

QTM 151

Week 13 – Shiny web applications

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Recap

We learned:

- `qplot`: quick way to make ggplot graphs.
- `ggplotly` and `plot_ly`: create nice plotly graphs.
- `dplyr` methods: data wrangling
- `dplyr *_join` methods: joining data
- `tidyverse` methods: reshape datasets
- `forcats` methods: working with categorical variables
- `lubridate` methods: processing dates and times
- `maps` and `ggmap` for creating maps.

Great job!!

Do you have any questions about any of these contents?

Today we are going to talk about Shiny Web Apps in R.

This week

We will have a **quiz** posted today after 4:00 PM. Due by **Monday**

We will **not** have a **problem set** this week. You should focus on the final project!

Our GitHub page is: <https://github.com/umbertomig/qtm151>

Final Project Important Dates

For the final project, we have the following important dates:

1. Presentations are due by Apr 30, at 12:00PM. You should submit the slides, and be prepared to them present during class.
2. Your final reports are due by May 3.

Do you have any questions?

Shiny Webapps

Getting Started: loading packages

```
# Loading tidyverse  
library(tidyverse)
```

```
## — Attaching packages ————— tidyverse
```

```
## ✓ ggplot2 3.3.3      ✓ purrr    0.3.4  
## ✓ tibble   3.1.0      ✓ dplyr    1.0.5  
## ✓ tidyr    1.1.3      ✓ stringr  1.4.0  
## ✓ readr    1.4.0      ✓forcats  0.5.1
```

```
## — Conflicts ————— tidyverse_conflicts
```

```
## x dplyr::filter() masks stats::filter()  
## x dplyr::lag()   masks stats::lag()
```

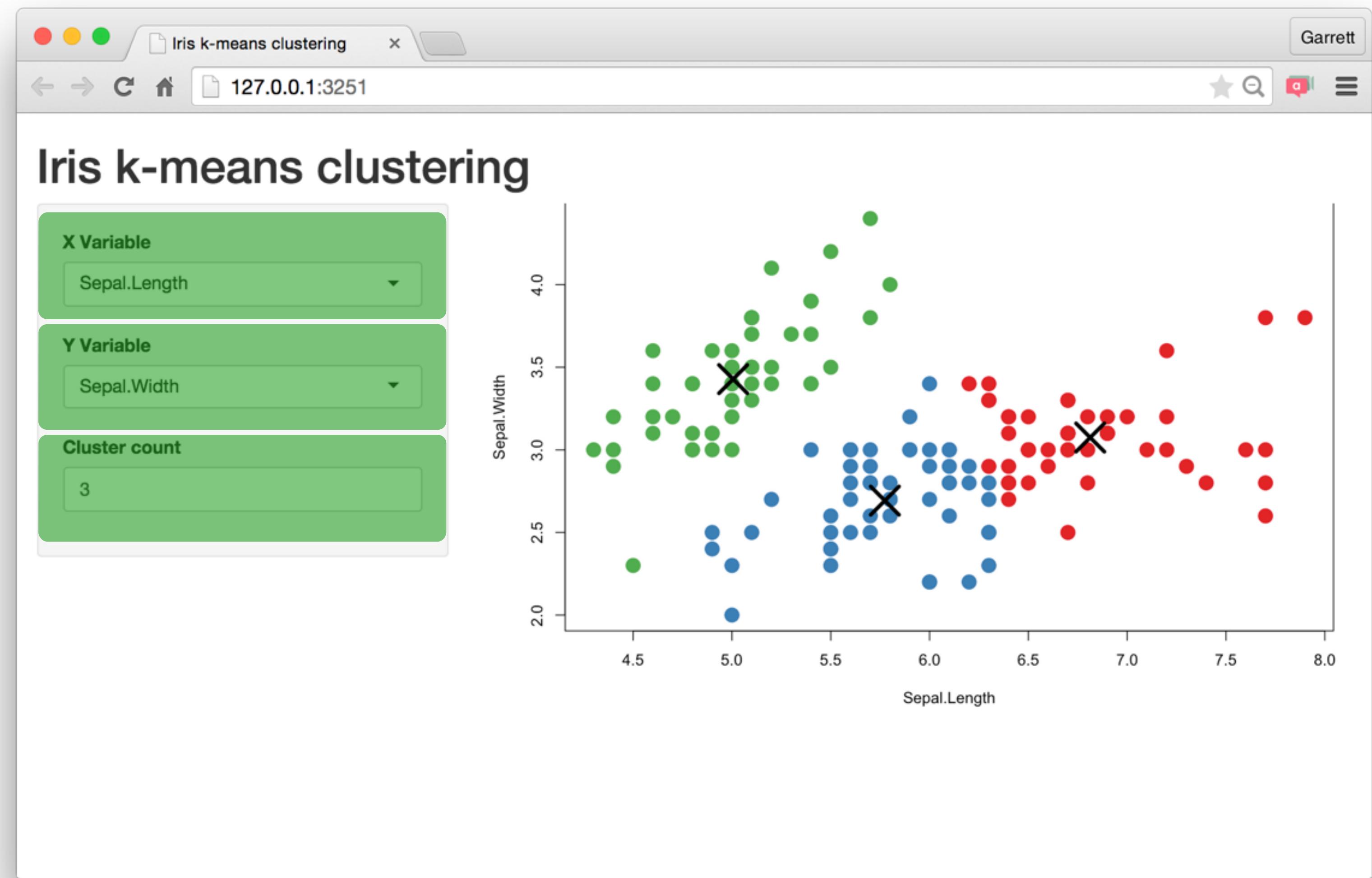
```
library(shiny)
```

Getting Started: loading data

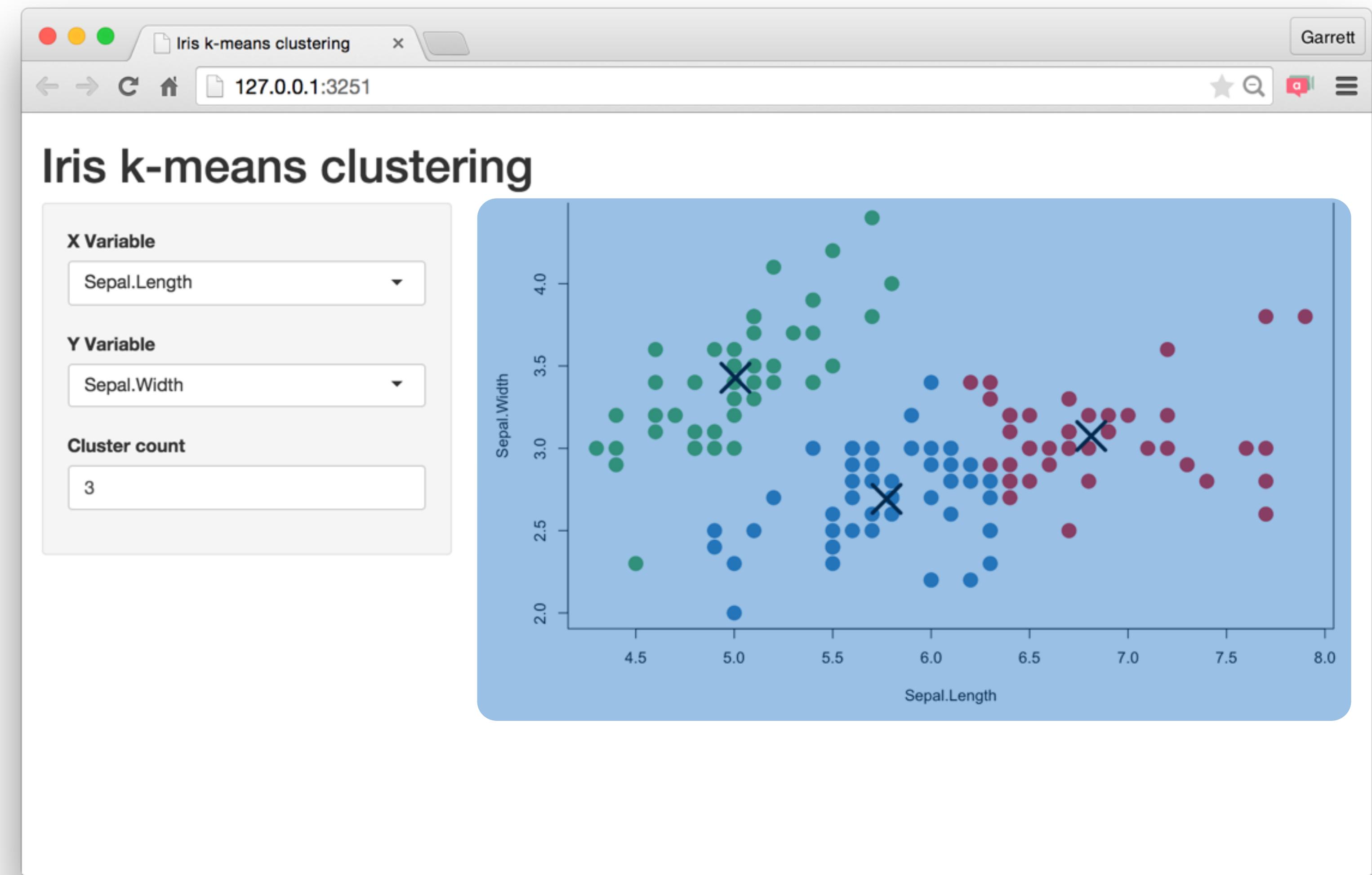
We will use the shiny presentation by Garrett Grolemund, one of the R Studio main Data Scientists

**Build your app around
Inputs and
Outputs**

Build your app around **inputs** and **outputs**



Build your app around **inputs** and **outputs**



Add elements to your app as arguments to
`fluidPage()`

```
ui <- fluidPage(  
  # *Input() functions,  
  # *Output() functions  
)
```

