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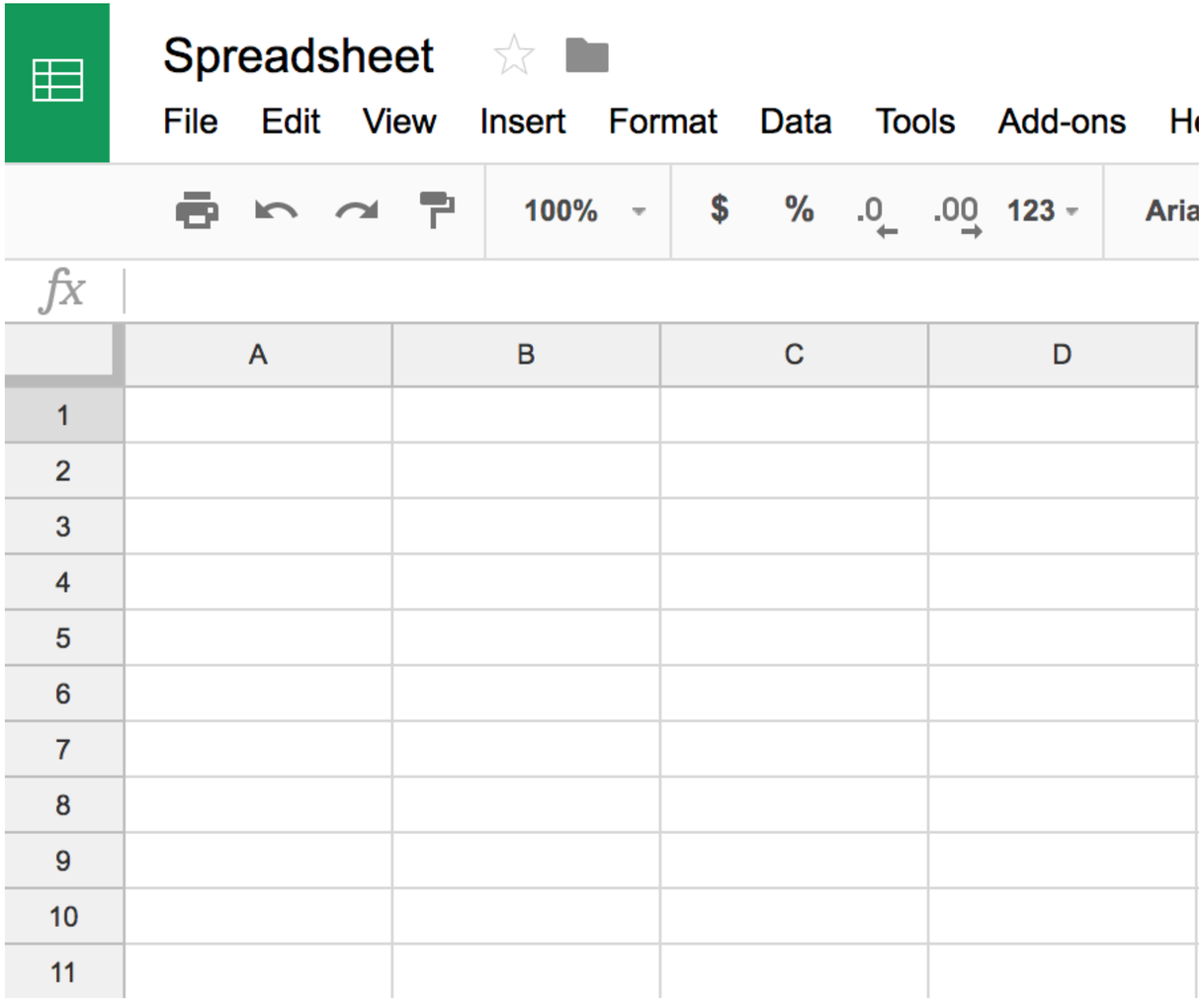
Reactive flow

Reactivity, in spreadsheets



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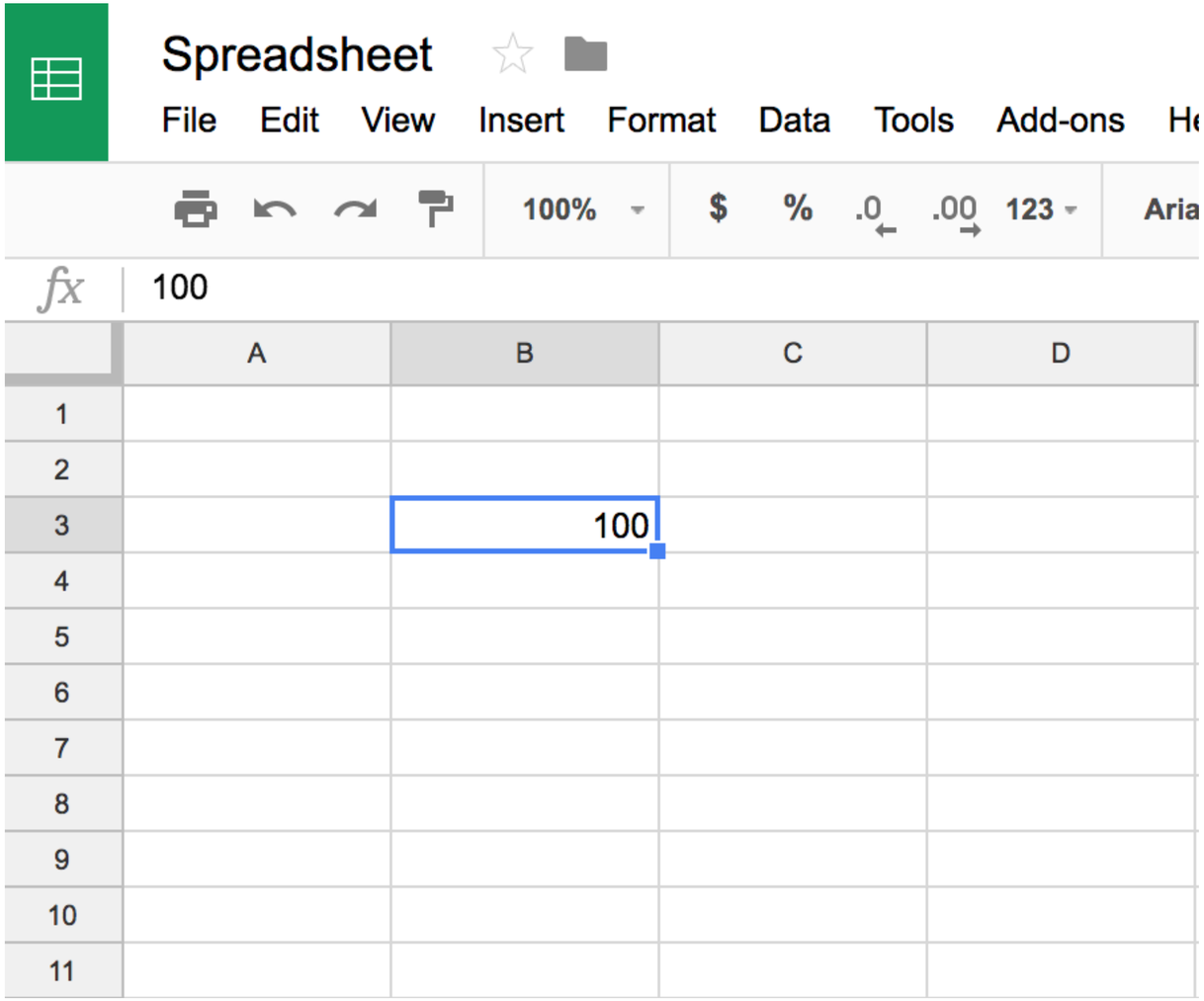

