

Data Science Using R

Lesson06–Introduction to R Markdown and Rattle

Objective

After completing this lesson you will be able to:

- Describe R Markdown and Rattle
- Build a basic R Markdown document
- Explain the various features of Rattle
- Run a dataset in Rattle through a set of commonly used techniques of data analysis.



R Markdown—An Introduction

- R Markdown is an authoring format that enables easy creation of dynamic documents, presentations, and reports from R.
- R markdown can be used to create reports in the following format:

Report Format	Output Format
Document	HTML, PDF, WORD
Presentation	HTML(ioslides), HTML(Slidy), PDF(Beamer)
Interactive Shiny Report	Shiny Document, Shiny Presentation

- R Markdown documents can be automatically regenerated whenever underlying R code or data changes.

R Markdown—Install Package

- The first step to use R markdown is to install the package.

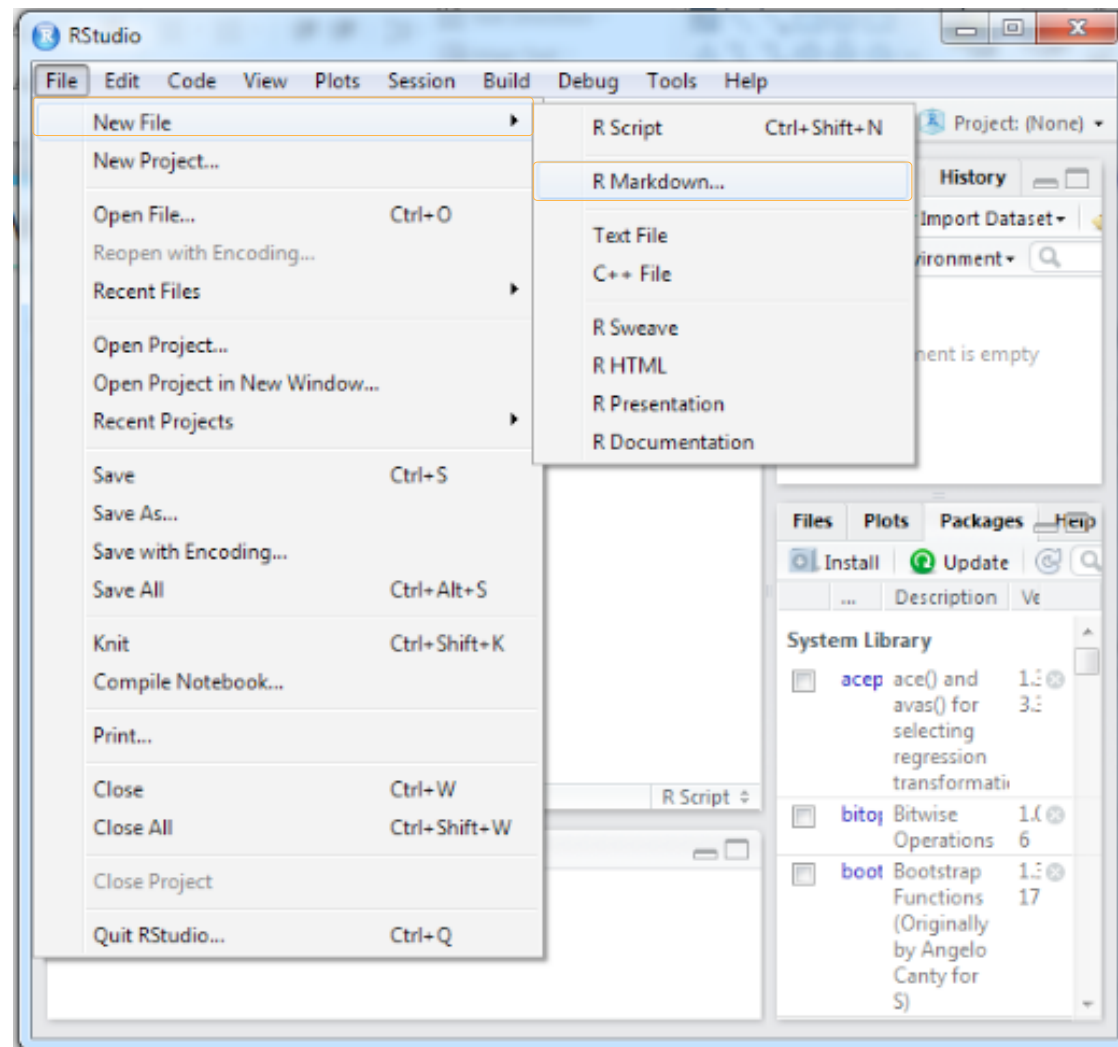
On R Studio Console:

```
> install.packages("rmarkdown")
```

Or install using the Rstudio Install packages options

Working with R Markdown

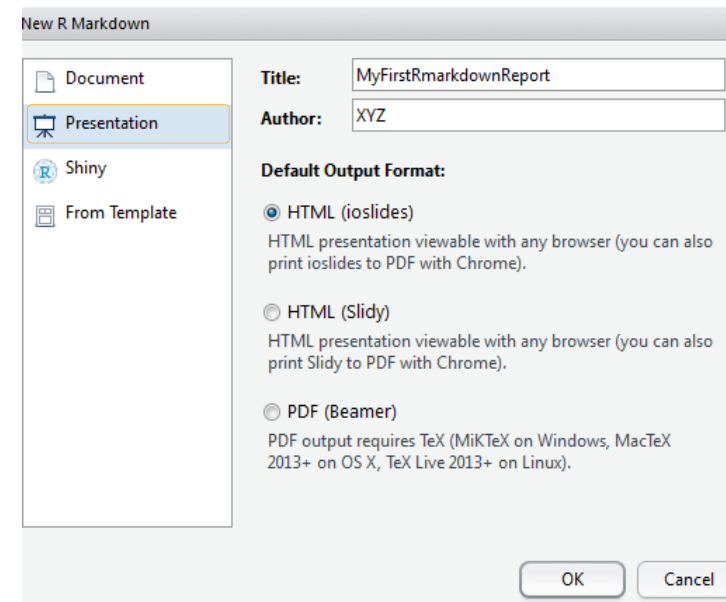
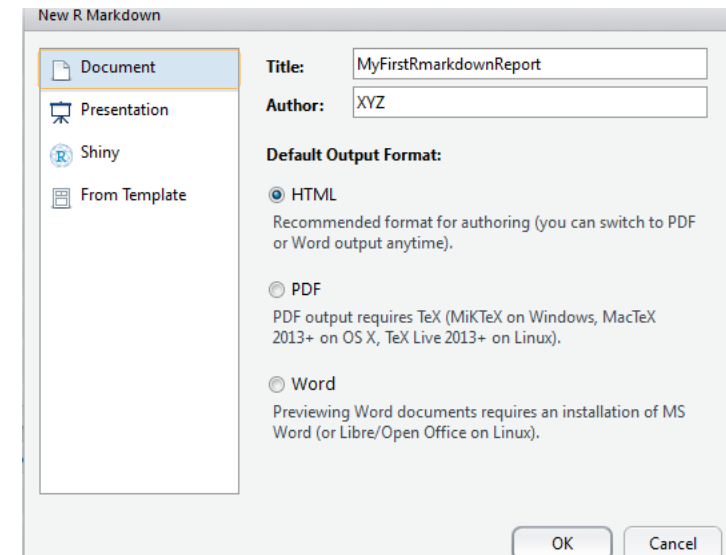
- Open a new R markdown file from the R Studio file option.



Working with R Markdown

- Select the type of report from the window that follows.