Inputs

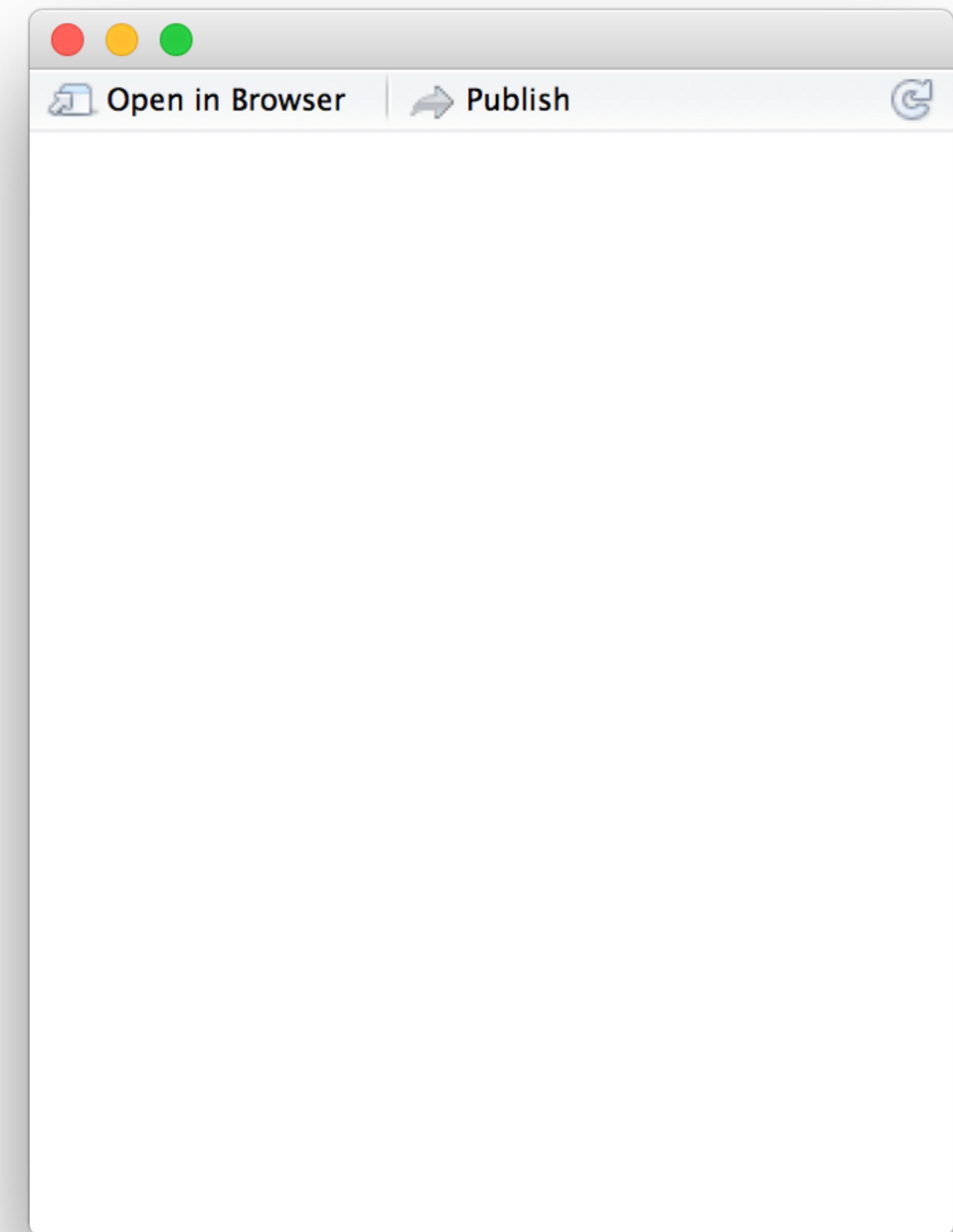
Create an input with an ***Input()** function.

```
sliderInput(inputId = "num",
  label = "Choose a number",
  value = 25, min = 1, max = 100)
```

```
<div class="form-group shiny-input-container">
  <label class="control-label" for="num">Choose a number</label>
  <input class="js-range-slider" id="num" data-min="1" data-max="100"
    data-from="25" data-step="1" data-grid="true" data-grid-num="9.9"
    data-grid-snap="false" data-prettyify-separator="," data-keyboard="true"
    data-keyboard-step="1.010101010101"/>
</div>
```

Create an input with an input function.

```
library(shiny)  
ui <- fluidPage(  
  
)  
  
server <- function(input, output) {}  
  
shinyApp(server = server, ui = ui)
```

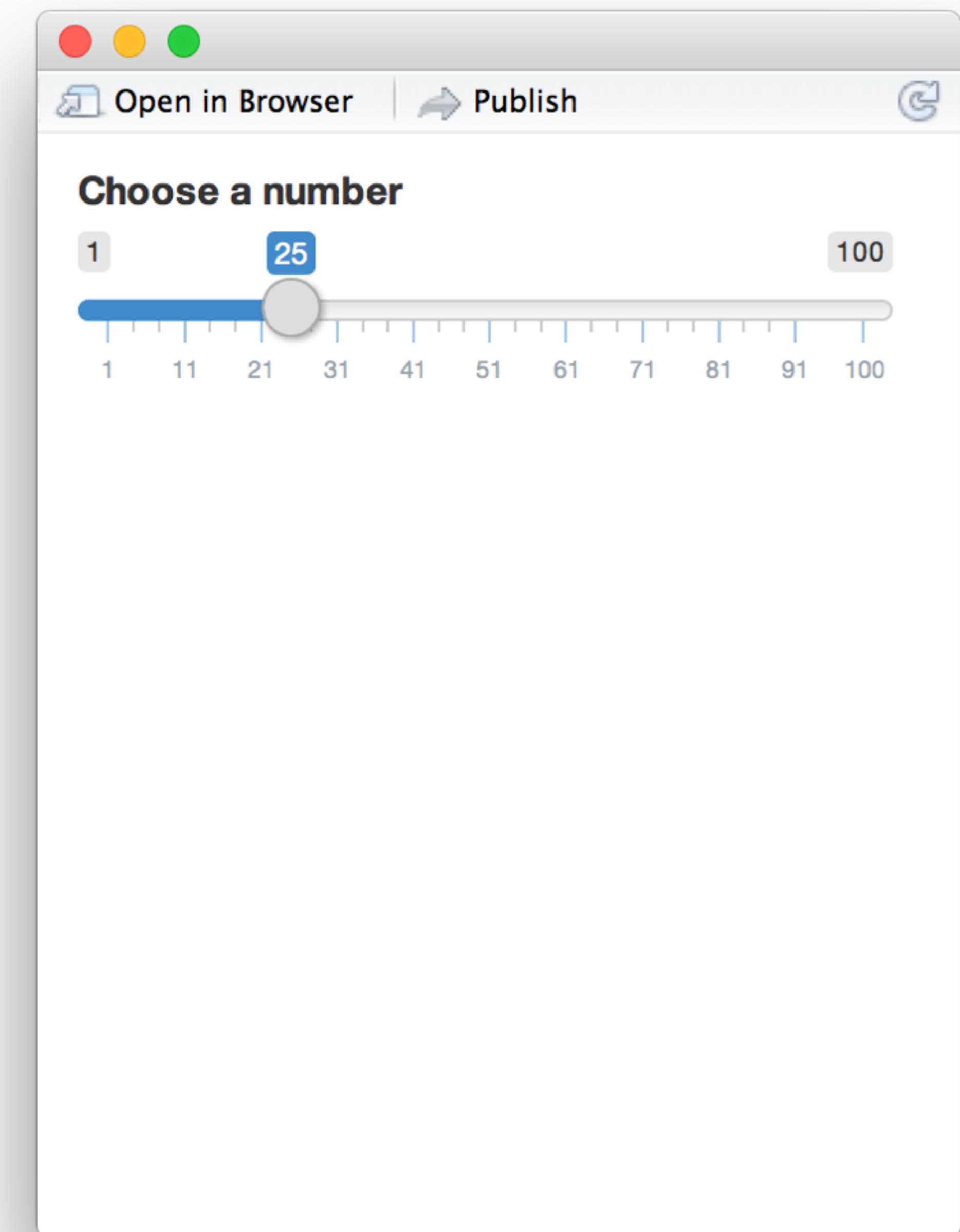


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```



Buttons

Action

Submit

actionButton()
submitButton()

Date range

2014-01-24 to 2014-01-24

dateRangeInput()

Radio buttons

- Choice 1
- Choice 2
- Choice 3

radioButtons()

Single checkbox

Choice A

checkboxInput()

File input

No file chosen

fileInput()

Select box

Choice 1

selectInput()

Checkbox group

Choice 1

Choice 2

Choice 3

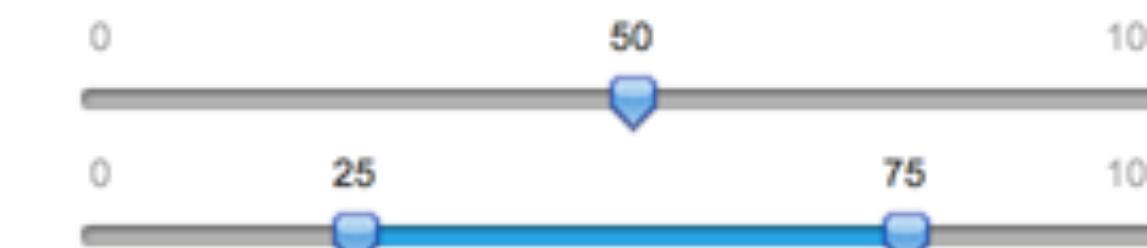
checkboxGroupInput() dateInput()

Numeric input

1

numericInput()

Sliders



sliderInput()

Date input

2014-01-01

.....

passwordInput()

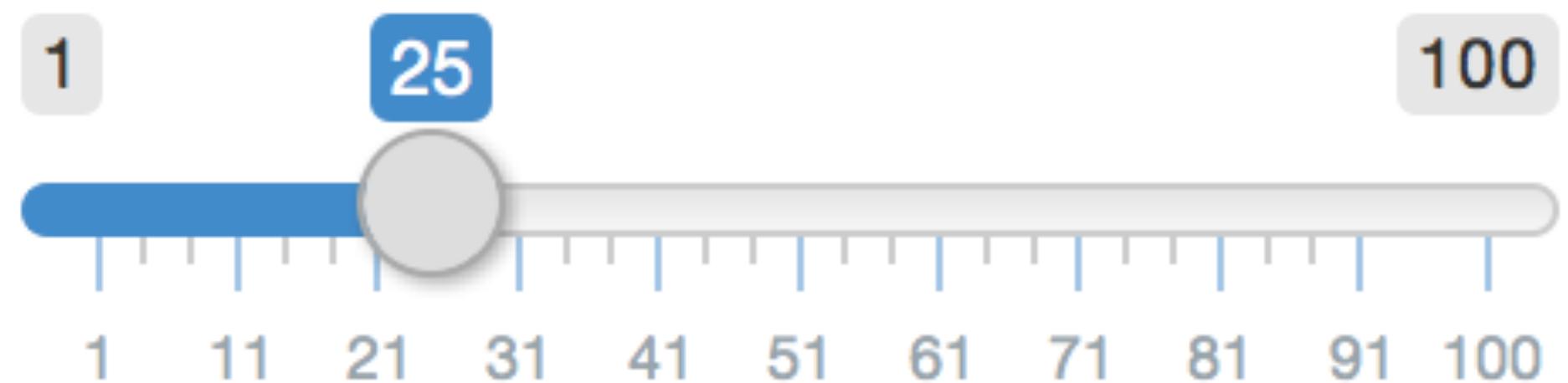
Text input

Enter text...

textInput()

Syntax

Choose a number



```
sliderInput(inputId = "num", label = "Choose a number", ...)
```

input name
(for internal use)