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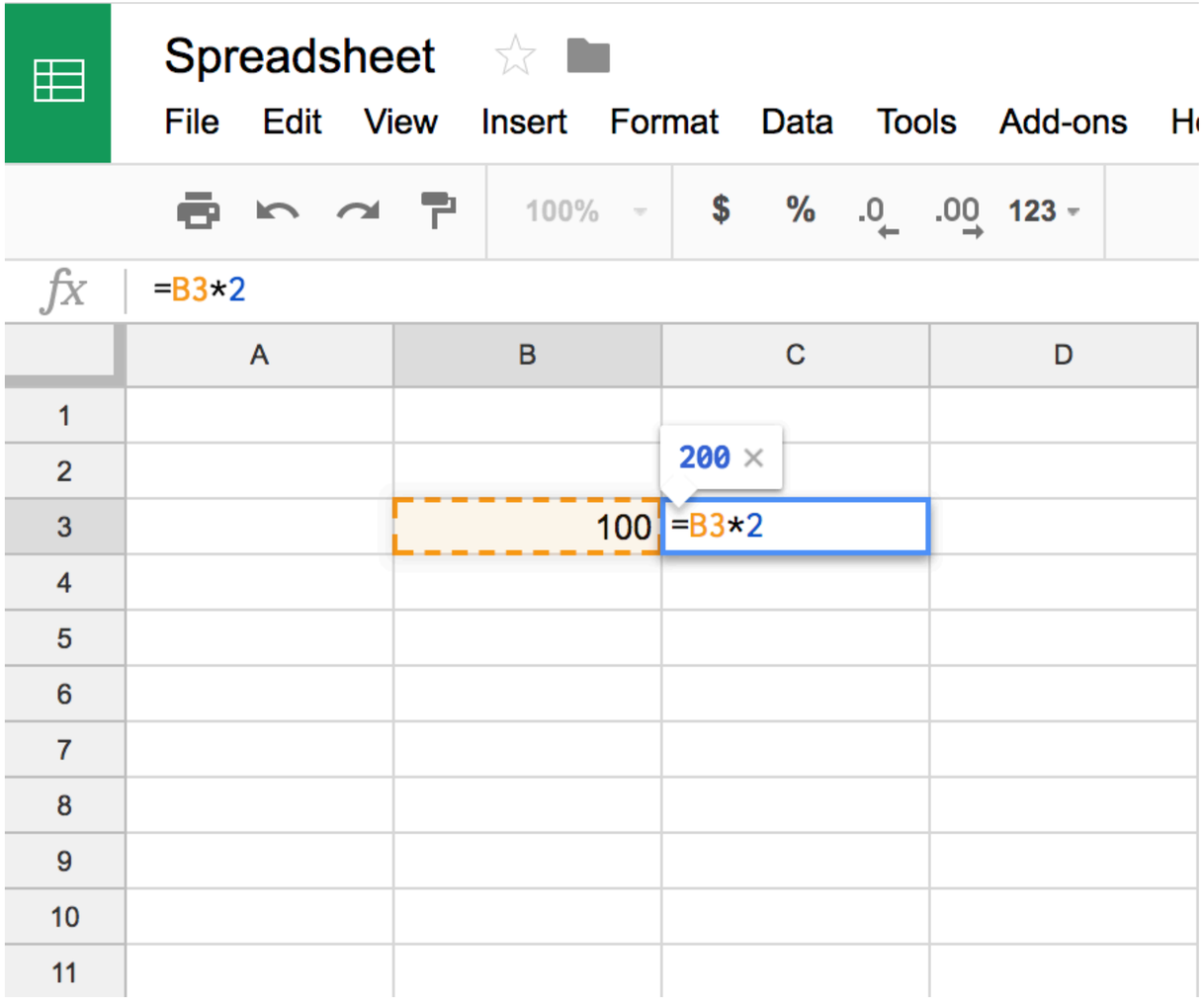