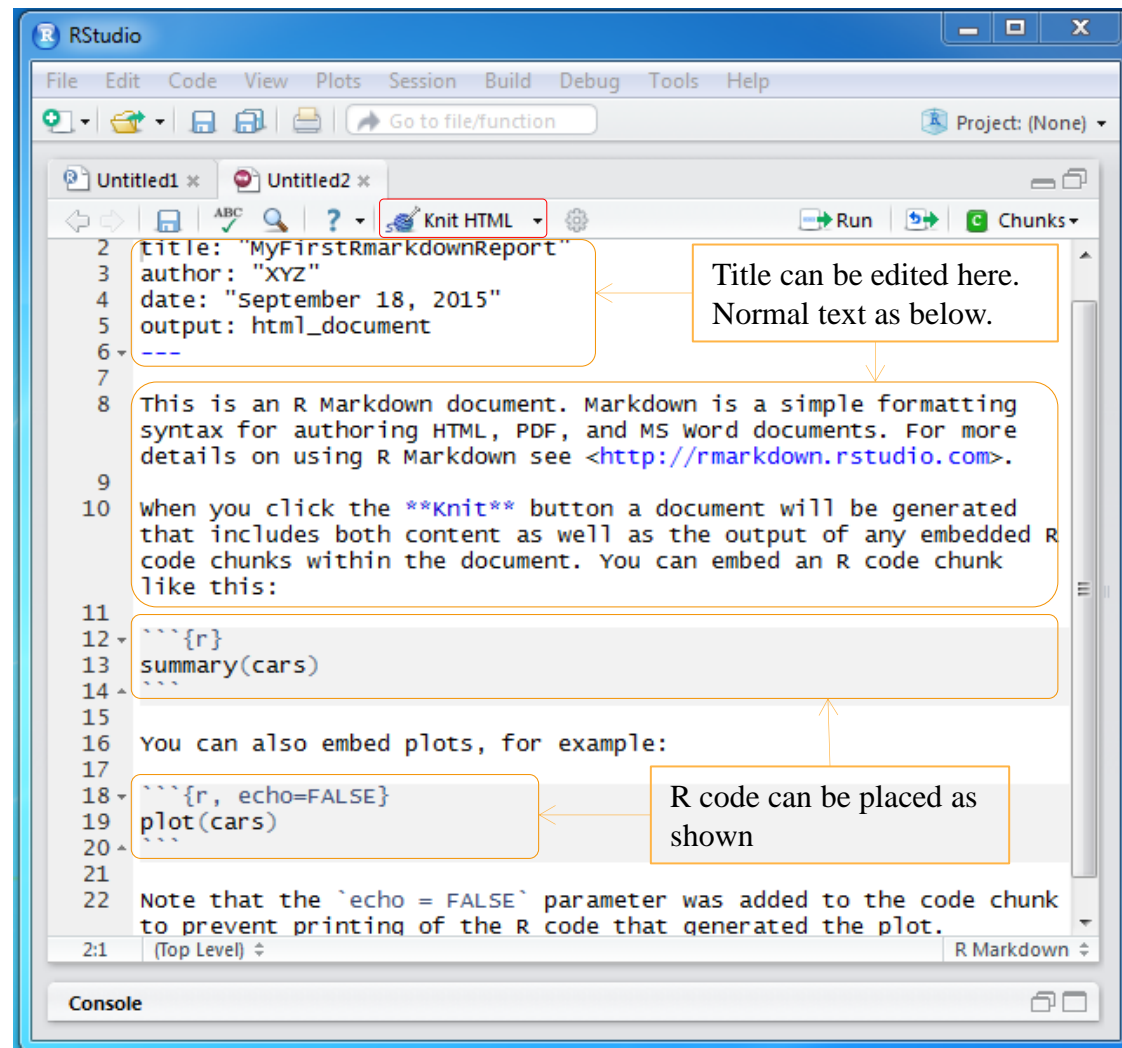
- *Select 'Document' as the report type if creating an HTML, PDF or Word document.*
- *Select 'Presentation' as the report type if creating HTML or PDF presentation.*
- *Select 'Shiny' as the report type if creating an interactive shiny report.*
- *There are specific templates which can be picked up to create report.*



My First R Markdown Code

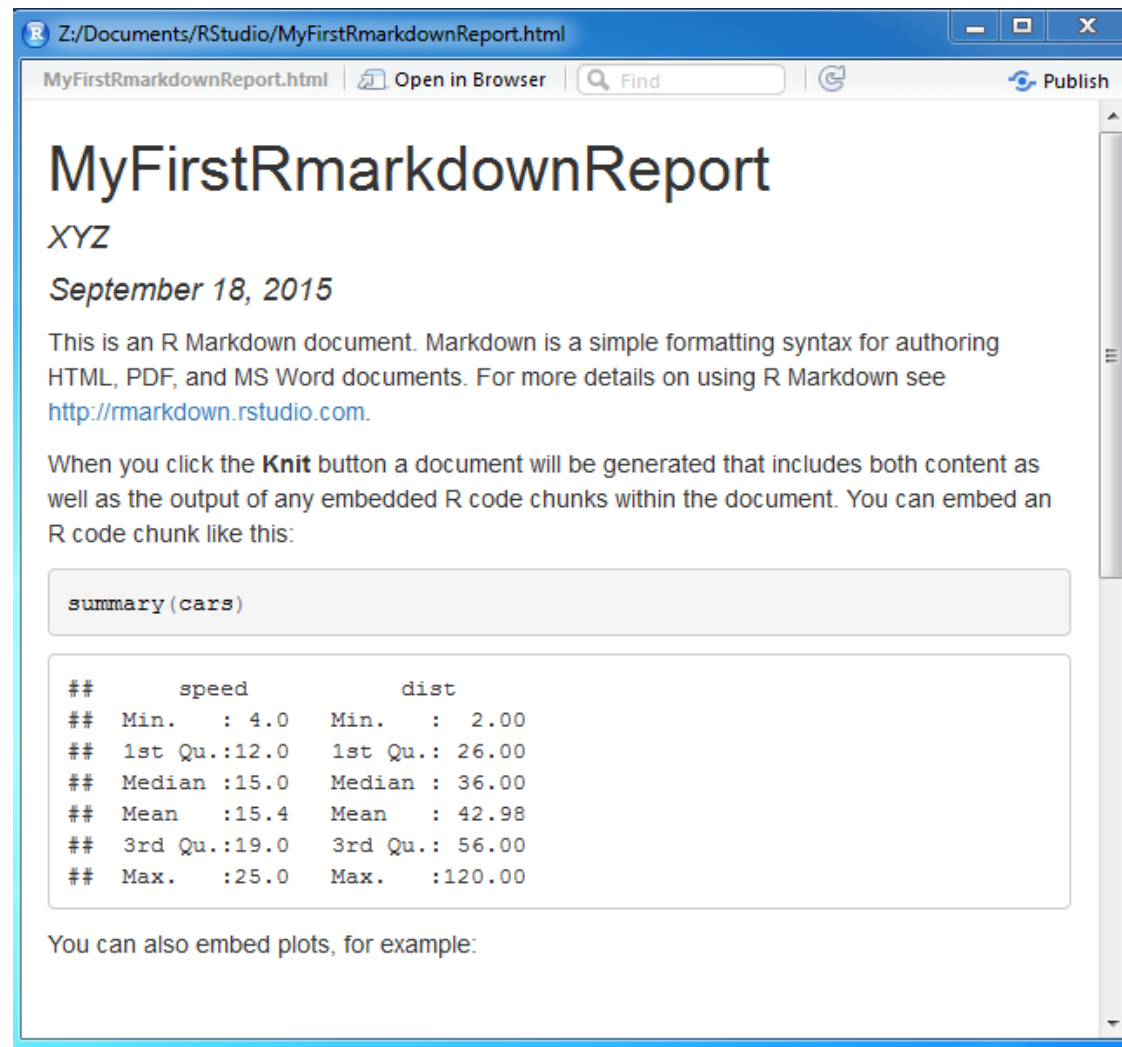
- The R markdown code structure is simple to follow.
- Click on the Knit HTML icon to save the file.

- File gets saved with ‘.Rmd’ extension in the current working directory.
- Report can be opened up in a separate window or inside the R Studio viewer.



