

# Elevate research projects with Quarto

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1 <https://vhgauto.quarto.pub/seminario2-gulich/>



## 2 Introduction

### Research project

To estimate water quality indicators in Paraná River middle basin for algorithm development using satellite remote sensing techniques



Collaborative website with automatic running, interactive and open source.

## 2.1 Front page

- Authors
- Affiliation
- Last modified date
- Keywords
- More resources links

# PROYECTO PARANÁ 2023

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RESUMEN

La calidad del agua del Río Paraná...

PALABRAS CLAVE

Río Paraná, Calidad de agua, Sentinel-2, Teledetección satelital

ENLACES DE CÓDIGO

[Ver en GitHub](#), 
 [Informar un problema](#), 
 [Wiki del proyecto](#)

## 2.2 Table of content

- Sections and subsections
- Ease website navigation
- Variable content according to the development






### Contenido

- 1 Introducción
- 2 Área de estudio
- 3 Materiales y métodos
- 4 Muestreos
- 5 Resultados
- 6 Firmas espectrales
- 7 Discusión
- 8 Objetivos
- 9 Ejecución
- 10 Algoritmos
- 11 Contacto

## 2.3 Notebooks

- Source code description
- Processing data justification
- Calculus methodology explanation to promote reproducibility

### Notebooks

-  Lectura de datos
-  Extracción de reflectancia
-  Caracterización de las muestras
-  Ejecución automática
-  Article Notebook

## 2.4 References

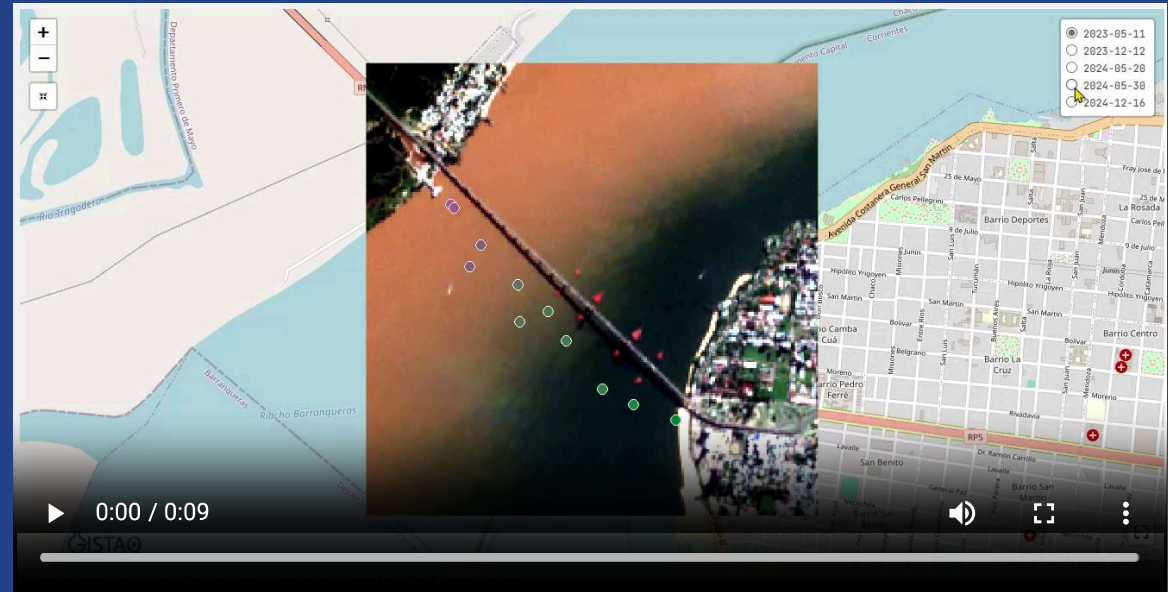
- Formatted references according to desired style (.cs)l)
- Reference preview on citation hover

### Referencias

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## 2.5 Maps, tables & interactive plots

- Results visualization
- Correlation between parameters exploration
- Spectral properties description
- Sample site location