Notice:
Id not ID

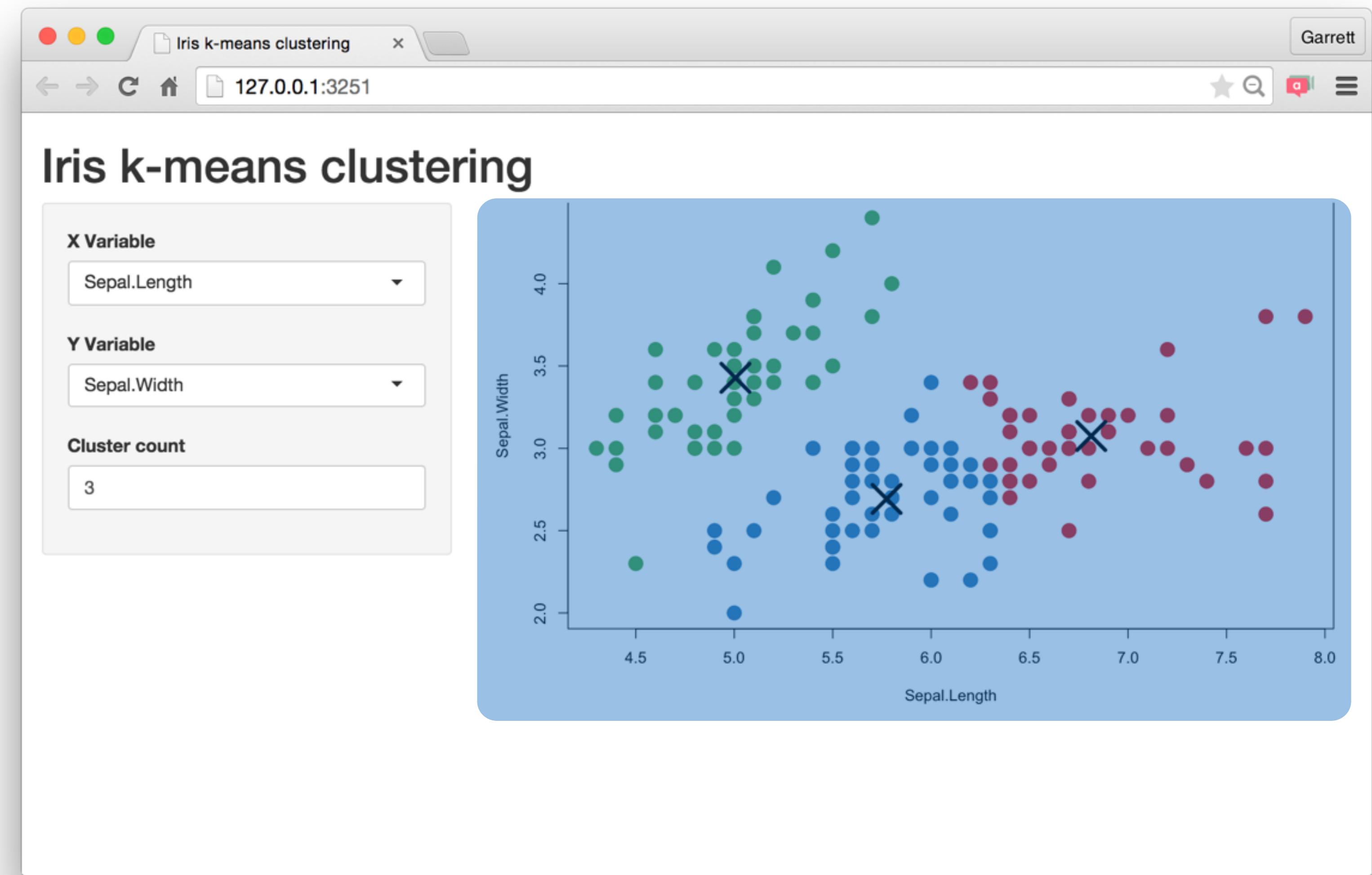
label to
display

input specific
arguments

?sliderInput

Outputs

Build your app around **inputs** and **outputs**



Function	Inserts
dataTableOutput()	an interactive table
htmlOutput()	raw HTML
imageOutput()	image
plotOutput()	plot
tableOutput()	table
textOutput()	text
uiOutput()	a Shiny UI element
verbatimTextOutput()	text

*Output()

To display output, add it to `fluidPage()` with an
`*Output()` function

```
plotOutput("hist")
```

the type of output
to display

name to give to the
output object

```
library(shiny)

ui <- fluidPage(
  sliderInput(inputId = "num",
    label = "Choose a number",
    value = 25, min = 1, max = 100),
  plotOutput("hist")
)

server <- function(input, output) {}

shinyApp(ui = ui, server = server)
```

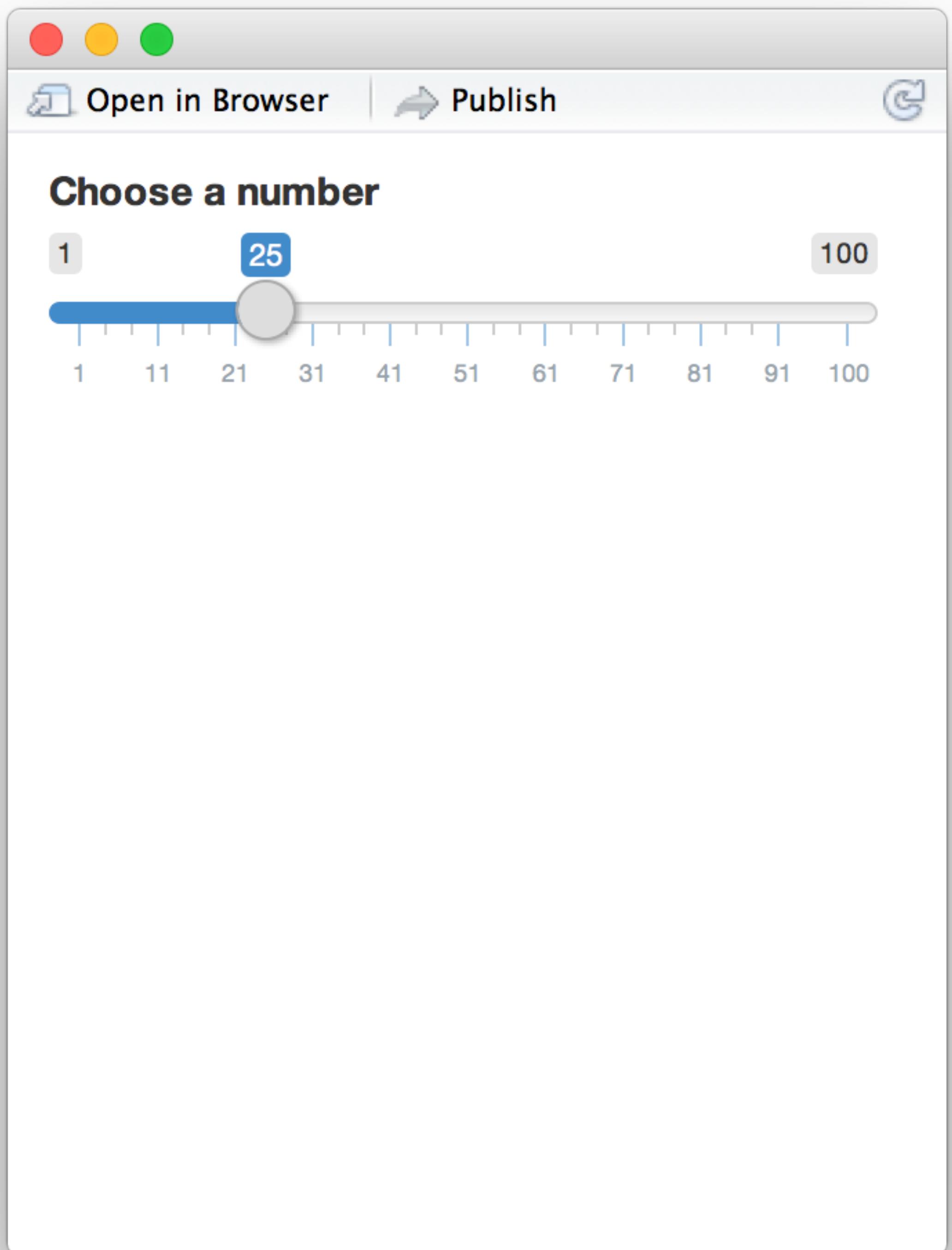
Comma between
arguments

```
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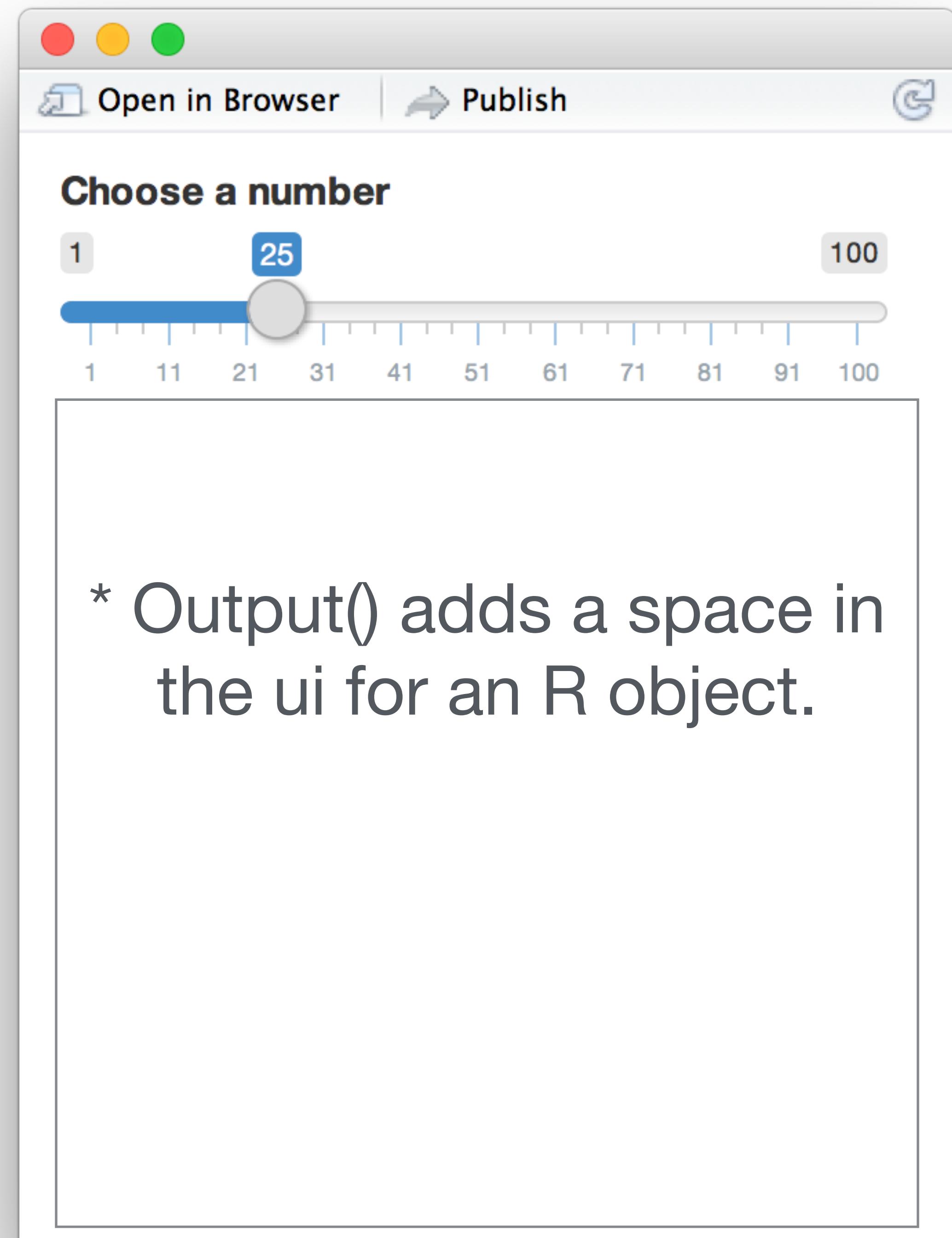


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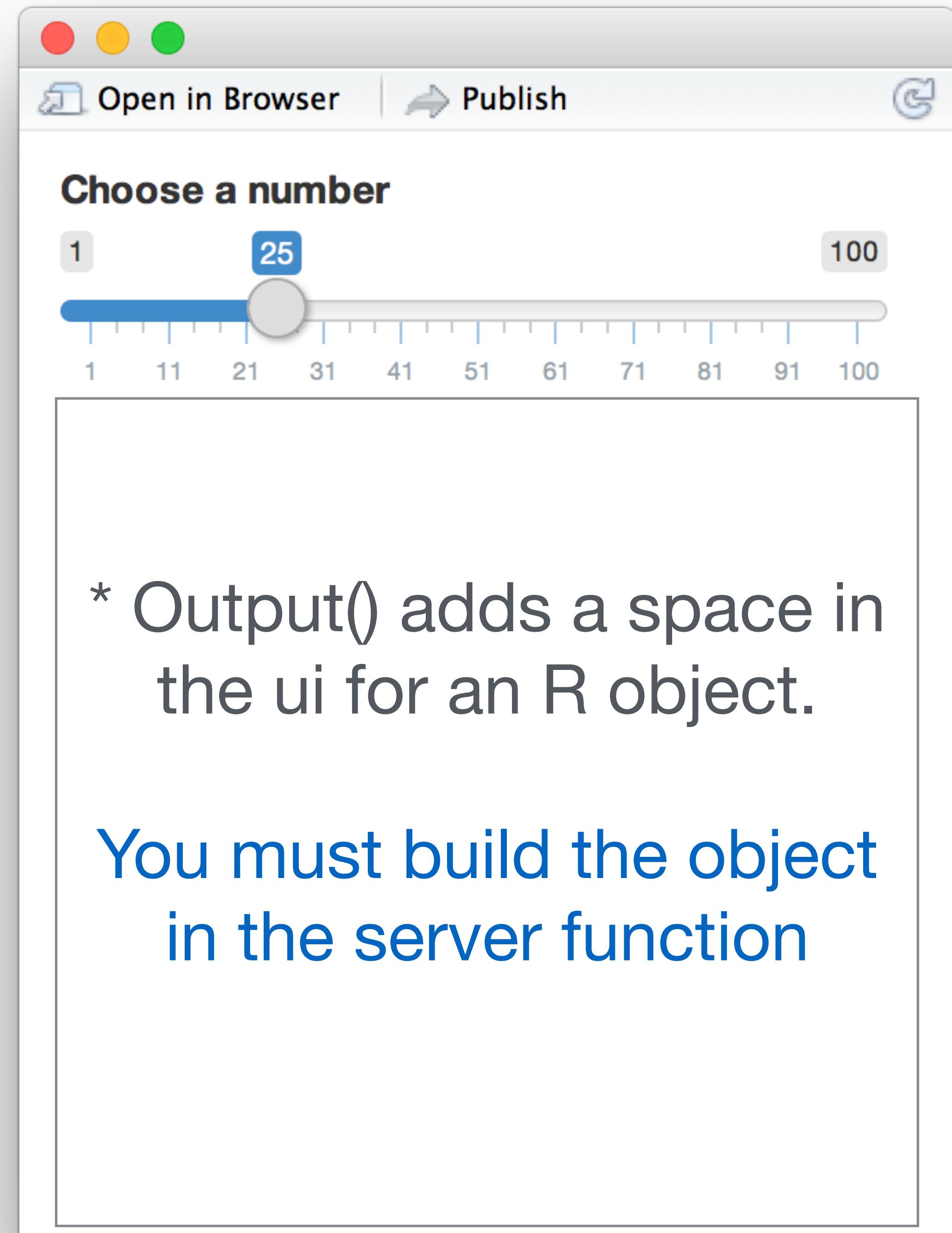


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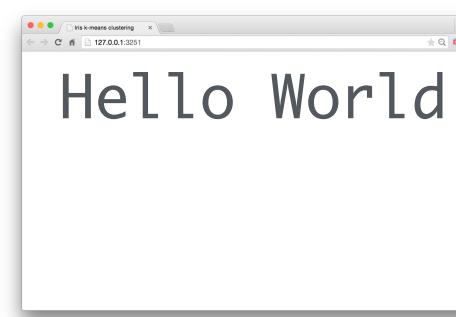
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```



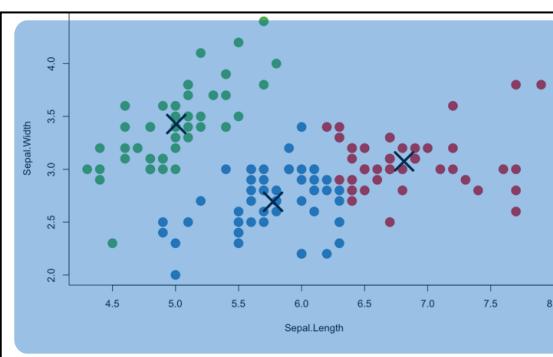
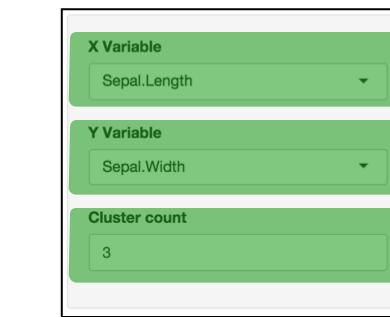
Recap

Begin each app with the template

