

asar: :CHEATSHEET

Partially automate a U.S. stock assessment report.

Install

Install 3 R packages: pak, tinytex, and asar

```
install.packages("pak")
pak::pak("tinytex")
tinytex::install_tinytex(bundle = "TinyTeX-2")
pak::pak("nmfs-ost/asar")
```

Ensure Quarto v1.6+ is installed

```
quarto::quarto_version()
```

Convert model output

Convert output file to a standardized framework

```
output <- asar::convert_output(
  output_file = "Report.sso",
  model = "ss3")
```

SS3 files supported

```
output <- asar::convert_output(
  output_file = "Report.rdat",
  model = "bam")
```

BAM files supported

```
output <- asar::convert_output(
  output_file = "estimates",
  model = "fims")
```

FIMS files supported (tibble in R environment)

Standardized framework format (dataframe in .rda file)

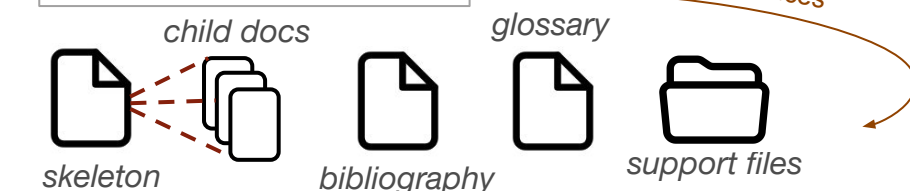
label	estimate	year	fleet	sex	...
spawning_biomass	2017090	2016	NA	NA	...
spawning_biomass	2286740	2017	NA	NA	...
...

See "Standardizing Assessment Model Output" vignette

Create report skeleton

Make a blank report

```
asar::create_template()
```

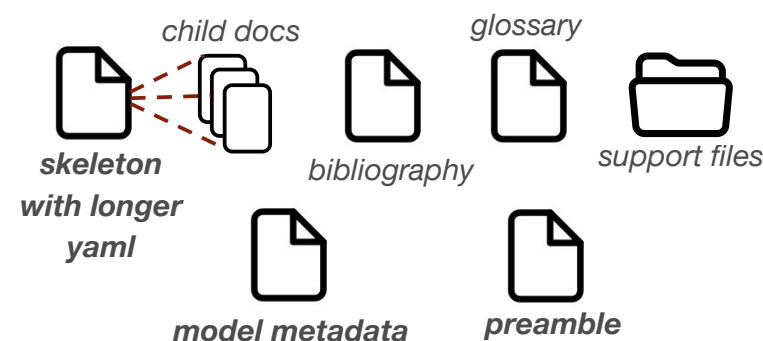


Create report skeleton (continued)

Make report with minimal recommended arguments

```
asar::create_template(
  office = "NWFSC",
  region = "U.S. West Coast",
  species = "Petrale sole",
  spp_latin = "Eopsetta jordani",
  year = 2023, # specify if past year
  author = c("John Snow" = "NWFSC"),
  model_results = here::here("model_output.rda")
)
```

converted model output



Add tables & figures docs

Add existing tables & figures to separate child docs

```
asar::create_tables_doc(
  subdir = getwd(),
  tables_dir = getwd()
)
```

Location of "tables" folder containing .rda files

```
asar::create_figures_doc(
  subdir = getwd(),
  figures_dir = getwd()
)
```

Location of "figures" folder containing image (e.g., .png, .jpg) and/or .rda files

See stockplotr R package to make tables and figures

Render report

Options:

- Use console
- Push "render" button in program pane
- Use terminal: `quarto render report/skeleton.qmd`

Report skeleton

Add accessibility features

For PDFs: Add tags & alternative text for figures

```
withr::with_dir(
  file.path(getwd(), "report"),
  add_accessibility(
    x = "skeleton.tex",
    dir = getwd(),
    figures_dir = getwd(),
    compile = TRUE
  )
)
```

with_dir() temporarily sets the "report" folder as the working directory

LaTeX file produced when report was rendered

Tips & best practices

1. Set working directory

Options:

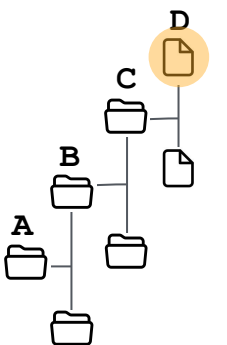
- Make an R project **Recommended**
- Use the here R package **Recommended**
- Use `setwd()`

2. Use relative filepaths

- Saves time and effort
- Facilitates collaboration

Recommended tool: here R package

```
absolute_path <- "A\\B\\C\\D"
relative_path <- "D"
```



3. Overcoming problems

- Browse open and closed issues on GitHub page
- Read FAQ vignette
- Attach a reprex when making an inquiry

Resource	Description
Tutorial	Tutorial showing how to use the asar R package.
Vignettes	Articles with frequently asked questions, tips for increasing asar report accessibility, guidance for adding custom figures and tables into asar reports, and more.
Issues	Location where users can report bugs, look through already solved issues, make feature requests, and more.
Discussions	Location where users can engage in discussions with asar developers, learn about new releases, and more.