

QUANTITATIVE ANALYSIS

DYNAMIC DOCUMENTS

AGENDA

1. Dynamic Documents
2. Using MarkDoc
3. Using Markdown
4. Putting All Together

1 DYNAMIC DOCUMENTS



**LET US CHANGE OUR TRADITIONAL
ATTITUDE TO THE CONSTRUCTION OF
PROGRAMS: INSTEAD OF IMAGINING
THAT OUR MAIN TASK IS TO INSTRUCT
A COMPUTER WHAT TO DO, LET US
CONCENTRATE RATHER ON
EXPLAINING TO HUMANS WHAT WE
WANT THE COMPUTER TO DO.**

Donald Knuth, PhD

**Emeritus Professor of Computer Science,
Stanford University**



«*Literate Programming*»



Donald E. Knuth

«Emphatic declarations 1»;

examples: array [vast] of small . . large; beauty: real;

«True confessions 10»;

for readers (human) do write (webs);

while programming = art do

begin incr (pleasure); decr (bugs); incr (portability);


incr (maintainability); incr (quality); incr (salary);

end {happily ever after}


This code is used in theory and practice.

DYNAMIC DOCUMENTS

SOURCE CODE
INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE
COMPUTER TO CONDUCT
YOUR ANALYSES



NARRATIVES
WRITTEN DETAILS THAT
DESCRIBE YOUR
ANALYSIS PROCESS &
RESULTS

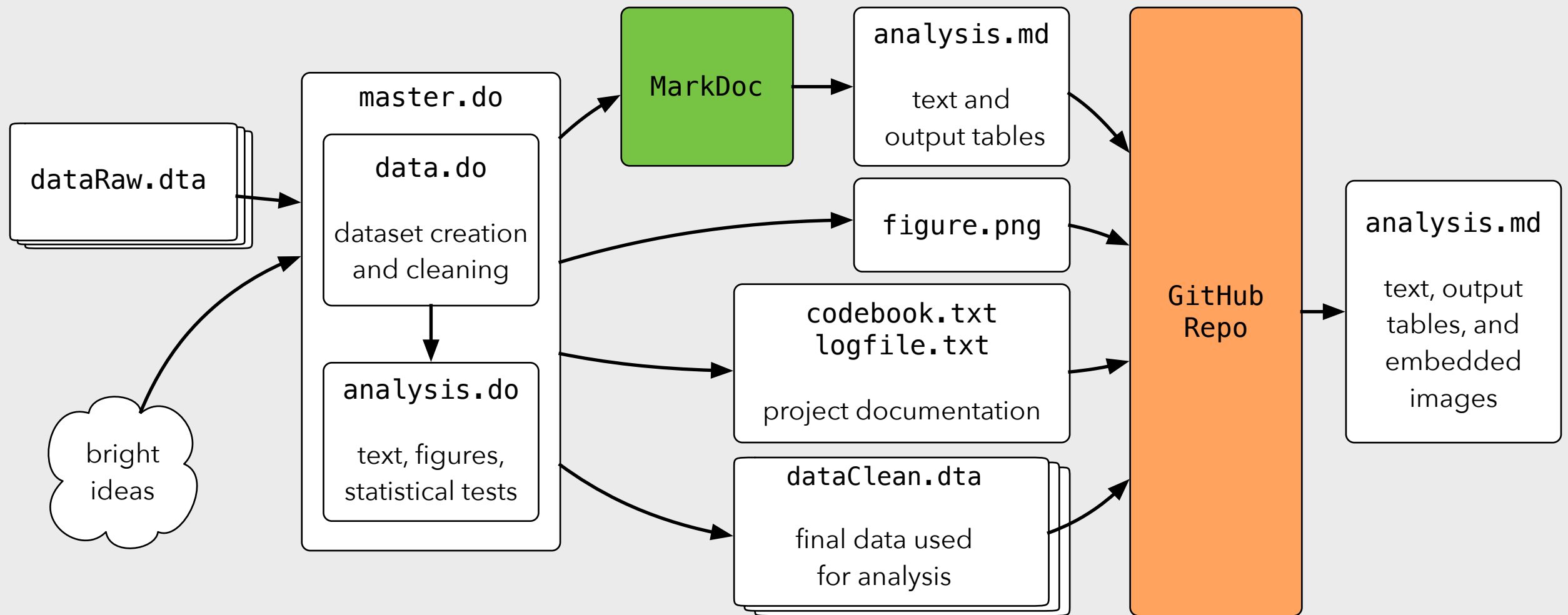


MIX CODE & NARRATIVE
CREATE REPORT THAT
MERGES HOW YOU DID
YOUR ANALYSIS (CODE)
WITH YOUR RESULTS
OUTPUT AND TEXT

2 USING

MARKDOC

STATISTICAL WORKFLOW



USING MARKDOC: DO-FILE STRUCTURE

- `//` at the beginning of the report:
- `quietly log` using `"$projName-markdoc.smcl"`, replace `smcl` name(`markdoc`)