```
library(shiny)
ui <- fluidPage()
server <- function(input, output) {}
shinyApp(ui = ui, server = server)
```

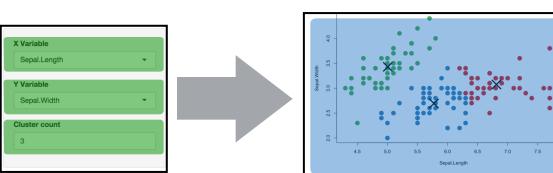


Add elements as arguments to **fluidPage()**



Create reactive inputs with an ***Input()** function

Display reactive results with an ***Output()** function



Assemble outputs from inputs in the server function

Tell the
server
how to assemble
inputs into outputs

Use **3 rules** to write the server function

```
server <- function(input, output) {  
}  
}
```

1

Save objects to display to output\$

```
server <- function(input, output) {  
  output$hist <- # code  
}
```

1

Save objects to display to output\$

output\$hist



plotOutput("hist")

2

Build objects to display with **render***()

```
server <- function(input, output) {  
  output$hist <- renderPlot({  
    })  
}
```

Use the **render***() function that creates the type of output you wish to make.

function	creates
renderDataTable()	An interactive table <small>(from a data frame, matrix, or other table-like structure)</small>
renderImage()	An image (saved as a link to a source file)
renderPlot()	A plot
renderPrint()	A code block of printed output
renderTable()	A table <small>(from a data frame, matrix, or other table-like structure)</small>
renderText()	A character string
renderUI()	a Shiny UI element

render*()

Builds reactive output to display in UI

```
renderPlot({ hist(rnorm(100)) })
```

type of object to build

code block that builds the object

2

Build objects to display with **render***()

```
server <- function(input, output) {  
  output$hist <- renderPlot({  
    hist(rnorm(100))  
  })  
}
```

2

Build objects to display with **render***()

```
server <- function(input, output) {  
  output$hist <- renderPlot({  
    title <- "100 random normal values"  
    hist(rnorm(100), main = title)  
  })  
}
```

3

Access **input** values with **input\$**

```
server <- function(input, output) {  
  output$hist <- renderPlot({  
    hist(rnorm(input$num))  
  })  
}
```

3

Access **input** values with **input\$**

```
sliderInput(inputId = "num", ...)
```



input\$num

Input values

The input value changes whenever a user changes the input.

Choose a number

A slider input with a title "Choose a number". The slider has a blue track and a grey handle. The value "25" is displayed in a blue box above the slider. The slider scale shows tick marks at 1, 11, 21, 31, 41, 51, 61, 71, 81, 91, and 100.

input\$num = 25

Choose a number

A slider input with a title "Choose a number". The slider has a blue track and a grey handle. The value "50" is displayed in a blue box above the slider. The slider scale shows tick marks at 1, 11, 21, 31, 41, 51, 61, 71, 81, 91, and 100.

input\$num = 50

Choose a number

A slider input with a title "Choose a number". The slider has a blue track and a grey handle. The value "75" is displayed in a blue box above the slider. The slider scale shows tick marks at 1, 11, 21, 31, 41, 51, 61, 71, 81, 91, and 100.

input\$num = 75

Input values

The input value changes whenever a user changes the input.

Choose a number

A slider input with a title "Choose a number". The slider has a blue track and a grey handle. The value "25" is displayed in a blue box above the slider. The slider scale ranges from 1 to 100 with major tick marks every 10 units and minor tick marks every 1 unit.

input\$num = 25

Choose a number

A slider input with a title "Choose a number". The slider has a blue track and a grey handle. The value "50" is displayed in a blue box above the slider. The slider scale ranges from 1 to 100 with major tick marks every 10 units and minor tick marks every 1 unit.

input\$num = 50

Choose a number

A slider input with a title "Choose a number". The slider has a blue track and a grey handle. The value "75" is displayed in a blue box above the slider. The slider scale ranges from 1 to 100 with major tick marks every 10 units and minor tick marks every 1 unit.

input\$num =

Output will automatically update
if you follow the 3 rules

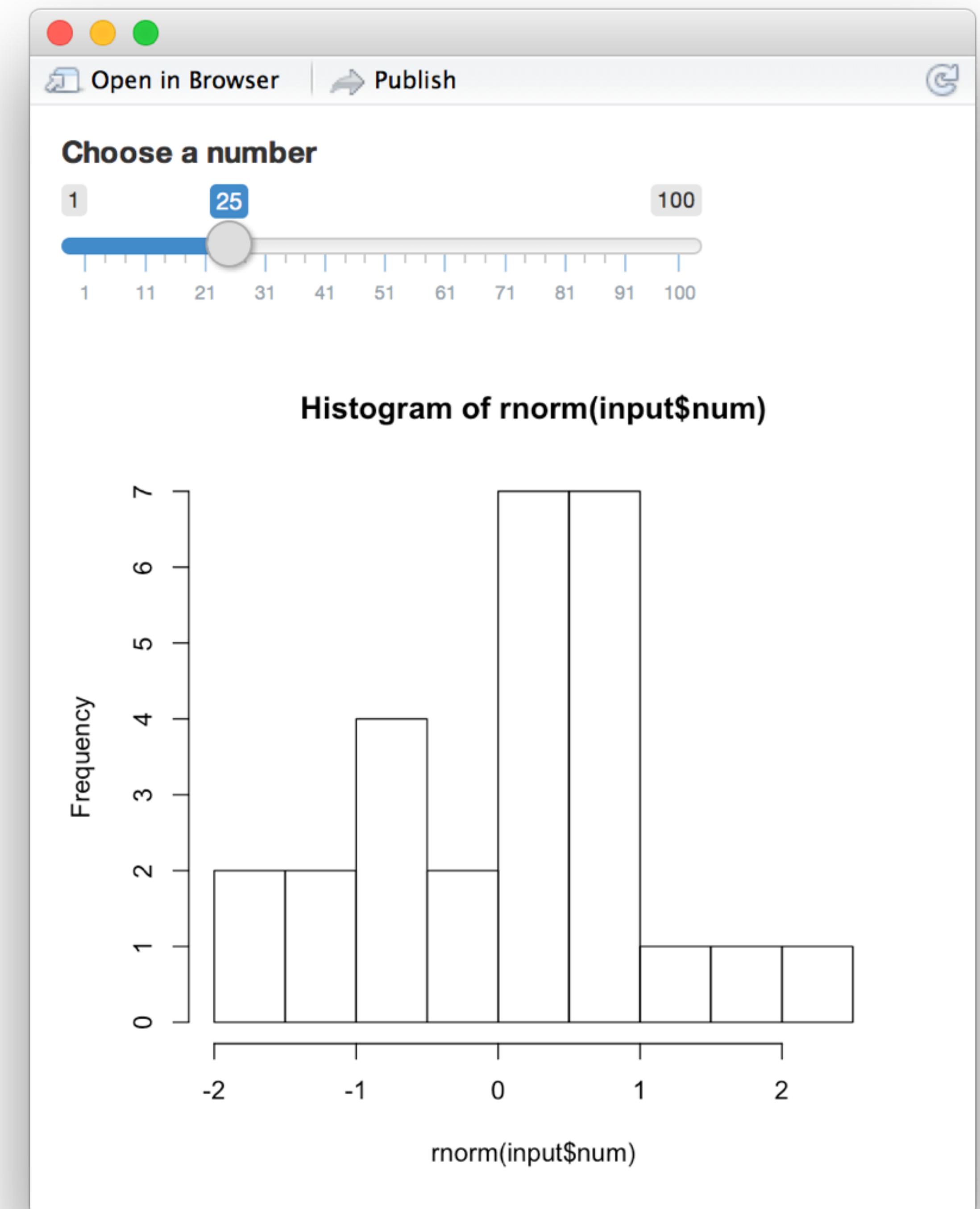
Reactivity 101

Reactivity automatically occurs whenever you use an input value to render an output object

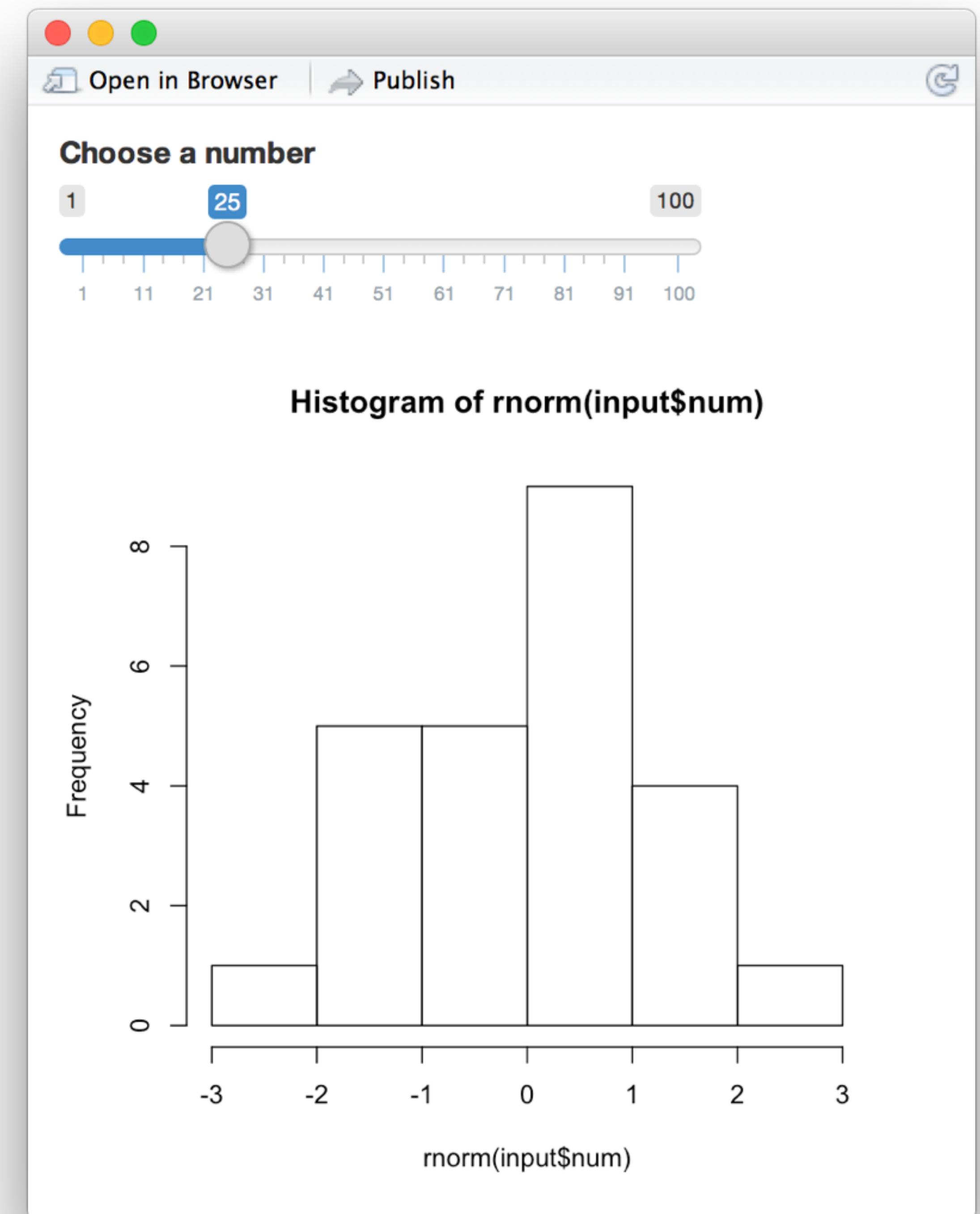
```
function(input, output) {  
  output$hist <- renderPlot({  
    hist(rnorm(input$num))  
  })  
}
```

input\$num

