

# Introduction to Inferential Statistics

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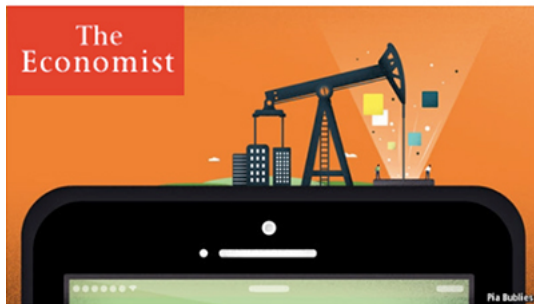


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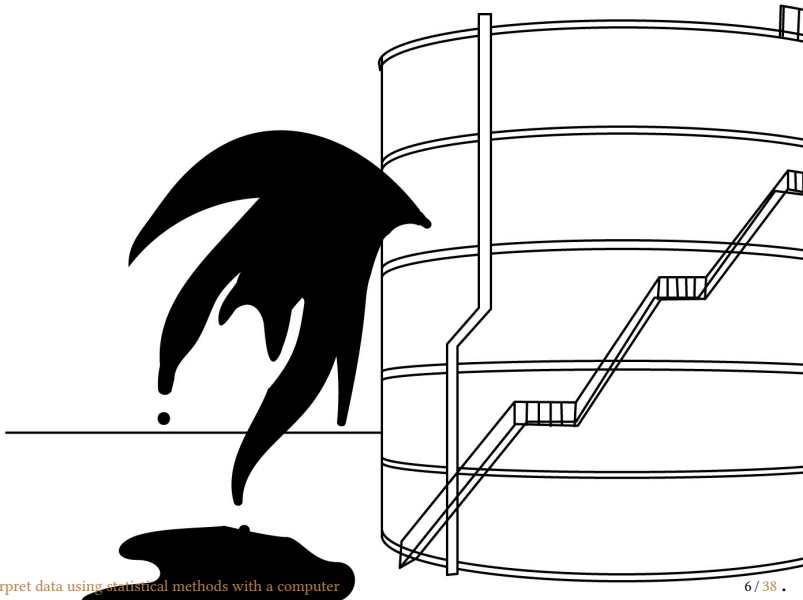
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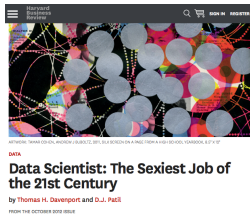
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# Data science<sup>3</sup>



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# Why R ?

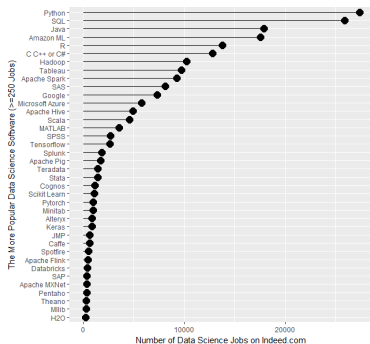


Fig. 1: Data as of May 2019

<http://r4stats.com/articles/popularity/>

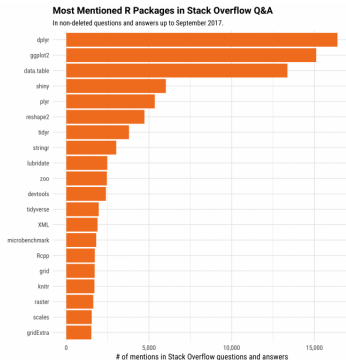


Fig. 2: Popular R packages

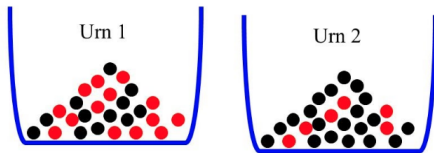
<https://stackoverflow.blog/2017/10/10/impressive-growth-r/>

# First day in a statistics course

## Example:

We have two urns. Urn 1 contains 14 red balls and 12 black balls. Urn 2 contains 6 red balls and 20 black balls.