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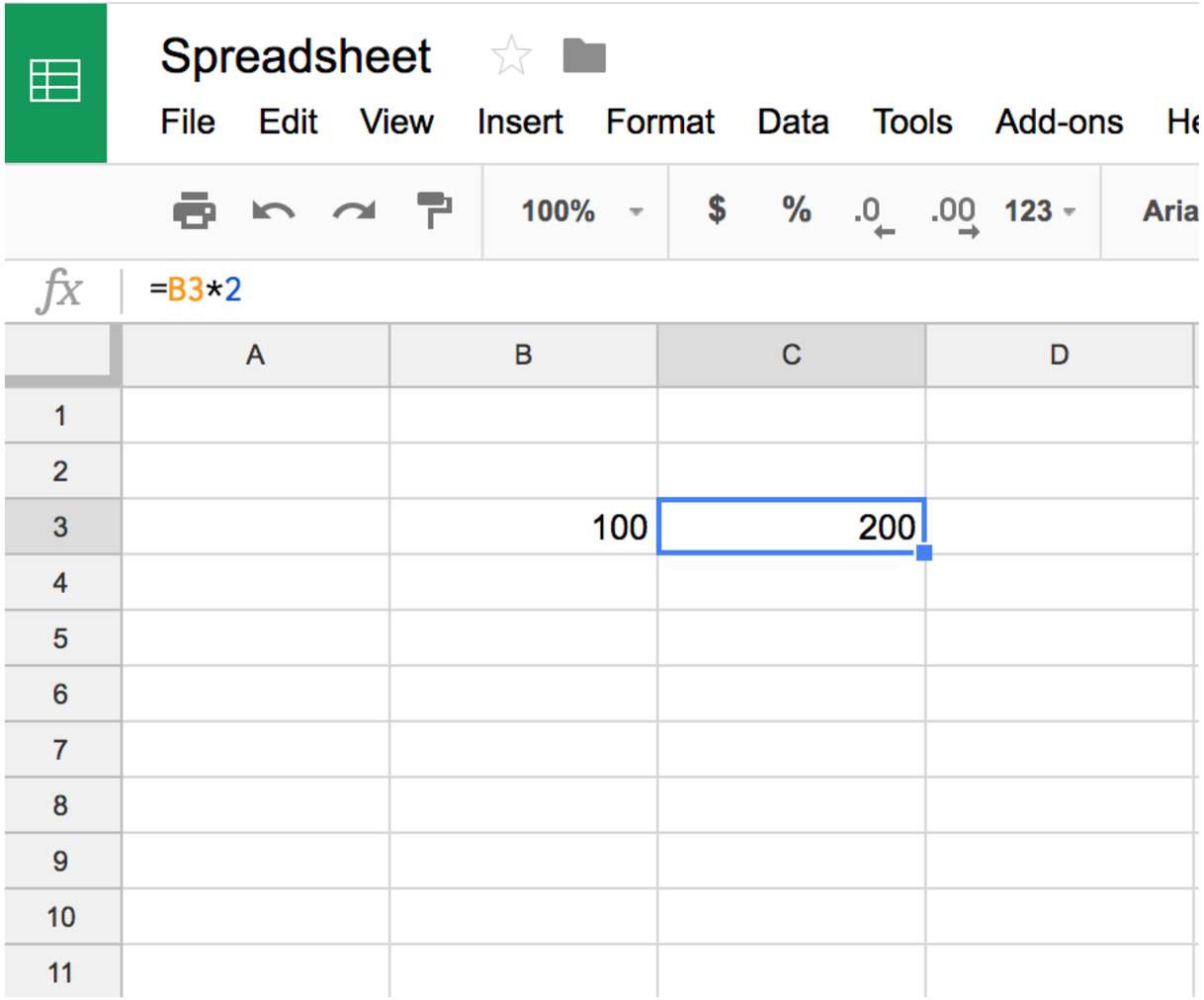
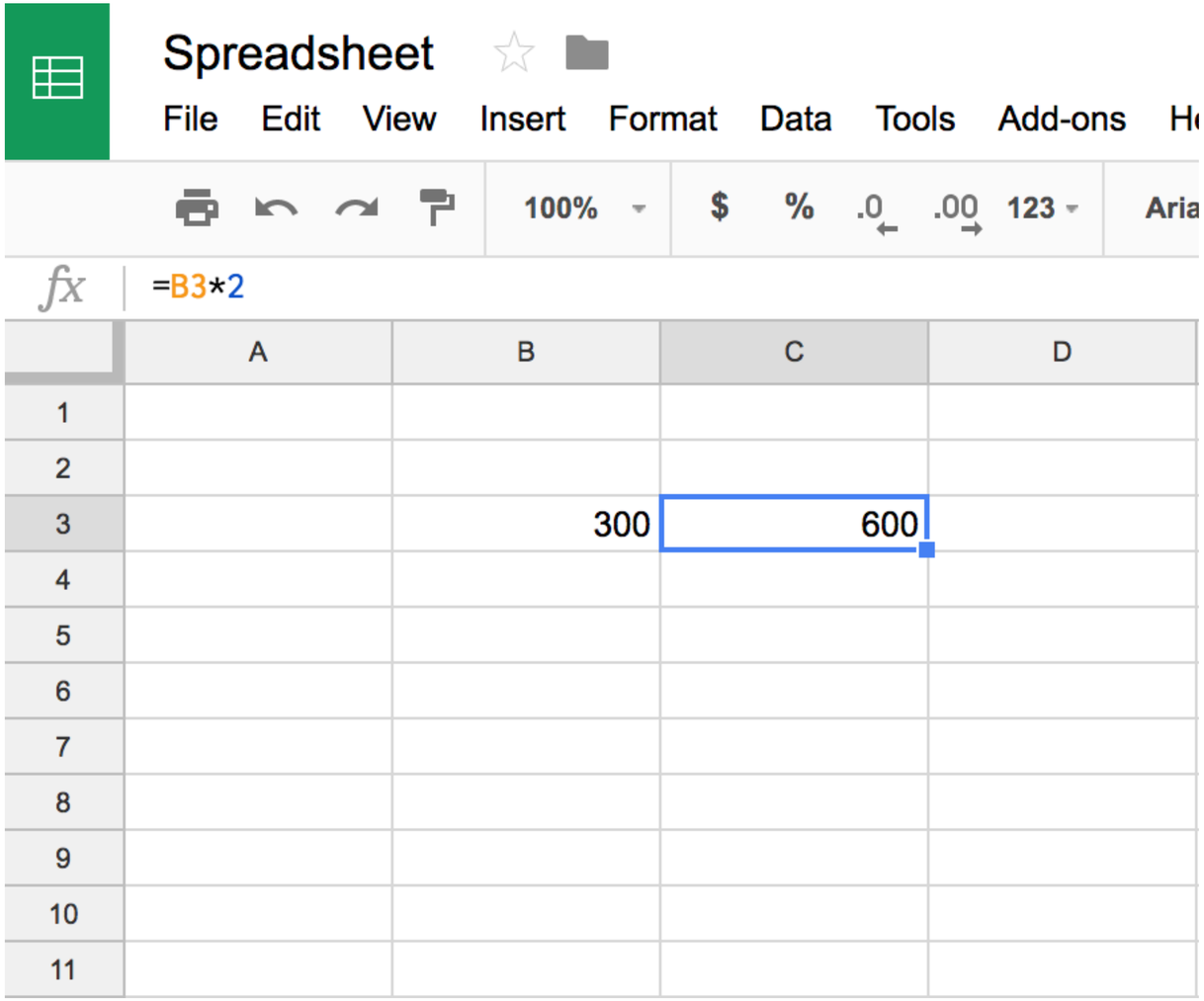


