R Markdown

INFO 201

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https://slides.com/joelross/info201w17-r-markdown/live

Data Report of the Day

MEMBER	PARTY	STATE	Trump's share of the vote in the 2016 election minus Clinton's TRUMP MARGIN	How often a member is expected to support Trump based on Trump's 2016 margin PREDICTED SCORE	How often a member votes in line with Trump's position TRUMP SCORE	Difference between a member's actual and predicted Trump-support scores TRUMP PLUS-MINUS
Barrasso	R	WY	+46.3	99.8%	100.0%	+0.2
Enzi	R	WY	+46.3	99.8%	100.0%	+0.2
Capito	R	WV	+42.2	99.7%	100.0%	+0.3
Manchin	D	WV	+42.2	99.7%	87.5%	-12.2
Baldwin	D	WI	+0.8	78.2%	50.0%	-28.2
Johnson	R	WI	+0.8	78.2%	100.0%	+21.8
Cantwell	D	WA	-15.5	59.0%	62.5%	+3.5
Murray	D	WA	-15.5	59.0%	50.0%	-9.0
Leahy	D	VT	-26.4	47.0%	50.0%	+3.0
Sanders	I	VT	-26.4	47.0%	25.0%	-22.0
Kaine	D	VA	-5.3	70.8%	75.0%	+4.2
Warner	D	VA	-5.3	70.8%	87.5%	+16.7
Hatch	R	UT	+18.1	94.1%	100.0%	+5.9
Lee	R	UT	+18.1	94.1%	100.0%	+5.9

https://projects.fivethirtyeight.com/congress-trump-score/

Today's Objectives

By the end of class, you should be able to

- Comfortably read and access **web APIs**
- Manage **api keys** (access tokens)
- Generate *dynamic reports* with **R Markdown**

API Review

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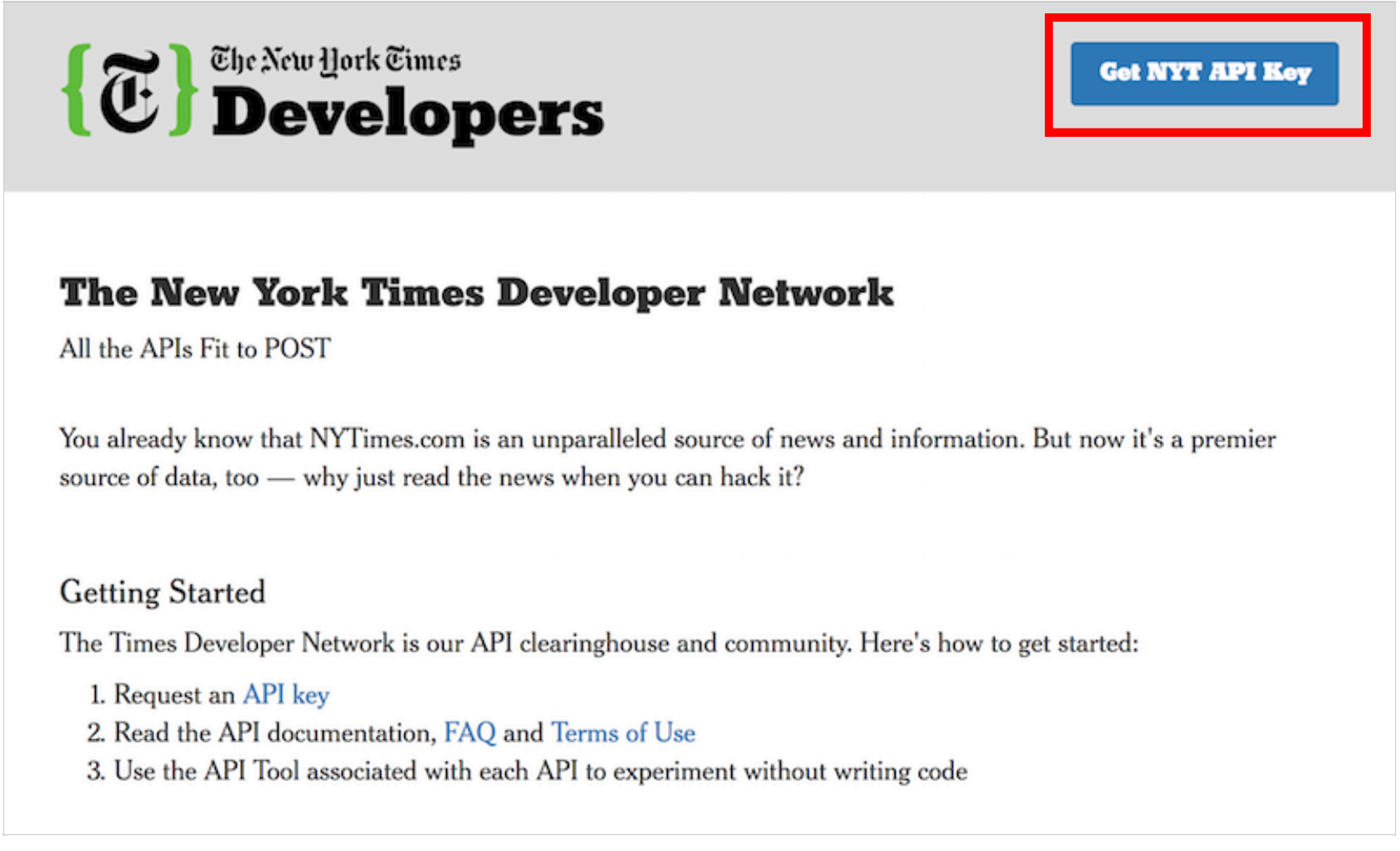
Module 11 exercise-2

