

How to create applications using Shiny

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Part IV: Ways to improve the application



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HTML and CSS

HTML and CSS

- Using **HTML** and **div** you can insert HTML code to change the form elements appearance, color, etc., insert links,...
- You can specify the element appearance in the header by using HTML function with #age linking to the element whose id is "age".

```
HTML("<style type='text/css'> #age{color: red} </style>")
```

- Or just wrapping the element by **div** function in the UI section.

```
div(numericInput("age", "Age", 30), style="color:red")"
```

- You can also use **HTML** to change the color or insert a link to an input element label.

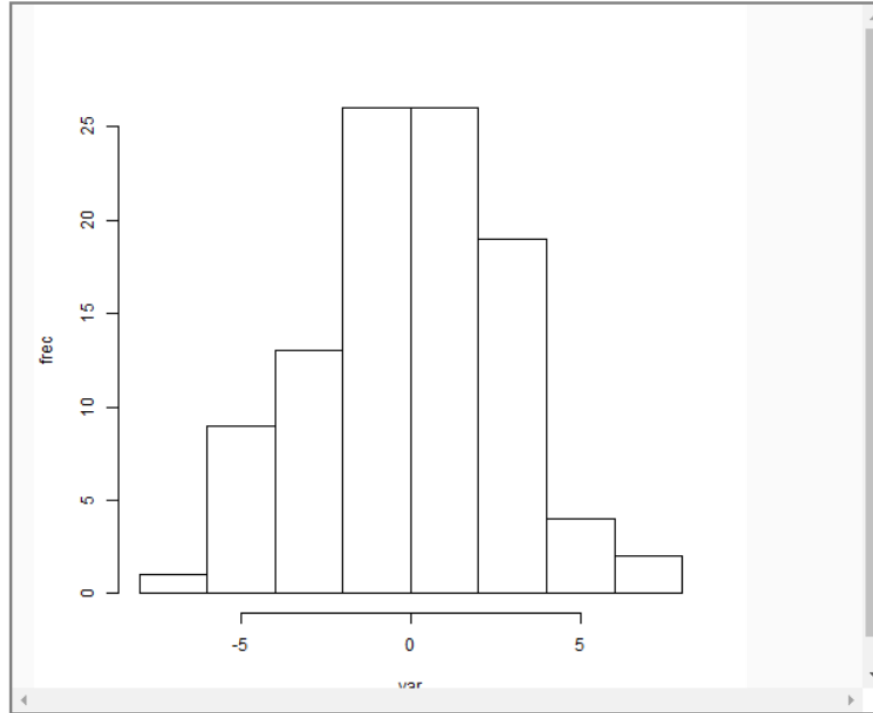
```
numericInput("age", HTML("<p title='Enter your age'>Age</p>"), 30))"
```

HTML examples

Mean

SD

OK



Note what happens when placing the mouse over “mu” or “sd” inputs label.

```
ui <- fluidPage(  
  headerPanel("HTML examples"),  
  
  HTML("<style type='text/css'> #inputpanel{background-color: rgb(230,230,230);  
    border: 2px solid grey; box-shadow: 2px 2px 1px #888888;} </style>"),  
  HTML("<style type='text/css'> #outpanel { background-color: rgb(250,250,250);  
    border: 2px solid grey; box-shadow: 2px 2px 1px #888888; overflow:scroll; height:500px}  
</style>"),  
  HTML("<style type='text/css'> #inputpanel .wellPanel {background-color:rgb(215,215,215);  
</style>"),  
  HTML("<style type='text/css'> #OK {color:white; background-color:rgb(10,101,212);  
    border: solid 1px rgb(10,101,212)} </style>"),  
  
  sidebarLayout(  
    sidebarPanel(id="inputpanel",  
      wellPanel(  
        numericInput("mu", HTML("<p title='Enter the mean'>Mean</p>"), 0),  
        numericInput("sd", HTML("<p title='Enter the standard deviation'>SD</p>"),3),  
        actionButton("OK", "OK")  
      )  
    ),  
    mainPanel(id="outpanel",  
      plotOutput("results")  
    )  
  )  
)  
  
server <- function(input,output){  
  output$results <- renderPlot({  
    if (input$OK == 0) return(invisible(NULL))  
    isolate({  
      hist(rnorm(100, input$mu, input$sd), xlab="var", ylab = "frec", main = "")  
    })  
  }, 500, 500)  
}
```