An Urn is selected at random and a ball is selected from that urn.



If the ball turns out to be red what is the probability that it came from the first urn?

	Sepal.Length	Sepal.Width	Petal.Length	Petal.Width	Species
1	5.1	3.5	1.4	0.2	setosa
2	4.9	3.0	1.4	0.2	setosa
3	4.7	3.2	1.3	0.2	setosa
4	4.6	3.1	1.5	0.2	setosa
5	5.0	3.6	1.4	0.2	setosa
6	5.4	3.9	1.7	0.4	setosa
7	4.6	3.4	1.4	0.3	setosa
8	5.0	3.4	1.5	0.2	setosa
9	4.4	2.9	1.4	0.2	setosa
10	4.9	3.1	1.5	0.1	setosa
11	5.4	3.7	1.5	0.2	setosa
12	4.8	3.4	1.6	0.2	setosa
13	4.8	3.0	1.4	0.1	setosa
14	4.3	3.0	1.1	0.1	setosa
15	5.8	4.0	1.2	0.2	setosa

# Second day in a statistics course



$z$	0.00	0.01	0.02	0.03	0.04	0.05	0.06	0.07	0.08	0.09
0.0	.5000	.5040	.5080	.5120	.5160	.5199	.5239	.5279	.5319	.5359
0.1	.5398	.5438	.5478	.5517	.5557	.5596	.5636	.5675	.5714	.5753
0.2	.5793	.5832	.5871	.5910	.5948	.5987	.6026	.6064	.6103	.6141
0.3	.6179	.6217	.6255	.6293	.6331	.6368	.6406	.6443	.6480	.6517
0.4	.6554	.6591	.6628	.6664	.6700	.6736	.6772	.6808	.6844	.6879
0.5	.6915	.6950	.6985	.7019	.7054	.7088	.7123	.7157	.7190	.7224
0.6	.7257	.7291	.7324	.7357	.7389	.7422	.7454	.7486	.7517	.7549
0.7	.7580	.7611	.7642	.7673	.7704	.7734	.7764	.7794	.7823	.7852
0.8	.7881	.7910	.7939	.7967	.7995	.8023	.8051	.8078	.8106	.8133
0.9	.8159	.8186	.8212	.8238	.8264	.8289	.8315	.8340	.8365	.8389
1.0	.8413	.8438	.8461	.8485	.8508	.8531	.8554	.8577	.8599	.8621
1.1	.8643	.8665	.8686	.8708	.8729	.8749	.8770	.8790	.8810	.8830
1.2	.8849	.8869	.8888	.8907	.8925	.8944	.8962	.8980	.8997	.9015
1.3	.9032	.9049	.9066	.9082	.9099	.9115	.9131	.9147	.9162	.9177
1.4	.9192	.9207	.9222	.9236	.9251	.9265	.9279	.9292	.9306	.9319
1.5	.9332	.9345	.9357	.9370	.9382	.9394	.9406	.9418	.9429	.9441
1.6	.9452	.9463	.9474	.9484	.9495	.9505	.9515	.9525	.9535	.9545
1.7	.9554	.9564	.9573	.9582	.9591	.9599	.9608	.9616	.9625	.9633
1.8	.9641	.9649	.9656	.9664	.9671	.9678	.9686	.9693	.9699	.9706
1.9	.9713	.9719	.9726	.9732	.9738	.9744	.9750	.9756	.9761	.9767
2.0	.9772	.9778	.9783	.9788	.9793	.9798	.9803	.9808	.9812	.9817
2.1	.9821	.9826	.9830	.9834	.9838	.9842	.9846	.9850	.9854	.9857
2.2	.9861	.9864	.9868	.9871	.9875	.9878	.9881	.9884	.9887	.9890
2.3	.9893	.9896	.9898	.9901	.9904	.9906	.9909	.9911	.9913	.9916
2.4	.9918	.9920	.9922	.9925	.9927	.9929	.9931	.9932	.9934	.9936
2.5	.9938	.9940	.9941	.9943	.9945	.9946	.9948	.9949	.9951	.9952
2.6	.9953	.9955	.9956	.9957	.9959	.9960	.9961	.9962	.9963	.9964
2.7	.9965	.9966	.9967	.9968	.9969	.9970	.9971	.9972	.9973	.9974
2.8	.9974	.9975	.9976	.9977	.9977	.9978	.9979	.9979	.9980	.9981
2.9	.9981	.9982	.9982	.9983	.9984	.9984	.9985	.9985	.9986	.9986
3.0	.9987	.9987	.9987	.9988	.9988	.9989	.9989	.9989	.9990	.9990
3.1	.9990	.9991	.9991	.9991	.9992	.9992	.9992	.9992	.9993	.9993
3.2	.9993	.9993	.9994	.9994	.9994	.9994	.9994	.9995	.9995	.9995
3.3	.9995	.9995	.9995	.9996	.9996	.9996	.9996	.9996	.9996	.9997
3.4	.9997	.9997	.9997	.9997	.9997	.9997	.9997	.9997	.9997	.9998
3.5	.9998	.9998	.9998	.9998	.9998	.9998	.9998	.9998	.9998	.9998
3.6	.9998	.9998	.9999	.9999	.9999	.9999	.9999	.9999	.9999	.9999



