Setting up R, vimtex and Ultisnips in vim on a Mac

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1 Introduction

Start by installing vim (neovim), R tex vimtex ultisnips



See post "Setting up a minimal neovim..." for details on installing plugins with Neovim.

2 Sections

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- 2. ALE, ISP, completion, lintr, fix
- R
- julia
- python
- 2. ftplugins
- 3. ultisnips
 - dynamic
- 4. vimtex
- completion

3 Install and configure plugins (source file ~/.vimplugins)

4 .vimrc

```
syntax enable
filetype plugin indent on
let mapleader = ","
let maplocalleader = " "
source ~/.vimplugins
if $COLORTERM == 'truecolor'
   set termguicolors
endif
```

```
colorscheme lightning
set completeopt=menu,menuone,popup,noinsert,noselect
set complete+=k
set dictionary=/usr/share/dict/words
highlight Pmenu guifg=Black guibg=cyan gui=bold
highlight PmenuSel gui=bold guifg=White guibg=blue
set gfn=Monaco:h14
set encoding=utf-8
set lazyredraw
set autochdir
set number relativenumber
set clipboard=unnamed
set textwidth=80
set colorcolumn=80
set cursorline
set hlsearch
set showmatch
set hidden
set noswapfile
set ignorecase
set smartcase
set gdefault
nnoremap <leader>1 <C-w>:b1<CR>
nnoremap <leader><leader> <C-w>w
nnoremap <leader>a ggVG
nnoremap <leader>m vipgq
nnoremap <leader>t :tab split<cr>
nnoremap <leader>v :edit ~/.vimrc<cr>
nnoremap <localleader><leader> <C-u>
nnoremap <localleader> <localleader> <C-d>
nnoremap Q @@
noremap - $
noremap : ;
noremap ; :
inoremap \langle F10 \rangle \langle C-x \rangle \langle C-k \rangle
inoremap \langle F12 \rangle \langle C-x \rangle \langle C-o \rangle
inoremap <expr> <TAB> pumvisible() ? "\<C-n>" : "\<TAB>"
inoremap <silent> <Esc> <Esc>`^
```

```
tnoremap <F1> <C-\><C-n>
tnoremap <leader>1 <C-w>:b1<CR>
tnoremap <leader><leader> <C-w>w
tnoremap <leader>b <C-w>:Buffers<cr>
tnoremap ZD quarto::quarto_render(output_format = "pdf")<CR>
tnoremap ZO source("<C-W>"#")
tnoremap ZQ q('no')<C-\><C-n>:q!<CR>
tnoremap ZR render("<C-W>"#")
tnoremap ZR style_dir()<CR>
tnoremap ZX exit<CR>
tnoremap ZZ q('no')<C-\><C-n>:q!<CR>
```

5 Practical application

1) set analysis goal: Logistic regression of Palmer Penguins data set predicting gender.

Start with a barebones system. i.e. only vim, R and latex installed.

Step one: add the minimum to vim to allow rmarkdown development. Simplest approach: open vim with empty analysis file. p.Rmd

```
> cd ~/prj/qblog/posts/setup_R_vimtex_ultisnips/penguins
> vim -u .myvimrc p.Rmd
# first line for analysis is to load the penguin data
# enter insert mode and type first R command
inside_vim_normal_mode> i
inside_vim_insert_mode> library(palmerpenguins)
# exit insert mode
inside_vim_insert_mode> C-c
# yank (copy) line into register (unnamed register ")
inside_vim_normal_mode> yy
# open a terminal inside vim and run the R repl
inside_vim_command_mode> term
inside_vim_term> R
# paste last yank (stored in register ") from p.Rmd buffer to R repl
inside_vim_terminal_running_R> C-w ""
```