Reactivity, in spreadsheets

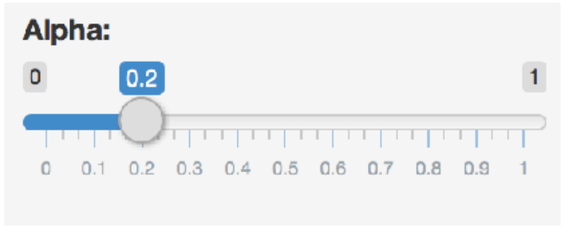


Reactions

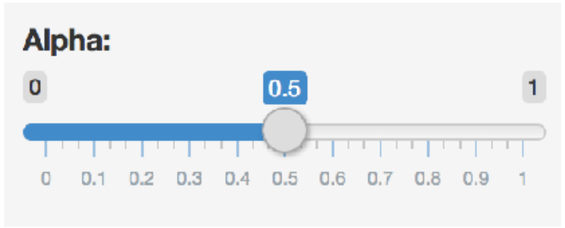
The **input$** list stores the current value of each input object under its name.

```
# Set alpha level
sliderInput(inputId = "alpha",
            label = "Alpha:",
            min = 0, max = 1,
            value = 0.5)
```

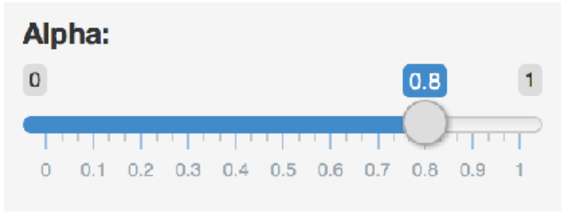
input$alpha



input$alpha = 0.2



input$alpha = 0.5



input$alpha = 0.8

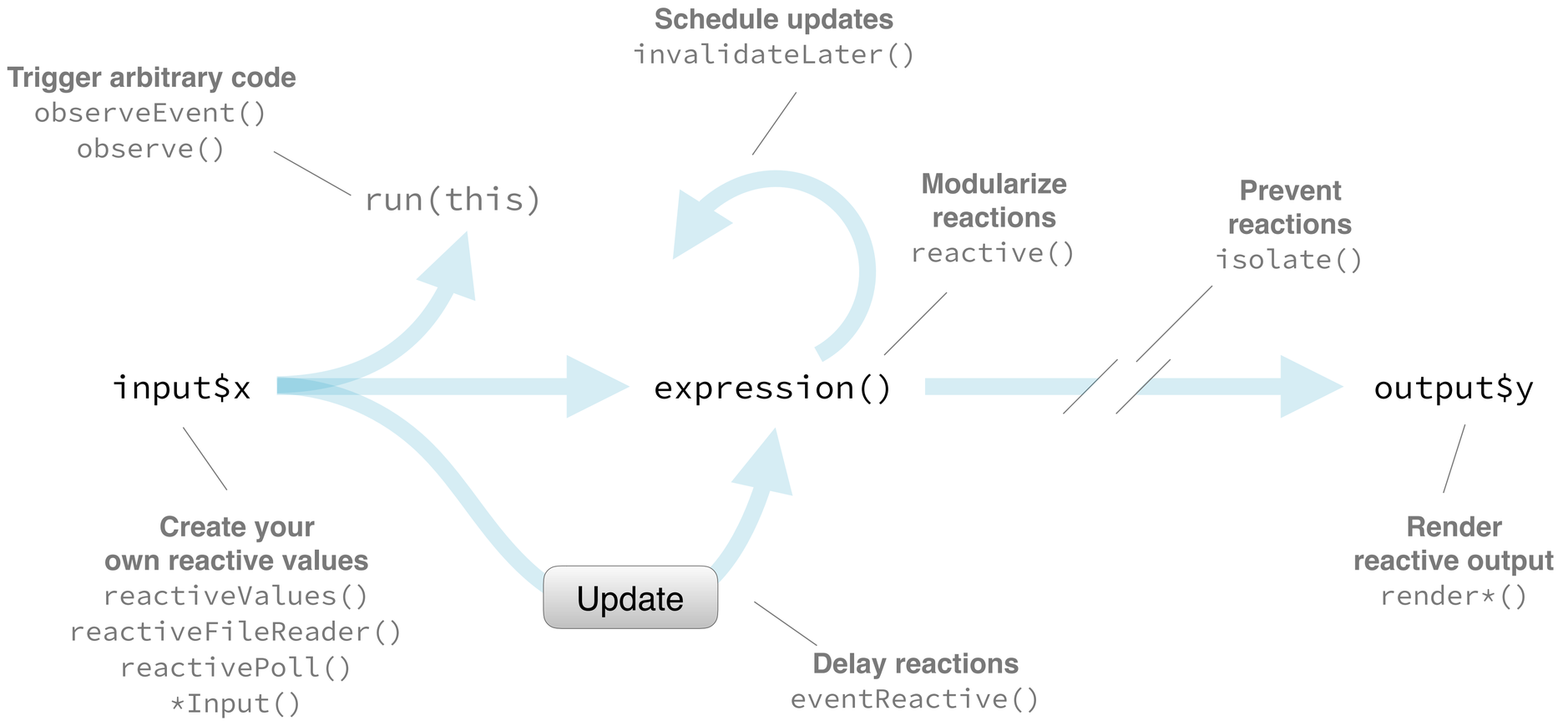
Reactivity 101

Reactivity automatically occurs when an input value is used to render an output object.

```
# Define server function required to create the scatterplot
server <- function(input, output) {

  # Create the scatterplot object the plotOutput function is expecting
  output$scatterplot <- renderPlot({
    ggplot(data = movies, aes_string(x = input$x, y = input$y)) +
      geom_point(alpha = input$alpha)
  })
}
```