My First R Markdown Report

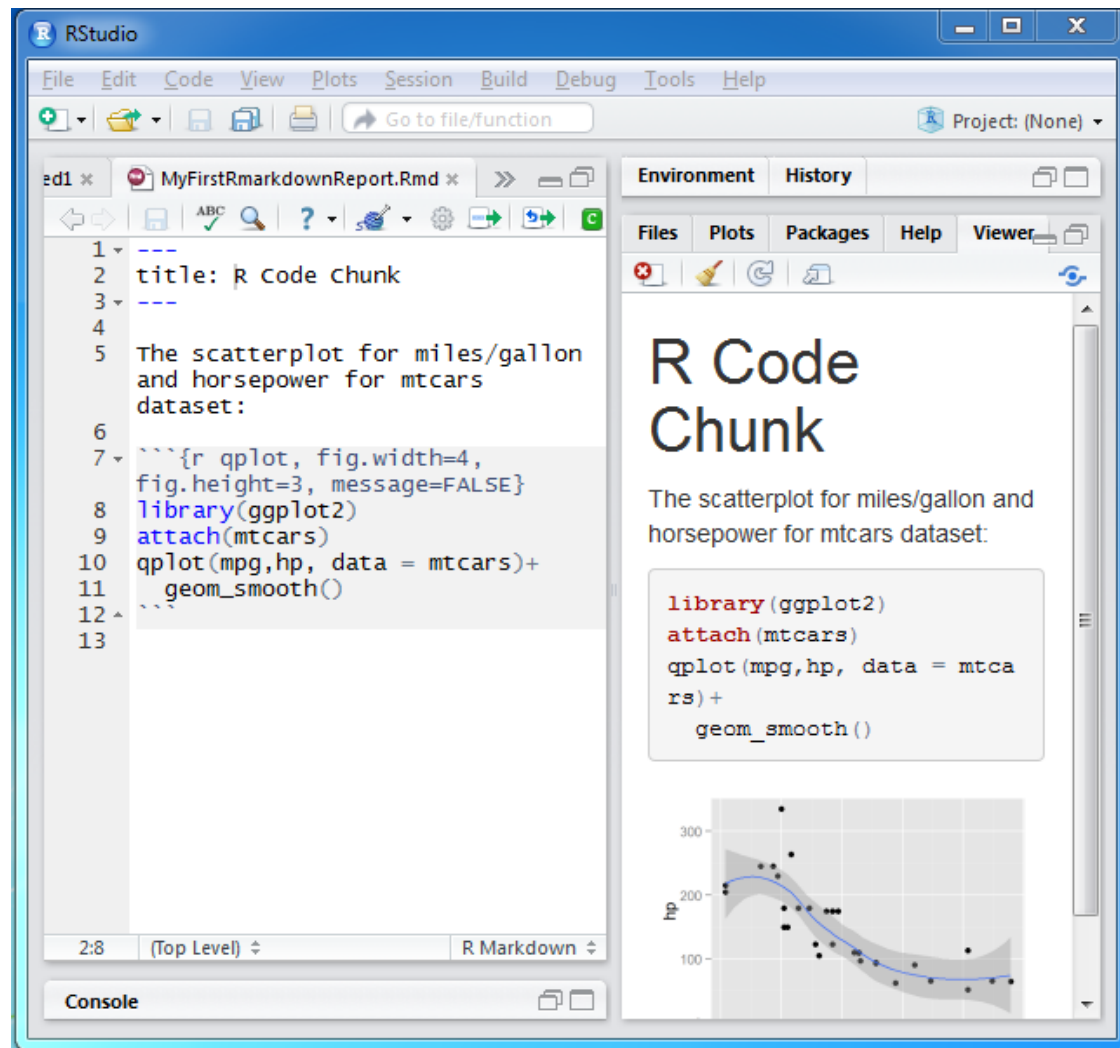
- The report will look like a formatted report.
- Very sophisticated formatting can be applied on the text including writing equations, hyperlinks, appending images etc.



R Markdown Code and Viewer

- The R code and viewer can be used side by side as a regular R scripting tool.
- The code for scatter plot and resulting output in the viewer is depicted here.

More on Rmarkdown at:
<http://rmarkdown.rstudio.com/>



Demo of the RMarkdown using an example dataset.

Rattle—An Introduction

- R Analytical Tool to Learn Easily (Rattle) is a user interface based data mining tool built on top of R.

On R Studio Console:

```
> install.packages("rattle")
```

To force the installation of all dependency:

```
> install.packages("rattle", dep=c("Suggests"))
```

Or install using the Rstudio Install packages options

- Rattle relies on extensive collection of R packages which powers the Rattle UI.



Dependent packages for Rattle are RGtk2, cairoDevice and XML. Troubleshooting at <http://rattle.togaware.com/rattle-install-troubleshooting.html>

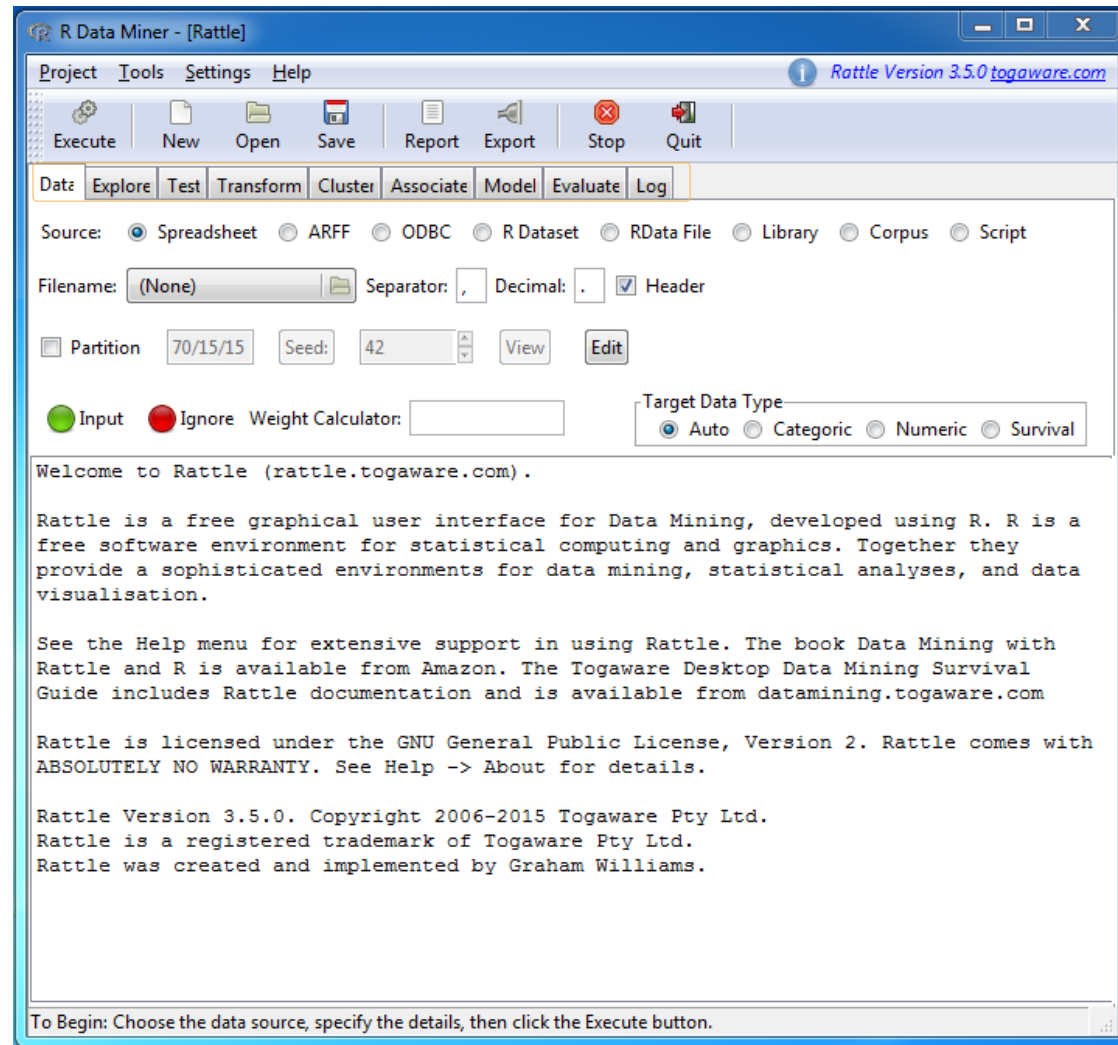
Rattle User Interface

- The user interface can be invoked as follows:

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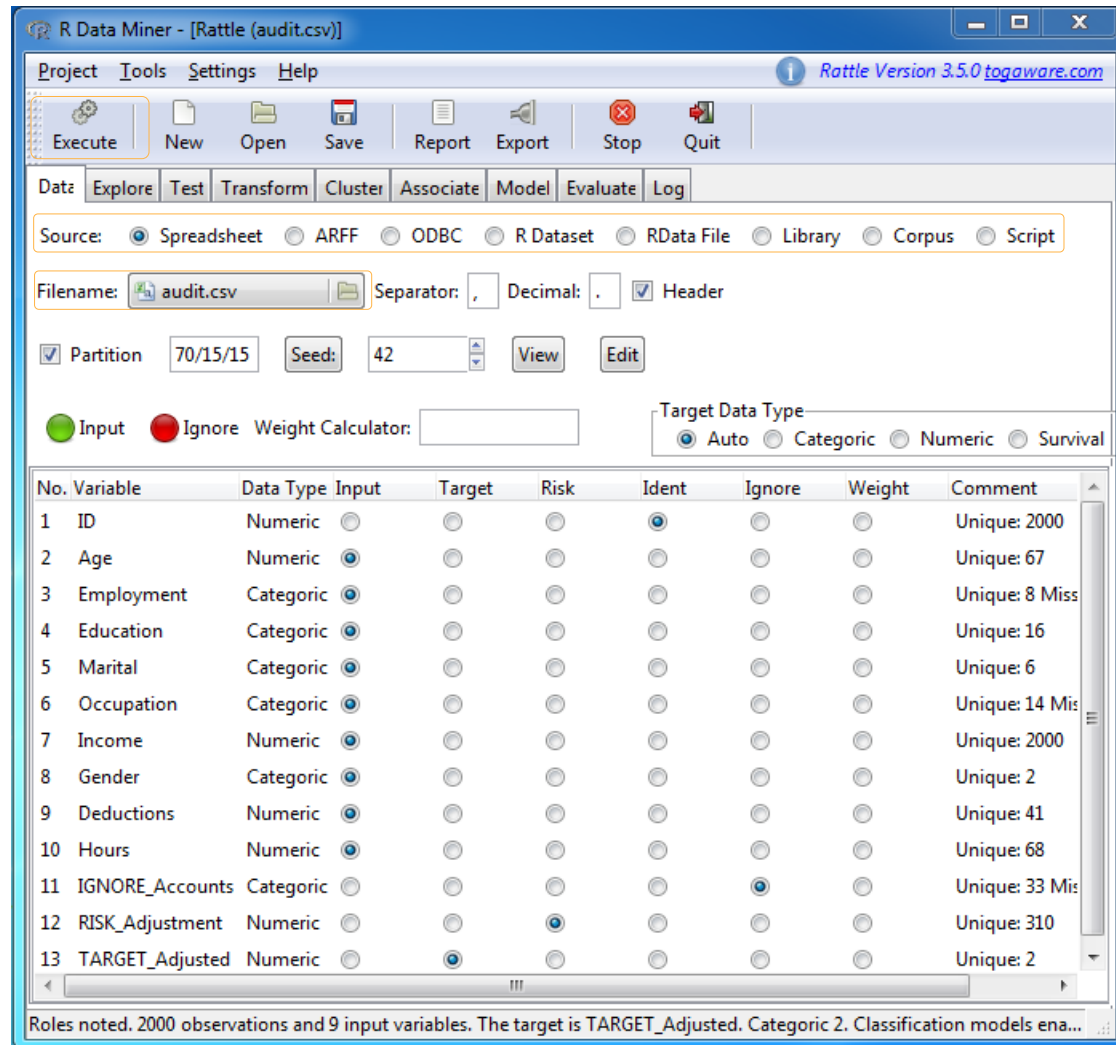
```
> library(rattle)
> rattle()
```

- Tab based view with options to:
 - Load dataset
 - Explore dataset
 - Test distributions
 - Transform data
 - Clustering and association
 - Build models
 - Evaluate models
 - Code log



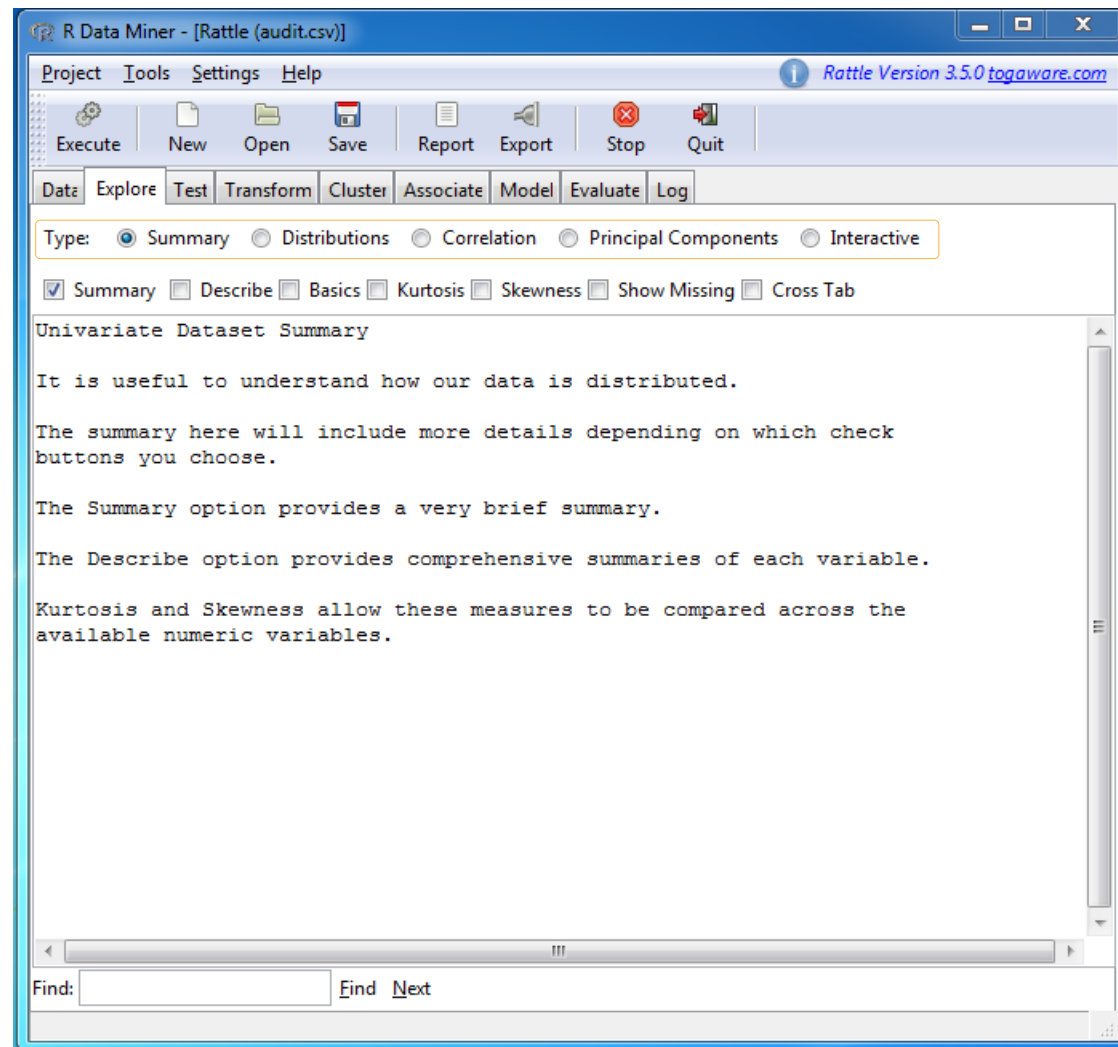
Rattle—Load Dataset

- A dataset is executed by the execute command.
- *If execute is clicked without any dataset, Rattle gives an option to load example dataset.*
- *Rattle recognizes special prefixes for default variable role*
 - 'ID_'
 - 'IGNORE_'
 - 'RISK_' (measure of size of the target)
 - 'IMP_'
 - 'TARGET_'



