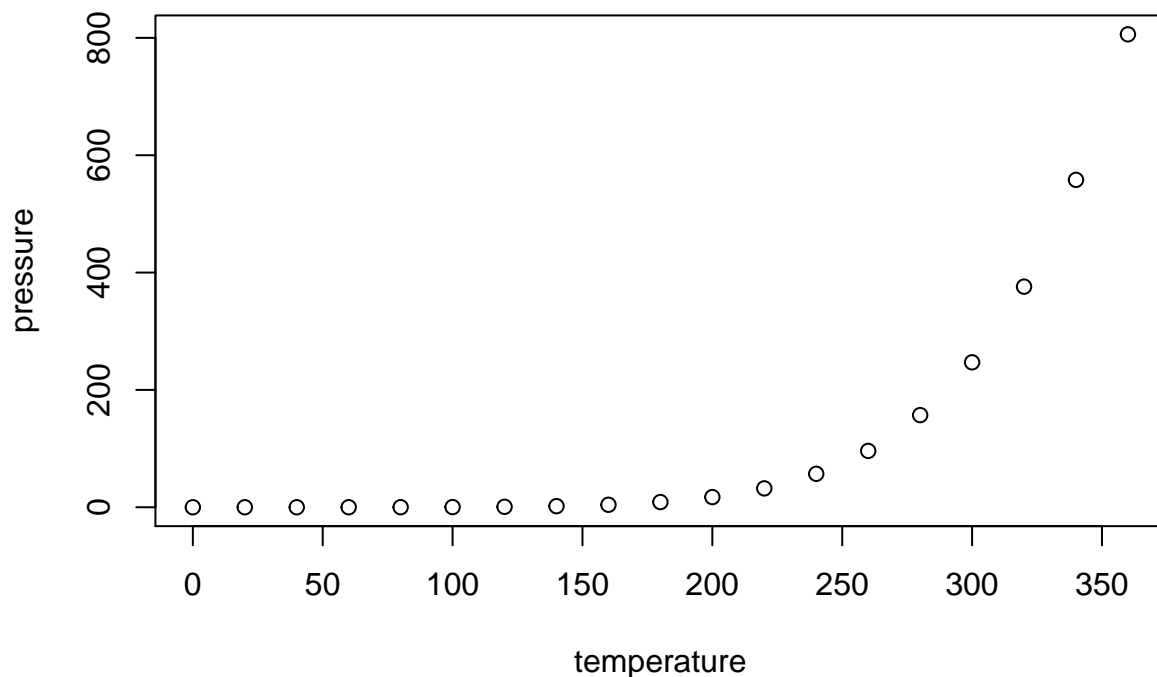
```
summary(cars)
```

```
##      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
```

## Including Plots

You can also embed plots, for example:

```
plot(pressure)
```



Note that the `echo = FALSE` parameter was added to the code chunk to prevent printing of the R code that generated the plot.

## Things to always do in R Markdown

- Use relative and not absolute paths
  - “../filename” goes up one level
  - “/Data/filename.csv” would access the *filename* in the Data folder of your current directory
- Put any data you are using in a data folder
  - `if(!file.exists("Data")){dir.create("Data")}`
- Show the code for any assignment you are turning in unless instructed otherwise
  - make sure ‘echo=True’ is always on
- Comment out lines that you use for debugging your code
- Include your test cases and their output when needed
- At the very end put an R chunk that has `sessioninfo()`
  - This will document in document the levels and editions of packages used

## Things to never do in R Markdown

- `setwd`

- don't want to set the directory on someone else's computer
- install packages

## Helpful tips

- name code chunks (each name must be unique)
  - When document knits it tells where problem occurs
- knit frequently
  - any substantial change or code. Check to make sure it works
- Try out commands in the console first, then put in code chunks
  - can help prevent knitting issues
  - can try in console, go to history tab and 'put in source' once you get it to work
- If you can't get it to knit, set `eval=FALSE` in the problem chunk until you can debug it
  - allows us to work on other things until we debug it

## Shortcuts that may help on mac

- `cmd + option + I` will insert a new chunk
- `cmd + shift + enter` will run that code chunk