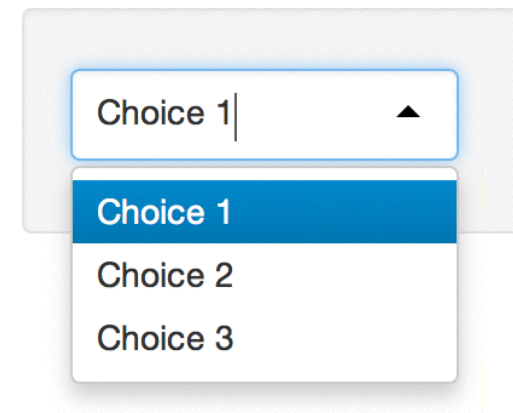


How to start with Shiny, Part 1

How to build a ShinyApp

Based on the slides by Garrett Grolemond



How to start with Shiny



1. How to build a Shiny app



2. How to customize reactions



3. How to customize appearance

Understand the architecture

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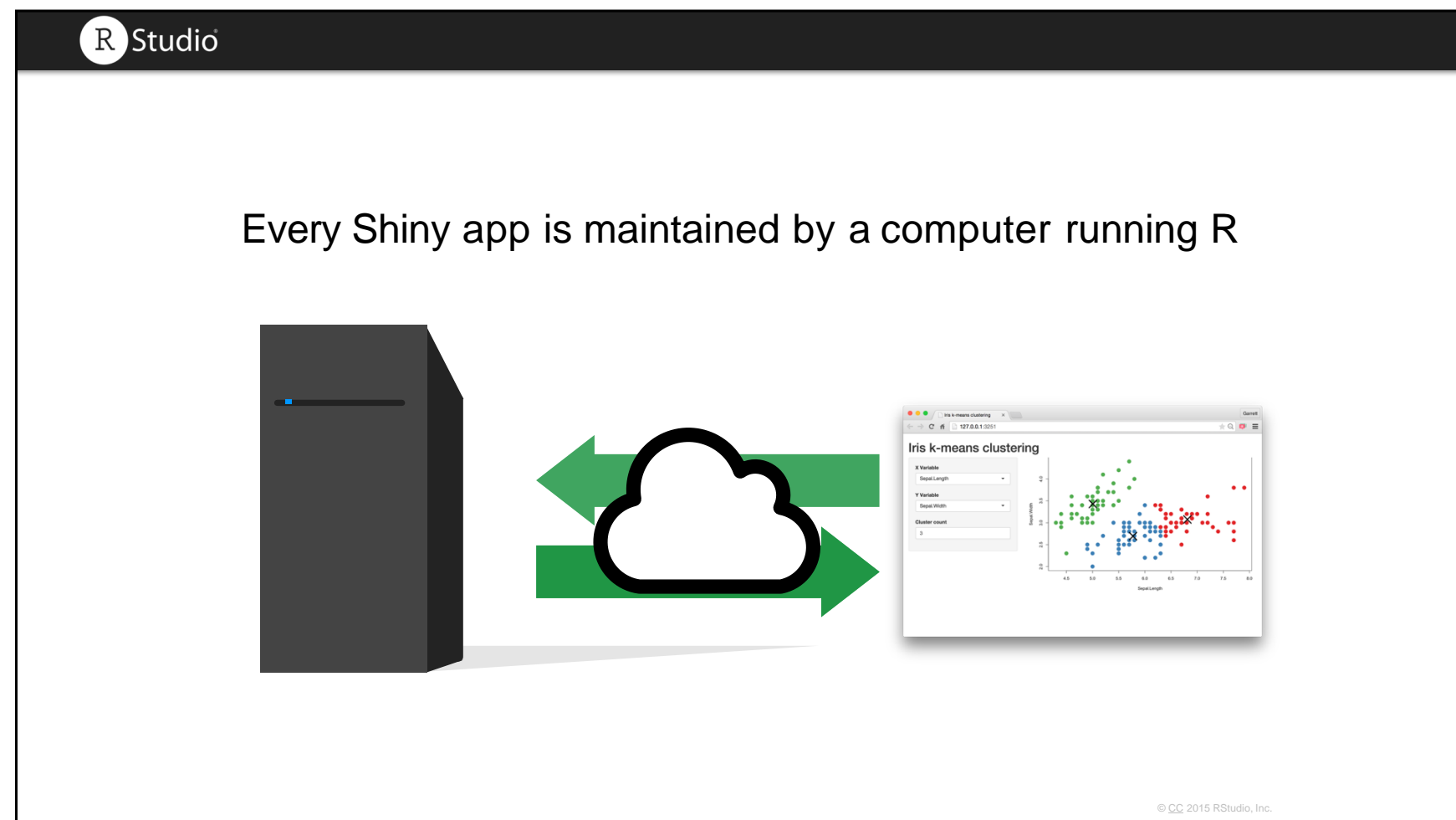
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Every Shiny app is maintained by a computer running R