```
renderPlot({  
  hist(rnorm(input$num))  
})
```



```
input$num  
  
renderPlot({  
  hist(rnorm(input$num))  
})
```



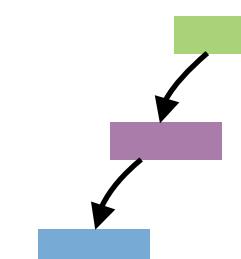
Recap: Server



`output$hist <-`

```
renderPlot({  
  hist(rnorm(input$num))  
})
```

`input$num`



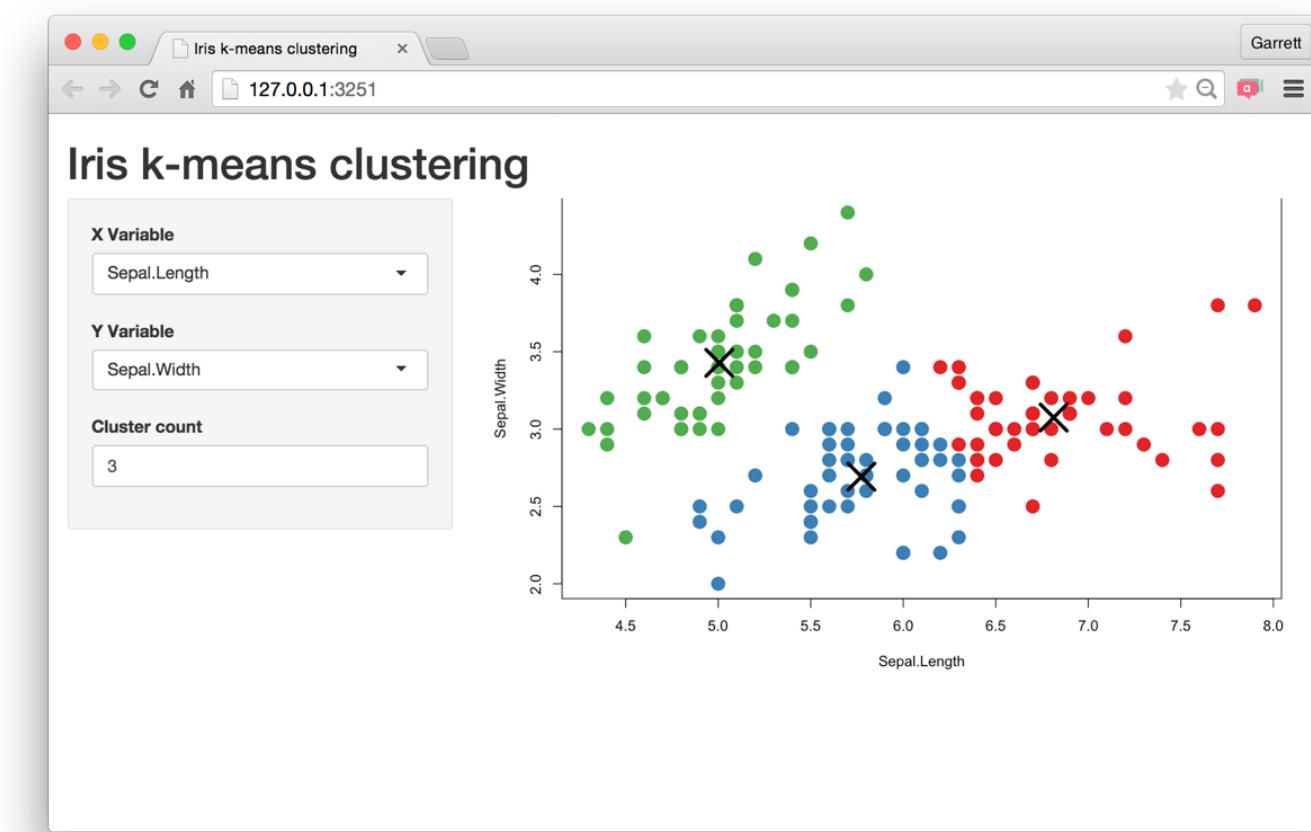
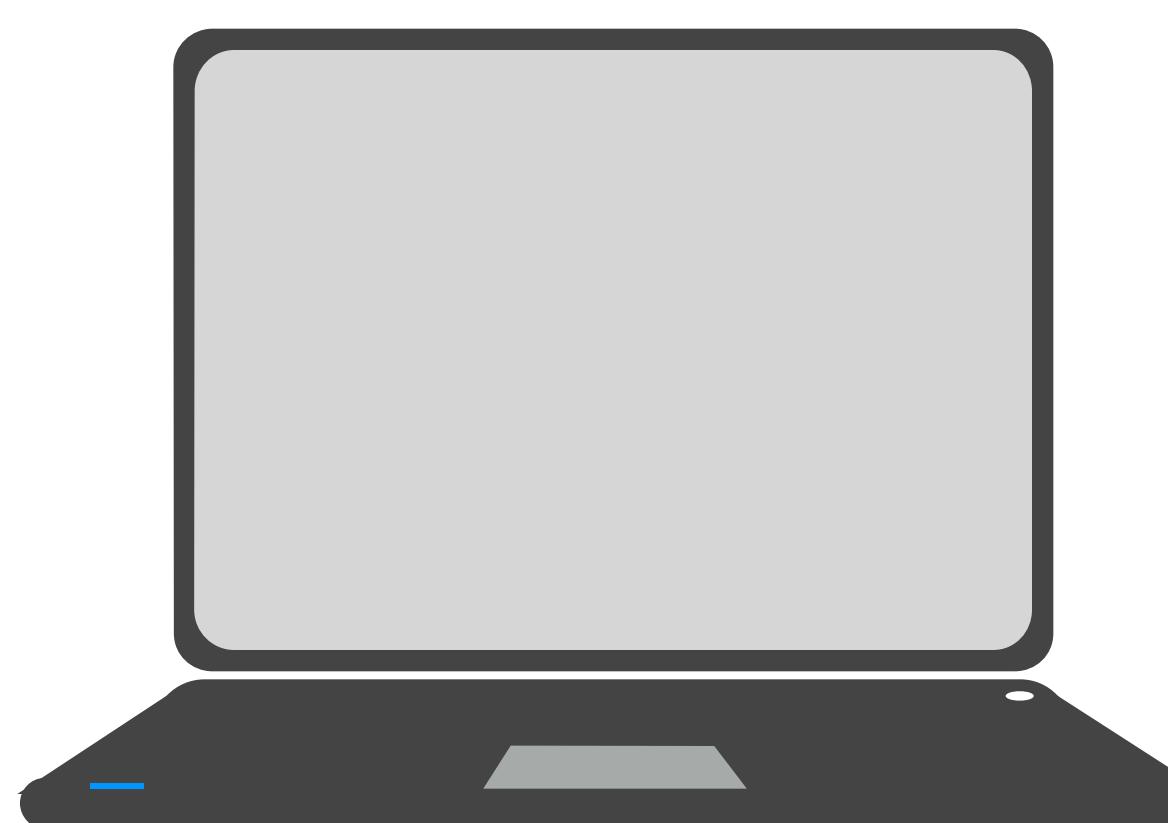
Use the `server` function to assemble inputs into outputs. Follow 3 rules:

1. Save the output that you build to `output$`
 2. Build the output with a `render*` function
 3. Access input values with `input$`
- Create reactivity by using **Inputs** to build **rendered Outputs**

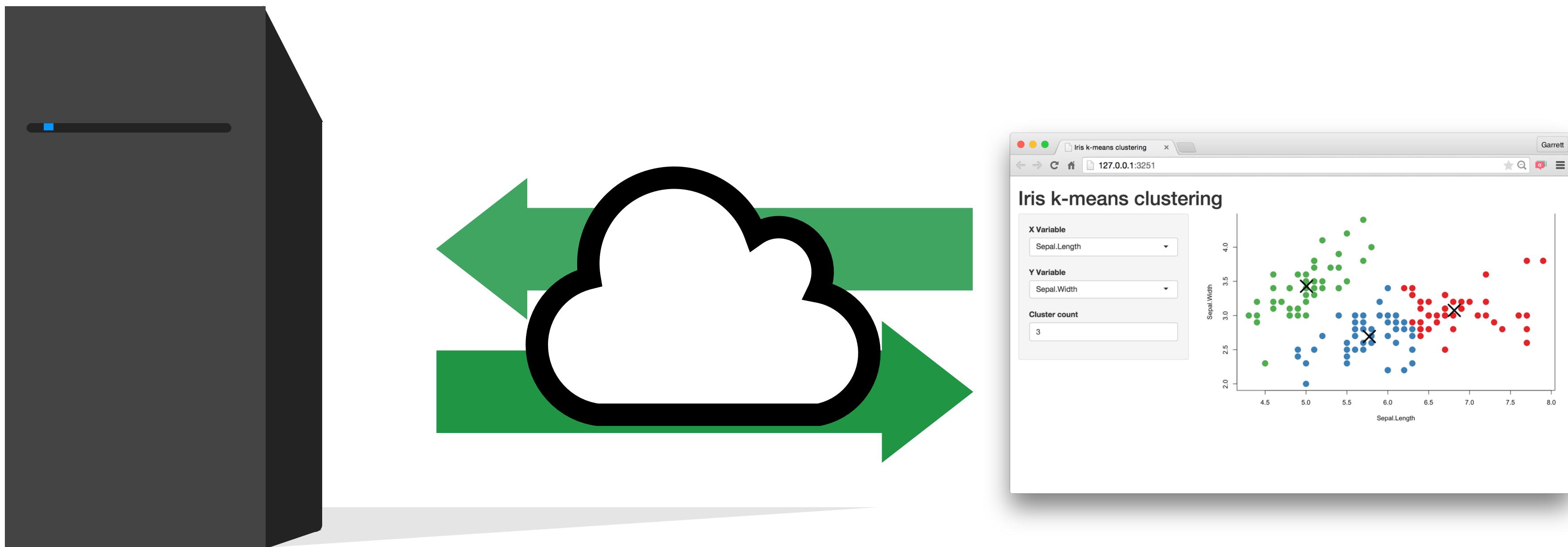
**Share
your app**



Every Shiny app is maintained by a computer running R



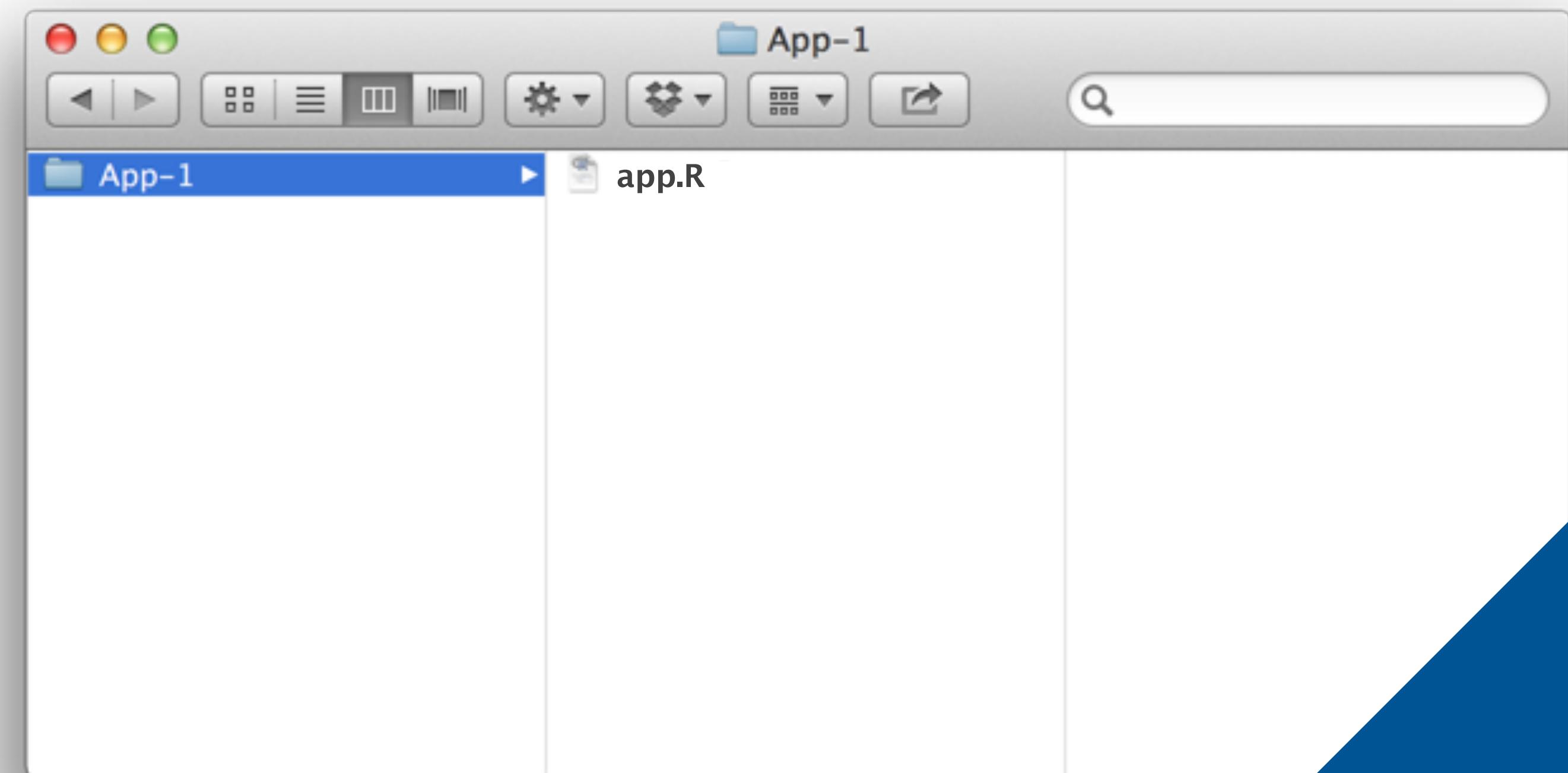