# Tidy data

- Each variable forms a column.
- Each observation forms a row.
- Each type of observational units forms a table
- Tidy data is ready for regression routines and plotting

country	year	cases	population
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## Example: Does a full moon affect behaviour?

- Many people believe that the moon influences the actions of some individuals.
- A study of dementia patients in nursing homes recorded various types of disruptive behaviors every day for 12 weeks.
- Days were classified as moon days if they were in a 3-day period centered at the day of the full moon.
- For each patient, the average number of disruptive behaviors was computed for moon days and for all otherdays.

patient	moon_days	other_days
1	3.33	0.27
2	3.67	0.59
3	2.67	0.32
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5	3.33	1.26
6	3.67	0.11
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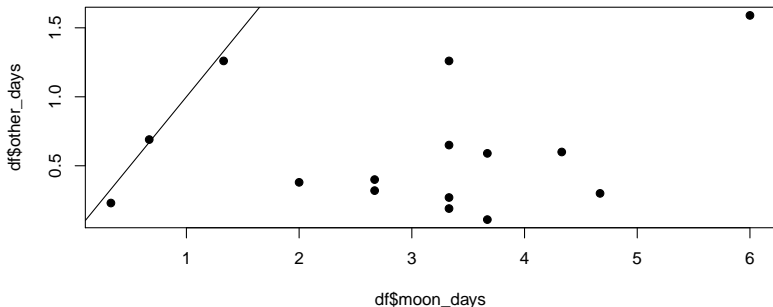
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```
plot(df$moon_days, df$other_days, pch = 19)  
abline(a=0,b=1)
```



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```
## Call: lm(formula = moon_days ~ other_days, data = df)
##
## Coefficients:
##           Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)   2.56     0.66    3.9  0.002
## other_days    0.79     0.91    0.9  0.402
##
## Residual standard error: 1.5 on 13 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.055, ^IAdjusted R-squared: -0.018
## F-statistic: 0.75 on 1 and 13 DF, p-value: 0.4
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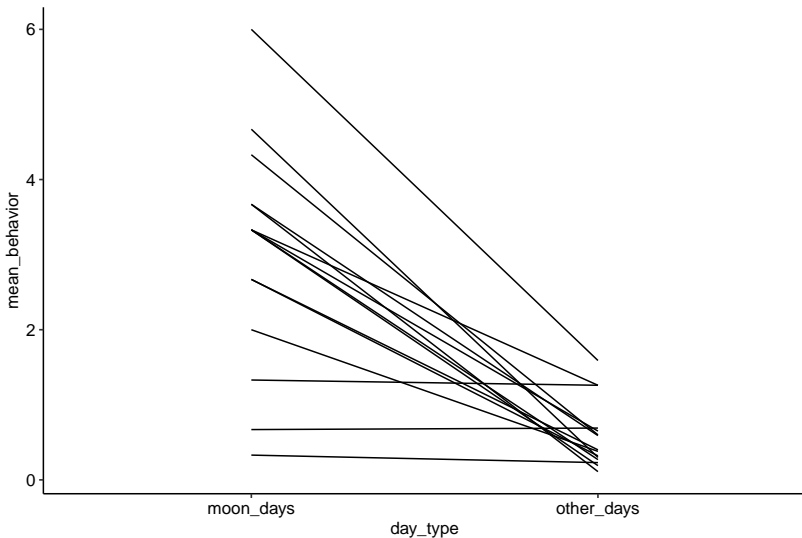
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patient	day_type	mean_behavior
1	moon_days	3.33
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3	moon_days	2.67
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# Plotting with tidy data