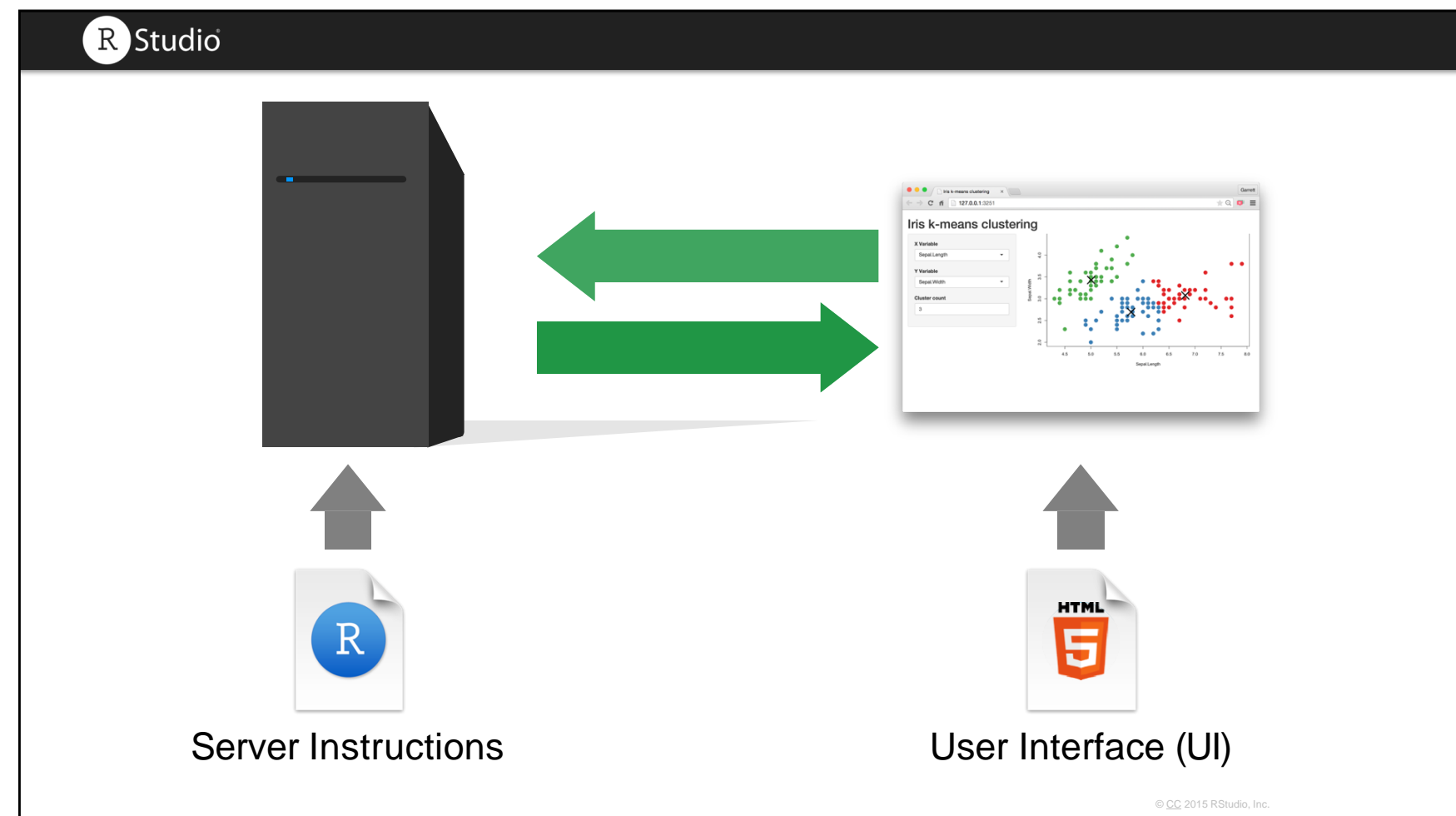


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Use the template

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App template

The shortest viable shiny app

```
library(shiny)
ui <- fluidPage()

server <- function(input, output) {}

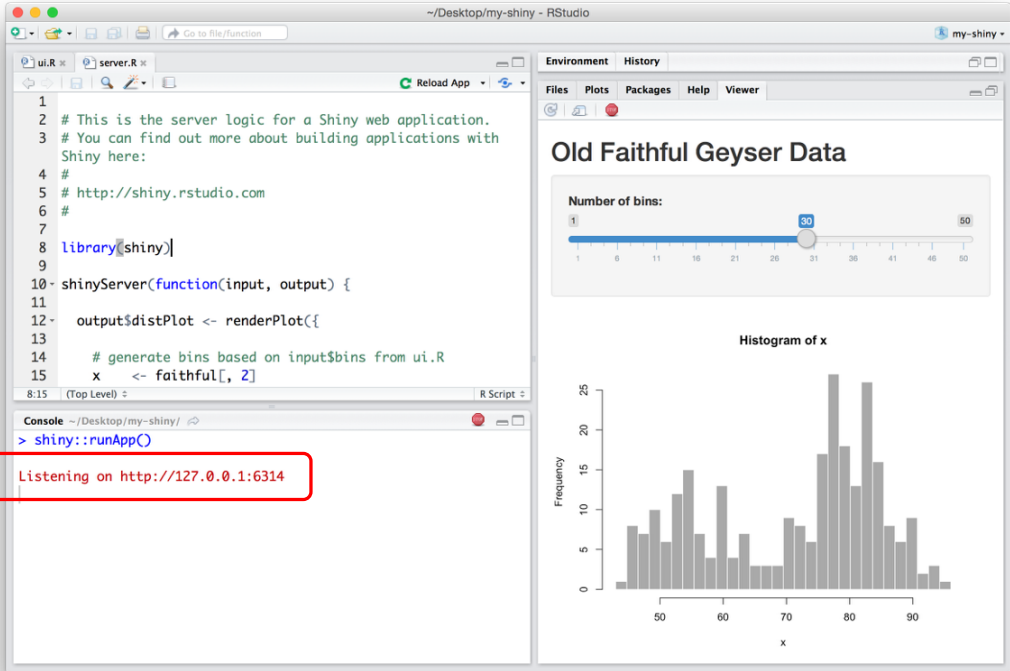
shinyApp(ui = ui, server = server)
```

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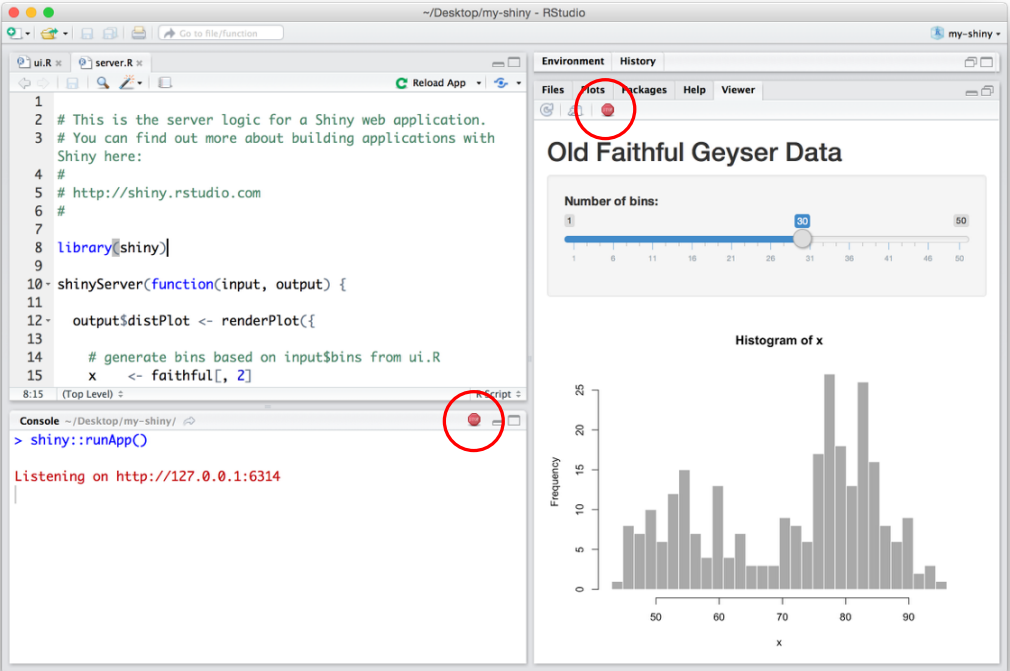
An app running




The screenshot shows the RStudio interface with a Shiny application running. The console at the bottom displays the message "Listening on http://127.0.0.1:6314" in red text, which is highlighted by a red rectangle. The application window shows a histogram of the 'x' variable from the 'faithful' dataset, with a slider for the number of bins set to 30.

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Closing an app



The screenshot shows the RStudio interface with a Shiny application running. The console at the bottom displays the message "Listening on http://127.0.0.1:6314" in red text. A red circle highlights the 'Stop' button (a red square with a white 'X') in the top right corner of the application window, indicating how to close the app.



Add elements to your app as arguments to
`fluidPage()`

```
library(shiny)
ui <- fluidPage("Hello World")

server <- function(input, output) {}

shinyApp(ui = ui, server = server)
```