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How to save your app

One directory with every file the app needs:

- **app.R** (*your script which ends with a call to shinyApp()*)
- **datasets, images, css, helper scripts, etc.**



You must use this
exact name (app.R)

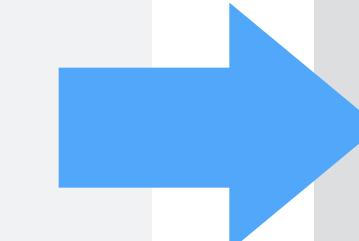
Two file apps

```
library(shiny)

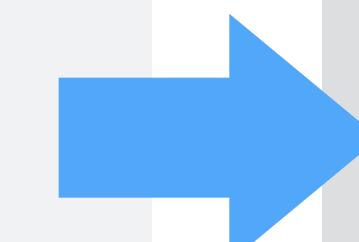
ui <- fluidPage(
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  plotOutput("hist")
)
```

```
server <- function(input, output) {
  output$hist <- renderPlot({
    hist(rnorm(input$num))
  })
}

shinyApp(ui = ui, server = server)
```



```
# ui.R
library(shiny)
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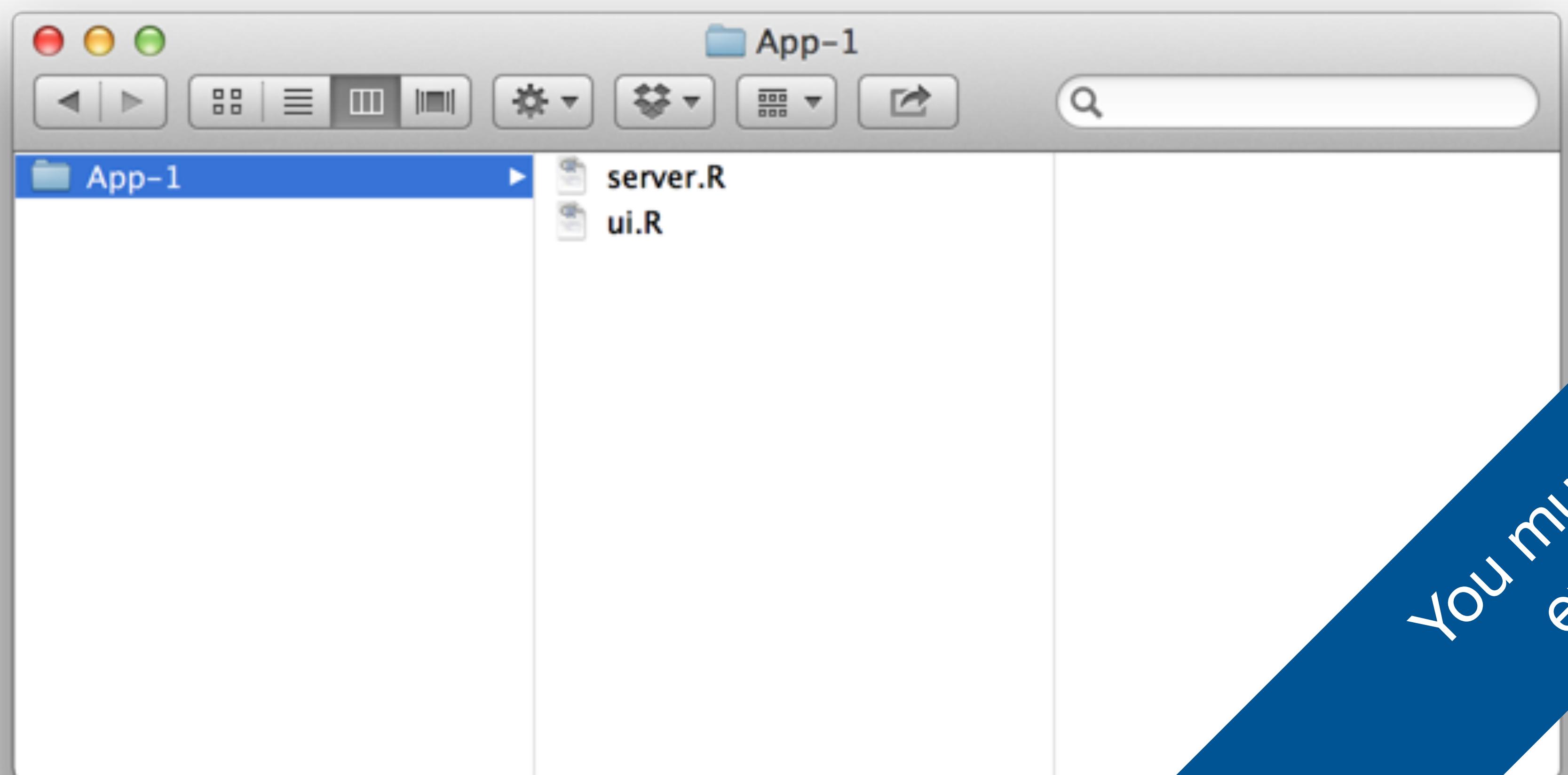


