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?