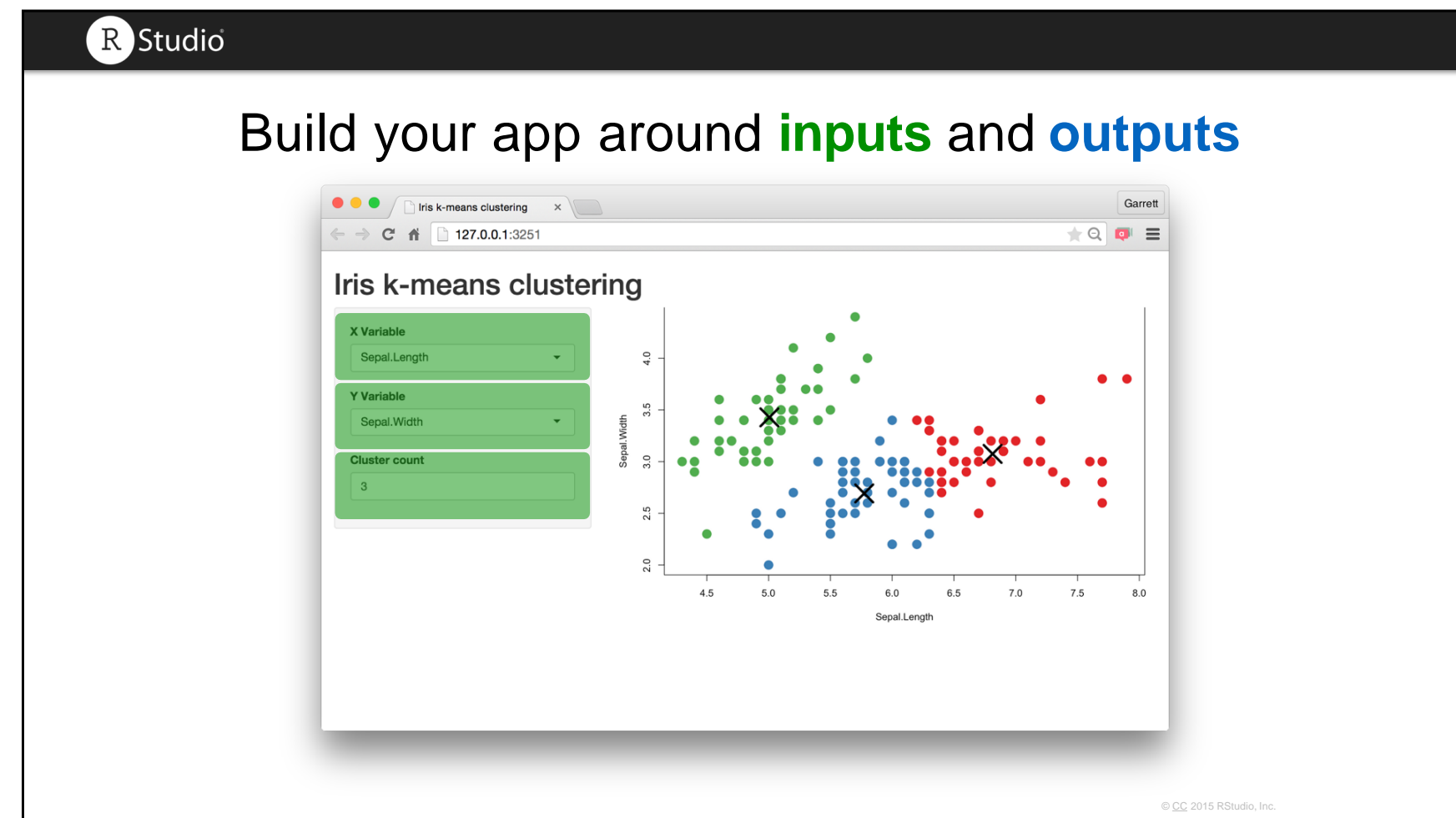
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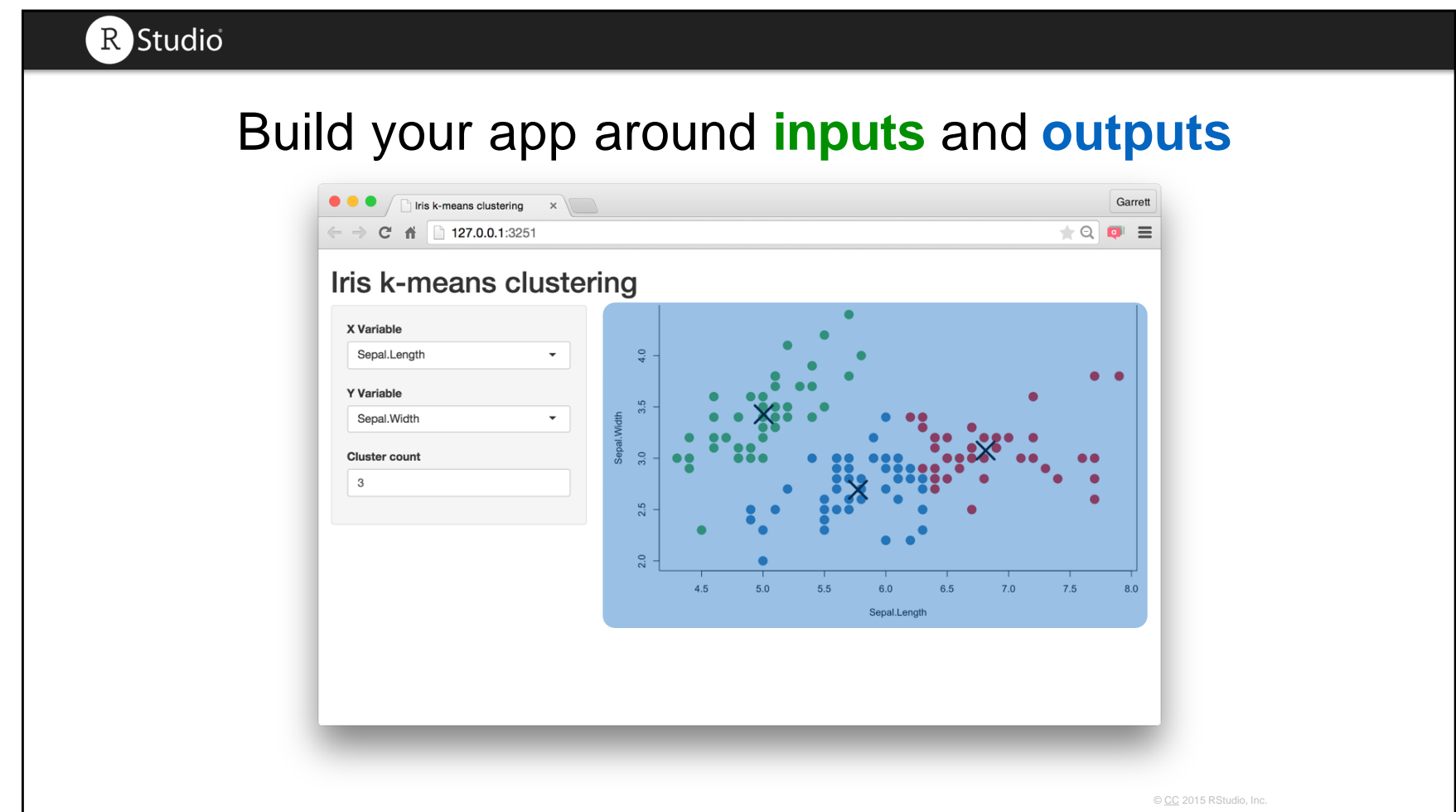
Build your app around

Inputs and Outputs

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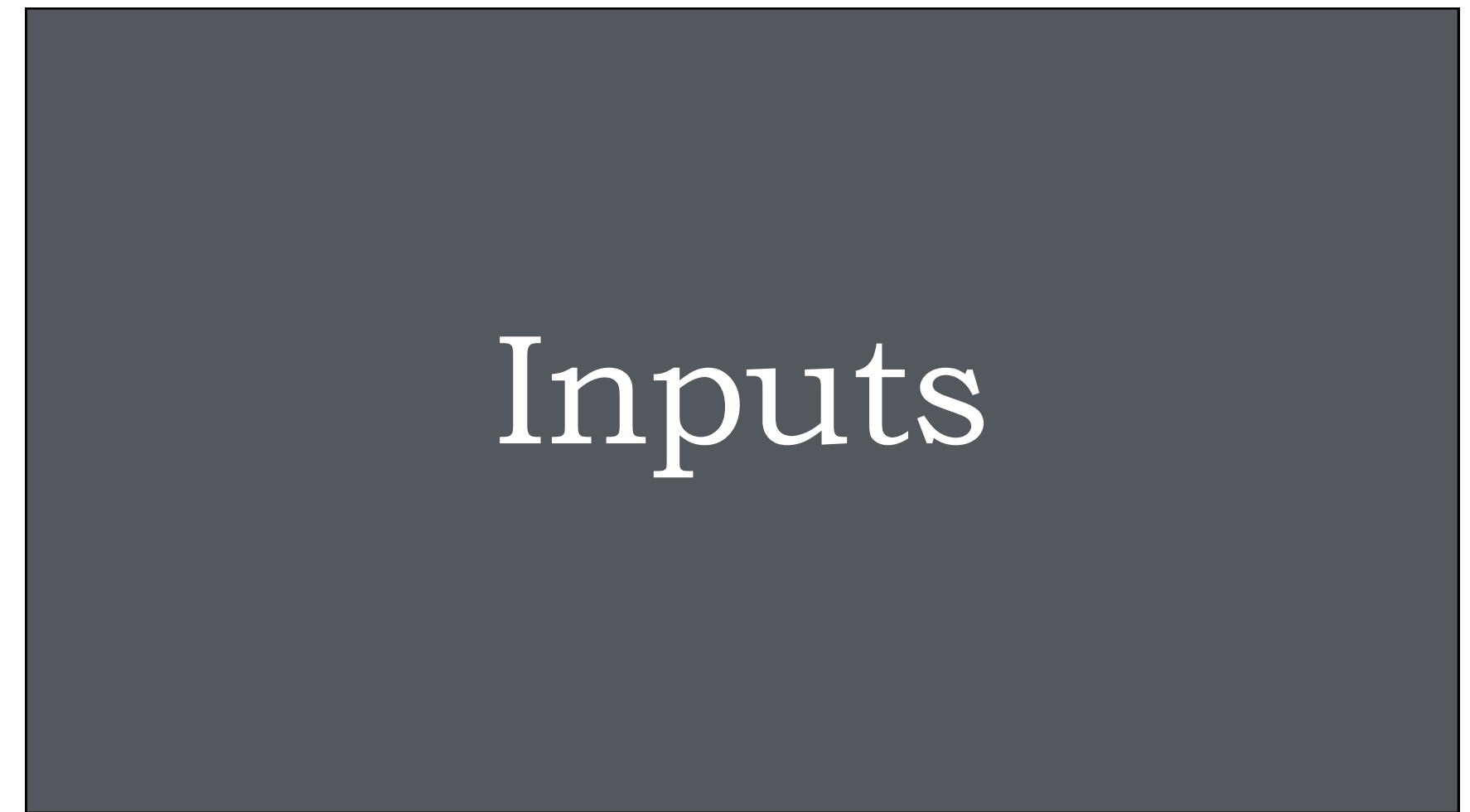
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Add elements to your app as arguments to
fluidPage()

```
ui <- fluidPage(  
  # *Input() functions,  
  # *Output() functions  
)
```

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Create an input with an ***Input()** function.

```
sliderInput(inputId = "num",
  label = "Choose a number",
  value = 25, min = 1, max = 100)
```

```
<div class="form-group shiny-input-container">
  <label class="control-label" for="num">Choose a number</label>
  <input class="js-range-slider" id="num" data-min="1" data-max="100"
    data-from="25" data-step="1" data-grid="true" data-grid-num="9.9"
    data-grid-snap="false" data-prettify-separator="," data-keyboard="true"
    data-keyboard-step="1.01010101010101"/>
</div>
```