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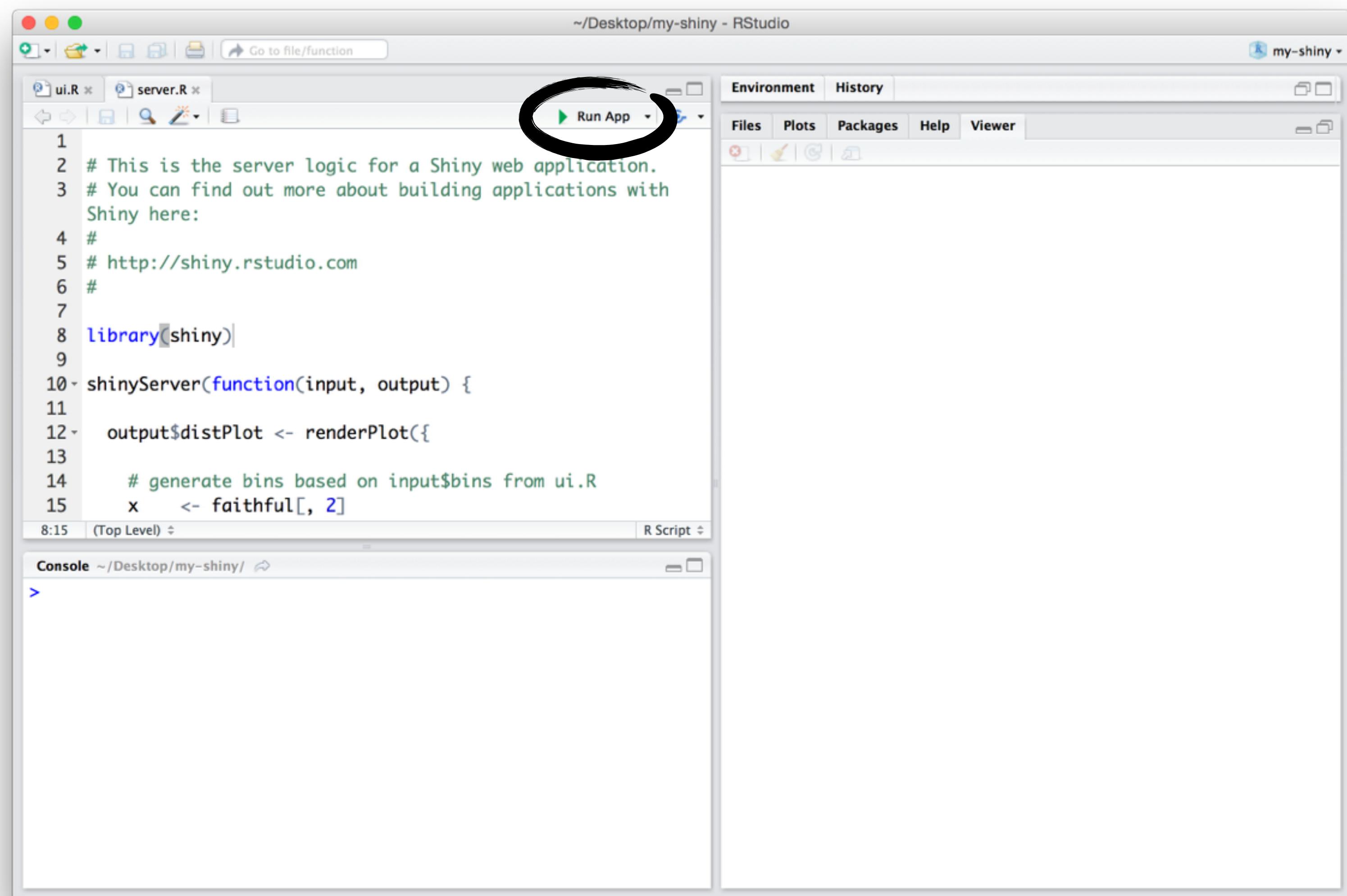
One directory with two files:

- `server.R`
- `ui.R`

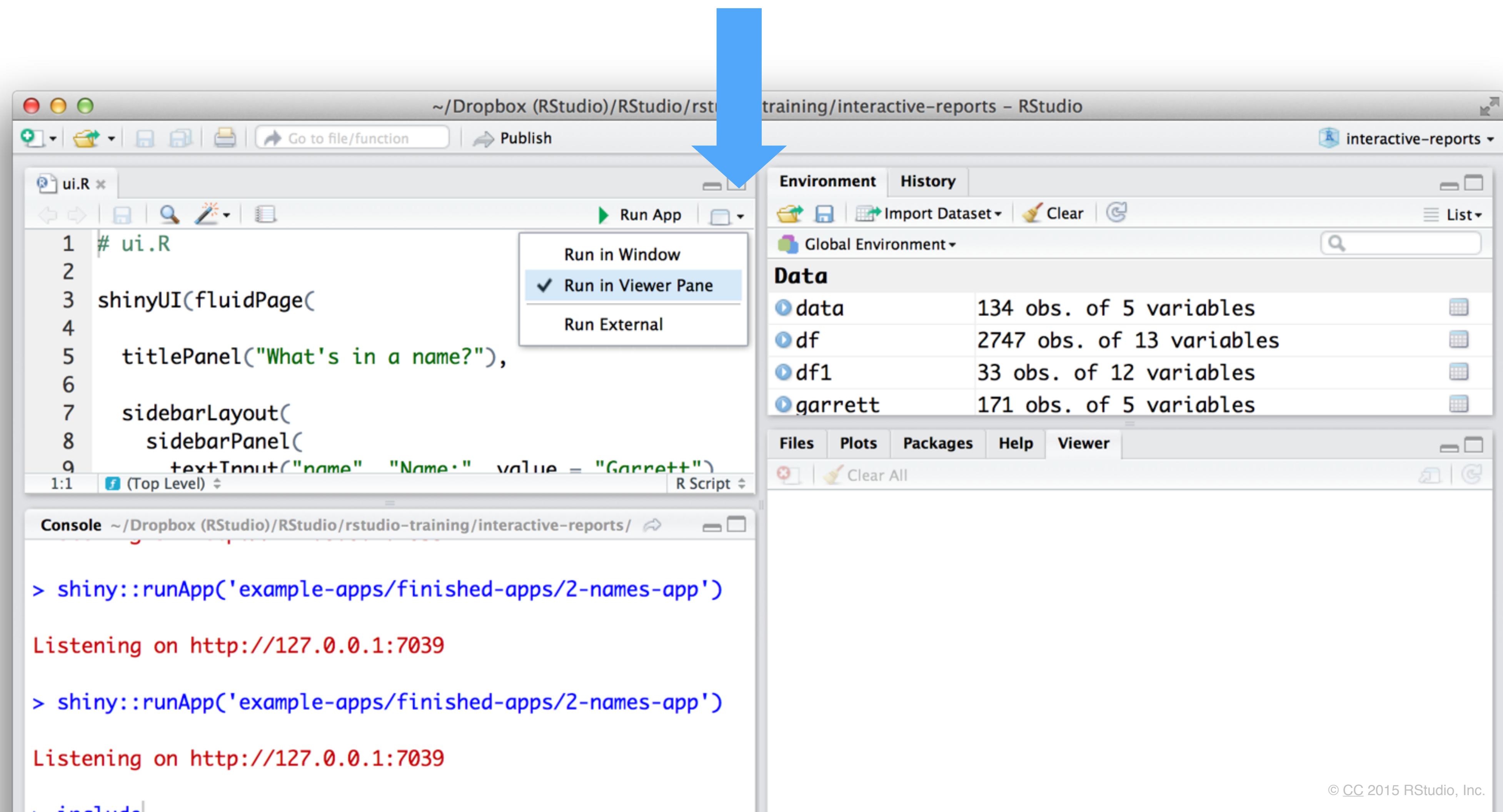


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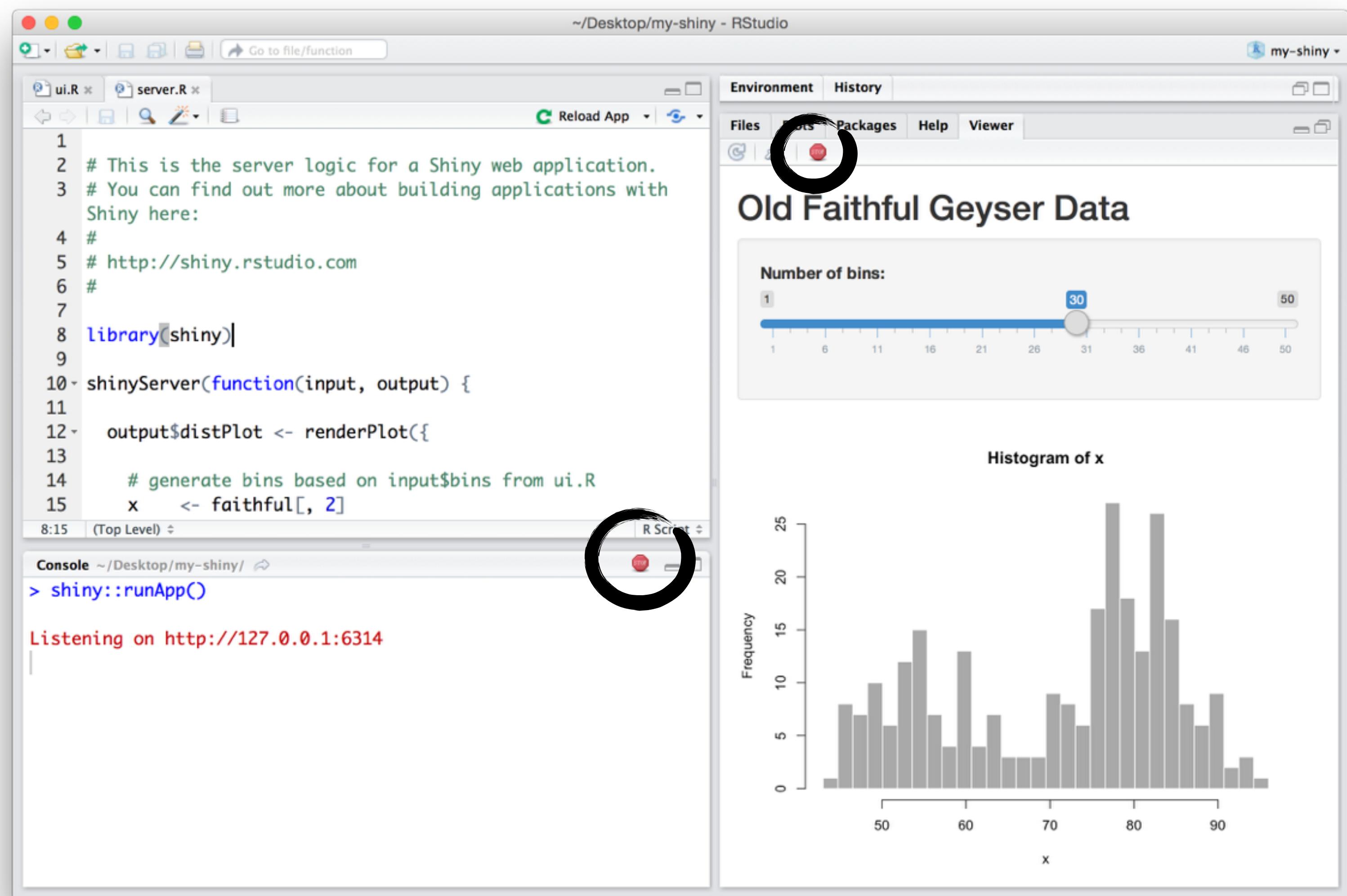
Launch an app