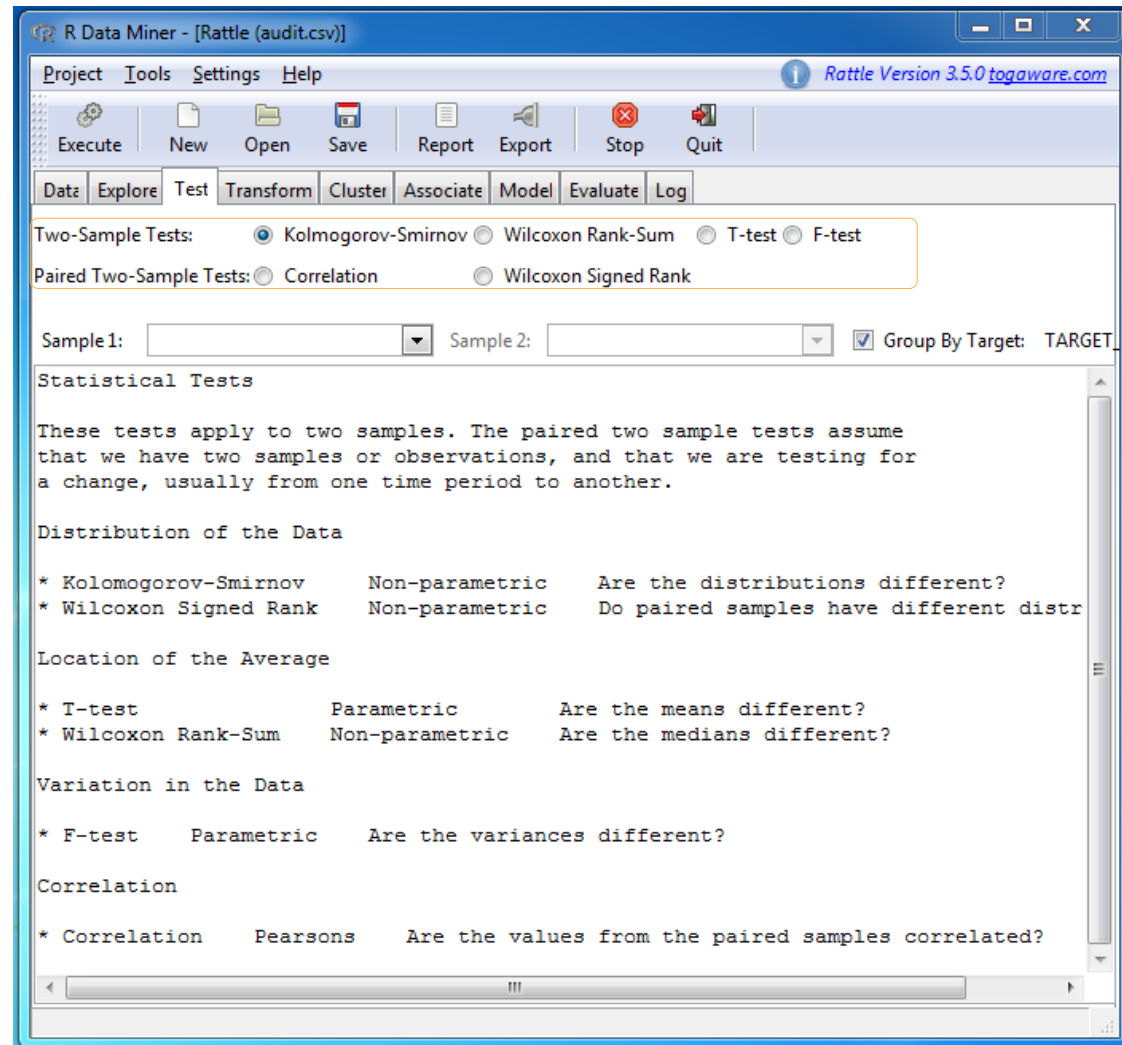
Rattle—Explore Dataset

- Explore tab provides various options for exploratory data analysis
 - Summary:** Provides basic univariate summary and extended summary.
 - Distributions:** Provide various plots for numeric as well as categorical data
 - Correlation:** provides insights into the independence of the numeric input variables.
 - Principal component:** Provides insight into the importance of variables in explaining the variation.
 - Interactive:** Provides option for Interactive data exploration.



Rattle—Test Dataset

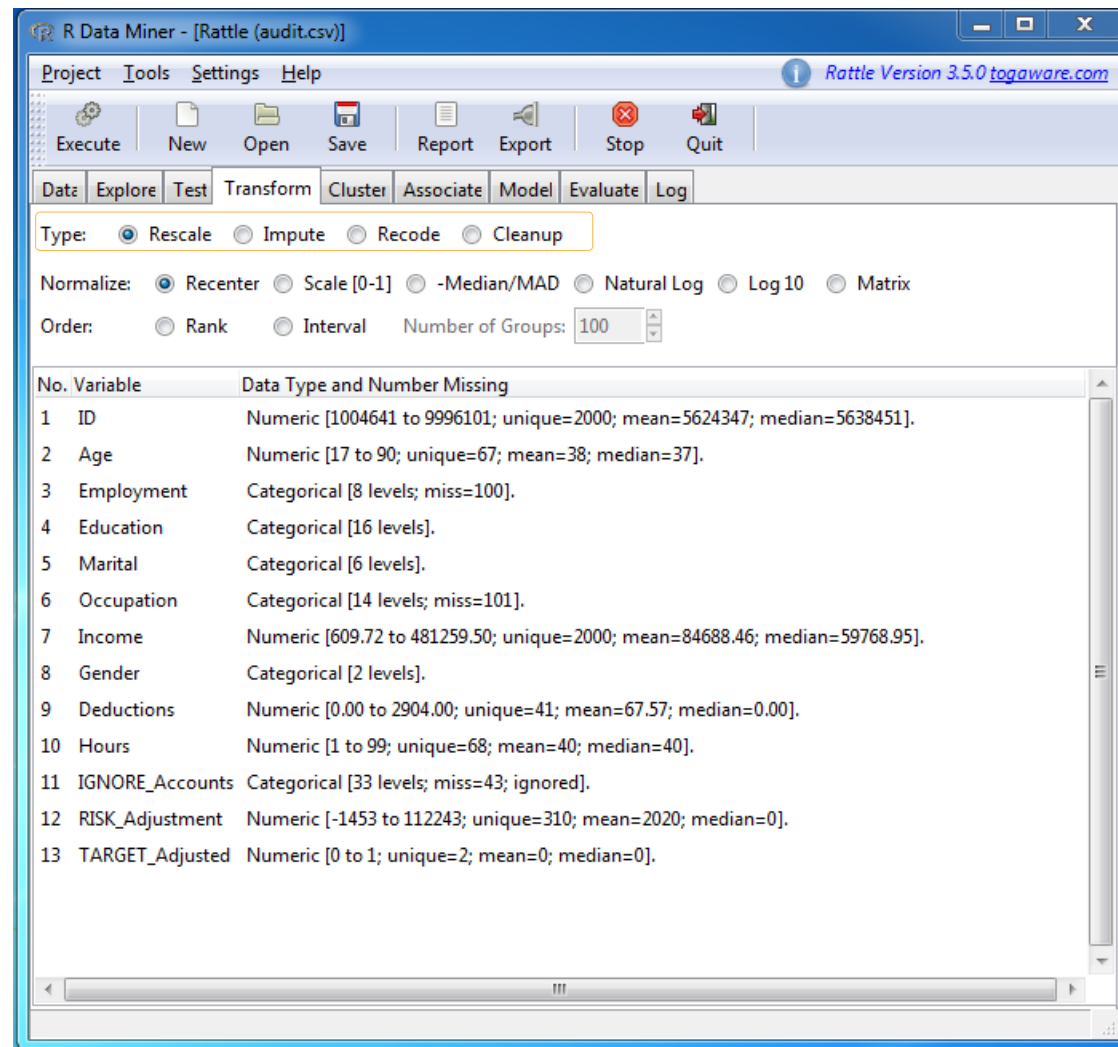
- Provides access to number of statistical tests of distributions.



