An Interactive Example

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CPUs

This is an interactive example where I'll be guiding the audience on how to export visual output from an IDE (like RStudio) to a pdf. We will be using the **cpus** dataset from the **MASS** package. This dataset includes performance metrics for varius cpus.

As in the main presentation, we can simultaneously include code and its output within the same chunk:

```
library(MASS)
head(cpus[, c(1, 5, 8)])
##
               name cach perf
## 1
     ADVISOR 32/60
                     256
                           198
## 2
     AMDAHL 470V/7
                       32
                           269
## 3 AMDAHL 470/7A
                           220
                      32
## 4 AMDAHL 470V/7B
                      32
                          172
## 5 AMDAHL 470V/7C
                      32
                           132
## 6 AMDAHL 470V/8
                       64
                           318
```

Suppressing Output

However, sometimes when writing a technical document, you want to suppress the output while presenting the code. This gives you a little bit of breathing space to explain yourself before showing the output. We can achieve this by setting the **eval** option to **FALSE**:

```
library(MASS)
head(cpus[, c(1, 5, 8)])
```

You can see that we have the same two input lines as in the previous example, but with no output this time.

Likewise, sometimes we want to show the output without expressing the code that was used to generate it. We can do so by setting the **echo** option to **FALSE**:

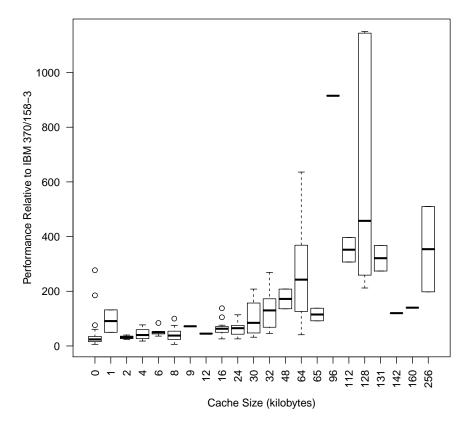
```
##
              name cach perf
## 1
     ADVISOR 32/60
                    256
                        198
## 2 AMDAHL 470V/7
                     32
                         269
## 3 AMDAHL 470/7A
                     32
                         220
## 4 AMDAHL 470V/7B
                     32
                         172
## 5 AMDAHL 470V/7C
                     32
                        132
## 6 AMDAHL 470V/8
                    64 318
```

Plotting a Figure

We can plot the relative performance of cpus v.s. cache size using R's plotting capabilities. Set the option **fig** to **TRUE** in order to do this:

```
plot(factor(cpus$cach), cpus$perf, las=2,
   main="CPU Performance by Cache Size",
   xlab="Cache Size (kilobytes)",
   ylab="Performance Relative to IBM 370/158-3")
```

CPU Performance by Cache Size



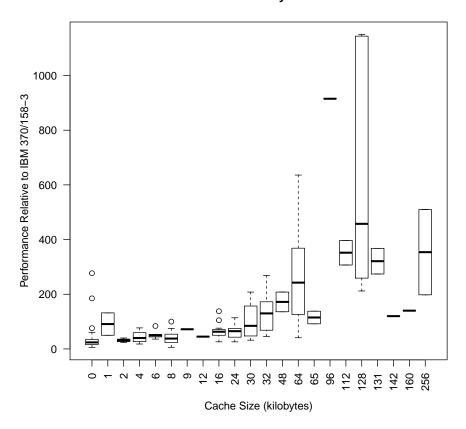
As before, we can suppress the output:

```
plot(factor(cpus$cach), cpus$perf, las=2,
   main="CPU Performance by Cache Size",
   xlab="Cache Size (kilobytes)",
   ylab="Performance Relative to IBM 370/158-3")
```

Suppressing Code for Publication

And likewise we can suppress the code used to generate the plot. Sometimes, this is necessary when you are presenting to a non-technical audience (such as clients):

CPU Performance by Cache Size



Importing a Table of Values

Although we can show R output directly on the page, sometimes the default monospace font isn't appropriate for our audience (especially if we are dealing with non-technical people):

```
cpus[1:20, c(1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8)]
                  name syct
                              {\tt mmin}
                                     mmax cach perf
## 1
                        125
                               256
                                           256
        ADVISOR 32/60
                                     6000
                                                 198
## 2
        AMDAHL 470V/7
                          29
                              8000 32000
                                            32
                                                 269
## 3
        AMDAHL 470/7A
                                                 220
                          29
                              8000 32000
                                             32
       AMDAHL 470V/7B
                              8000 32000
## 4
                          29
                                            32
                                                 172
       AMDAHL 470V/7C
## 5
                          29
                              8000
                                   16000
                                                 132
                                            32
## 6
        AMDAHL 470V/8
                              8000 32000
                          26
                                            64
                                                 318
##
  7
      AMDAHL 580-5840
                          23 16000 32000
                                                 367
## 8
      AMDAHL 580-5850
                          23 16000 32000
                                             64
                                                 489
## 9
      AMDAHL 580-5860
                          23 16000 64000
                                             64
                                                 636
## 10 AMDAHL 580 5880
                          23 32000 64000
                                           128
                                               1144
## 11
         APOLLO DN320
                         400
                              1000
                                     3000
                                             0
                                                  38
## 12
         APOLLO DN420
                         400
                               512
                                     3500
                                             4
                                                  40
##
  13
             BASF 7/65
                          60
                              2000
                                     8000
                                             65
                                                  92
##
  14
             BASF 7/68
                          50
                              4000
                                    16000
                                                 138
                                             65
## 15
              BTI 5000
                         350
                                64
                                       64
                                                  10
  16
##
              BTI 8000
                         200
                               512 16000
                                             0
                                                  35
  17 BURROUGHS B1955
                         167
                               524
                                     2000
                                             8
                                                  19
  18 BURROUGHS B2900
                         143
                               512
                                     5000
                                             0
                                                  28
  19 BURROUGHS B2925
                         143
                              1000
                                     2000
                                             0
                                                  31
## 20 BURROUGHS B4955
                         110
                              5000
                                     5000
                                                 120
```

We can remedy this situation by using the xtable package that converts R output into a \LaTeX table. We can suppress the code to produce a well-formatted table for professional publication:

name	syct	mmin	mmax	cach	perf
ADVISOR 32/60	125	256	6000	256	198
AMDAHL $470V/7$	29	8000	32000	32	269
$AMDAHL\ 470/7A$	29	8000	32000	32	220
$AMDAHL\ 470V/7B$	29	8000	32000	32	172
$AMDAHL\ 470V/7C$	29	8000	16000	32	132
AMDAHL $470V/8$	26	8000	32000	64	318
AMDAHL 580-5840	23	16000	32000	64	367
AMDAHL 580-5850	23	16000	32000	64	489
AMDAHL 580-5860	23	16000	64000	64	636
AMDAHL 580 5880	23	32000	64000	128	1144
APOLLO DN320	400	1000	3000	0	38
APOLLO DN420	400	512	3500	4	40
BASF $7/65$	60	2000	8000	65	92
BASF 7/68	50	4000	16000	65	138
BTI 5000	350	64	64	0	10
BTI 8000	200	512	16000	0	35
BURROUGHS B1955	167	524	2000	8	19
BURROUGHS B2900	143	512	5000	0	28
BURROUGHS B2925	143	1000	2000	0	31
BURROUGHS B4955	110	5000	5000	142	120

Table 1: CPU Performance Relative to IBM 370/158-3