`{ output text omitted }`

- `//` at the end of the report:
- `quietly log` close `markdoc`
- `markdoc` `"$projName-markdoc"`, replace `export(md)` install

USING MARKDOC: INSERTING NARRATIVES

▪ `/***`

Part 1

1. Lorem ipsum dolor sit amet, consectetur adipiscing elit, sed do eiusmod tempor incididunt ut labore et dolore magna aliqua.

2. Ut enim ad minim veniam, quis nostrud exercitation ullamco laboris nisi ut aliquip ex ea commodo consequat.

▪ `***/`

USING MARKDOC: SUPPRESSING SOURCE CODE

- `// OFF`

`{ commands and output to be excluded }`

- `// ON`

2. USING MARKDOC

USING MARKDOC: PREFORMATTED HEADER

- `/**`

`# $projName`

- `SOC 5050: Quantitative Analysis`
- `${3:/*what is today's date?*/}`
- `${4:/*what is your name?*/}`

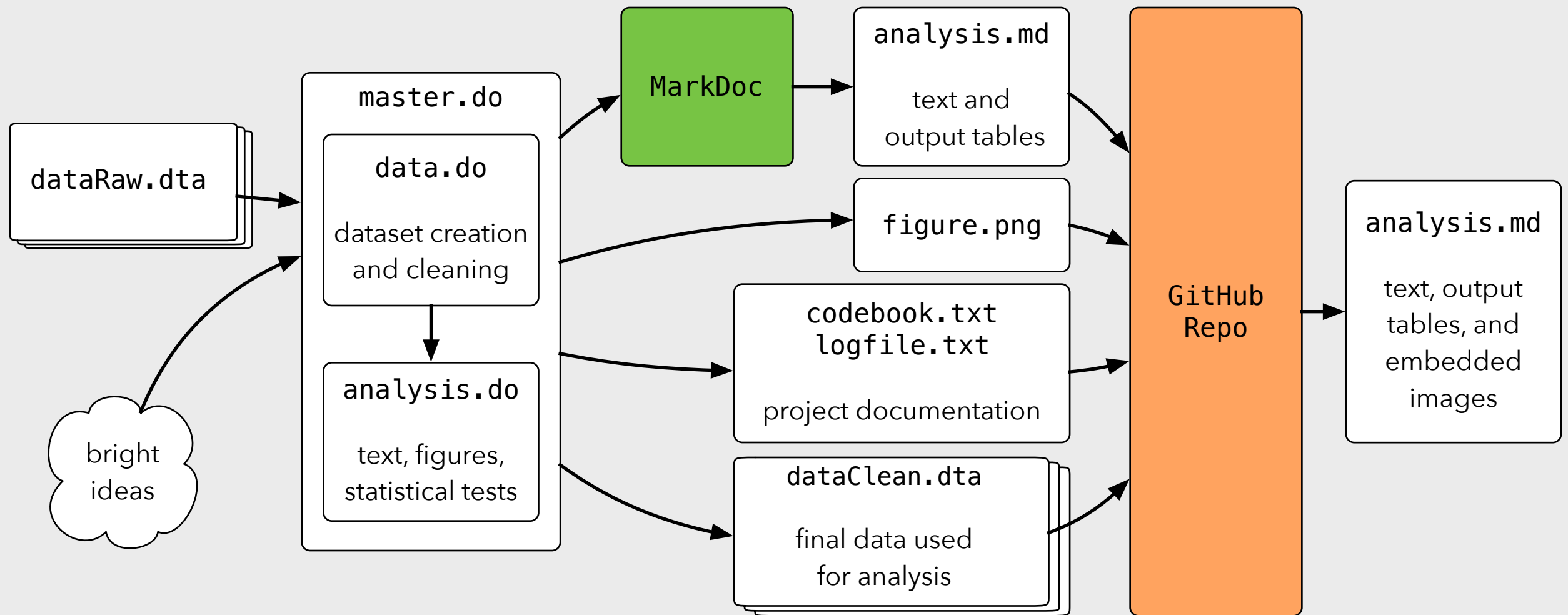
`### ${7:/*what is the name of the first part?*/}`