Rattle—Transform Dataset

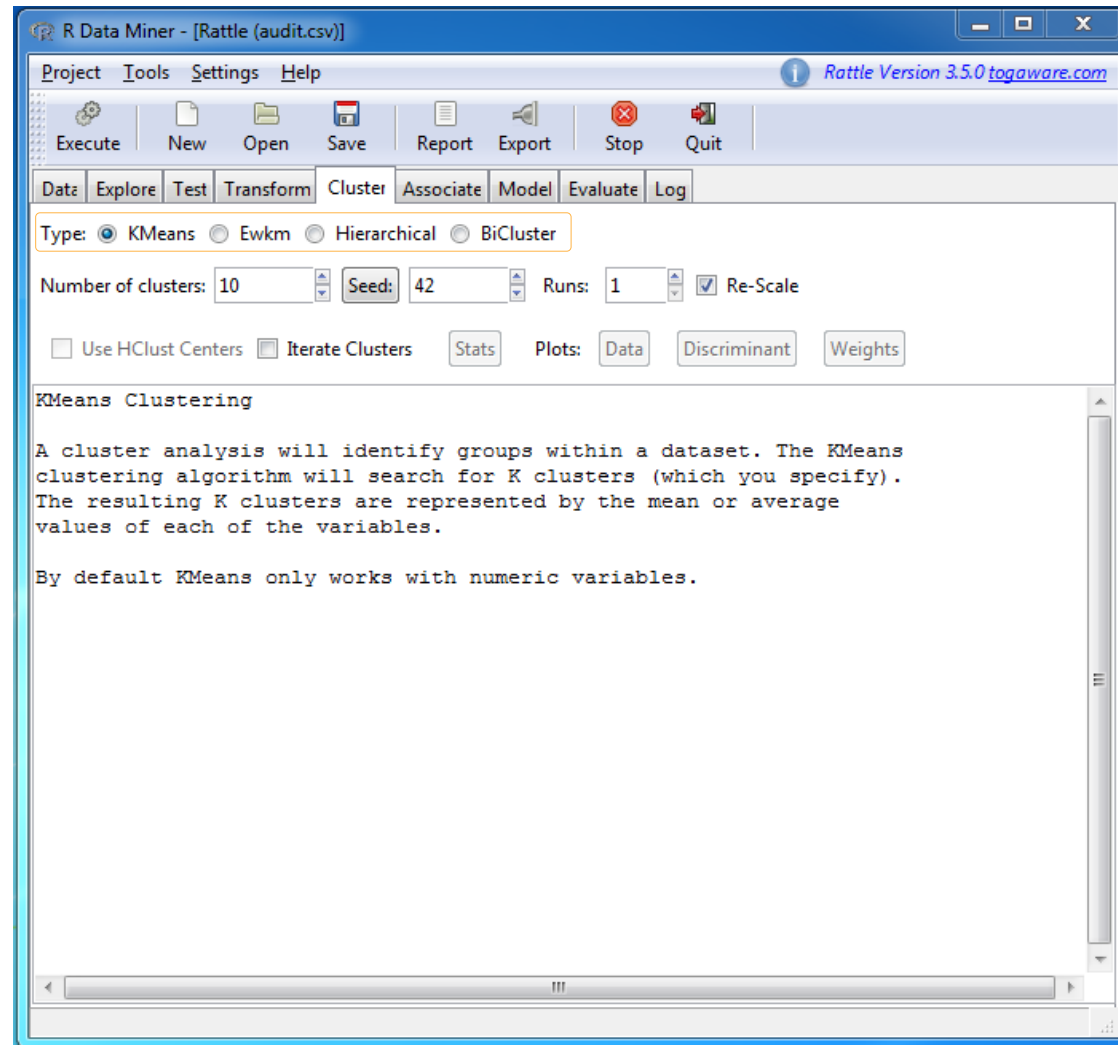
- Cleaning data and creating new features (derived variables) takes significant time in data analysis.

- **Rescale:** Provides options for re-centering and scaling around zero.
- **Impute:** Provides basic imputation of missing values using mean, median and mode.
- **Recode:** Provides options for recoding/binning the variables with a default of 4 bins.
- **Cleanup:** Provides option to treat the missing values after having tried imputation etc.



