Effective digital notetaking with Obsidian

Scientific workflows: Tools and Tips 🎇



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What is this lecture series?

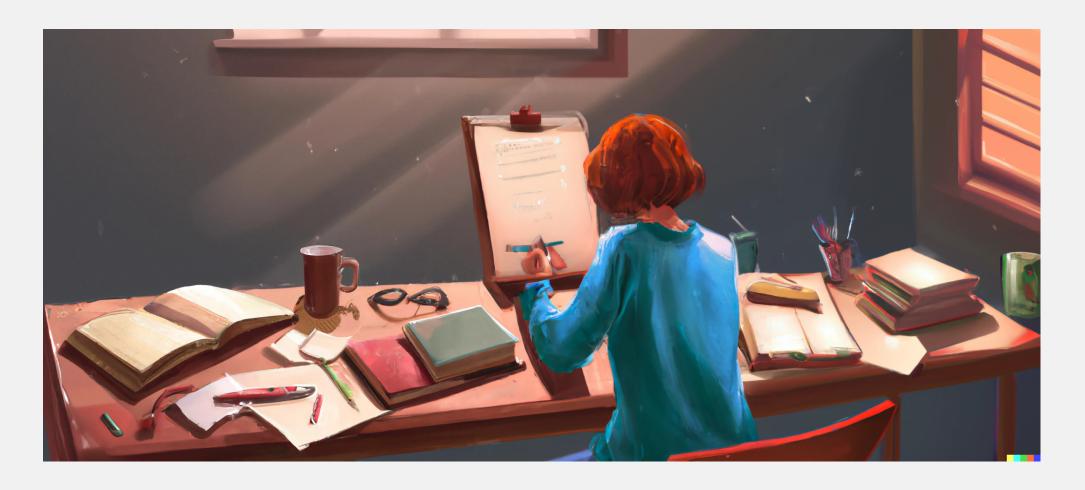
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- Every 3rd Thursday (4-5 p.m.) Webex



- One topic from the world of scientific workflows
- Material provided online
- For topic suggestions send me an email
- If you don't want to miss a lecture
 - Check out the lecture website
 - Subscribe to the mailing list

Motivation



Obsidian

Obsidian is

- free for personal use
- available for all platforms
- markdown-based
- simple at its core
- highly scalable



Notetaking purposes

- Project management
 - Keep track of project states, tasks, meetings
- Personal management
 - Plan your days and weeks, to-do lists, track your time
- Literature management
 - Connect Obsidian to Zotero
- Idea/Knowledge management
 - Interconnected notes (Zettelkasten)
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In Obsidian you can connect all these purposes

Today

- Project management
- Personal management
- Literature management
- Idea/Knowledge management
- Basic overview of Obsidian
- Implement some basic workflows

Find additional material on the lecture website.

Let's get started



Summary

Obsidian makes your notes

- Searchable -> digital
- 31 sustainable
 - Can we understand our notes in the future?
 - Will the program still work in the future?
 - No proprietary software format
- @ connected -> linking between notes
- @ easy and fun -> keep motivation to really take notes

Summary

Benefits

- Stay organized
- Second Brain
 - Store knowledge
 - Get stuff out of your first brain
- Find information again, also in 20 years

Get started

- Have a look at the demo notebook
 - Find a video on how to open it here
- Have a look at the resources linked on the lecture website

Next lecture

Efficient R programming

How to write code efficiently, find bottlenecks in your code and improve the speed of your R programs.

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Thank you for your attention:)

Questions?