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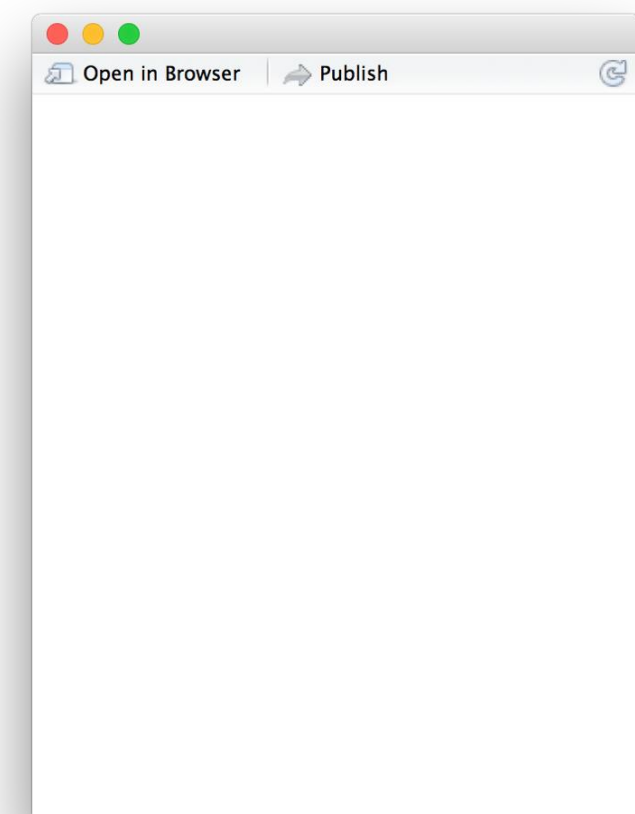
Create an input with an input function.

```
library(shiny)
ui <- fluidPage(

)

server <- function(input, output) {}

shinyApp(server = server, ui = ui)
```



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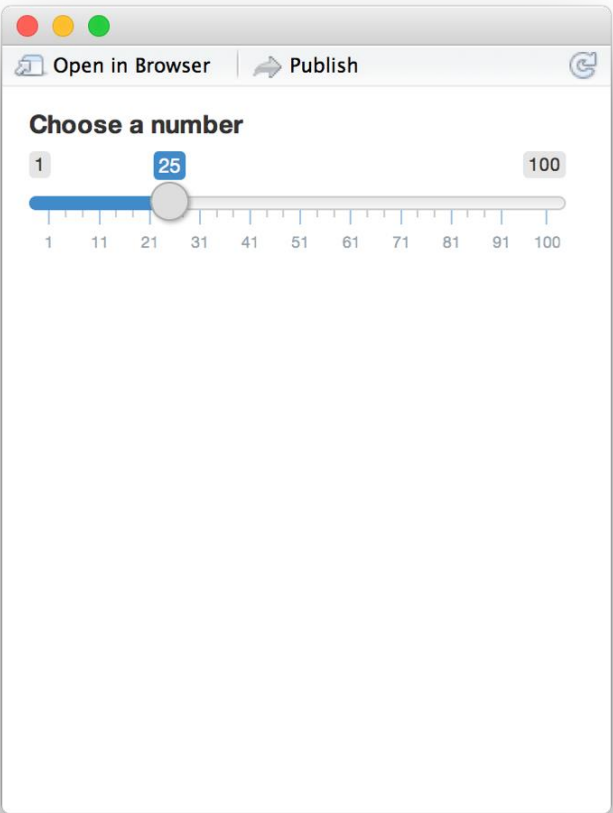
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```



Buttons



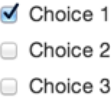
`actionButton()`
`submitButton()`

Single checkbox



`checkboxInput()`

Checkbox group



`checkboxGroupInput()`

Date input



`dateInput()`

Date range



`dateRangeInput()`

File input



`fileInput()`

Numeric input



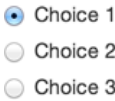
`numericInput()`

Password Input



`passwordInput()`

Radio buttons



`radioButtons()`

Select box



`selectInput()`

Sliders



`sliderInput()`

Text input

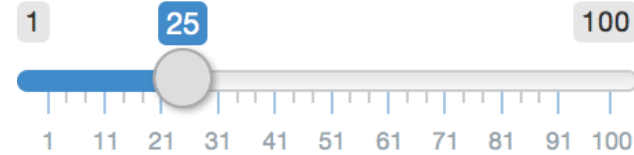


`textInput()`

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Syntax

Choose a number



```
sliderInput(inputId = "num", label = "Choose a number", ...)
```

input name
(for internal use)

Notice:
Id not ID

label to
display

input specific
arguments

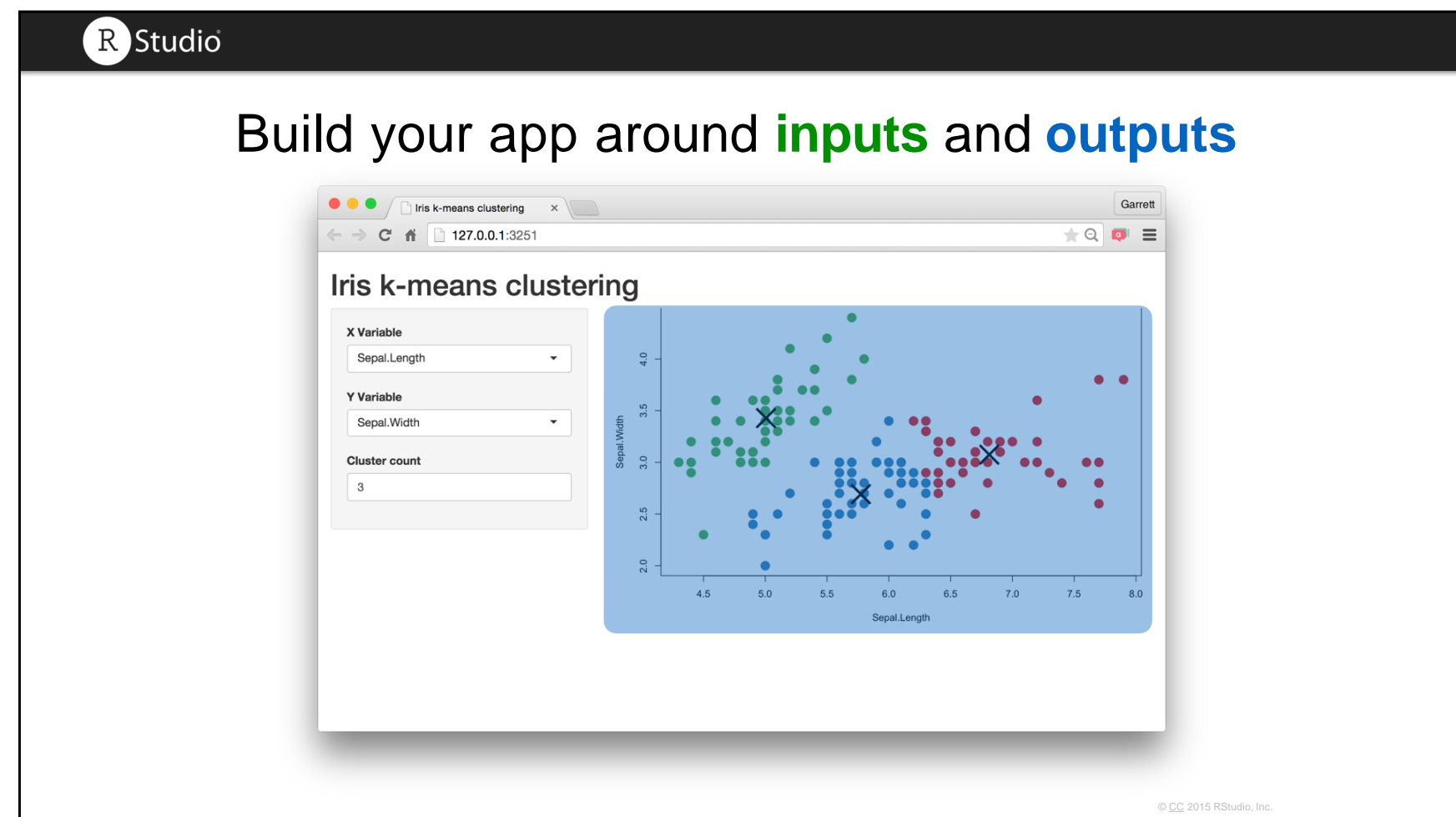
To get more information: `??sliderInput`

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Outputs

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Function	Inserts
<code>dataTableOutput()</code>	an interactive table
<code>htmlOutput()</code>	raw HTML
<code>imageOutput()</code>	image
<code>plotOutput()</code>	plot
<code>tableOutput()</code>	table
<code>textOutput()</code>	text
<code>uiOutput()</code>	a Shiny UI element
<code>verbatimTextOutput()</code>	text