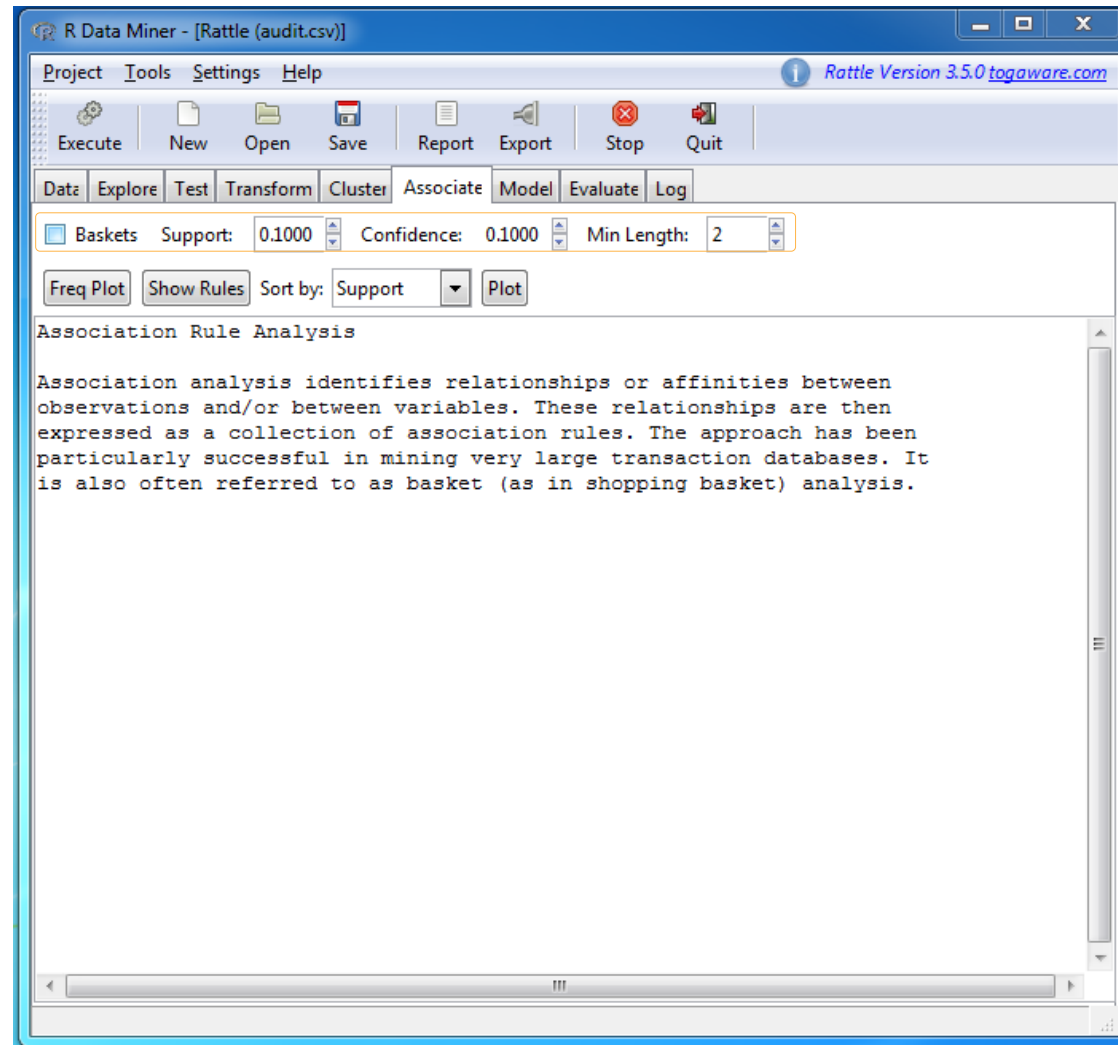
Rattle—Cluster Analysis

- Cluster tab provides option to build descriptive or unsupervised model.
- Several clustering algorithm available as options to identify groups within the dataset.



Rattle–Basket Analysis

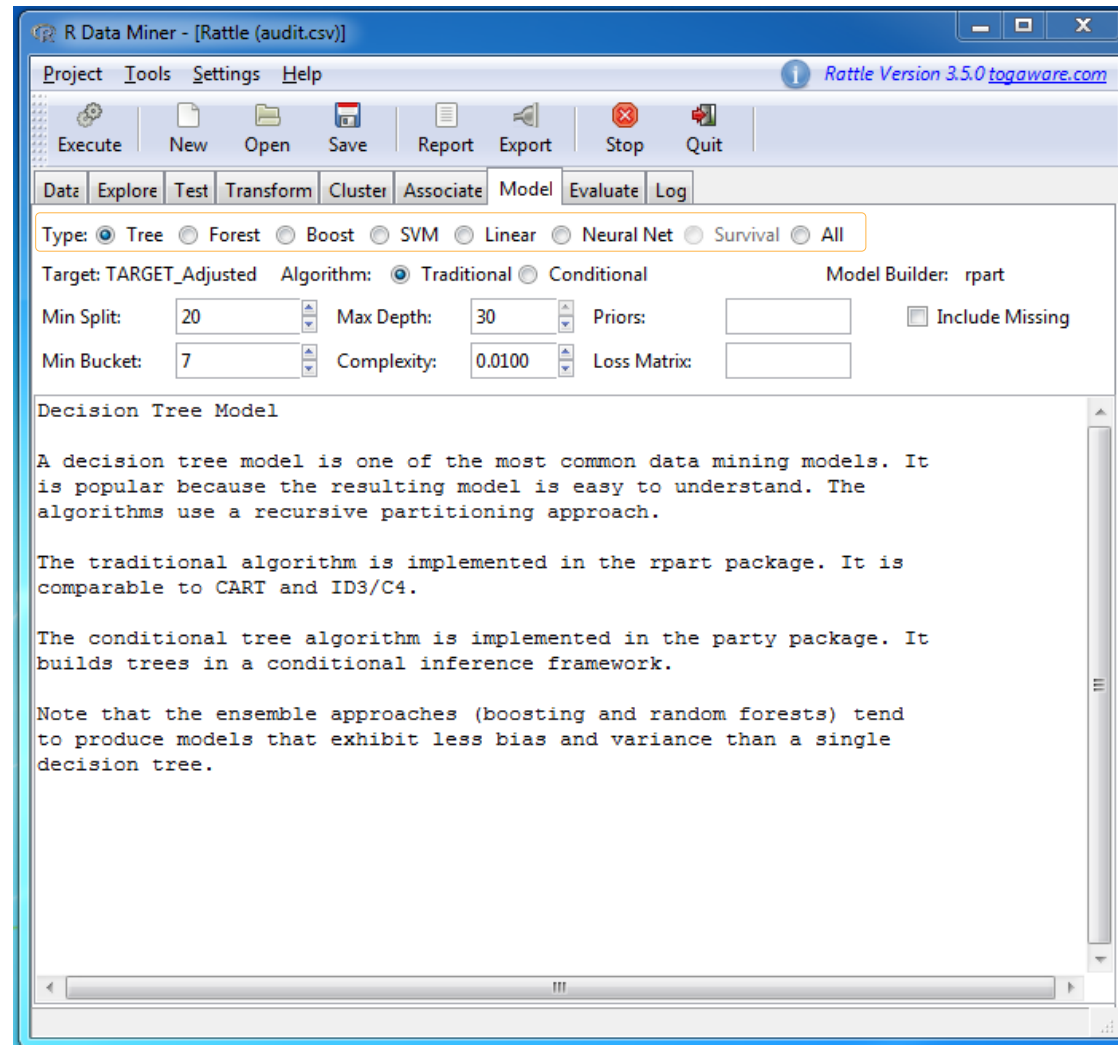
- Associate tab gives another option to build descriptive or unsupervised model.
- Option available for market basket analysis to identify affinities between observations and/or between variables.



Rattle—Model Dataset

- Model tab provides a comprehensive list of techniques to build predictive models.

- Provides an option to use all the model building techniques over the same dataset.*
- The models can be evaluated for performance and the best model can be selected.*



