Knitting Documents as .pdf

This requires a distribution of a LaTex package (there are several compatible versions). If you have a PC, this might be installed by default, Macs will require an installation. The ones suggested by default (MiKTex for PC, TexLive for Mac) are VERY large (~4.0 GB).

We can get by with something much smaller, because we likely only want to make it knit PDFs.

install.packages('tinytex')

tinytex::install\_tinytex()

If it looks like it installs, but then throws error messages, try to knit the document anyway (mine worked fine).

Now in your Markdown document, try “Knit to PDF”.

<https://bookdown.org/yihui/rmarkdown/installation.html>

NOTE - I had a problem with:

Package inputenc Error: Unicode char − (U+2212) (inputenc) not set up for use with LaTeX

Because I copied different kinds of text and code from other sources, it was seeing the Unicode minus signs and didn’t like them. I did a ‘find and replace’ to see the Unicode minus signs and replace them with ASCII character minus sign (my keyboard).