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*Output()

To display output, add it to `fluidPage()` with an `*Output()` function

```
plotOutput("hist")
```

the type of output to display

name to give to the output object

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```
library(shiny)

ui <- fluidPage(
  sliderInput(inputId = "num",
    label = "Choose a number",
    value = 25, min = 1, max = 100),
  plotOutput("hist")
)

server <- function(input, output) {}

shinyApp(ui = ui, server = server)
```

Comma between arguments

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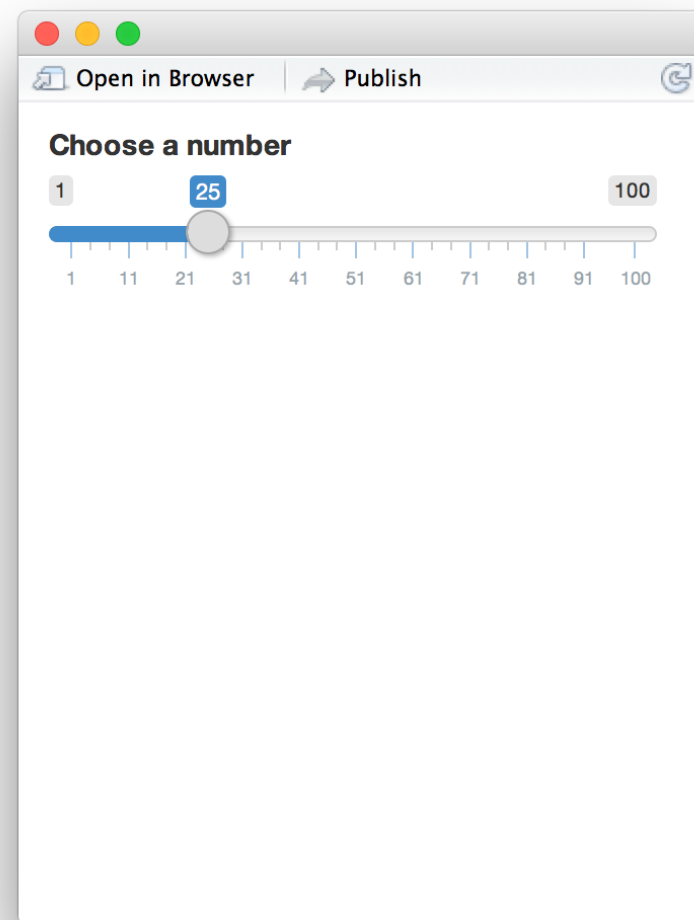
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```
library(shiny)
```

```
ui <- fluidPage(
  sliderInput(inputId = "num",
    label = "Choose a number",
    value = 25, min = 1, max = 100),
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)

server <- function(input, output) {}

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```



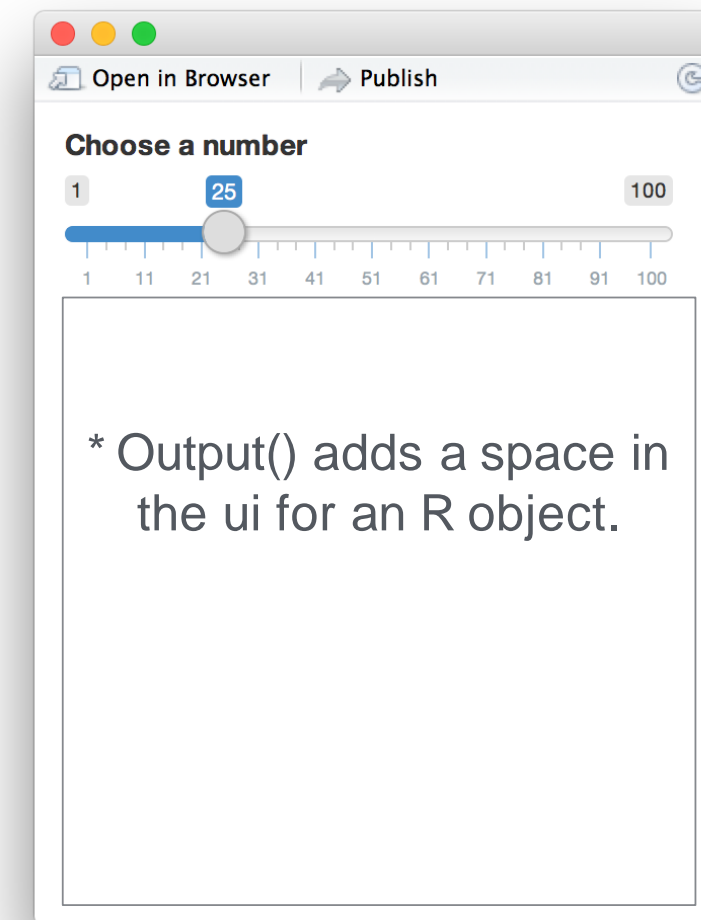
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)

server <- function(input, output) {}

shinyApp(ui = ui, server = server)
```



* Output() adds a space in the ui for an R object.

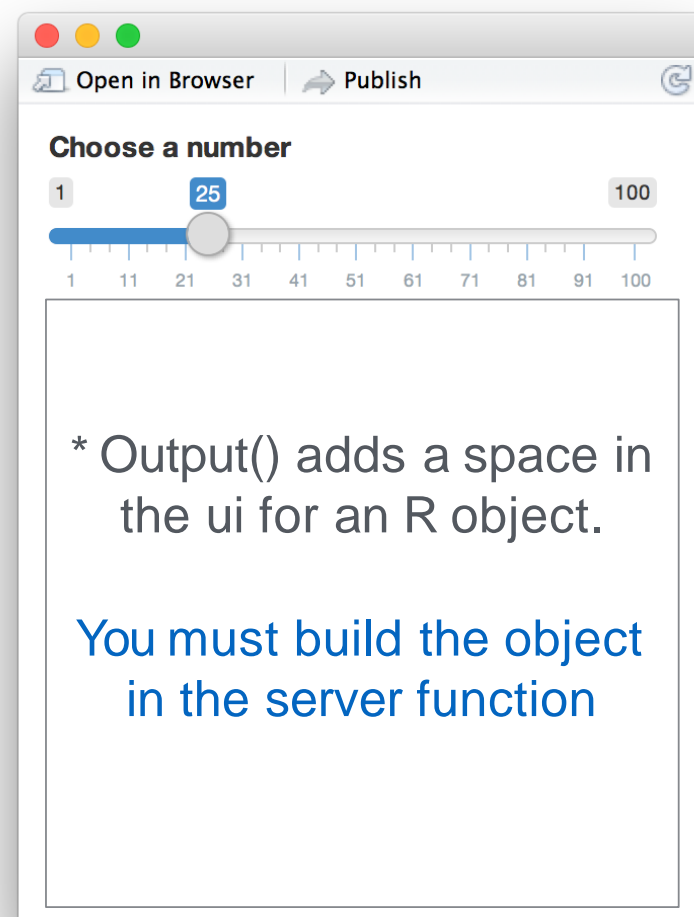
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```

```
ui <- fluidPage(
  sliderInput(inputId = "num",
    label = "Choose a number",
    value = 25, min = 1, max = 100),
  plotOutput("hist")
)

server <- function(input, output) {}

shinyApp(ui = ui, server = server)
```



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Recap

Begin each app with the template

```
library(shiny)
ui <- fluidPage()
server <- function(input, output) {}
shinyApp(ui = ui, server = server)
```

Hello World

Add elements as arguments to **fluidPage()**

Input

Create reactive inputs with an ***Input()** function

Output

Display reactive results with an ***Output()** function

Input → Output

Assemble outputs from inputs in the server function

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R Studio

1 Save objects to display to output\$

```
server <- function(input, output) {  
  output$hist <- # code  
  
}
```

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R Studio

1 Save objects to display to output\$

```
output$hist  
↓  
plotOutput("hist")
```

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Build objects to display with **render*()**

```
server <- function(input, output) {  
  output$hist <- renderPlot({  
  
  })  
}
```

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Use the **render*()** function that creates the type of output you wish to make.

function	creates
renderDataTable()	An interactive table (from a data frame, matrix, or other table-like structure)
renderImage()	An image (saved as a link to a source file)
renderPlot()	A plot
renderPrint()	A code block of printed output
renderTable()	A table (from a data frame, matrix, or other table-like structure)
renderText()	A character string
renderUI()	a Shiny UI element

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render*()

Builds reactive output to display in UI

```
renderPlot({ hist(rnorm(100)) })
```

type of object to build

code block that builds the object

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2 Build objects to display with **render*()**

```
server <- function(input, output) {
  output$hist <- renderPlot({
    hist(rnorm(100))
  })
}
```