Reactive flow



Reactive flow, simplified

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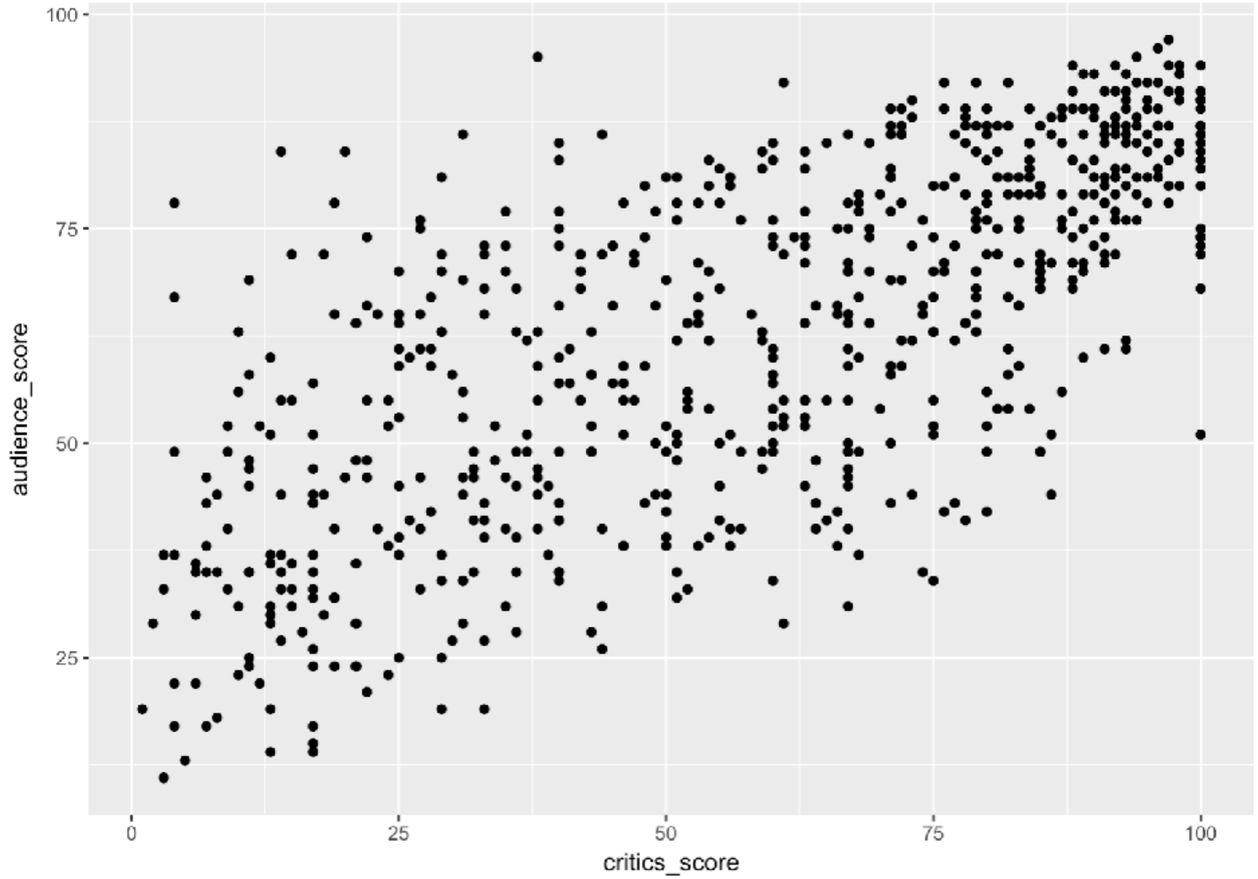
UI inputs

Y-axis:

audience_score

X-axis:

critics_score



Inputs

collect values from the user

Access the current value of an input object with **input$<inputId>**. Input values are **reactive**.

Action — **actionButton**(inputId, label, icon, …)

Link — **actionLink**(inputId, label, icon, …)

Choice 1
Choice 2
Choice 3 — **checkboxGroupInput**(inputId, label, choices, selected, inline)

Check me — **checkboxInput**(inputId, label, value)

dateInput(inputId, label, value, min, max, format, startview, weekstart, language)

dateRangeInput(inputId, label, start, end, min, max, format, startview, weekstart, language, separator)

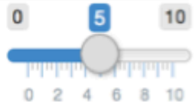
Choose File — **fileInput**(inputId, label, multiple, accept)

1 — **numericInput**(inputId, label, value, min, max, step)

•••••••• — **passwordInput**(inputId, label, value)

Choice A
Choice B
Choice C — **radioButtons**(inputId, label, choices, selected, inline)

Choice 1
Choice 1
Choice 2 — **selectInput**(inputId, label, choices, selected, multiple, selectize, width, size) (also selectizeInput())



sliderInput(inputId, label, min, max, value, step, round, format, locale, ticks, animate, width, sep, pre, post)

Apply Changes — **submitButton**(text, icon)
(Prevents reactions across entire app)

Enter text — **textInput**(inputId, label, value)

checkboxInput

Add a checkbox input to specify whether the data plotted should be shown in a data table.

1. **ui:** Add an input widget that the user can interact with to check/uncheck the box.
2. **ui:** Add an output defining where the data table should appear.
3. **server:** Add a reactive expression that creates the data table *if* the checkbox is checked.

checkboxInput

Add a checkbox input to specify whether the data plotted should be shown in a data table.

1. **ui:** Add an input widget that the user can interact with to check/uncheck the box.

```
# Show data table
checkboxInput(inputId = "show_data",
              label = "Show data table",
              value = TRUE)
```

Watch for commas!

```
sidebarPanel(
      # Select variable for y-axis
      selectInput(inputId = "y", label = "Y-axis:",
                  choices = c("imdb_rating", "imdb_num_votes", "critics_score",
"audience_score", "runtime"),
                  selected = "audience_score"),
      # Select variable for x-axis
      selectInput(inputId = "x", label = "X-axis:",
                  choices = c("imdb_rating", "imdb_num_votes", "critics_score",
"audience_score", "runtime"),
                  selected = "critics_score"),
      # Show data table
      checkboxInput(inputId = "show_data",
                    label = "Show data table",
                    value = TRUE)
    )
```

checkboxInput

Add a checkbox input to specify whether the data plotted should be shown in a data table.

2. **ui:** Add an output to the UI defining where the data table should appear.

```
mainPanel(
  # Show scatterplot
  plotOutput(outputId = "scatterplot"),
  # Show data table
  DT::dataTableOutput(outputId = "moviestable")
)
```

checkboxInput

Add a checkbox input to specify whether the data plotted should be shown in a data table.

3. **server:** Add a reactive expression that creates the data table *if* the checkbox is checked.

```
# Print data table if checked
output$moviestable <- DT::renderDataTable({
  if(input$show_data){
    DT::datatable(data = movies %>% select(1:7),
    options = list(pageLength = 10),
    rownames = FALSE)
  }
})
```

