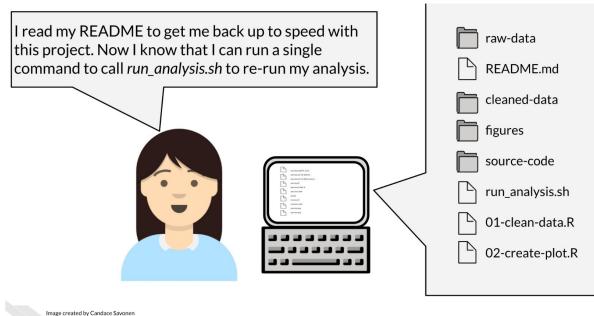
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management and
reproducibility
practices can make
your life easier by
helping you (and
others) streamline
and document your
work! Like in this →
Start small & build up
your own practices!



Data Management questions for yourself

- Storage: do I have a backup I can restore everything from? Is it updated enough that I won't be mad if I need to use it?
- Documentation: if a stranger in my field picked up my project, could they figure out what my data is, where it came from, and how to use my scripts with it?
- Folder organization: do I know where new files go immediately and where to find old ones? do I click less than 5 times to get to the file I want?
- File naming: can I tell the gist of a file by its name? can I sort/filter my files based on name?
- File formatting: am I using the most open and well-documented format possible? If not, how will I transform it at the end of my project so I can always access them?

Reproducibility questions for yourself

- Do all my scripts run top-to-bottom?
- Do all my scripts use relative paths instead of direct paths?
- \Box Are my scripts *commented heavily* so that I know what I did?
- □ Did I use version control to keep track of my source history?
- Are all my dependencies (libraries, data) declared at the top of every script?
- Are my scripts named in a logical order (e.g. 00_script.py, 01_otherScript.py)?
- Have I used a *reproducibility tool* to capture and/or document the dependencies my scripts have on the computational environmental?

Resource guides & help for you!

- ★ Data Science guide: guides.nyu.edu/datascience
- ★ Data Services department (help with research software): guides.nyu.edu/dataservices
- ★ Finding data guide: guides.nyu.edu/datasources
- ★ Data management guide: guides.nyu.edu/data_management
- ★ HPC department (help with compute resources): sites.google.com/nyu.edu/nyu-hpc
 - GUI for HPC: ood.hpc.nyu.edu (NYU NET or VPN)
- ★ Copyright guide: guides.nyu.edu/copyright
- ★ Get help from Vicky directly:

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