```
ggplot(data = df_tidy, mapping = aes(x = day_type, y = mean_behavior, group = patient)) + geom_line()
```



# Regression with tidy data

```
fit <- lme4::lmer(mean_behavior ~ day_type + (1|patient), data = df_tidy)
summary(fit)
```

```
## Linear mixed model fit by REML ['lmerMod']
## Formula: mean_behavior ~ day_type + (1 | patient)
## Data: df_tidy
##
## REML criterion at convergence: 90.3
##
## Scaled residuals:
##    Min      1Q  Median      3Q     Max
## -2.27236 -0.30142 -0.04023  0.48540  2.44753
##
## Random effects:
## Groups Name      Variance Std.Dev.
## patient (Intercept) 0.1563   0.3954
## Residual            1.0659   1.0324
## Number of obs: 30, groups: patient, 15
##
## Fixed effects:
##              Estimate Std. Error t value
## (Intercept)      3.0220    0.2854  10.587
## day_typeother_days -2.4327    0.3770  -6.453
##
## Correlation of Fixed Effects:
##      (Intr)
## dy_typtthr_d -0.660
```

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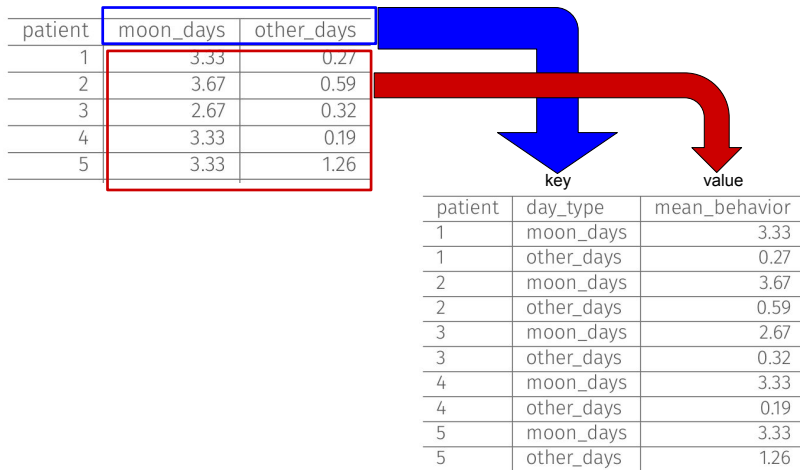
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# tidyr::pivot\_longer()