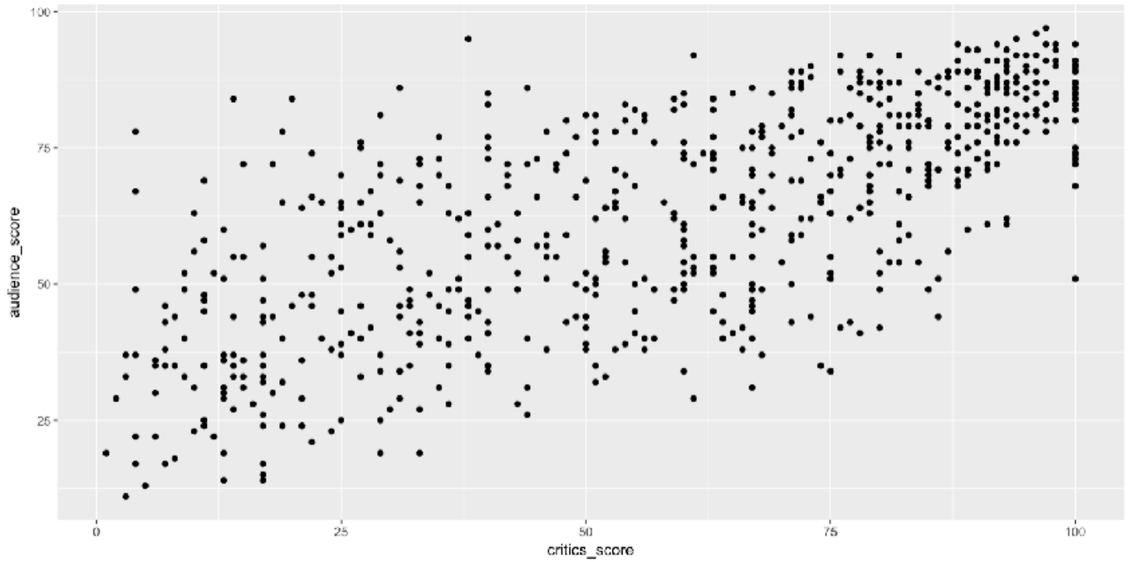
Y-axis:

audience_score

X-axis:

critics_score

Show data table



Show 10 entries

Search:

title	title_type	genre	runtime	mpaa_rating	studio	thtr_rel_date
Filly Brown	Feature Film	Drama	80	R	Indomina Media Inc.	2013-04-19T04:00:00Z
The Dish	Feature Film	Drama	101	PG-13	Warner Bros. Pictures	2001-03-14T05:00:00Z
Waiting for Guffman	Feature Film	Comedy	84	R	Sony Pictures Classics	1996-08-21T04:00:00Z
The Age of Innocence	Feature Film	Drama	139	PG	Columbia Pictures	1993-10-01T04:00:00Z
Malevolence	Feature Film	Horror	90	R	Anchor Bay Entertainment	2004-09-10T04:00:00Z

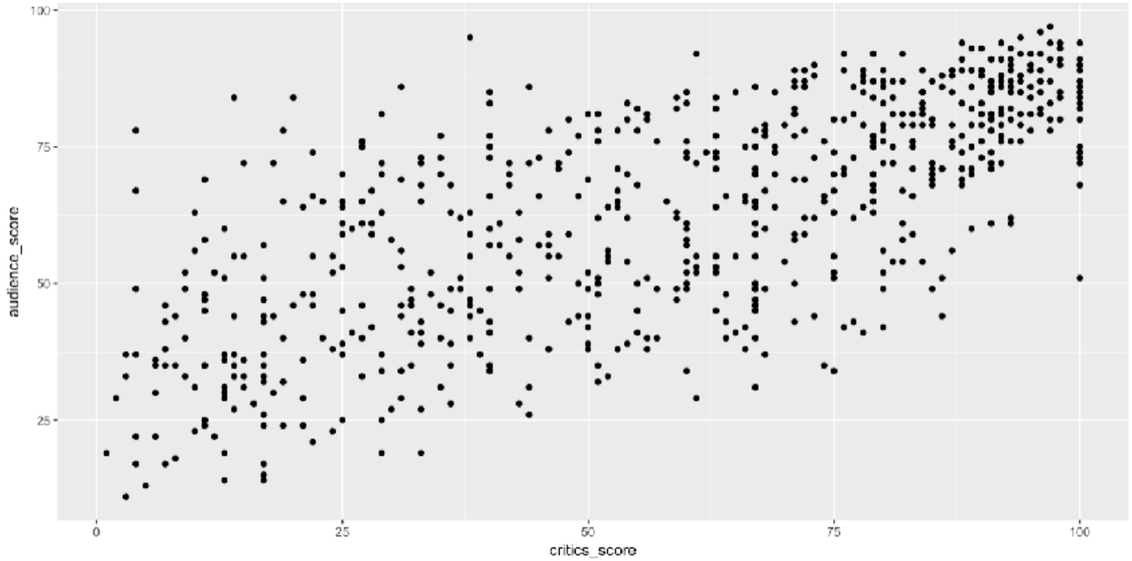
Y-axis:

audience_score

X-axis:

critics_score

Show data table



Scoping

- We saw that the data loaded on top of the Shiny app is visible to the server.
- It is also visible to the UI.

```
# Display number of observations
HTML(paste0("The dataset has ", nrow(movies),
            “observations."))
```

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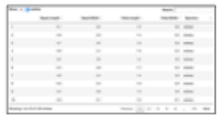
Rendering functions

Outputs - render*() and *Output() functions work together to add R output to the UI

works with

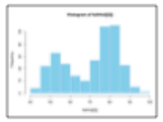


DT::**renderDataTable**(expr, options, callback, escape, env, quoted)

dataTableOutput(outputId, icon, …)

renderImage(expr, env, quoted, deleteFile)

imageOutput(outputId, width, height, click, dblclick, hover, hoverDelay, inline, hoverDelayType, brush, clickId, hoverId)

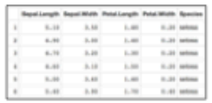


renderPlot(expr, width, height, res, …, env, quoted, func)

plotOutput(outputId, width, height, click, dblclick, hover, hoverDelay, inline, hoverDelayType, brush, clickId, hoverId)

renderPrint(expr, env, quoted, func, width)

verbatimTextOutput(outputId)



renderTable(expr,…, env, quoted, func)

tableOutput(outputId)

foo

renderText(expr, env, quoted, func)

textOutput(outputId, container, inline)

renderUI(expr, env, quoted, func)

& **uiOutput**(outputId, inline, container, …)

htmlOutput(outputId, inline, container, …)

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plotOutput(outputId, width, height, click, dblclick, hover, hoverDelay, inline, hoverDelayType, brush, clickId, hoverId)

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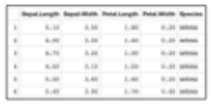