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

Pop-ups and Modals

Pop-ups

```
library(shinyBS)

ui <- fluidPage(
  wellPanel(id="person",
    textInput("name", "Name", ""),
    numericInput("age", "Age", 30),
    radioButtons("gender", "Gender", c("Male",
    "Female")),
    textInput("dni", "NIF", "")
  ),
  wellPanel(id="product",
    radioButtons("recom", "Recommended", c("Yes", "No")),
    sliderInput("score", "Score", 0, 10, 5)
  ),

  bsTooltip("name", "Write your name and surname"),
  bsTooltip("age", "Enter your age"),
  bsTooltip("dni", "Type your DNI including the letter"),
  bsTooltip("recom", "Would you recommend it?"),
  bsTooltip("score", "Score from 0 to 10", "bottom"),
  bsTooltip("person", "Personal data form", "click"),
  bsTooltip("product", "Product form", "click")

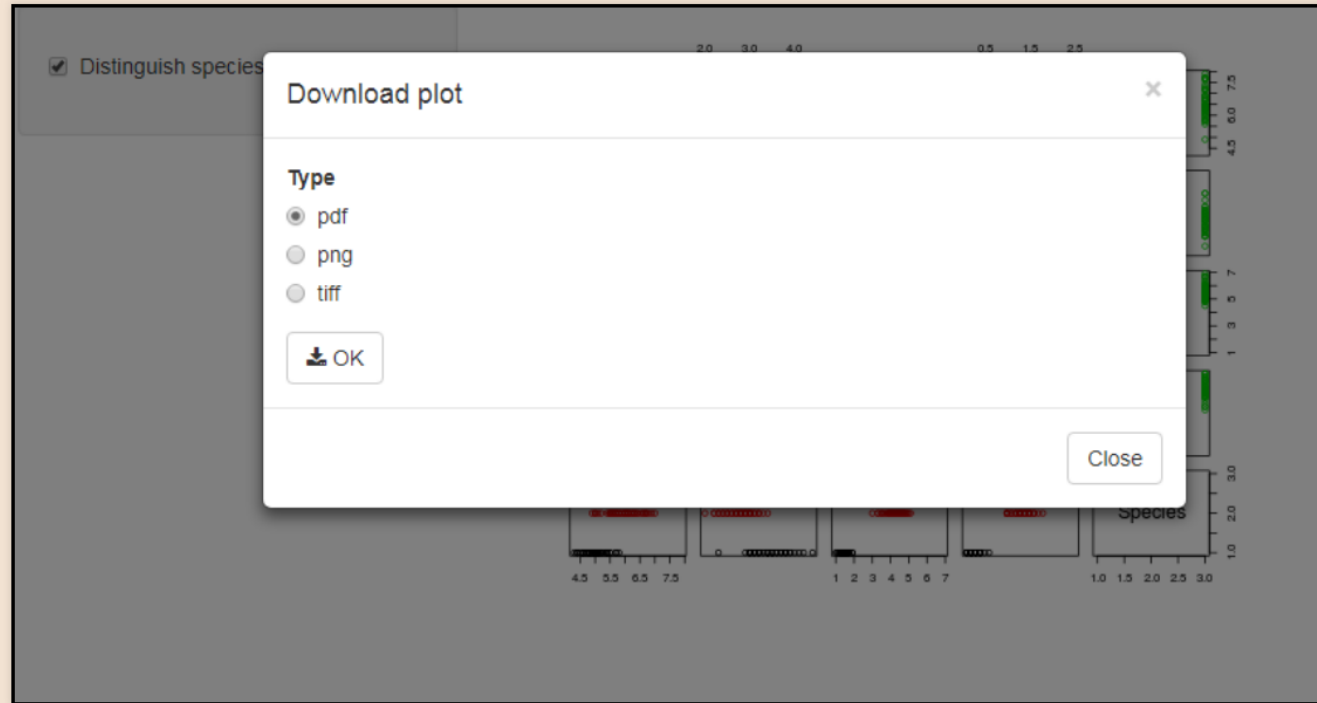
)

server <- function(input, output, session) {}

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

The screenshot displays a Shiny web application with two main panels. The top panel, titled 'person', contains a text input for 'Name', a numeric input for 'Age' (set to 30), radio buttons for 'Gender' (Male and Female), and a text input for 'NIF'. The bottom panel, titled 'product', contains radio buttons for 'Recommended' (Si and No) and a slider input for 'Score' (ranging from 0 to 10, with a current value of 5). Both panels have corresponding Bootstrap tooltips for each input field.

Modals



UI:

```
library(shinyBS)

ui <- fluidPage(
  sidebarLayout(
    sidebarPanel(
      checkboxInput("groups",
                    "Distinguish species")
    ),
    mainPanel(
      plotOutput("plot"),
      bsModal("modal",
              "Download plot",
              "plot",
              radioButtons("type", "Type",
                           c("pdf", "png", "tiff")),
              downloadButton("down", "OK")
            )
    )
  )
)
```

Server:

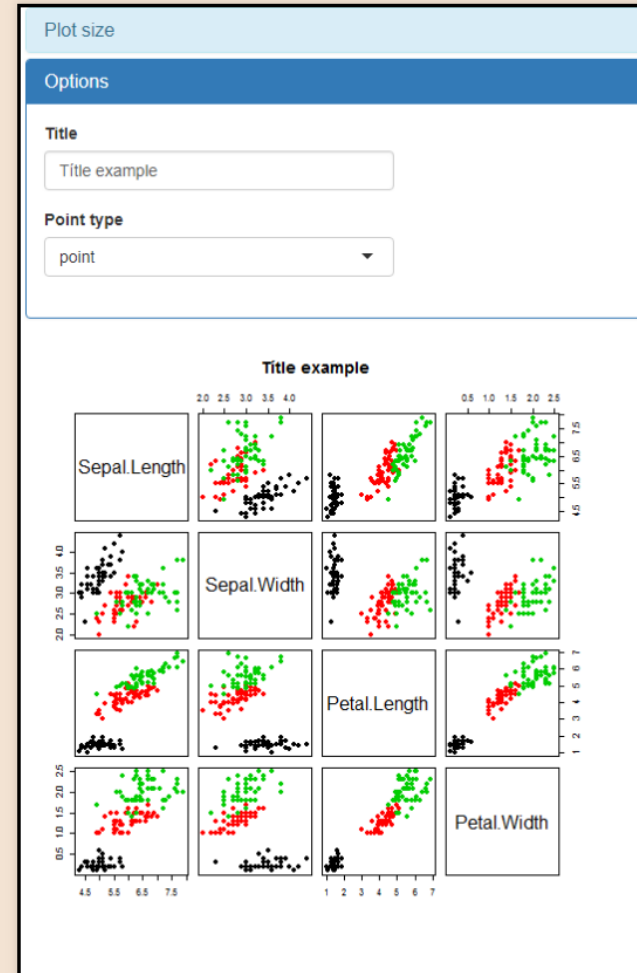
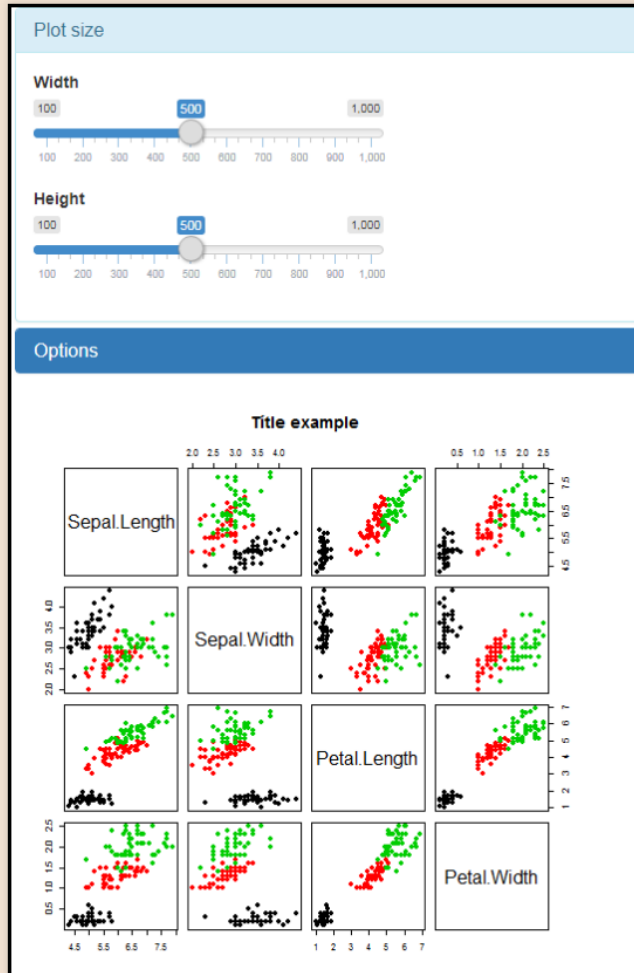
```
server <- function(input, output) {
  output$plot <- renderPlot({
    if (input$groups)
      pairs(iris, col = iris[,5])
    else
      pairs(iris)
  }, width = 500)

