

Introducing the zewwwwEcon Presentation Template

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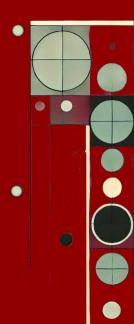
Introduction

This Quarto template is supposed to make writing and presenting economic research easy. Since everything from data to publication is happening in the same environment, everything is easily reproducible and output can be modified for the paper and the presentation at the same time.

You can for example

- Displaying text in different forms
- Handling images
- Graphs that fit the aesthetic of the slides
- Tables 1 to 3 of a standard econ project

The various forms of displaying text in a presentation



Different text inputs

You can make bullet lists with different levels

- This looks nice and helps separate thoughts
- But you should always have two bullets, otherwise it looks a bit weired
 - Which to be fair one can argue about
 - At least on the third level
- And going back to the first level

Sometimes one might need equations. Just use $\[Argangle$ for this in the text to show that $2^2 > 3$. You can also have your equation stand out like this:

$$\hat{\beta} = (X'X)^{-1}X'Y$$

Text and picture side by side using columns

There is a very small (0.4%) column on the left that aligns the first context column with the headline. These type of slides are in general not much fun to produce.



Source: Dall-E drawing a Bauhaus style representation of the OLS mechanism.

$$\frac{\partial S(\beta)}{\partial \beta} = -2X^{\top}(y - X\beta) = 0 \tag{1}$$

$$X^{\top}X\hat{\beta} = X^{\top}y \tag{2}$$

$$\hat{\beta} = (X^{\top}X)^{-1}X^{\top}y \tag{3}$$

These equations minimize the sum of squared residuals *S*. While this seems promising, others argue that this has been done before. It is even used to health insurance risk adjustment (Reif et al., 2025, EJHE).

Highlighting and References

Sometimes it seems that not only are people putting books from boxes but also like boxes around some highlight text. An example would be something you (can not) find in Reif et al. (2025, EJHE):

Defining an example

A lot could be in here. A definition. An equation. A reference to Reif et al. (2025, EJHE). Not that since this is pure LATEX, you need to also use the respective cite styles (Reif et al., 2025, EJHE).

Show code and Output

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[1] 4

2^2 > 3

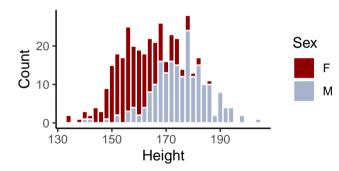
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Graphs



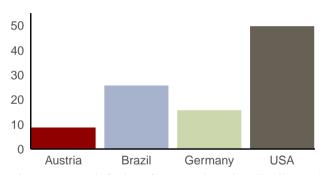
Histogram

Distribution of height (in cm) in random data



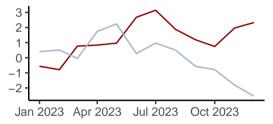
Barchart

Number of Federal States by Country



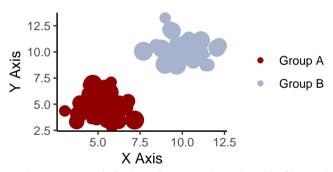
Time Series

Displaying how things evolve over time



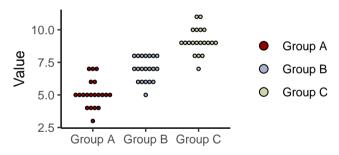
Scatterplot

Two groups have very different values



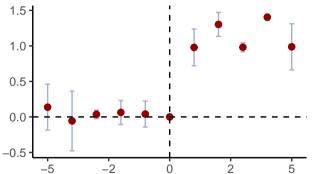
Dotplot

Visualizing distributions with few observations



Event Study

Coefficients relative to treatment time



Tables



Descriptives Table

Descriptive statistics by group

Characteristic	0 , N = 265	1 , N = 235	
Survival	0.16 (0.37)	0.47 (0.50)	
Age in years	49.86 (16.75)	50.50 (17.93)	
Female	0.51 (0.50)	0.52 (0.50)	
Severity Score	0.39 (0.49)	0.36 (0.48)	

Notes: Here is additional information on the table, which can be lengthy. It does not have to be but in order to check for line breaks, it makes sense to have it this way. It does not have to be but in order to check for line breaks, it makes sense to have it this way.

Regression Tables

Linear Regression Models

	Full Sample		Men		Women	
	(I)	(II)	(III)	(IV)	(V)	(VI)
Treatment	0.310***	0.299***	0.337***	0.326***	0.284***	0.267***
	(0.040)	(0.038)	(0.057)	(0.053)	(0.055)	(0.054)
N	500	500	242	242	258	258
R^2	0.11	0.20	0.13	0.25	0.10	0.17

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What we have learned



Last Slide

This slide will most likely be the one that the audience sees the longest. Take this into account when designing it. We could for example point out the following things:

- A literature slide can be at the end of your presentation, but not to show it while the audience is discussing your paper (ok, maybe if you conducted a literature review...).
- If you present a table and say: "Oh, this is probably a bit small", then 1) you are probably right and 2) you could have changed it in advance.