

An R-based reporting web application

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Sharing source code with non-technical clients of an R programmer is a rather inefficient way of providing a tool to extract the most-recent results from a live database, as clients are often not familiar with the environment. On the other hand, turning R code to standalone and easy to use software requires special IT skills, and even more: it does not provide any transparency. This makes the interaction between the R and non-R users hard, which is a possible barrier of the more general use of the language.

We have created a R-as-a-Service environment where the programmers can share methods, algorithms and report templates with an easy to use interface on the client side. This platform builds on our **pander**, **rapport** and **rapporttools** packages, and **rApache**, **RAppArmor** and **sandboxR** to securely run R codes and inline R chunks of reports in the cloud.

The application makes it easy to share both the results and the sources of such reporting templates, and cloning, then extending (aka forking) a statistical template is just as easy as on GitHub. This means that R programmers can share executable code privately or publicly in a very easy way.

The talk will concentrate on the main features of the web application from an R programmer's point of view, and it will also explain how the application helps creating reproducible statistical report templates integrated in homepages and blog posts without any serious IT knowledge.

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