Today's API



http://developer.nytimes.com/

Access Tokens

An **access token** (or **api key**) is a unique identifier for each developer who uses the API. These are used to control access (like user names or passwords).

Access tokens are usually sent as a **query parameter**:

```
https://api.github.com/user&access_token=12345678abcdefgh
```

parameter name (varies by API)

API key (varies by user)

Managing Access Tokens

Because **access tokens** are like passwords, we don't want to push them to GitHub!

Best practice is to store keys in a ***separate script*** which is added to your `.gitignore` file to avoid being committed.

```
### in apikey.R file ###
my.apikey <- "123456789abcdefg"  # save the key
```

```
### in script.R file ###
# load the script with the key
source("apikey.R")  # makes my.apikey available

# use the key
query.params <- list(access_token = my.apikey)
# ...
```

```
### in .gitignore file ###
apikey.R  # tell git to ignore!
```

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Can copy/paste the exercise

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Data Presentation

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How many numbers are in this summary?

Data Reports

Data reports have hundreds (thousands!) of variables, dozens of representations (tables or graphics)

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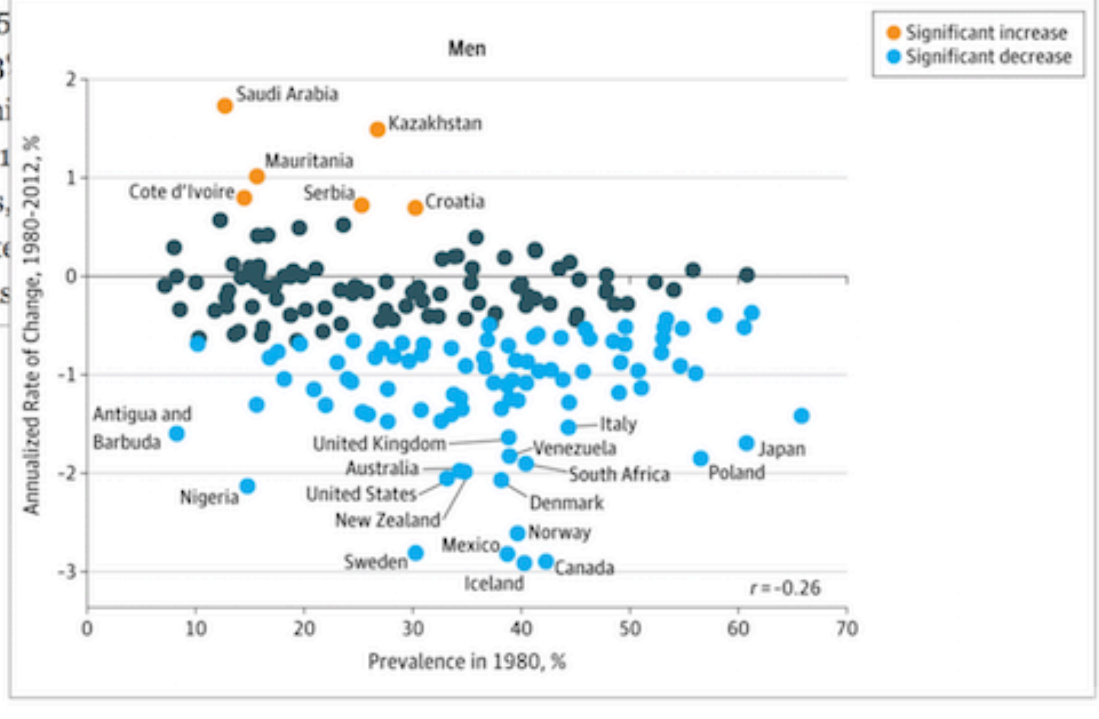