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2 Build objects to display with **render***()

```
server <- function(input, output) {  
  output$hist <- renderPlot({  
    title <- "100 random normal values"  
    hist(rnorm(100), main = title)  
  })  
}
```

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3 Access **input** values with input\$

```
server <- function(input, output) {  
  output$hist <- renderPlot({  
    hist(rnorm(input$num) )  
  })  
}
```

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3 Access **input** values with input\$

```
sliderInput(inputId = "num", ...)
```

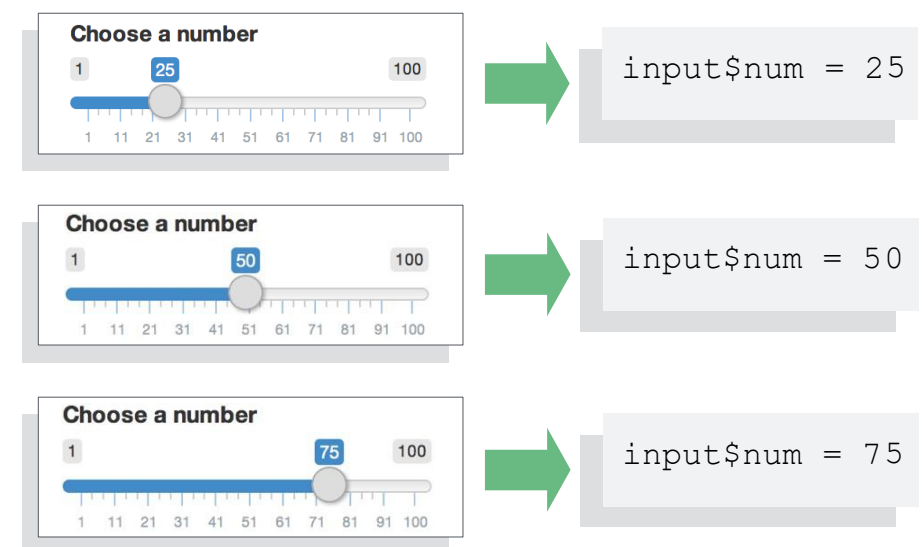
↓
input\$num

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Input values

The input value changes whenever a user changes the input.

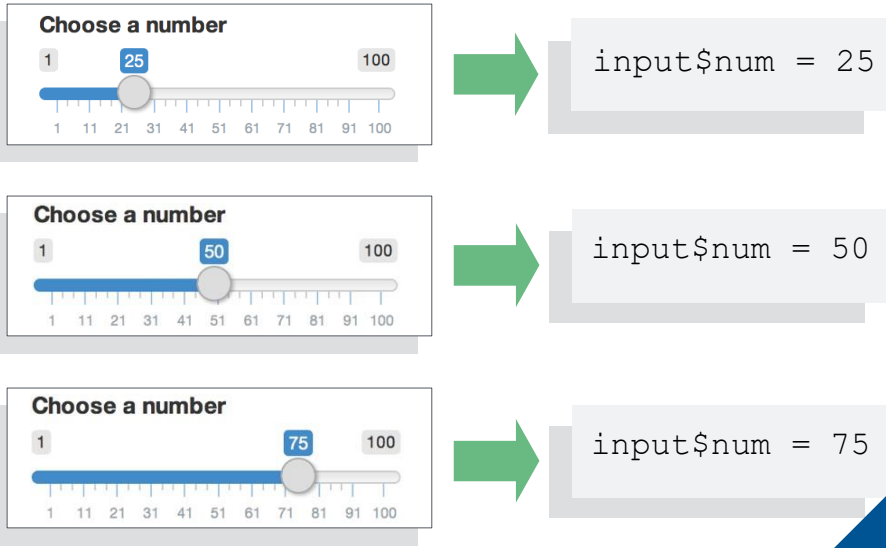


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Input values

The input value changes whenever a user changes the input.



Output will automatically update if you follow the 3 rules

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Reactivity 101

Reactivity automatically occurs whenever you use an input value to render an output object

```
function(input, output) {
  output$hist <- renderPlot({
    hist(rnorm(input$num))
  })
}
```

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Recap: Server

Use the server function to assemble inputs into outputs. Follow 3 rules:

1. Save the output that you build to **output\$**
2. Build the output with a **render*()** function
3. Access input values with **input\$**

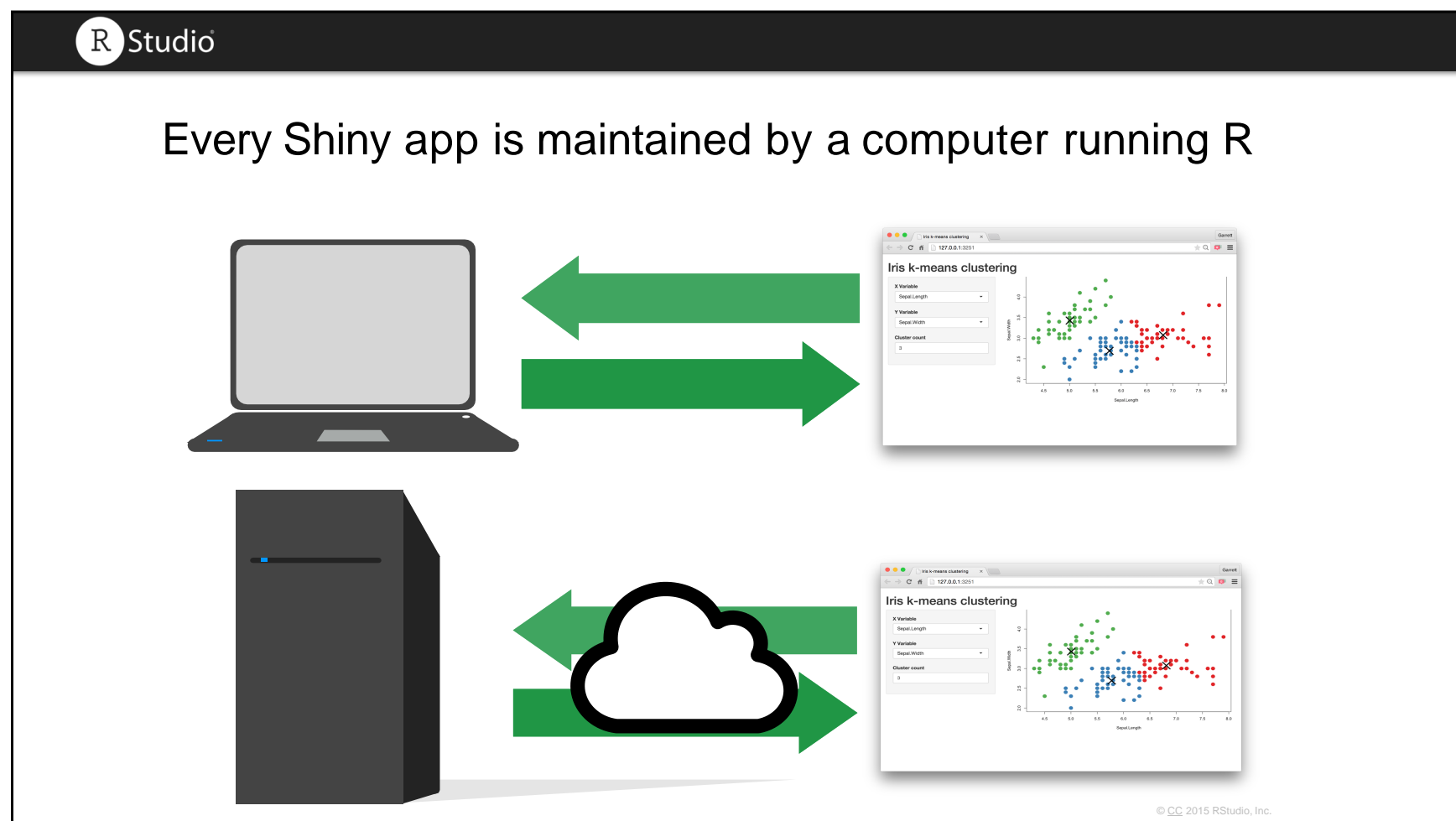
Create reactivity by using **Inputs** to build **rendered Outputs**

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Share your app !

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How to save your app

One directory with every file the app needs:

- **app.R** (your script which ends with a call to `shinyApp()`)
- datasets, images, css, helper scripts, etc.

The screenshot shows an R Studio window with a file explorer on the left displaying a directory named 'App-1' containing a file named 'app.R'. The main editor area is empty.

