

# markdown : : CHEAT SHEET

## What is markdown?

- **Rmd files** - Develop your code and ideas side-by-side in a single document. Run code as individual chunks or as an entire document.
- **Dynamic Documents** - Knit together plots, tables, and results with narrative text. Render to a variety of formats like HTML, PDF, MS Word, or MS PowerPoint.
- **Reproducible Research** - Upload, link to, or attach your report to share. Anyone can read or run your code to reproduce your work.

## Workflow

1. Open a new **Rmd file** in the RStudio IDE by going to **File > New File > R Markdown**.
2. **Embed code** in chunks. Run code by line, by chunk, or all at once.
3. **Write text** and add tables, figures, images, and citations. Format with Markdown syntax or the RStudio Visual Markdown Editor.
4. **Set output format(s) and options** in the YAML header. Customize themes or add parameters to execute or add interactivity with Shiny.
5. **Save and render** the whole document. Knit periodically to preview your work as you write.
6. **Share your work!**

## Embed Code with knitr

### CODE CHUNKS

Surround code chunks with ````{r}` and ````` or use the Insert Code Chunk button. Add a chunk label and/or chunk options inside the curly braces after `r`.

```
```{r chunk=lab1, include=FALSE}
summary(mtcars)
```
```

### SET GLOBAL OPTIONS

Set options for the entire document in the first chunk.

```
```{r include=FALSE}
knitr::opts_chunk$set(message = FALSE)
```
```

### INLINE CODE

Insert ``r`<code>` into text sections. Code is evaluated at render and results appear as text.

"Built with `r` `getRversion()`" -> "Built with 4.1.0"



## SOURCE EDITOR

1. New File

5. Save and Render

6. Share

4. Set Output Format(s) and Options

3. Write Text

2. Embed Code

## VISUAL EDITOR

Insert citations

style options

add/edit attributes

## RENDERED OUTPUT

report.html

Open in Browser

Find

Publish

find in document

Document Title

Author Name

R Markdown

Including Plots

publish to

rdpubs.com,

shinyapps.io,

Rstudio Connect

reload document

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>.

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   |

## Insert Citations

Create citations from a bibliography file, a Zotero library, or from DOI references.

### BUILD YOUR BIBLIOGRAPHY

- Add BibTeX or CSL bibliographies to the YAML header.

```
title: "My Document"
bibliography: references.bib
link-citations: TRUE
```

- If Zotero is installed locally, your main library will automatically be available.

- Add citations by DOI by searching "from DOI" in the **Insert Citation** dialog.

### INSERT CITATIONS

- Access the **Insert Citations** dialog in the Visual Editor by clicking the @ symbol in the toolbar or by clicking **Insert > Citation**.

- Add citations with markdown syntax by typing **[@cite]** or **@cite**.

## Insert Tables

Output data frames as tables using **kable(data, caption)**.

```
```{r}
data <- faithful[1:4, ]
knitr::kable(data,
  caption = "Table with kable")
```
```

| eruptions | waiting |
|-----------|---------|
| 3.600     | 79      |
| 1.800     | 54      |
| 3.333     | 74      |
| 2.283     | 62      |

## Write with Markdown

The syntax on the left renders as the output on the right.

Plain text.

End a line with two spaces to start a new paragraph. Also end with a backslash to make a new line.

**italics** and **bold**  
`superscript`/`subscript`  
`strikethrough`  
escaped: `\\_`  
endash: `--`

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# Set Output Formats and their Options in YAML

Use the document's YAML header to set an **output format** and customize it with **output options**.

```
---
title: "My Document"
author: "Author Name"
output:
  html_document:
    toc: TRUE
---
indent format 2 characters,
indent options 4 characters,
```

| OUTPUT FORMAT  | CREATES                      |
|--|------------------------------|
| html_document  | .html                        |
| pdf_document*  | .pdf                         |
| word_document  | Microsoft Word (.docx)       |
| powerpoint_presentation  | Microsoft PowerPoint (.pptx) |
| odt_document   | OpenDocument Text            |
| rtf_document   | Rich Text Format             |
| md_document  | Markdown                     |
| github_document  | Markdown for Github          |
| ioslides_presentation  | ioslides HTML slides         |
| slidy_presentation   | Slidy HTML slides            |
| beamer_presentation*   | Beamer slides                |
| * Requires LaTeX, use <code>tinytex::install_tinytex()</code>  |                              |
| Also see <code>flexdashboard</code> , <code>bookdown</code> , <code>distill</code> , and <code>blogdown</code> . |                              |

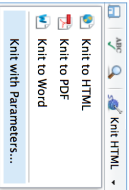
## More Header Options

### PARAMETERS

Parameterize your documents to reuse with new inputs (e.g., data, values, etc.).