  output$down <- downloadHandler(
    filename = function(){
      paste("figure", input$type, sep = ".")
    },
    content = function(ff){
      if (input$type == "pdf") pdf(ff)
      if (input$type == "png") png(ff)
      if (input$type == "tiff") tiff(ff)
      if (input$groups)
        pairs(iris, col = iris[,5])
      else
        pairs(iris)
      dev.off()
    }
  )
}
```

Exercise: Create a pop-up when placing the mouse over the plot saying “save it”.

Collapse panels

Collapse panels



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

  bsCollapse(id = "collapseExample", open = "Plot size",
    bsCollapsePanel("Plot size",
      sliderInput("width", "Width", 100, 1000, 500, 50),
      sliderInput("height", "Height", 100, 1000, 500, 50)
    , style = "info"),
    bsCollapsePanel("Options",
      textInput("main", "Title", "title"),
      selectInput("pch", "Point type",
        c("point"=19, "squared"=22, "diamond"=23))
    , style = "primary")
  ),

  uiOutput("result")
)

server <- function(input, output) {
  output$plot <- renderPlot({
    pairs(iris[,-5], col=iris[,5],
      main = input$main,
      pch = as.double(input$pch))
  })
  output$result <- renderUI({
    plotOutput("plot", width=input$width, height=input$height)
  })
}

runApp(list(ui=ui,server=server))
```

Exercise: change the multiple argument from bsCollapse function to TRUE.

Carrouselles

Carrouselles

- The **bsplus** packages allows to create carrouselles, among other features.
- This package is available on CRAN repository:

```
install.packages(bsplus)
```

- Or install the last vresion from Github repository

```
install.packages("devtools")  
devtools::install_github("ijlyttle/bsplus")
```

- Visit **bsplus** webpage [here](#)