```
tidyr::pivot_longer(data = df, cols = -patient, names_to = "day_type", values_to = "mean_behavior")
```



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# Statistical concepts

**RESULTS** The total populations were 462 445 in the Iowa border counties and 272 385 in the Illinois border counties. Population density was higher in the Iowa counties (114.2 people per square mile) than in the Illinois counties (78.2 people per square mile). Trends of cumulative COVID-19 cases per 10 000 residents for the Iowa and Illinois border counties were comparable before the Illinois stay-at-home order, which went into effect at 5:00 PM on March 21 (March 15 to March 21: 0.024 per 10 000 residents vs 0.026 per 10 000 residents). After that, cases increased more quickly in Iowa and more slowly in Illinois. Within 10, 20, and 30 days after the enactment of the stay-at-home order in Illinois, the difference in cases was -0.51 per 10 000 residents (SE, 0.09; 95% CI, -0.69 to -0.32;  $P < .001$ ), -1.15 per 10 000 residents (SE, 0.49; 95% CI, -2.12 to -0.18;  $P = .02$ ), and -4.71 per 10 000 residents (SE, 1.99; 95% CI, -8.64 to -0.78;  $P = .02$ ), respectively. The estimates indicate excess cases in the border Iowa counties by as many as 217 cases after 1 month without a stay-at-home order. This estimate of excess cases represents 30.4% of the 716 total cases in those Iowa counties by that date. Sensitivity analyses addressing differences in timing of closing schools and nonessential businesses and differences in county population density and poverty rates between the 2 states supported these findings.

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<sup>4</sup><https://jamanetwork.com/journals/jamanetworkopen/fullarticle/2766229>

# Statistical concepts

Table 1. Difference-in-Differences Estimates of COVID-19 Cases Comparing Border Counties in Iowa With Those in Illinois Before and After the Stay-at-Home Order Was Issued in Illinois<sup>a</sup>

Period	Difference in COVID-19 cases per 10 000 residents <sup>b</sup>	Heteroskedasticity robust SE (95% CI) <sup>c</sup>	P value	Excess cases in Iowa border counties	Excess cases as proportion of total cases, %
3/22-3/26	-0.14	0.04 (-0.23 to -0.06)	.001	6	32.4
3/27-3/31	-0.51	0.09 (-0.69 to -0.32)	<.001	24	38.0
4/01-4/05	-0.41	0.17 (-0.74 to -0.07)	.02	19	15.2
4/06-4/10	-1.15	0.49 (-2.12 to -0.18)	.02	53	17.8
4/11-4/15	-3.35	1.19 (-5.70 to -0.99)	.006	154	30.0
4/16-4/20	-4.71	1.99 (-8.64 to -0.78)	.02	217	30.4

Abbreviation: COVID-19, coronavirus disease 2019.

- <sup>a</sup> The regression model was estimated separately for each of 5-day period. The regression was estimated using least squares weighted by the 2019 county population. The regression adjusted for county and day fixed effects. The number of county-day observations was 180 for each regression.