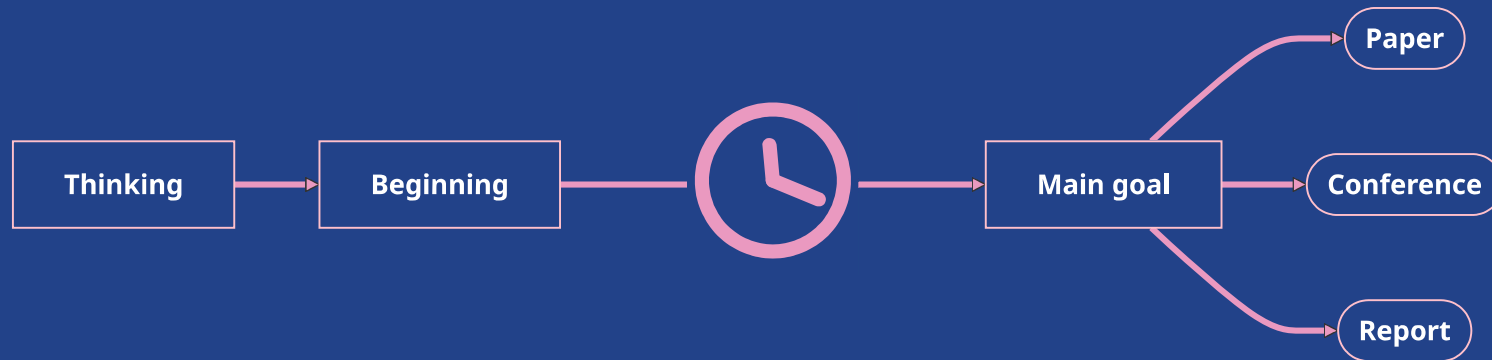
# Web site

1 <https://vhgauto.quarto.pub/gistaq-parana/>



# 3 Motivation

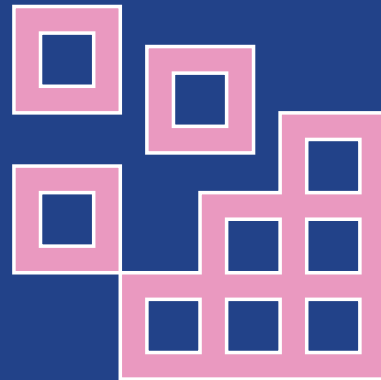
Research project typical life journey.



- Water sampling
- Physicochemical test
- Partial results analyses
- Reference reading
- Other tasks

## 3.1 During the project development

- Dynamic document, that adapts to the current project state.
- Easy access site to check the latest results.
- Unified reference search.
- Script code execution and results reproducibility.
- All project members can work seamless and without problems and no fear of disarranging the document.
- Consultation resource and to admire all the effort done.



# 4 Tools

- **R y Python**: reading and data collection; processing and results storage; plots, tables and maps generation.
- **Git y GitHub**: version control management and project members collaboration.
- **Quarto**: to content compilation and website publishing.
  - **manuscript** allows website creation with an emphasis in reproducibility and targeted to scientific and academic documents.