Next we want to add some plugins to .myvimrc to allow ultisnips snippets for rmd files. Install the vim-plug Vim plugin manager

```
sh> curl -fLo ~/.vim/autoload/plug.vim --create-dirs \
   https://raw.githubusercontent.com/junegunn/vim-plug/master/plug.vim
in vimrc> call plug#begin
in vimrc> call plug#end()

2) mkdir ~/sbx/penguins
3) mvim peng.Rmd
4) type rheader on the first line and hit TAB. The will match the snippet string in Ultisnips and insert a text template with YAML markup and latex text (for bibtex use). The snippet has X tabstops to allow customization of the text block. Enter text in the first block indicating the project name and then hit C-j to navigate to the next tab stop: the title. Repeat the process to provide the project specific information in the YAML and bibliography call. NB: don't leave insert mode when navigating between tabstops or the ultisnip process with exit.
```

6 Rmd template

6.1 YAML header

The RMD file contains a YAML metadata header delineated with the lines "—" above and below. For this example we want to generate a pdf formatted output file.

The YAML can be as simple as one line specifying the output as pdf.

```
---
output: pdf_document
---
```

Which results in a simple output file as follows:

NB. to invoke file completion in vim for the rmd (or quarto) change the vim filetype using the command:

```
:set filetype=tex
```

then enter, e.g., \includegraphics{ or \input{ followed by C-x C-o. and a pop-up menu with possible completions with appear.

```
title: "Penguins data analysis"
author: "R.G. Thomas"
date: "`r Sys.Date()`"
output:
  pdf_document:
    keep_tex: true
    includes:
header-includes:
    - \usepackage{lipsum, fancyhdr, titling, currfile}
    - \usepackage[export] {adjustbox}
    - \pagestyle{fancy}
    - \pretitle{
    - \begin{flushright} \includegraphics[width=3cm, valign=c]{sudoku.pdf}
    - \end{flushright}
    - \noindent\rule{\linewidth}{2pt}\begin{flushleft}\LARGE}
    - \posttitle{\end{flushleft}\noindent\rule{\linewidth}{2pt}}
```

7 Introduction

Begin by loading the palmerpenguins package.

```
df1 <- palmerpenguins::penguins
and
```

8 Appendix

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https://www.reddit.com/r/vim/comments/7c7wd9/vim vimtex zathura on macos/
https://stackoverflow.com/questions/40077211/e185-cannot-
find-color-scheme
https://github.com/morhetz/gruvbox/issues/219
https://github.com/junegunn/vim-plug/issues/325
https://github.com/dylanaraps/pywal/wiki/Getting-Started
https://github.com/dylanaraps/wal.vim
https://github.com/dylanaraps/pywal/wiki/Customization
https://github.com/lervag/vimtex/issues/1420
https://latextools.readthedocs.io/en/latest/install/
https://mg.readthedocs.io/latexmk.html
https://gist.github.com/LucaCappelletti94/920186303d71c85e66e76ff989ea6b62
https://github.com/lervag/vimtex/issues/1420
https://latextools.readthedocs.io/en/latest/install/
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http://www.math.cmu.edu/~gautam/sj/blog/20140310-
zathura-fsearch.html
https://gitter.im/SirVer/ultisnips
https://github.com/SirVer/ultisnips/issues/1107
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http://witkowskibartosz.com/blog/python_snippets_in_vim_with_ultisnips.html#.Xnw9gtP7TRY
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https://germaniumhq.com/2019/02/07/2019-02-07-Vim-Ultimate-Editing:-UltiSnips/\\ http://vimcasts.org/episodes/ultisnips-python-interpolation/\\ https://wraihan.com/posts/vimtex-and-zathura/
```

9 Appendix

Use tab for a) ultisnip snippet navigation (move from one tabstop to the next) and b) for navigation forward inside popup menu

```
let g:UltiSnipsExpandTrigger="<C-tab>"
let g:UltiSnipsJumpForwardTrigger="<tab>"
let g:UltiSnipsJumpBackwardTrigger="<S-tab>"

inoremap <expr> <tab> pumvisible() ? "\<C-n>" : "\<tab>"
inoremap <expr> <S-tab> pumvisible() ? "\<C-p>" : "\<S-tab>"
```