- Add parameters** in the header as sub-values of params.

```
---
params:
  state: "hawaii"
---
data <- df[, params$state]
summary(data)
```
- Call parameters** in code using `params$name`.

```
params$name
```
- Set parameters** with Knit with Parameters or the params argument of `render()`.

### REUSABLE TEMPLATES

- Create a new package** with a `inst/markdown/` templates directory.
- Add a folder containing `template.yaml`** (below) and `skeleton.Rmd` (template contents).

```
name: "My_Template"
---

```
- Install the package** to access template by going to **File > New R Markdown > From Template**.

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### IMPORTANT OPTIONS

#### DESCRIPTION

| anchor_sections     | Show section anchors on mouse hover (TRUE or FALSE)                                    |
|---------------------|--|
| citation_package    | The LaTeX package to process citations ("default", "natbib", "biblatex")               |
| code_download       | Give readers an option to download the .Rmd source code (TRUE or FALSE)                |
| code_folding        | Let readers to toggle the display of R code ("none", "hide", or "show")                |
| css                 | CSS or SCSS file to use to style document (e.g. "style.css")                           |
| dev                 | Graphics device to use for figure output (e.g. "png", "pdf")                           |
| df_print            | Method for printing data frames ("default", "kable", "tbl", "paged")                   |
| fig_caption         | Should figures be rendered with captions (TRUE or FALSE)                               |
| highlight           | Syntax highlighting ("tango", "pygments", "kate", "zenburn", "textmate")               |
| includes            | File of content to place in doc ("in_header", "before_body", "after_body")             |
| keep_md             | Keep the Markdown .md file generated by knitting (TRUE or FALSE)                       |
| keep_tex            | Keep the intermediate TEX file used to convert to PDF (TRUE or FALSE)                  |
| latex_engine        | LaTeX engine for producing PDF output ("pdflatex", "xelatex", or "lualatex")           |
| reference_docx/_doc | docx/pptx file containing styles to copy in the output (e.g. "file.docx", "file.pptx") |
| theme               | Theme options (see Bootswatch and Custom Themes below)                                 |
| toc                 | Add a table of contents at start of document (TRUE or FALSE)                           |
| toc_depth           | The lowest level of headings to add to table of contents (e.g. 2, 3)                   |
| toc_float           | Float the table of contents to the left of the main document content (TRUE or FALSE)   |

Use `?output format` to see all of a format's options, e.g. `?html_document`

### BOOTSWATCH THEMES

Customize HTML documents with Bootswatch themes from the `bslib` package using the theme output option.

Use `bslib::bootswatch_themes()` to list available themes.

```
---
title: "Document Title"
author: "Author Name"
output:
  html_document:
    theme:
      bootswatch: solar
---

```



### CUSTOM THEMES

Customize individual HTML elements using `bslib` variables. Use `?bs_theme` to see more variables.

```
---
output:
  html_document:
    theme:
      bg: "#121212"
      fg: "#E4E4E4"
      base_font:
        google: "Poppins"
---

```

More on `bslib` at [pkgs.rstudio.com/bslib/](https://pkgs.rstudio.com/bslib/).

HTML  
PDF  
MS Word  
MS PPT

## Render

When you render a document, `markdown::`

- Runs the code and embeds results and text into an .md file with knitr.
- Converts the .md file into the output format with Pandoc.



**Save, then Knit** to preview the document output. The resulting HTML/PDF/MS Word/etc. document will be created and saved in the same directory as the .Rmd file.

Use `rmarkdown::render()` to render/knit in the R console. See `?render` for available options.

## Share

**Publish on RStudio Connect** to share R Markdown documents securely, schedule automatic updates, and interact with parameters in real time. [rstudio.com/products/connect/](https://rstudio.com/products/connect/)

### INTERACTIVITY

Turn your report into an interactive Shiny document in 4 steps:

- Add **runtime: shiny** to the YAML header.
- Call Shiny input functions to embed input objects.
- Call Shiny render functions to embed reactive output.
- Render with `rmarkdown::run()` or click **Run Document** in RStudio IDE.

```
---
output: html_document
runtime: shiny
---
```

```
...{r, echo = FALSE}
numericInput("n",
  "How many cars?", 5)

renderTable({
  head(cars, input$n)
})
}
```

| How many cars? |       |  |
|----------------|-------|--|
| 5              |       |  |
| speed          | dist  |  |
| 1 4.00         | 2.00  |  |
| 2 4.00         | 10.00 |  |
| 3 7.00         | 4.00  |  |
| 4 7.00         | 22.00 |  |
| 5 8.00         | 16.00 |  |

Also see Shiny Pre-rendered for better performance.

[rmarkdown.rstudio.com/](https://rmarkdown.rstudio.com/)  
**authoring\_shiny\_prerendered**

Embed a complete app into your document with `shiny::shinyAppDir()`. More at [bookdown.org/yihui/rmarkdown/shiny-embedded.html](https://bookdown.org/yihui/rmarkdown/shiny-embedded.html).