- <sup>b</sup> This indicates the estimated difference-in-differences association of a stay-at-home order with COVID-19 cases in a given period relative to March 15 to March 21 (ie, the period before the stay-at-home order in Illinois was enacted).
- <sup>c</sup> Heteroskedasticity robust SEs were estimated because homoscedasticity is rejected for all post-period regressions.

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# Copy paste ad nauseam

The image shows two overlapping windows from Microsoft Office. The top window is Microsoft Excel, displaying a spreadsheet with a table of project data. The bottom window is Microsoft Word, showing a document with the same table pasted into it. A red arrow points from the 'Paste' button in the Excel ribbon to the 'Paste' button in the Word ribbon. In Word, the 'Paste Options' menu is open, showing various paste options like 'Keep Source Formatting', 'Merge Formatting', and 'Use Destination Styles'.

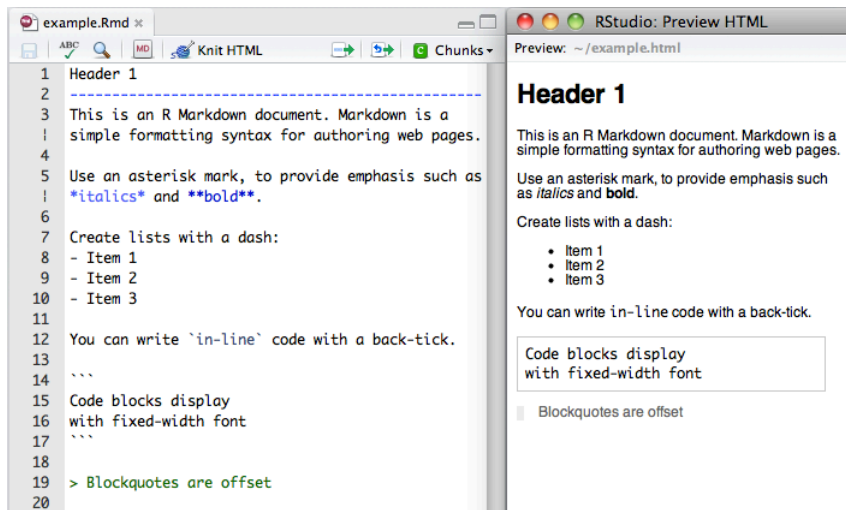
**Excel Spreadsheet Data:**

Designer	Project	Due Date	Budget
Anderson	Christmas Village	Nov 28	\$ 26,000.00
Cochran	Arts Festival	Sep 15	\$ 31,000.00
Fotou	Botanical Gardens	Aug 10	\$ 18,000.00
Heath	LeMieux Galleries	Oct 15	\$ 22,000.00
Hill	Beau Rivage	Nov 01	\$ 24,500.00

**Word Document Data:**

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# Markdown: HTML without knowing HTML



The image shows a screenshot of the RStudio interface. On the left, the 'example.Rmd' file is open in the editor. The code is as follows:

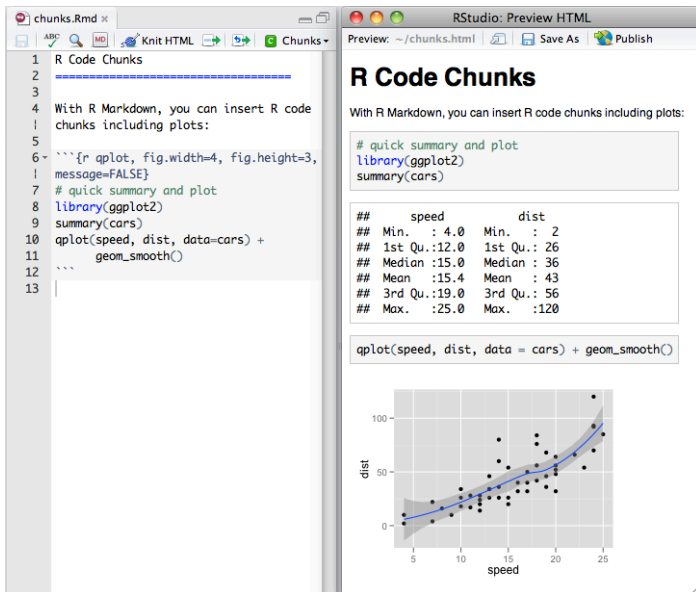
```
1 Header 1
2 -----
3 This is an R Markdown document. Markdown is a
4 | simple formatting syntax for authoring web pages.
5 Use an asterisk mark, to provide emphasis such as
6 | italics and bold.
7 Create lists with a dash:
8 - Item 1
9 - Item 2
10 - Item 3
11
12 You can write `in-line` code with a back-tick.
13
14 ```
15 Code blocks display
16 with fixed-width font
17 ```
18
19 > Blockquotes are offset
20
```

On the right, the 'RStudio: Preview HTML' window shows the rendered output of the document. The preview includes:

- A header 'Header 1' followed by a dashed line.
- A paragraph: 'This is an R Markdown document. Markdown is a simple formatting syntax for authoring web pages.'
- A paragraph: 'Use an asterisk mark, to provide emphasis such as *italics* and **bold**.'
- A paragraph: 'Create lists with a dash:' followed by a bulleted list:
  - Item 1
  - Item 2
  - Item 3
- A paragraph: 'You can write in-line code with a back-tick.'
- A code block with fixed-width font: `Code blocks display with fixed-width font`
- A blockquote: 

> Blockquotes are offset

# R + Markdown = RMarkdown



The screenshot displays the RStudio interface with two main panes. The left pane, titled 'chunks.Rmd', shows the source R Markdown code. The right pane, titled 'RStudio: Preview HTML', shows the rendered output of the code chunks.

**Left Pane (Source Code):**