- `***`

3 USING

MARKDOWN

STATISTICAL WORKFLOW



3. USING MARKDOWN

MARKDOWN

markdown-example

```
1 # Markdown Example
2 Lorem ipsum dolor sit amet, consectetur adipiscing elit, sed do eiusmod tempor
3   • incididunt ut labore et dolore magna aliqua. Ut enim ad minim veniam, quis
4   • nostrud exercitation ullamco laboris nisi ut aliquip ex ea commodo consequat.
5   • Duis aute irure dolor in reprehenderit in voluptate velit esse cillum dolore eu
6   • fugiat nulla pariatur. Excepteur sint occaecat cupidatat non proident, sunt in
7   • culpa qui officia deserunt mollit anim id est laborum.
8
9 ```stata
10 . sysuse auto.dta
11 (1978 Automobile Data)
12
13 . summarize mpg
14
15      Variable |      Obs      Mean   Std. Dev.      Min      Max
16 -----+-----
17      mpg |      74    21.2973    5.785503       12       41
18
19 ```
20
21 Answers:
22 1. Lorem ipsum dolor sit amet, consectetur adipiscing elit, sed do eiusmod
23   • tempor incididunt ut labore et dolore magna aliqua.
24 2. Ut enim ad minim veniam, quis nostrud exercitation ullamco laboris nisi ut
25   • aliquip ex ea commodo consequat.
26 3. Duis aute irure dolor in reprehenderit in voluptate velit esse cillum dolore
27   • eu fugiat nulla pariatur.
```

markdown-example Preview

Markdown Example

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3. USING MARKDOWN

MARKDOWN: HEADINGS

The largest heading

The second largest heading

...

The smallest heading

The largest heading

The second largest heading

The smallest heading

3. USING MARKDOWN

MARKDOWN: STYLING TEXT

****This is bold text****

This text is italicized

~~~~This was mistaken text~~~~

**\*\*This text is extremely important\*\***

**This is bold text**

*This text is italicized*

~~This was mistaken text~~

**This text is *extremely* important**

# MARKDOWN: QUOTING TEXT

In the words of Mark Twain:

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### 3. USING MARKDOWN

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# MARKDOWN: QUOTING CODE

In-line quotes, which are included in a sentence, are wrapped in single backticks:

> Use the ``describe`` command to list variables in Stata.

To include code blocks, which are better for including the full syntax of particular commands and their output, use triple backticks:

```
```Stata
. describe make price mpg
```

| variable name | storage type | display format | value label | variable label |
|---------------|--------------|----------------|-------------|----------------|
| make          | str18        | %-18s          |             | Make and Model |
| price         | int          | %8.0gc         |             | Price          |
| mpg           | int          | %8.0g          |             | Mileage (mpg)  |

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### 3. USING MARKDOWN

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# MARKDOWN: HYPERLINKS & IMAGES

The course [website](<https://github.com/slu-soc5050>) is hosted using the service [GitHub](<https://github.com>).

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! [screenshot1] (<https://github.com/slu-soc5050/jdoe/blob/master/ps1/images/image1.png>)



### 3. USING MARKDOWN

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# MARKDOWN: LISTS

- mean
- median
- mode
- \* variance
- \* standard deviation

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- mode
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1. calculate the mean
2. calculate the variance
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# MARKDOWN: TASK LISTS

1. [x] calculate the mean
2. [ ] calculate the variance
3. [ ] calculate the standard deviation

1. ☒ calculate the mean
2. ☐ calculate the variance
3. ☐ calculate the standard deviation

### 3. USING MARKDOWN

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# MARKDOWN: MENTIONING OTHER USERS

Hey @chris-prener, thanks for the feedback. I made the changes to lines 40 and 41.

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# 4 PUTTING IT ALL TOGETHER

# KEY STEPS IN WORKFLOW

1. Write code in Atom
2. Execute code using Stata and debug as needed
3. Edit Markdown file in Atom - it will not come out perfectly!
4. Upload deliverables to GitHub
5. Check Markdown file again on GitHub to make sure formatting is correct and images appear as you intend them to

# DOCUMENT DETAILS

Document produced by [Christopher Prener, Ph.D](#) for the Saint Louis University course SOC 5050: QUANTITATIVE ANALYSIS - APPLIED INFERENTIAL STATISTICS. See the [course wiki](#) and the repository [README.md](#) file for additional details.



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