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Introduction

- Illustration of why open source can be useful to academics
- the open source tool that I use most often is emacs

Why I love emacs

what is emacs?

- an editor which was designed in the 70s
- it is open source so the whole world can contribute
- unlike MS Word, the people "working on" emacs are "like us"
- I use "org-mode" developed by Carsten Dominik at UvA
- with customizations by John Kitchin at Carnegie Mellon

emacs contributers

- type papers in latex
- bibliographies in bibtex: C-c]
- work with data
- program
- have admin tasks: someone walks in and you have to remember something: C-M-r
- teach students: https://github.com/jkitchin/techela

why is it great?

amazing editor

- edit columns: get rid of the 2's
- $111333222\ 111333222\ 111333222\ 111333222$
- change structure of file

latex stuff

- equations
 - this is an org-file but the latex things work in latex as well
 - use M-x org-cdlatex-mode
 - add equation

$$ref: eq: 5$$
 (1)

here are some other equations

$$\frac{1}{3} = x^2 \tag{2}$$

$$ax^2 + bx + c = 0 (3)$$

$$ax^2 + bx + c = 0 (4)$$

- refer to equations and export to latex
 - refer to an equation with C-c (
 - export to latex: C-c C-e
 - but you can also export to html and reveal
 - export with ox-manuscript: generates submission letter as well
 - easy to add links e.g. to a presentation at slide Data science
 - or to a bib tex file
 - add bibitex entry from doi-identifier: 10.1002/jae.896

highlighting

- most latex editors do not allow for meta data in latex:
- so most people make comments in bold in latex and pdf; then they send it to a conference...
- Use M-x ov-highlighter/body
- So here we have some text.
- and here we add some comments that will not be exported to pdf

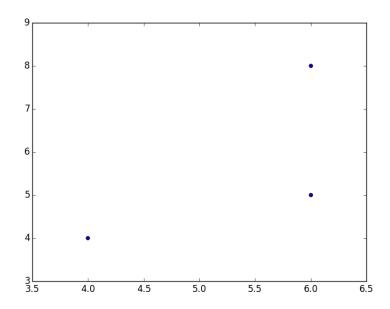
tables

 \bullet Latex is great, but not with tables. . .

 $\bullet\;$ simple to add a table in emacs

- you can do excel stuff with it: C-c $\}$ to see "addresses"

col 1	col 2	col 3	mean
6	5	10	7
6	8	9	7.6666667
4	4	5	4.3333333



To do lists

TODO bla bla bla; use C-c C-t

• to add a date: C-c C-s

great extensions

- \bullet emacs spotify mode
- emacs weather mode
- emacs git: magit

Conclusion

- point is not that you have to use emacs
- but when you come across something in open source, you should certainly try it!