```
1 R Code Chunks
2 =====
3
4 With R Markdown, you can insert R code
5 chunks including plots:
6
7 ```{r qplot, fig.width=4, fig.height=3,
8    message=FALSE}
9 # quick summary and plot
10 library(ggplot2)
11 summary(cars)
12 qplot(speed, dist, data=cars) +
13   geom_smooth()
```

**Right Pane (Rendered HTML):**

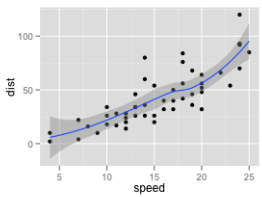
## R Code Chunks

With R Markdown, you can insert R code chunks including plots:

```
# quick summary and plot
library(ggplot2)
summary(cars)
```

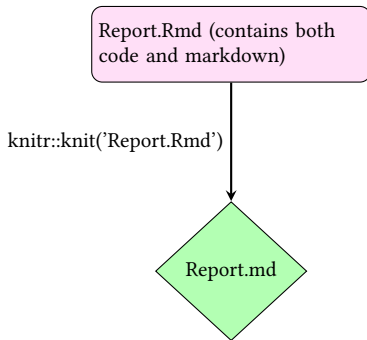
##	speed	dist
## Min.	: 4.0	Min. : 2
## 1st Qu.:	12.0	1st Qu.: 26
## Median	:15.0	Median : 36
## Mean	:15.4	Mean : 43
## 3rd Qu.:	19.0	3rd Qu.: 56
## Max.	:25.0	Max. :120

```
qplot(speed, dist, data = cars) + geom_smooth()
```



# What rmarkdown does

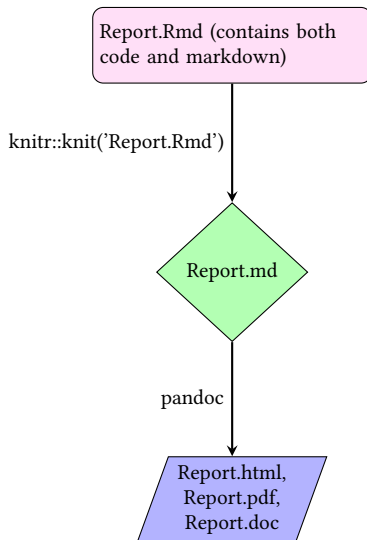
**RMarkdown** example:





# What rmarkdown does

## RMarkdown example:

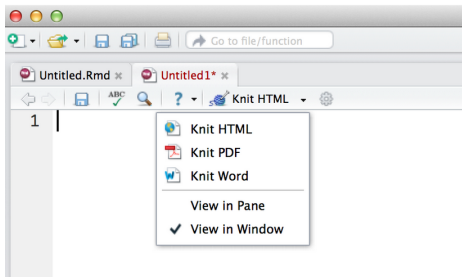


# Compiling a .Rmd document

The two steps on previous slide can be executed in one command:

```
rmarkdown::render()
```

or in RStudio:





# Topics by level of exposure

Level of Exposure



- Mainstream media
- Scientific Article
- Statistical Analysis
- Cleaning Data
- Collecting Data
- Research Ethics Board (REB) Approval
- Study Design
- Research Question
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# First year courses

Level of Exposure



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EPIB 607/621  
EPIB 613

EPIB 601/602

# My area of research

Level of Exposure



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EPIB 607/621  
EPIB 613

EPIB 601/602

What I do

# Session Info

R version 3.6.2 (2019-12-12)

Platform: x86\_64-pc-linux-gnu (64-bit)

Running under: Pop!\_OS 19.10

Matrix products: default

BLAS: /usr/lib/x86\_64-linux-gnu/openblas/libblas.so.3

LAPACK: /usr/lib/x86\_64-linux-gnu/libopenblas-r0.3.7.so

attached base packages:

[1] stats graphics grDevices utils datasets methods base

other attached packages:

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loaded via a namespace (and not attached):

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