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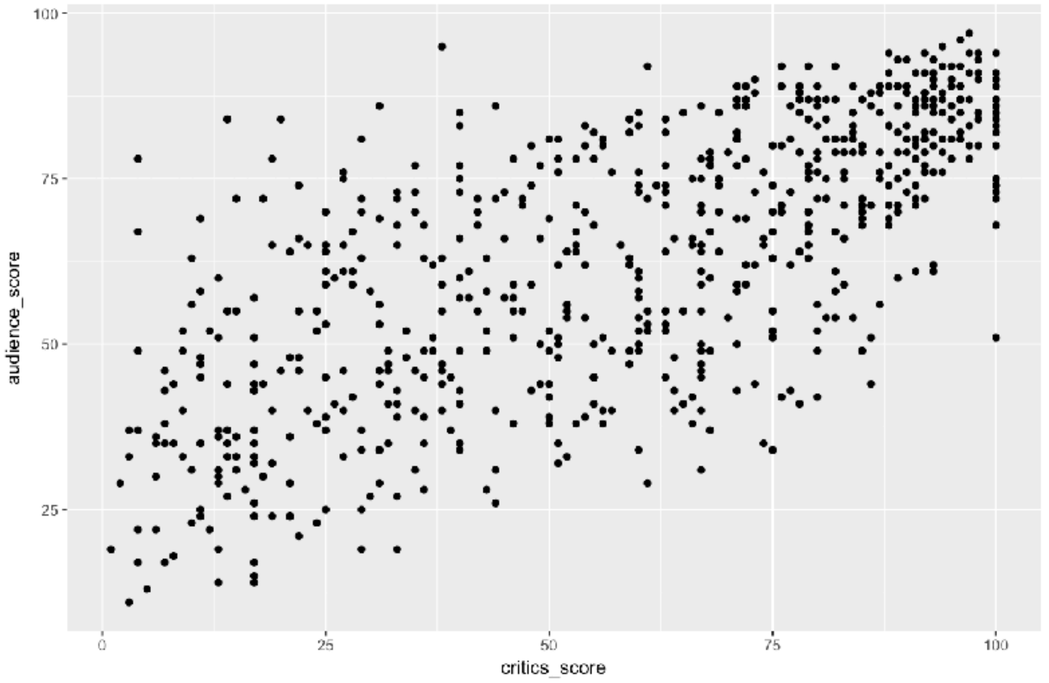
Y-axis:

audience_score

X-axis:

critics_score



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audience_score

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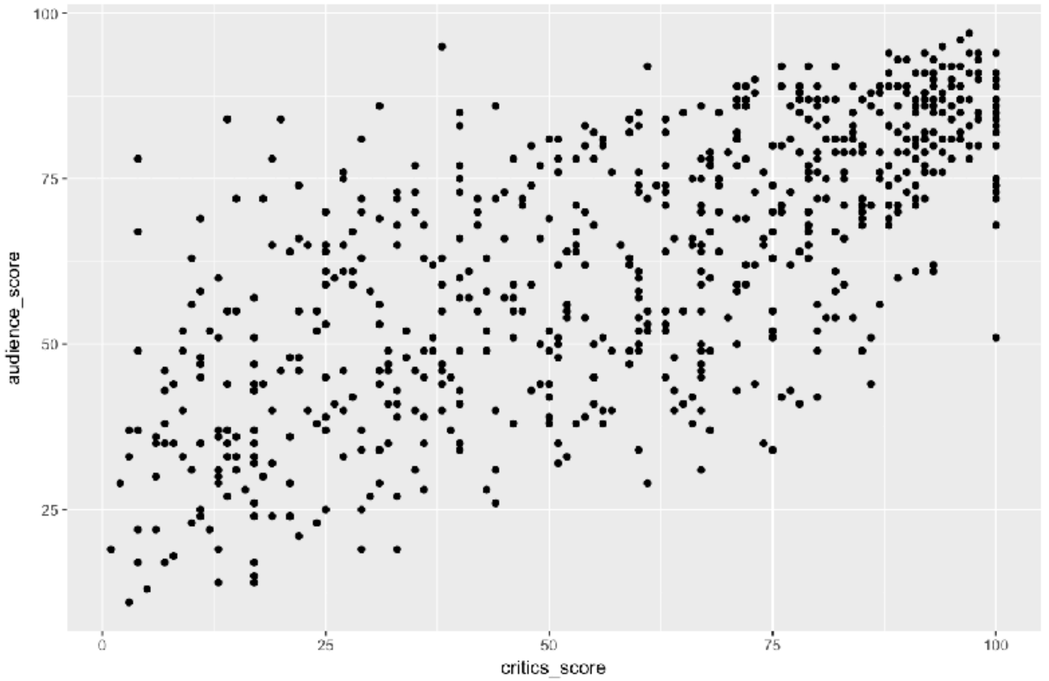
critics_score

Select title type:

- [x] Documentary
- [x] Feature Film
- [x] TV Movie



mpaa_rating	Mean	SD	n
G	1.2742	0.8215	19
NC-17	0.7628	0.0888	2
PG	1.4805	1.3242	118
PG-13	1.9962	2.3824	133
R	1.5282	1.7907	329
Unrated	0.9637	0.3054	50

Score ratio (audience / critics' scores) summary statistics by MPAA rating.

renderTable

Add a table beneath the plot displaying summary statistics for a new variable: `score_ratio = audience_score / critics_score`.

1. Calculate the new variable.
2. **ui:** Add an input widget that the user can interact with to check boxes for selected title types.
3. **ui:** Add an output defining where the summary table should appear.
4. **server:** Add a reactive expression that creates the summary table.

renderTable

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```
# Create new variable:
# ratio of critics and audience scores
movies <- movies %>%
  mutate(score_ratio = audience_score / critics_score)
```

renderTable

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2. **ui:** Add an input widget that the user can interact with to check boxes for selected title types.

```
# Subset for title types
checkboxGroupInput(inputId = "selected_title_type",
                   label = "Select title type:",
                   choices = levels(movies$title_type),
                   selected = levels(movies$title_type))
```

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3. **ui:** Add an output defining where the summary table should appear.

```
mainPanel(
  # Show scatterplot
  plotOutput(outputId = "scatterplot"),
  # Show data table
  tableOutput(outputId = "summarytable")
)
```

renderTable

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4. **server:** Add a reactive expression that creates the summary table.