Using the app.R file

You must use this exact name (**app.R**)

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Using a two-file app

```
# app.R
library(shiny)
ui <- fluidPage(
  sliderInput(inputId = "num",
    label = "Choose a number",
    value = 25, min = 1, max =
    100), plotOutput("hist")
)

server <- function(input, output) {
  output$hist <- renderPlot({
    hist(rnorm(input$num))
  })
}

shinyApp(ui = ui, server = server)
```

```
# ui.R
library(shiny)
fluidPage(
  sliderInput(inputId = "num",
    label = "Choose a number",
    value = 25, min = 1, max = 100),
  plotOutput("hist")
)

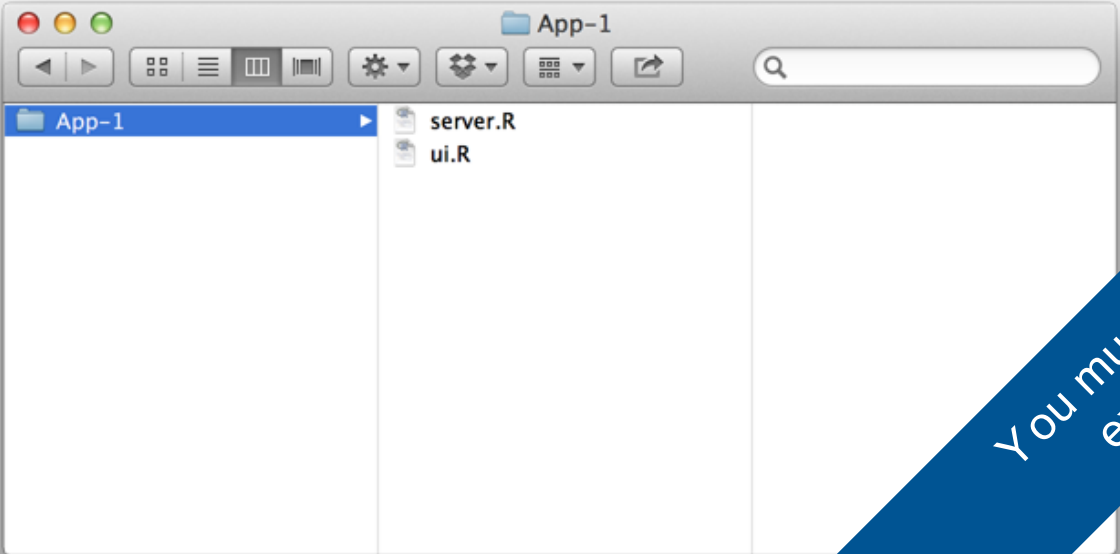
# server.R
library(shiny)
function(input, output) {
  output$hist <- renderPlot({
    hist(rnorm(input$num))
  })
}
```

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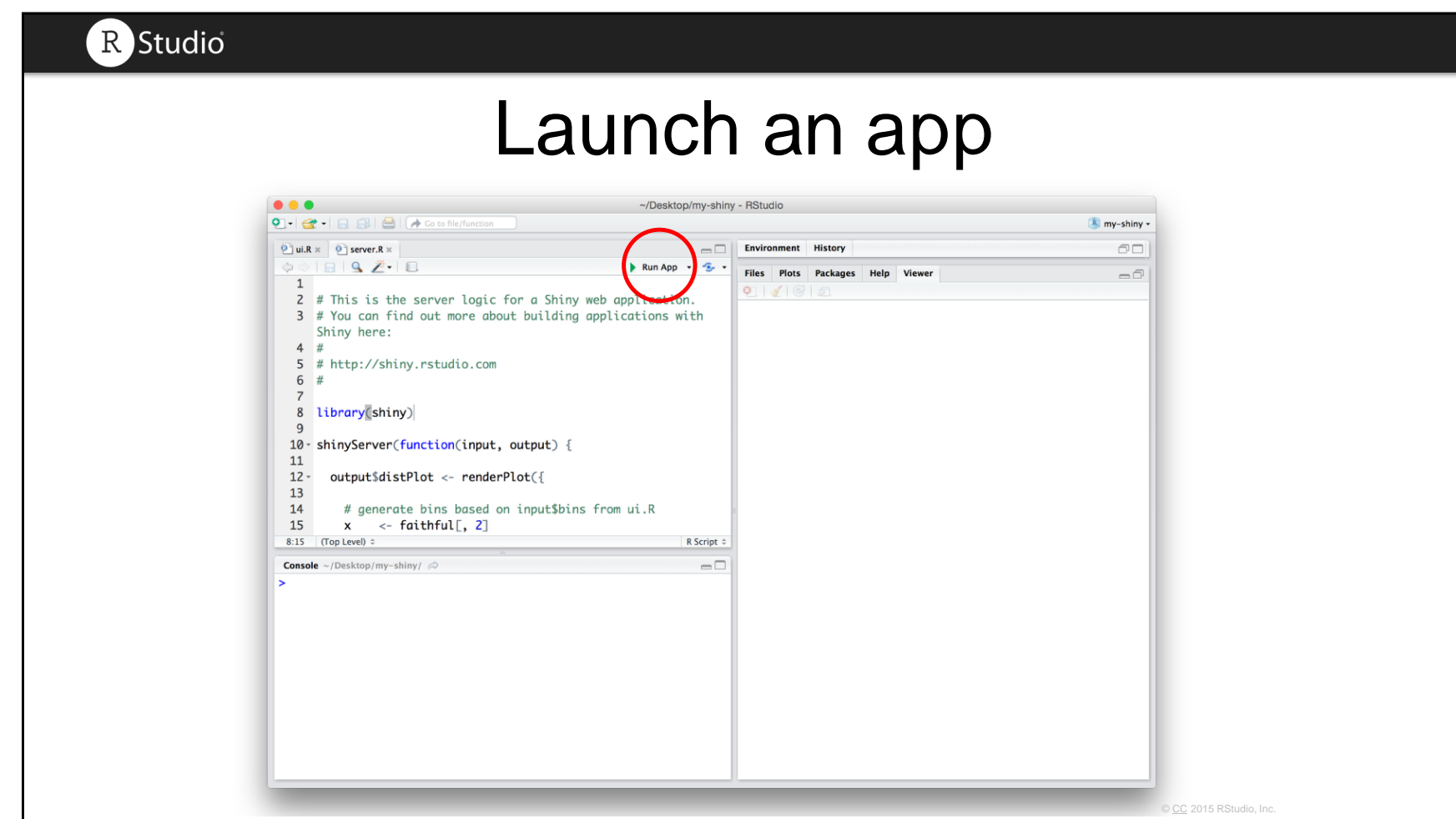
Two file apps

One directory with two files:

