

Rmarkdown-starter

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R 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>.

The beauty of Markdown is to embed R codes, within the text, such that in the end, a document could contain all the text and code to create figures and tables, in ***one document***. I have written a crash course on R Markdown, which you can find at https://francoisbirgand.github.io/tutorial-RMarkdown_instructions.html.

There are three components to an R Markdown document (.Rmd):

- YAML header
- Text
- Code chunks

After you are done reading the crash course, you will want to be able to find a reference summary of R markdown here.

- **YAML header:** The header of the document starts with a YAML which acronym started as “Yet Another Markup Language” and now apparently stands for “YAML Ain’t Markup Language”. . . The YAML Header specifies how the document will be formatted.
- **Text:** most of your writing will be done using plain text, very much like you have been doing with Word, with mark-up alterations. Many details on mark-up are in the crash course. Spell check can be done using
 - A spell check button to the right of the save button (with “ABC” and a check mark).
 - Edit > Check Spelling. . .
 - The F7 key
- **Code Chunks:** This is where you will add the actual R code that will create tables and figures.

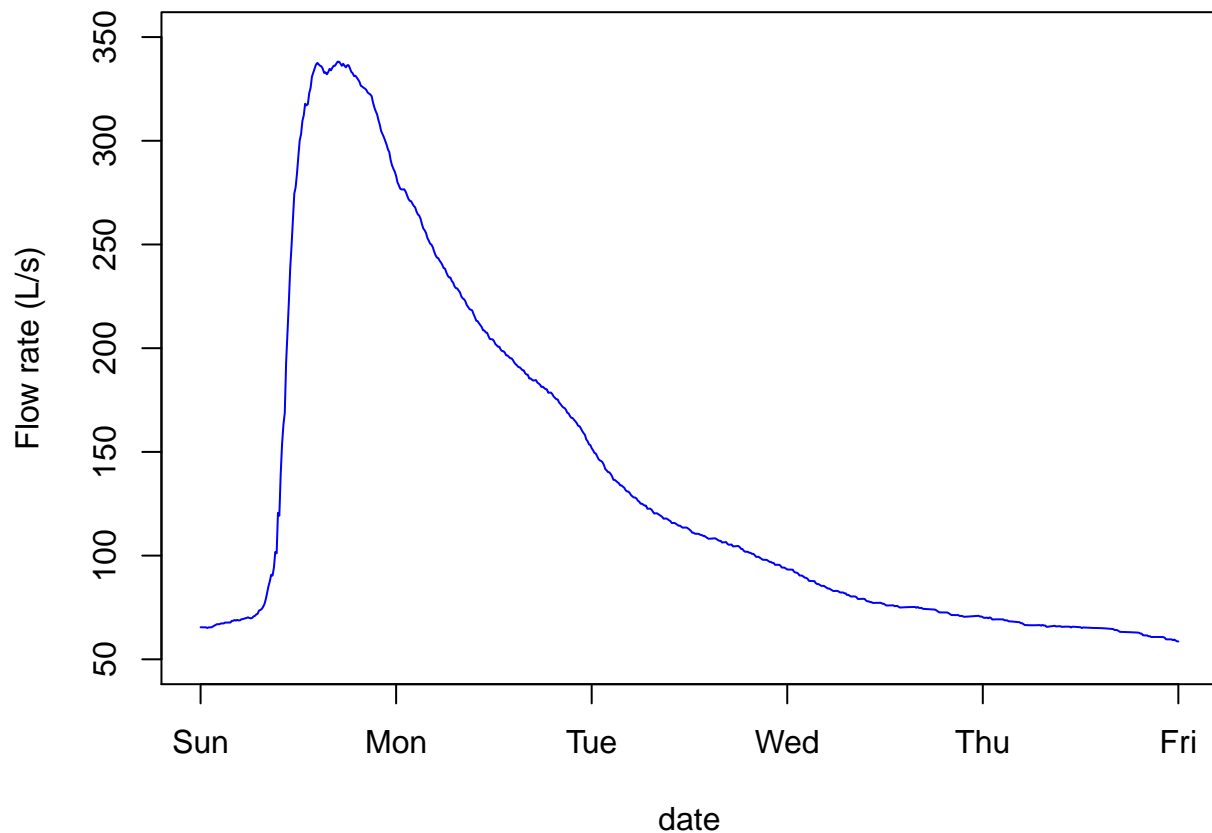
When you click the **Knit** button a document will be generated that includes both content as well as the output of any embedded R code chunks within the document. You can embed an R code chunk like this:

```
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 a plot of this hydrograph:



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

You can calculate things and incorporate them directly into your R markdown document. For example,

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