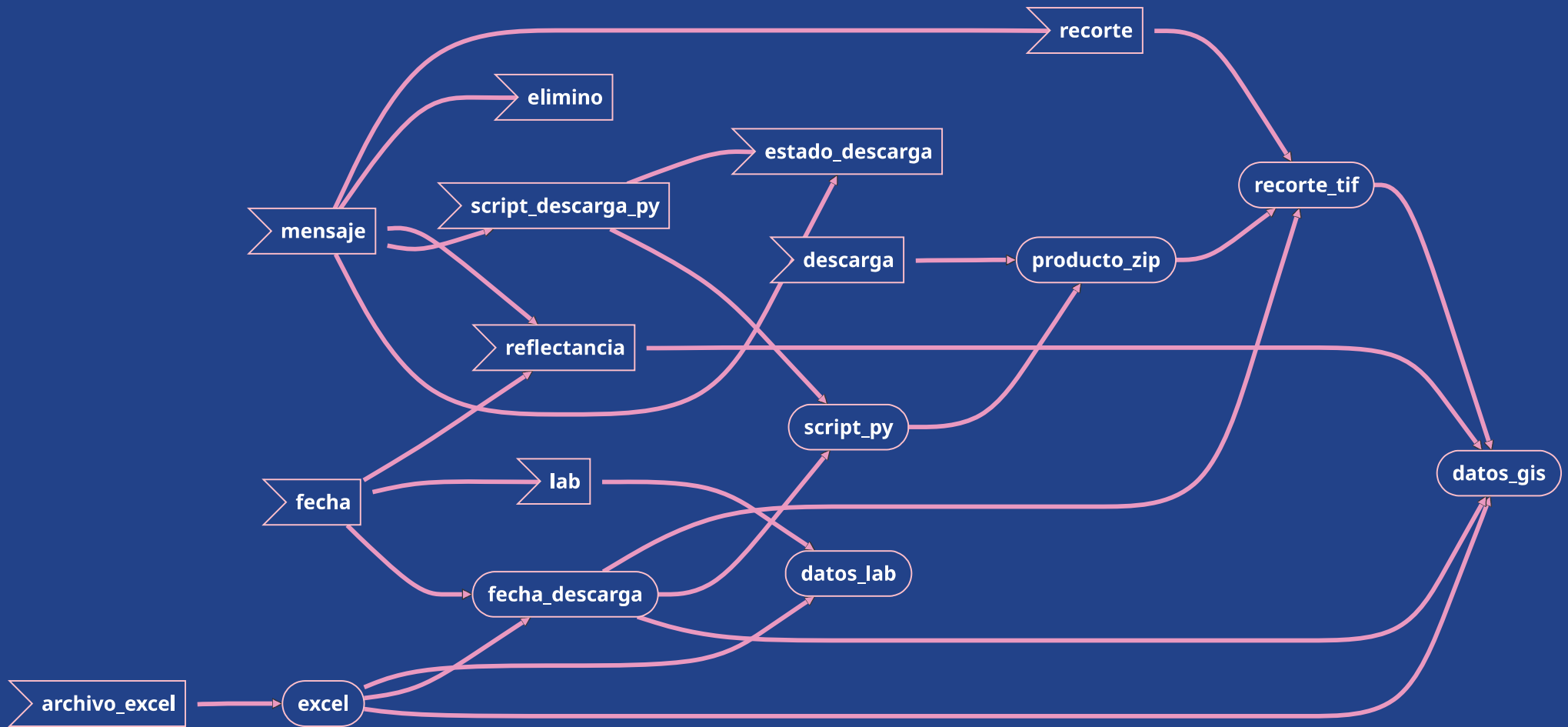
## 4.1 R



**targets** allows automatic functions execution and dependencies management between them.

Check current workflow state and execute only outdated targets.  
File monitoring and code re-execution when change detection.

## 4.2 R

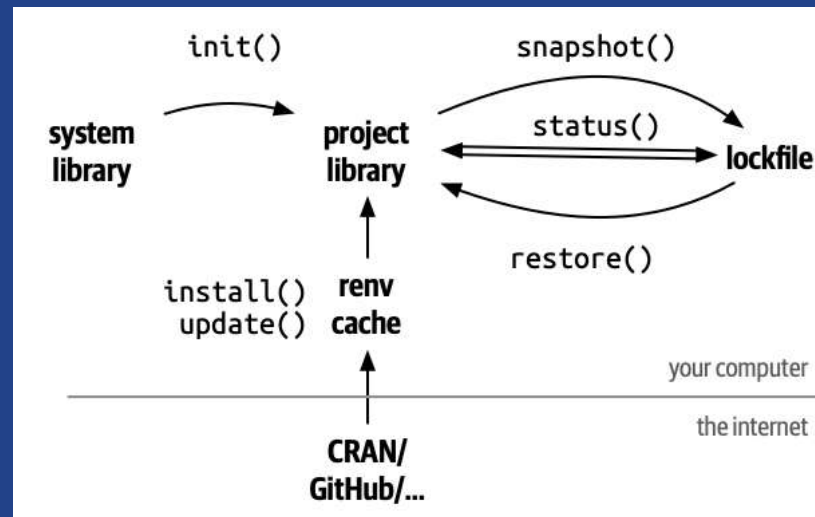


## 4.3 R



**renv** execution environment management, package version and its dependencies.

Log file that allows environment reproducibility.