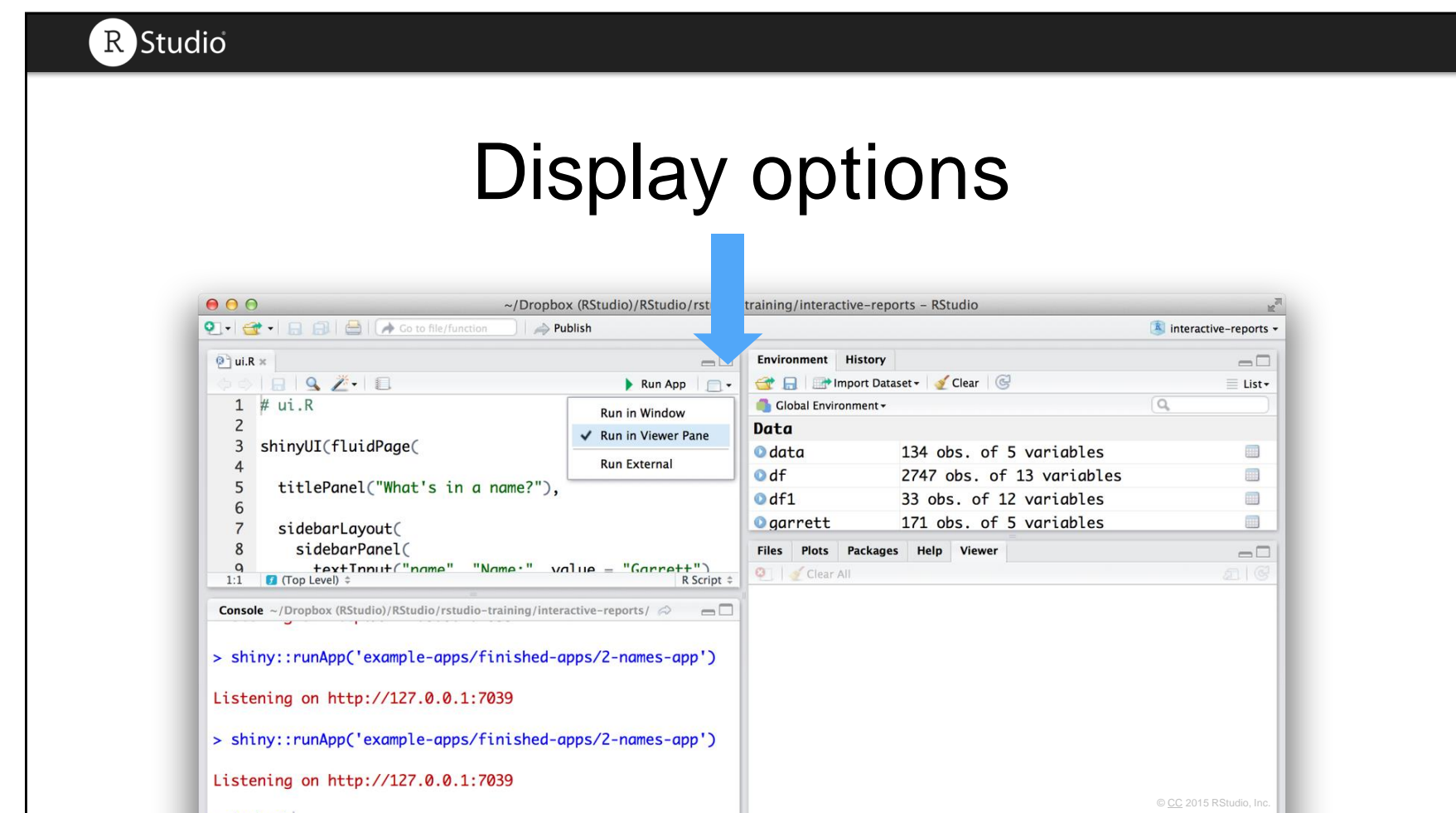
- server.R
- ui.R



You must use these exact names



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Use
shinyapps.io

!

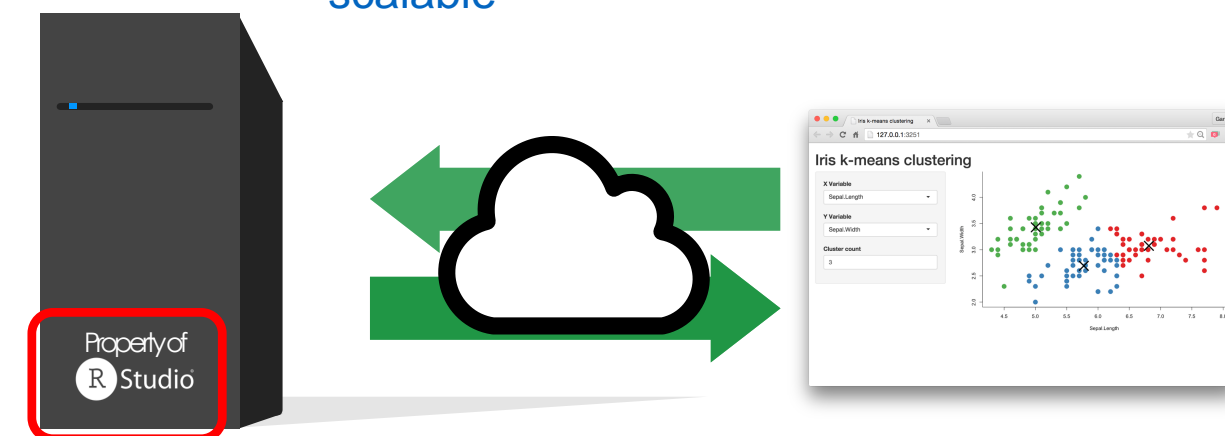
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Shinyapps.io

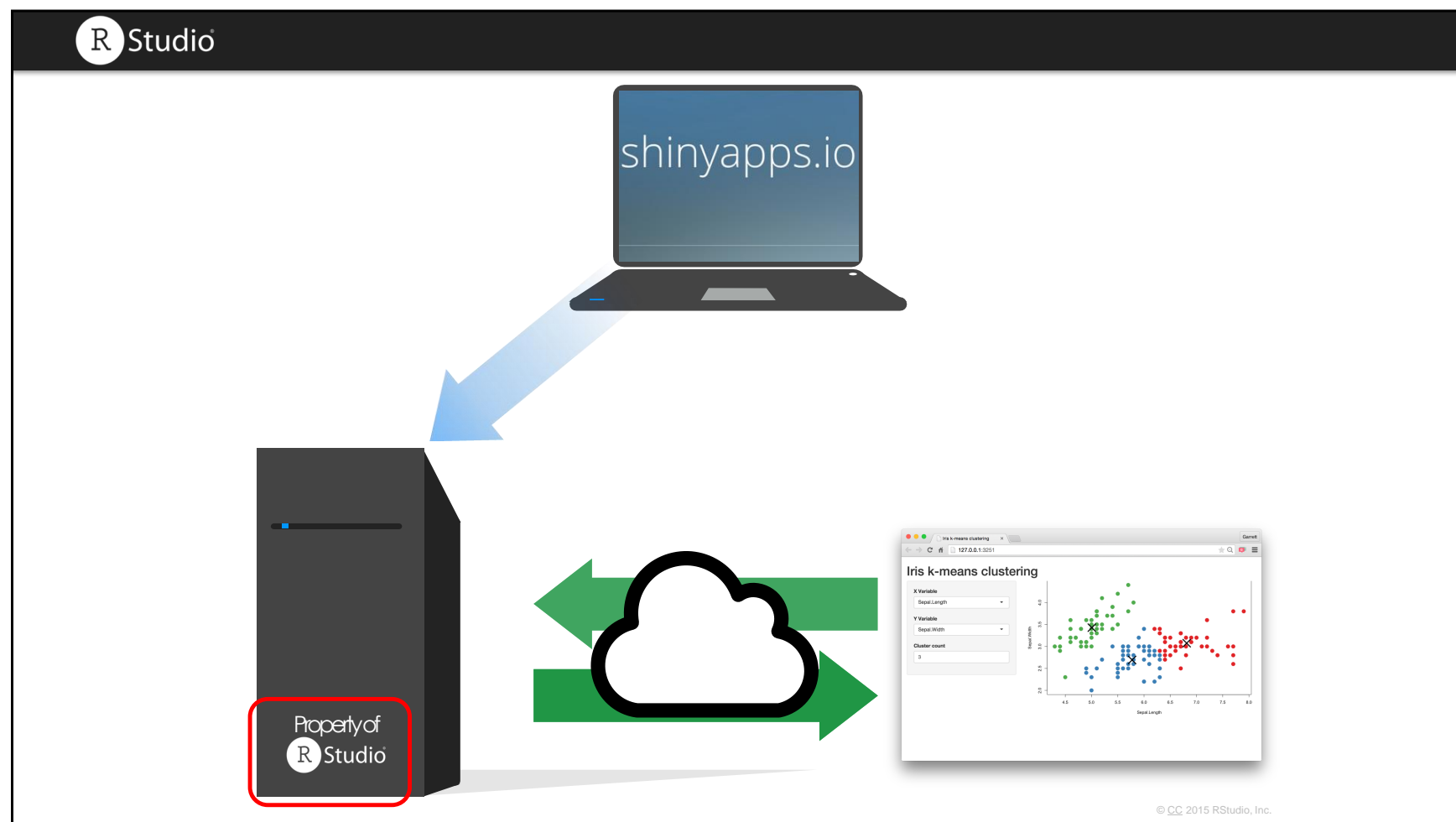
A server maintained by RStudio

- free
- easy to use
- secure
- scalable



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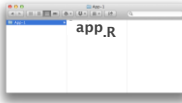
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Recap: Sharing



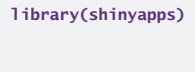
Save your app in its own directory as **app.R**, or **ui.R** and **server.R**




Host apps at shinyapps.io by:



1. Sign up for a free shinyapps.io account



2. Install the **shinyapps** package




Build your own server with **Shiny Server** or **Shiny Server Pro**

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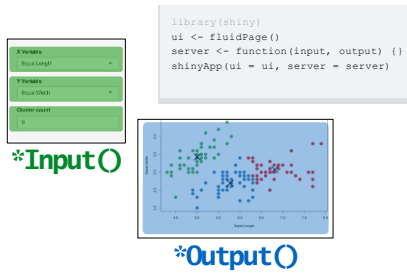
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Recap all

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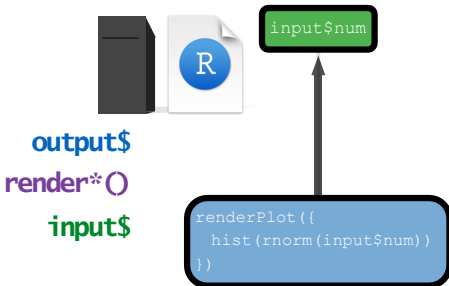
You now know to



***Input**

***Output**

Build an app




output\$
render*
input\$

input\$num

renderPlot({ hist(rnorm(input\$num)) })

Create interactions



app.R

shinyapps.io

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