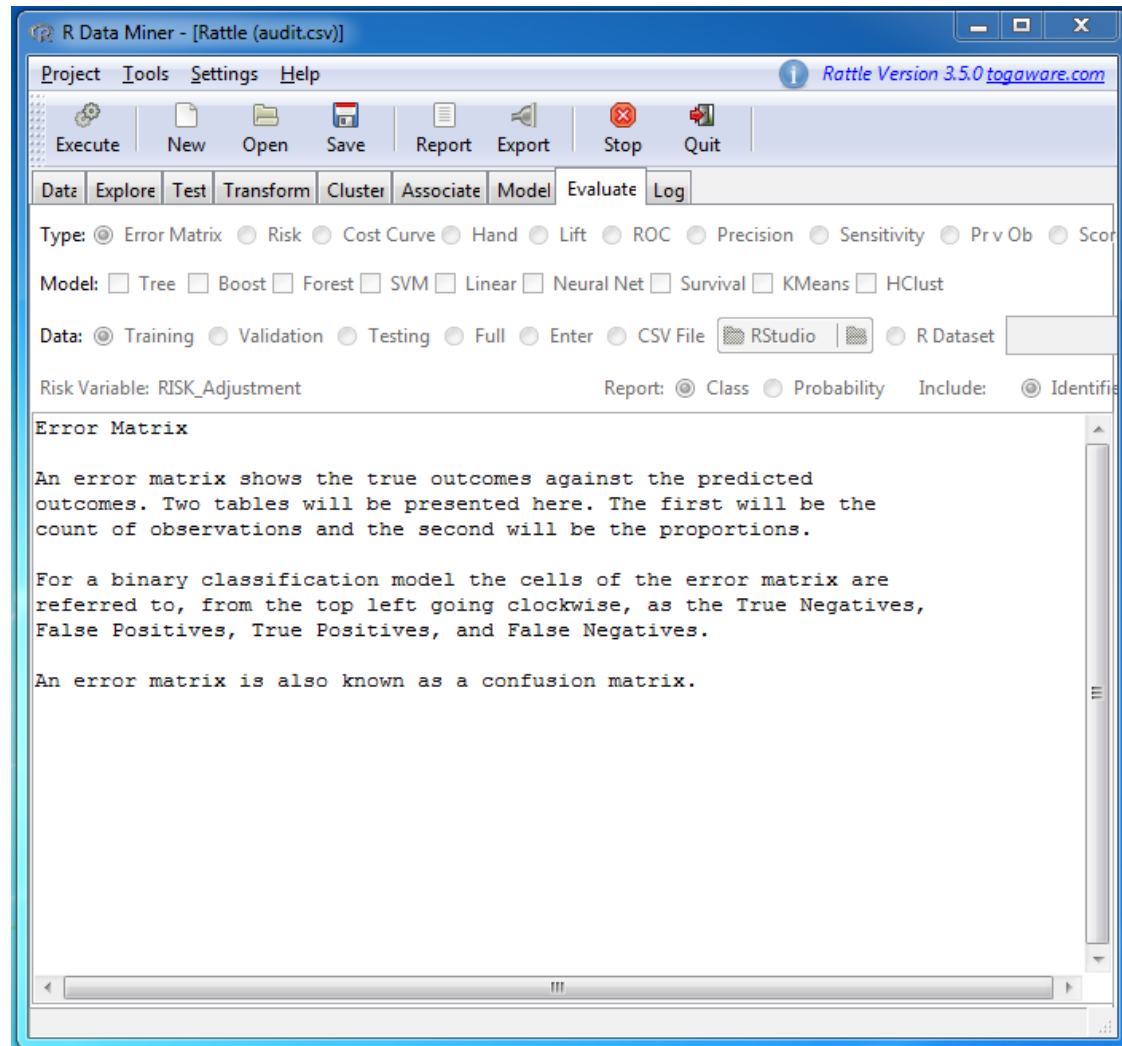
Rattle—Evaluate Model

- Evaluate tab provides a collection of techniques for evaluating the performance of models

- *Some of the commonly used techniques for model comparison can be seen as options:*

- *Error matrix*
- *ROC curve*
- *Lift Chart*

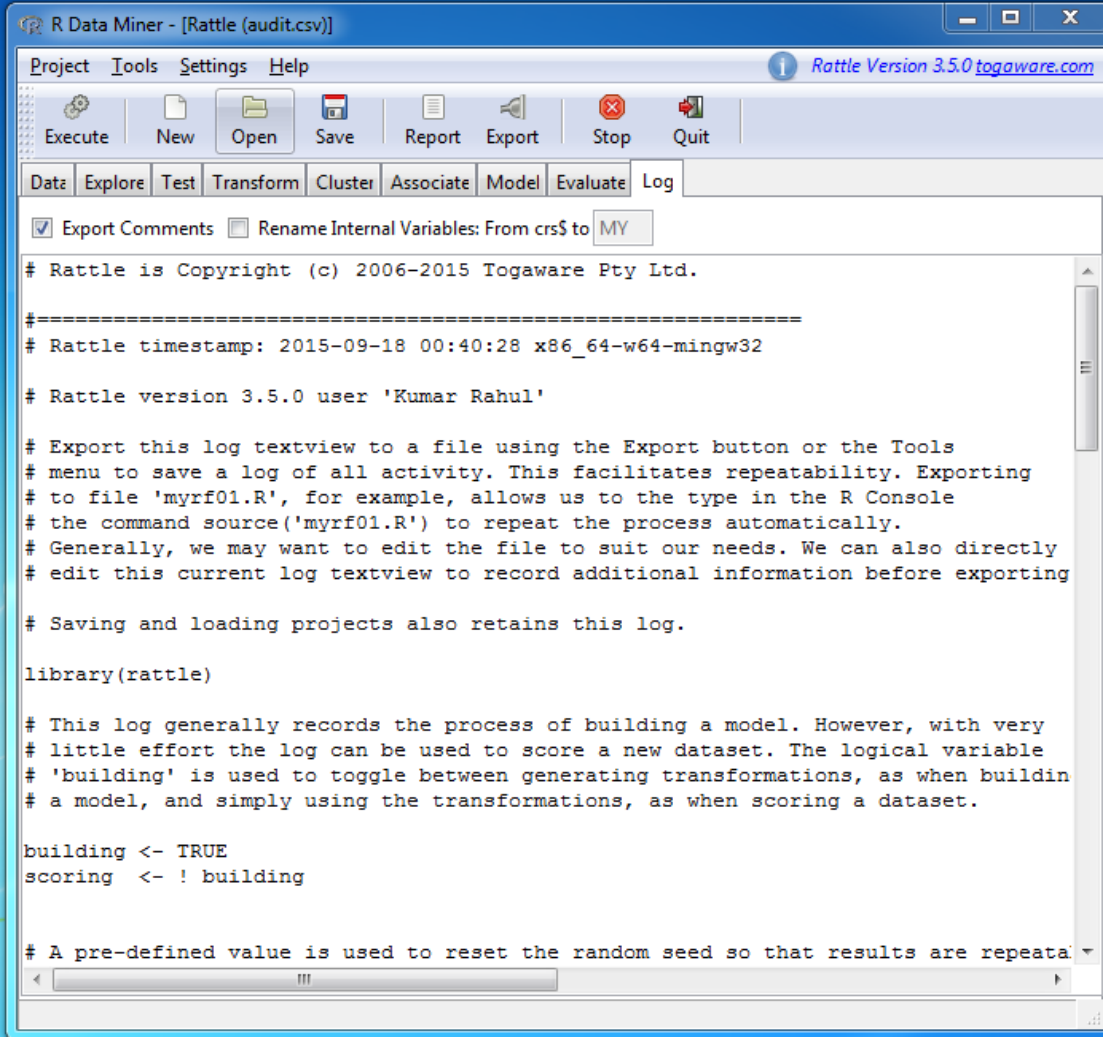
- *Rattle supports deployment of the model through the 'Score' option.*
 - *The complete model can be saved as a Rattle project and can later be used on the new dataset to score the*



Rattle—Log Generation

- Log tab records the process of building the model.
- The recorded script gives the flexibility to fine tune the analysis using R directly.

The log can be used for deployment to score a new dataset.



```
# Rattle is Copyright (c) 2006-2015 Togaware Pty Ltd.
#
# Rattle timestamp: 2015-09-18 00:40:28 x86_64-w64-mingw32
#
# Rattle version 3.5.0 user 'Kumar Rahul'
#
# Export this log textview to a file using the Export button or the Tools
# menu to save a log of all activity. This facilitates repeatability. Exporting
# to file 'myrf01.R', for example, allows us to type in the R Console
# the command source('myrf01.R') to repeat the process automatically.
# Generally, we may want to edit the file to suit our needs. We can also directly
# edit this current log textview to record additional information before exporting
#
# Saving and loading projects also retains this log.

library(rattle)

# This log generally records the process of building a model. However, with very
# little effort the log can be used to score a new dataset. The logical variable
# 'building' is used to toggle between generating transformations, as when building
# a model, and simply using the transformations, as when scoring a dataset.

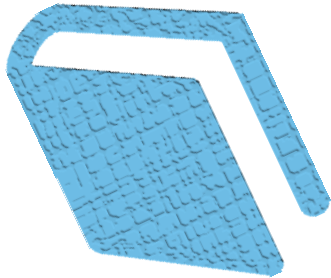
building <- TRUE
scoring <- ! building

# A pre-defined value is used to reset the random seed so that results are repeatable
```

Demo of the Rattle tool using an example dataset.

Summary

Summary of the topics covered in this lesson:



- R Analytical Tool to Learn Easily (Rattle) is a user interface based data mining tool built on top of R.
- Rattle provides a tab based options to load, explore, test, transform a dataset; followed by building and evaluating models.

QUIZ TIME

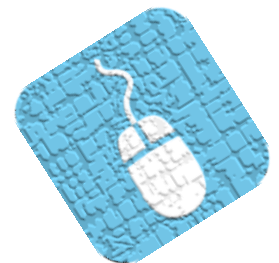


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Correct answer is:

a & b

Both a and b has the correct syntax. Option a has an optional argument of forcing the dependent packages to be installed.

End of Lesson06–Introduction to R Markdown and Rattle