## 4.4 R



**tidyverse** with multiple packages for general purpose data processing and manipulation.



**terra** for geographic data processing and vector and raster reading.



**corrr** linear correlation coefficient calculation.





## 4.5 R



**ggplot2** for basic plot creation (`.png`).



**ggiraph** for interactive plot creation (`.html`).



**leaflet** for interactive map creation (`.html`).

## 4.6 PYTHON

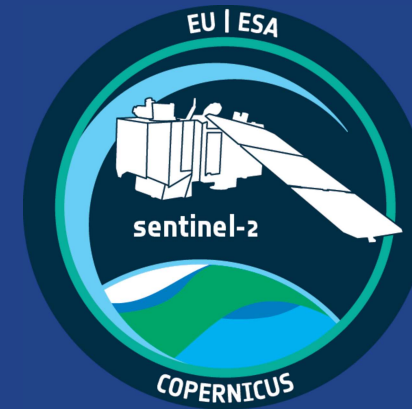
### Copernicus Data Space



PROGRAMME OF  
THE EUROPEAN UNION



- Collection
- Processing level
- Region of interest
- Time range
- Credentials



## 4.7 GIT

Version control management and simultaneous collaboration between project members.

`github` cloud storage service.

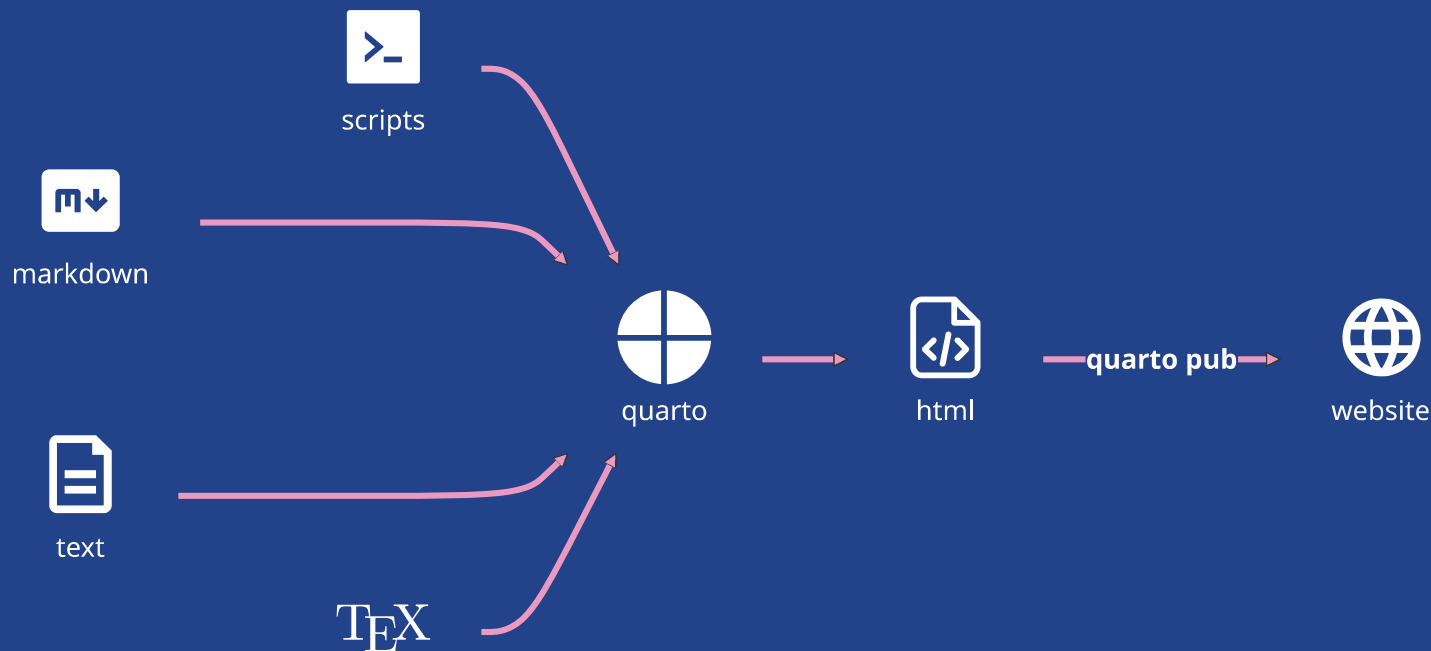
`branch` per member, so each one works in a specific section without interfering with the remaining repository.

