

# Effective digital notetaking with Obsidian

Scientific workflows: Tools and Tips 

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# What is this lecture series?

## Scientific workflows: Tools and Tips

 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](#)

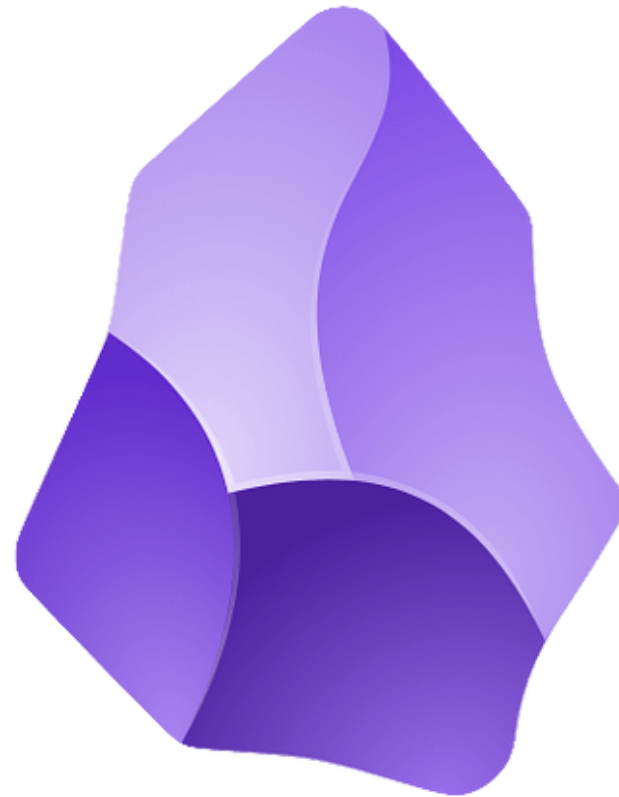
# Motivation



# 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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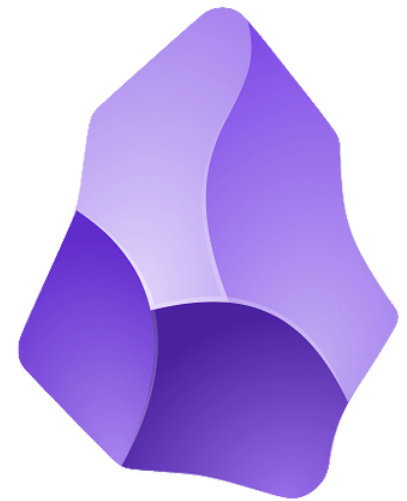
In Obsidian you can connect all these purposes

# 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
-  *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.

 16th November  4-5 p.m.  Webex

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# Thank you for your attention :)

Questions?