-----Summary descriptives table by 'Intervention group'-----

	Control N=2042	MedDiet + Nuts N=2100	MedDiet + VOO N=2182	p-value
Sex:				<0.001
Male	39.8%	46.1%	41.2%	
Female	60.2%	53.9%	58.8%	
Age	67.3±6.28	66.7±6.02	67.0±6.21	0.003
Smoking:				0.444
Never	62.8%	60.0%	61.9%	
Current	13.2%	14.1%	13.4%	
Former	24.0%	26.0%	24.7%	
Body mass index	30.3±3.96	29.7±3.77	29.9±3.71	<0.001
Waist circumference	101±10.8	100±10.6	100±10.4	0.045
Waist-to-height ratio	0.63±0.07	0.62±0.06	0.63±0.06	<0.001
Hypertension	83.8%	82.8%	81.9%	0.249
Type-2 diabetes	47.5%	45.2%	49.6%	0.017
Dyslipidemia	72.4%	73.3%	71.5%	0.423
Family history of premature CHD	22.6%	21.9%	23.2%	0.581
Hormone-replacement therapy	1.68%	1.61%	1.84%	0.850
MedDiet Adherence score	8.44±1.94	8.81±1.90	8.77±1.97	<0.001
Follow-up to main event (years)	4.16 [2.72; 5.62]	4.72 [2.80; 5.76]	5.02 [3.41; 5.88]	<0.001
AMI, stroke, or CV Death	4.75%	3.33%	3.90%	0.064

```
library(bsplus); library(magrittr)

ui <- fluidPage(
  titlePanel("Carrouselles example"),
  HTML("<style type='text/css'> #carousel{height:700px;} </style>"),
  bs_carousel(id="carousel", use_indicators=TRUE, use_controls=TRUE)%>%
  bs_append(content=bs_carousel_image(src="example1.png", width="50%"))%>%
  bs_append(content=bs_carousel_image(src="example2.png", width="40%"))%>%
  bs_append(content=bs_carousel_image(src="example3.png", width="40%"))%>%
  bs_append(content=bs_carousel_image(src="example4.png", width="40%"))
)

server <- function(input, output) {}

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

Exercise: Reprodue this example with four images files stored inside www folder

Themes

Themes

- Using the **shinythemes** package you can change the app appearance very easily.
- This package contains a collection of CSS themes.
- The theme is chosen thru **shinytheme** function in themes argument of `fluidPage` function.
- The available themes are: “cerulean”, “cosmo”, “flatly”, “journal”, “readable”, “spacelab”, “united”
- Alternatively to **shinythemes**, you can costumize the app appearance by writting a CSS file which must be stored inside `www` folder. Then you specify the CSS file name to theme argument of `fluidPage` function.
- See all themes in [this website](#)

UI

```
library(shinythemes)

ui <- fluidPage(

  # specify the CSS theme or CSS file
  theme = shinytheme("united"),

  titlePanel("Example Shiny web"),
  sidebarLayout(
    sidebarPanel(
      selectInput("dataset", "Choose a dataset:",
        c("rock", "pressure", "cars")),
      numericInput("obs",
        "Number of observations to view:",
10),
      helpText("Note: while the data view will
        show only the specified",
        "number of observations,
        the summary will still be based",
        "on the full dataset."),
      submitButton("Update View")
    ),
    mainPanel(
      tabsetPanel(type="pills",
        tabPanel("Summary",
          verbatimTextOutput("summary")
        ),
        tabPanel("Observations",
          tableOutput("view")
        )
      )
    )
  )
)
```

Server