Display options

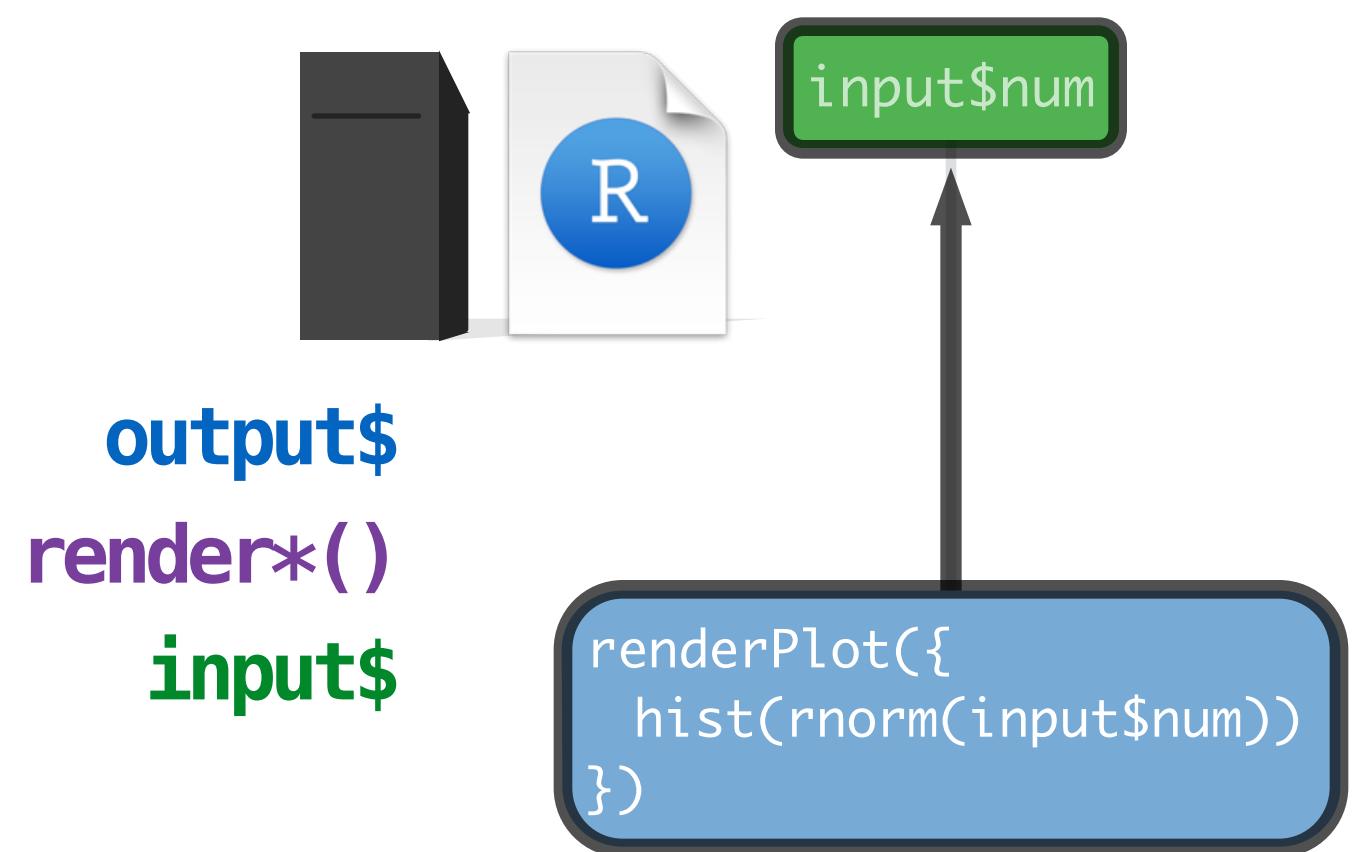
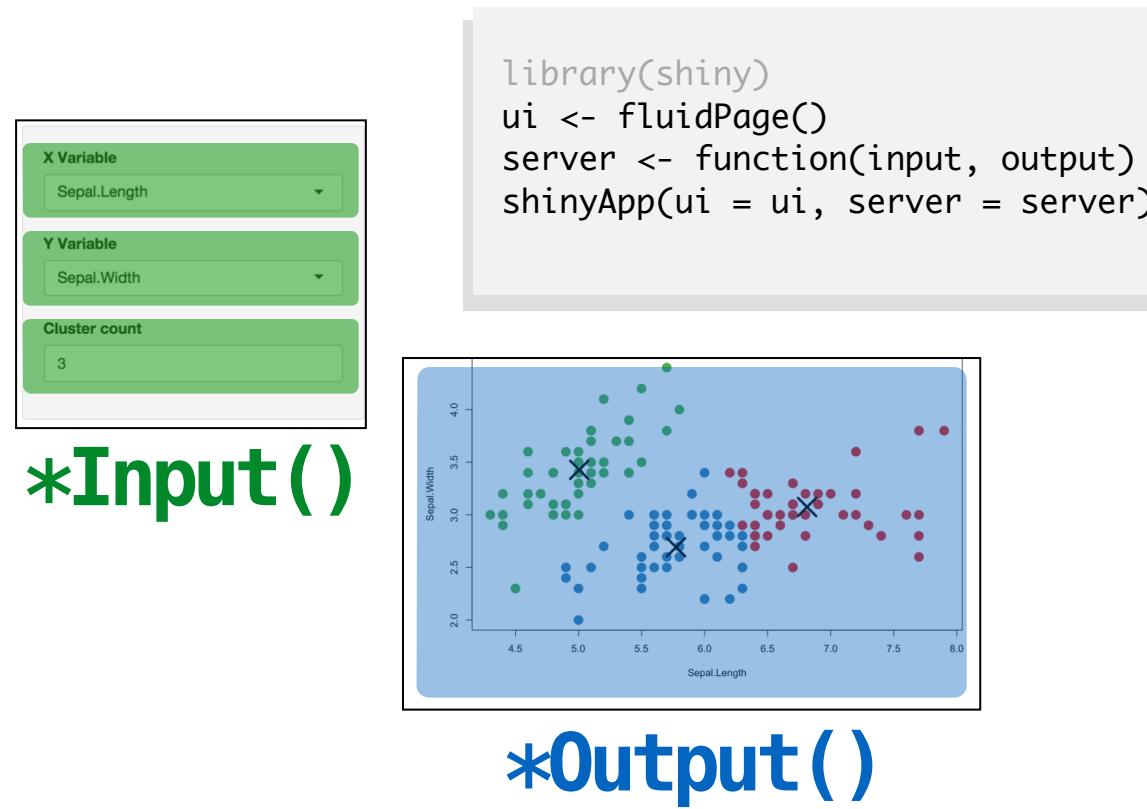


Close an app



Learn
more

You now how to



Build an app

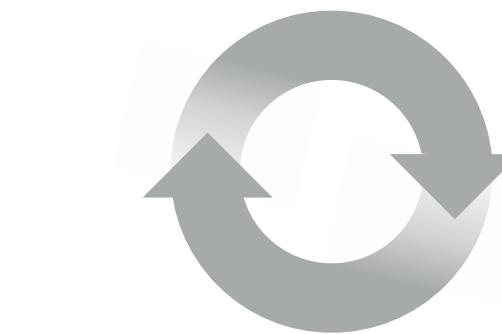
Create interactions

Share your apps

How to start with Shiny

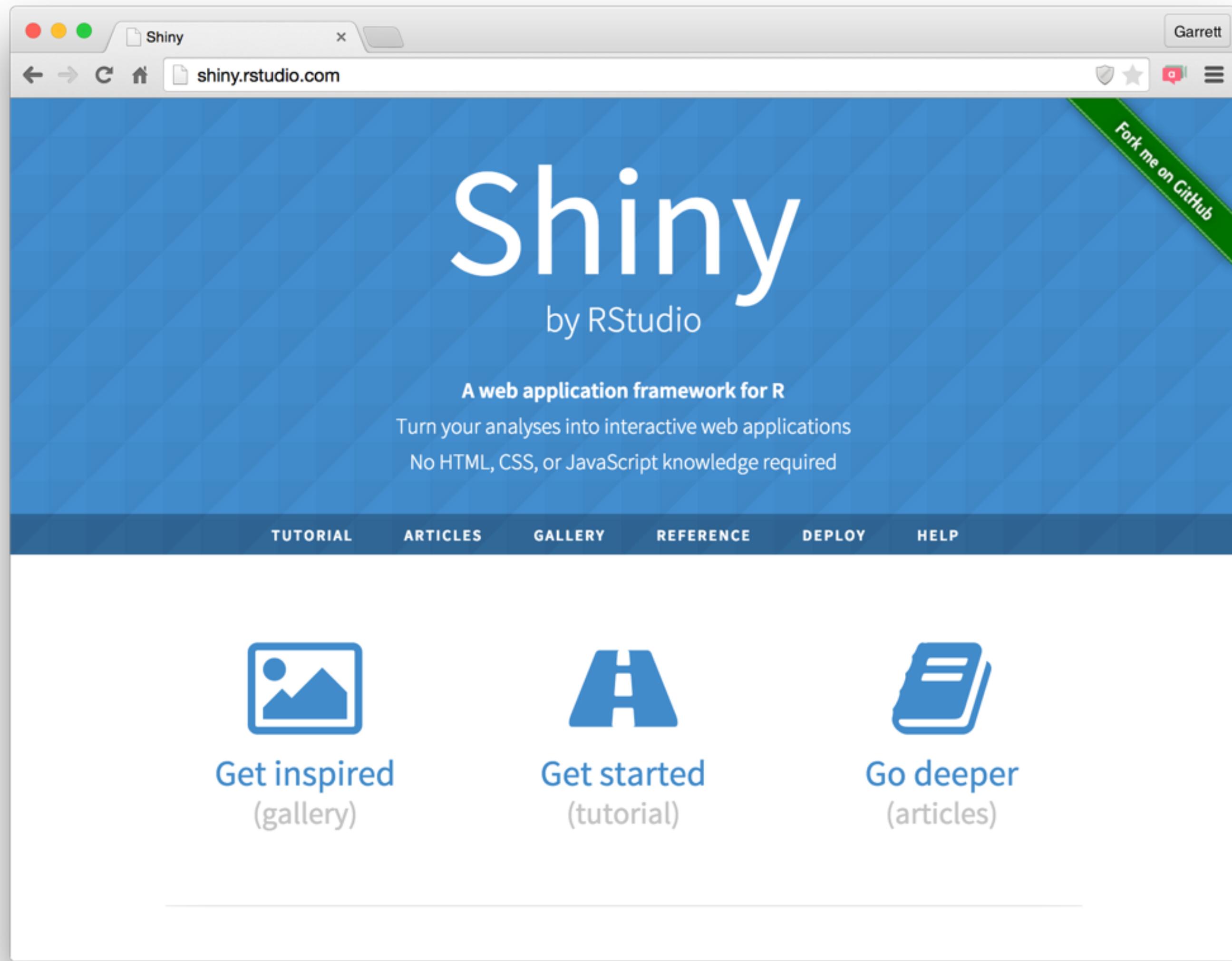


1. How to build a Shiny app (Today)
2. How to customize reactions (May 27)
3. How to customize appearance (June 3)



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Questions?

Have a great weekend!