`pull request` to request adding changes.

`merge` to combine changes once checked and accepted.

## 4.8 QUARTO

- Combines code execution by **programming language** and **narrative text** to create a product in multiple formatted options
- Offers a **publishing platform** for the output and to access it as a website



## 4.9 QUARTO



## 4.10 QUARTO

- **Manuscript** is design for **scientific document authoring**, with emphasis in reproducibility, since it encourages the readers to explore processing scripts (notebooks).
- Offers **multiple static outputs** that follow an specific template from a magazine.
- It allows to **deploy the website** in **Quarto Pub** or **GitHub Pages** .
- In combination with **targets**, plots/tables/maps are regenerated with new data input, or script modification, **updating the results**.



## 4.11 QUARTO

File and directories tree.

```
1 quarto_manuscript
2 |— bibliography
3 |   |— ieee.csl
4 |   |— reference.bib
5 |— data
6 |   |— laboratory.csv
7 |   |— reflectance.csv
8 |— plot
9 |   |— boxplot.png
10 |   |— time_series.png
11 |— manuscript.qmd
12 |— notebooks
13 |   |— plots.qmd
14 |   |— data_reading.qmd
15 |— _publish.yml
16 |— raster
17 |— scripts
18 |   |— functions.R
19 |   |— support.R
20 |— vectors
21 |— _quarto.yml
22 |— _targets.R
```





## 4.12 QUARTO

manuscript.qmd

```
1  ---
2  title: Research Project
3  author: Víctor Gauto
4  date: last modified
5  ---
6
7  # Introducción
8
9  Paraná River has water.
10
11  ````{r}
12  ggplot(data, aes(x, y)) +
13    geom_point()
14  ````
```



## 4.13 QUARTO

\_quarto.yml

```
1 project:
2   type: manuscript
3
4 manuscript:
5   article: manuscrito.qmd
6   notebooks:
7     - notebooks/data_reading.qmd
8
9 format:
10  html:
11    lang: es
12    include-in-header:
13      - extras/favicon.html
14    theme:
15      - extras/my_style.scss
16  toc: true
17  code-link: true
18  code-copy: true
19  tbl-cap-location: margin
20  fig-cap-location: bottom
21  bibliography: bibliography/reference.bib
22  csl: bibliography/ieee.csl
23  html-math-method: katex
```



## 4.14 QUARTO

\_publish.yml

```
1 - source: project
2   quarto-pub:
3     - id: ff90d76c-20c0-4210-8791-5d868ede4c50
4       url: https://vhgauto.quarto.pub/gistaq-parana
```



# 5 Conclusion

The **Research Project** development allowed us to learn a new set of tools.



# 6 Future improvements

- Rewrite functions used by targets.
  - Define arguments clearly.
  - Return descriptive messages during runtime and in case of errors.
  - Incorporate website rendering.
- Optimize satellite data download, avoiding to get the entire product.
  - Google Earth Engine.
  - `rsi` package.
- Organize website visual features (colors, fonts, styles, margins) in the `.scss` file.
- Use the full potential of **Manuscript**, so the results are created by the notebooks.

# Thanks for your time

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# 7 Resources

## Download

### This presentation repository

[Reproducible Manuscripts with Quarto - posit::conf\(2023\)](#)

[Quarto for Academics | Mine Çetinkaya-Rundel](#)

[Quarto | Get started](#)

[Quarto Manuscripts](#)

[The {targets} R package user manual](#)

[Introduction to renv](#)

[R for Data Science \(2e\)](#)

[ggiraph-book](#)

[Quarto: The Definitive Guide](#)

[Website repository](#)

[Quarto Extensions](#)

[Official repository for Citation Style Language \(CSL\) citation styles](#)



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