```
server <- function(input, output) {
  datasetInput <- reactive({
    switch(input$dataset,
      "rock"=rock,
      "pressure"=pressure,
      "cars"=cars)
  })
  output$summary <- renderPrint({
    dataset <- datasetInput()
    summary(dataset)
  })
  output$view <- renderTable({
    head(datasetInput(), n = input$obs)
  })
}
```

Example Shiny web

Choose a dataset:

rock ▼

Number of observations to view:

10

Note: while the data view will show only the specified number of observations, the summary will still be based on the full dataset.

Update View

Summary

Observations

area	peri	shape	perm
Min. : 1016	Min. : 308.6	Min. : 0.09033	Min. : 6.30
1st Qu.: 5305	1st Qu.: 1414.9	1st Qu.: 0.16226	1st Qu.: 76.45
Median : 7487	Median : 2536.2	Median : 0.19886	Median : 130.50
Mean : 7188	Mean : 2682.2	Mean : 0.21811	Mean : 415.45
3rd Qu.: 8870	3rd Qu.: 3989.5	3rd Qu.: 0.26267	3rd Qu.: 777.50
Max. : 12212	Max. : 4864.2	Max. : 0.46413	Max. : 1300.00

Exercises:

- Change the argument theme to other theme.
- Specify a CSS file from <http://bootswatch.com/>

Sizeable

Sizeable

- Using the **jqui_resizable** function from the **shinyjqui** package, you can resize interactively any widget (like a plot, input element or panel).
- This package is available on CRAN and it also contains functions to drag or sort widgets.

```
library(shinyjqui)

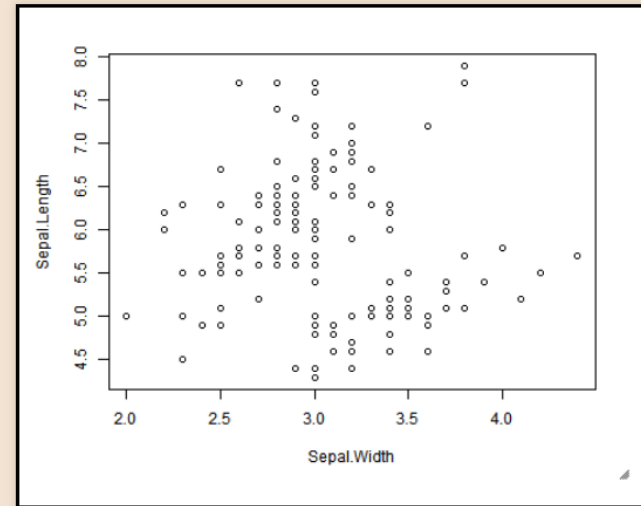
ui <- fluidPage(

  jqui_resizable(
    plotOutput('plot', '200px', '200px')
  )

)

server <- function(input, output) {
  output$plot <- renderPlot({
    plot(Sepal.Length ~ Sepal.Width, iris)
  })
}

shinyApp(ui, server)
```



Exercise: Place a download button to save the plot.

Input alerts

Input alerts

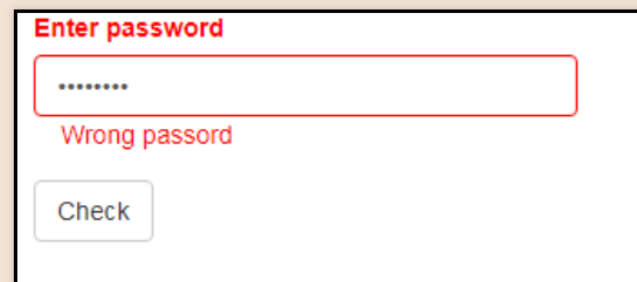
- Using the **feedback** from the **shinyFeedback** package you can create alerts (with a message and colour) beside an input widget.
- Its arguments are the condition, text and color.

```
require(shinyFeedback)

ui <- fluidPage(
  useShinyFeedback(),
  passwordInput("pass", "Enter password"),
  actionButton("check", "Check")
)

server <- function(input, output) {
  observeEvent(input$check, {
    feedback("pass",
            condition=input$pass!="123",
            text="Wrong passord",
            color="red")
  })
}

shinyApp(ui, server)
```



Enter password

.....

Wrong passord

Check

Exercise: Repeat this example for a `numericInput` like age, with 0-100 as range, and introducing the proper alert texts. Note that you can place more than one feedback (one for each condition).

Exercise

Exercise

From the app created in part II:

- Add pop-ups.
- Modify some input element or panel appearance.
- Create collapse panels.
- Change the app appearance using shinythemes.
- Make the outputs (plot, summaries) resizable.
- Create an alert for parameters numericInputs.

