

emacs, org-mode, and r for sciency stuff

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the life of a product developer

Stuff I do in the course of my work (probably not that different from you!):

direct

- write up experimental plans
- do experiments
- collect/analyze data
- writeup reports/presentations
- meet with tech experts

indirect

- record all sorts info
- meeting notes
- todos
- store contact info/notes
- what to work on and when

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Pretty cool!

some competition

I've always been a note taker as I like to refer to the past... you never know what might be useful in the future! I tried all sorts of programs:

recording work

- Word/Writer
- [zim](#) (personal wiki)
- [Evernote](#)
- [TiddlyWiki](#)
- [RStudio?](#)

todo

- [todo.txt](#)
- [Chandler](#)
- [iGTD](#)
- [TiddlyWiki](#)

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* ok, so what is it?                                # heading
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