```
output$summarytable <- renderTable(
  {movies %>%
     filter(title_type %in% input$selected_title_type) %>%
     group_by(mpaa_rating) %>%
     summarise(Mean = mean(score_ratio), SD = sd(score_ratio), n = n())},
  striped = TRUE, spacing = "l", align = "lccr", digits = 4, width = "90%",
  caption = "Score ratio (audience / critics' scores) summary statistics by
MPAA rating."
)
```

mpaa_rating	Mean	SD	n
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)
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Recap

- Shiny has a variety of `render*` functions with corresponding `*Output` functions to create and display outputs.
- `render*` functions can take on multiple arguments, the first being the expression for the desired output.
- The expression in the `render*` function should be wrapped in curly braces.

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UI outputs

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X-axis:

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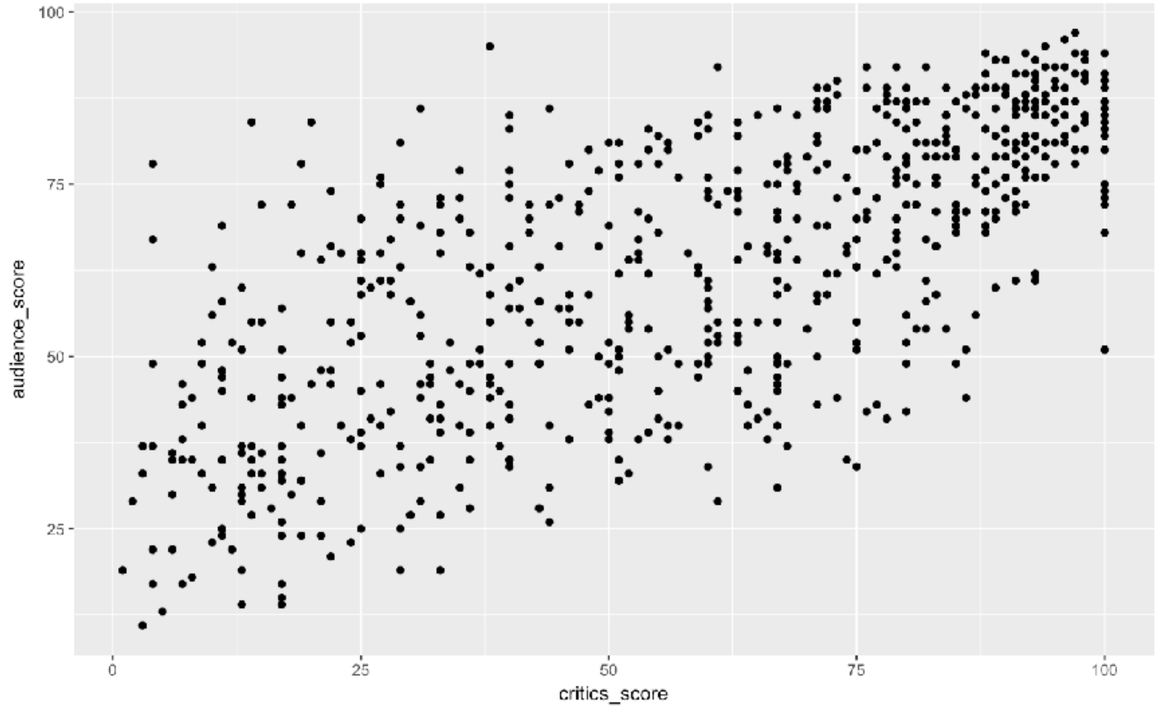

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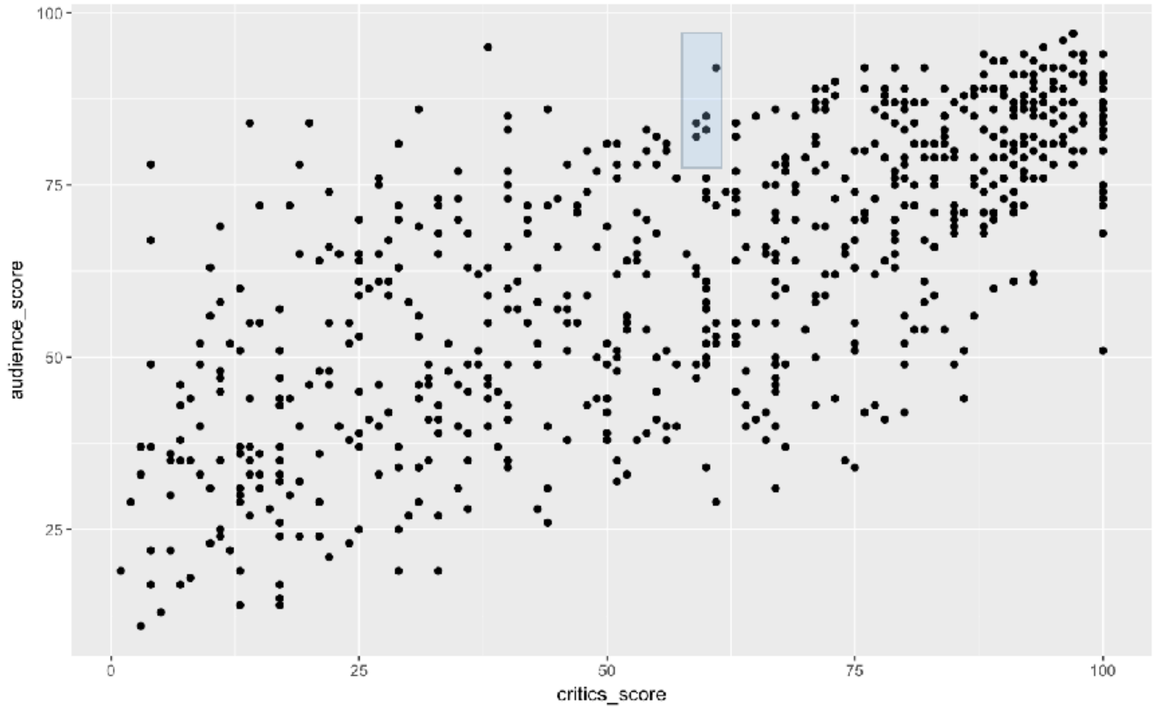

Show 10 **entries** **Search:**

	title	audience_score	critics_score
1	The Wood	92	61
2	Gotti	83	60
3	Happy Gilmore	85	60
4	Secondhand Lions	84	59
5	Felon	82	59

Showing 1 to 5 of 5 entries Previous 1 Next

plotOutput

Select points on the plot via brushing, and report the selected points in a data table underneath the plot.

1. **ui:** Add functionality to `plotOutput` to select points via brushing.
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3. **server:** Add a reactive expression that creates the data table for the selected points.

plotOutput

Select points on the plot via brushing, and report the selected points in a data table underneath the plot.

1. **ui:** Add functionality to `plotOutput` to select points via brushing.

```
# Show scatterplot with brushing capability
plotOutput(outputId = "scatterplot", brush = "plot_brush")
```

plotOutput

Select points on the plot via brushing, and report the selected points in a data table underneath the plot.

2. **ui:** Add an output defining where the data table should appear.

```
# Show data table
DT::dataTableOutput(outputId = "moviestable")
```

plotOutput

Select points on the plot via brushing, and report the selected points in a data table underneath the plot.

3. **server:** Add a reactive expression that creates the data table for the selected points.

```
# Print data table
output$moviestable <- DT::renderDataTable({
  brushedPoints(movies, input$plot_brush) %>%
    select(title, audience_score, critics_score)
})
```

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