How can we update our report when the data or analysis changes?

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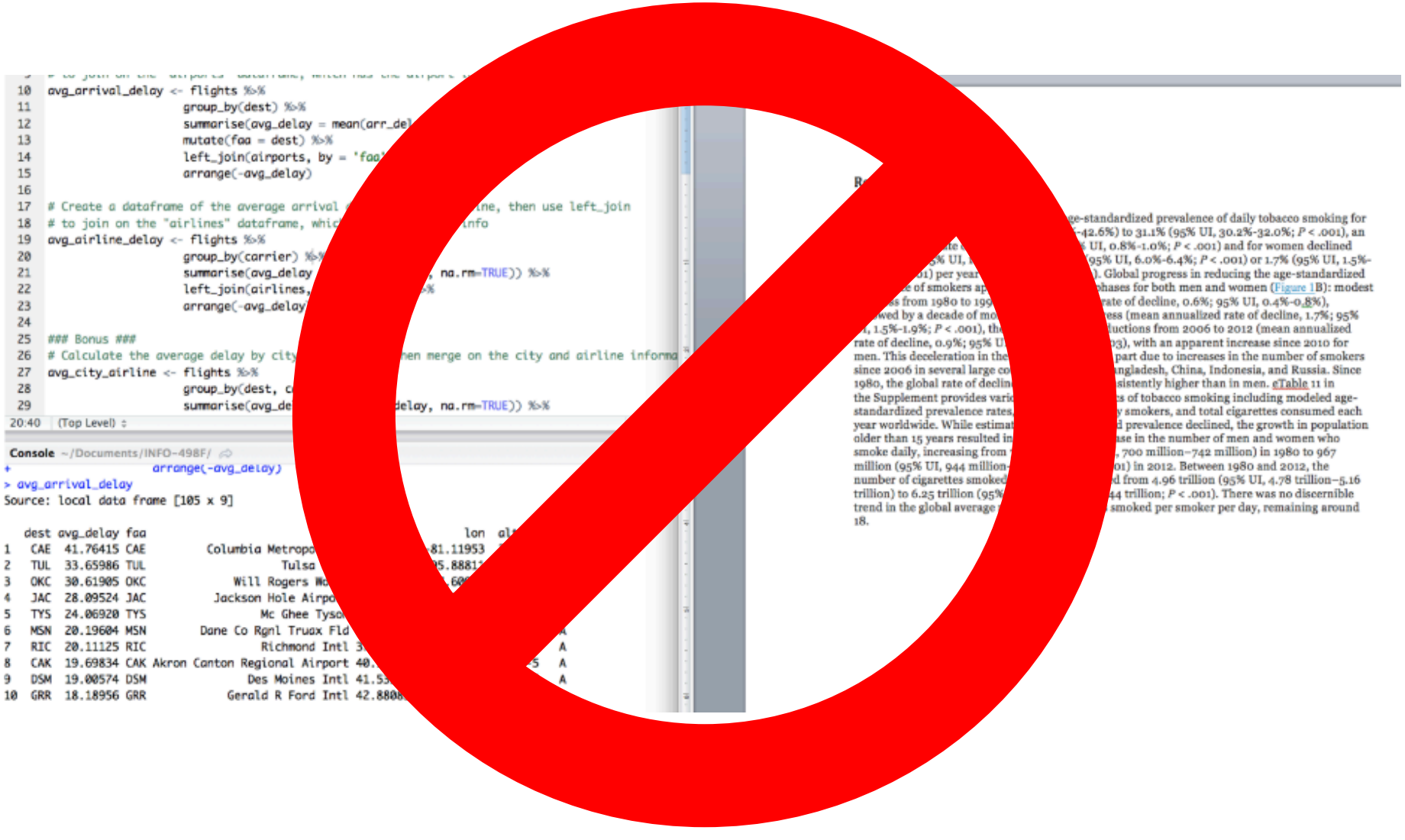
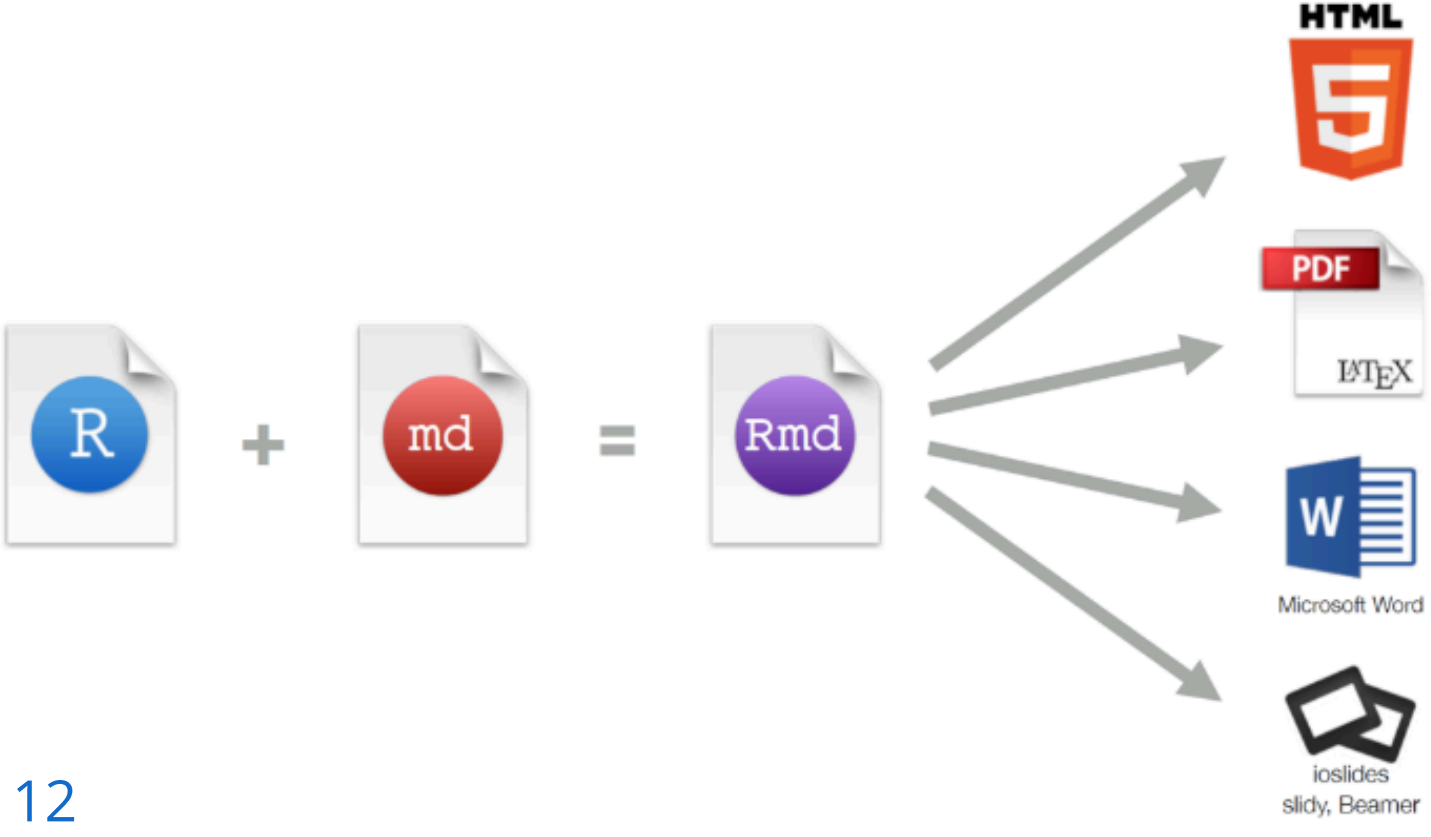


R Markdown

An R package (framework) for dynamically generating documents from code. Formatted **text**, executed **code**, and displayed **graphics** are seamlessly integrated.



Markdown

Markdown is a simple **syntax** for specifying how plain text should be formatted.

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**bold text**, _italicized text_, and `code`
into the middle of a sentence

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## Second Level Header

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Rmd Files

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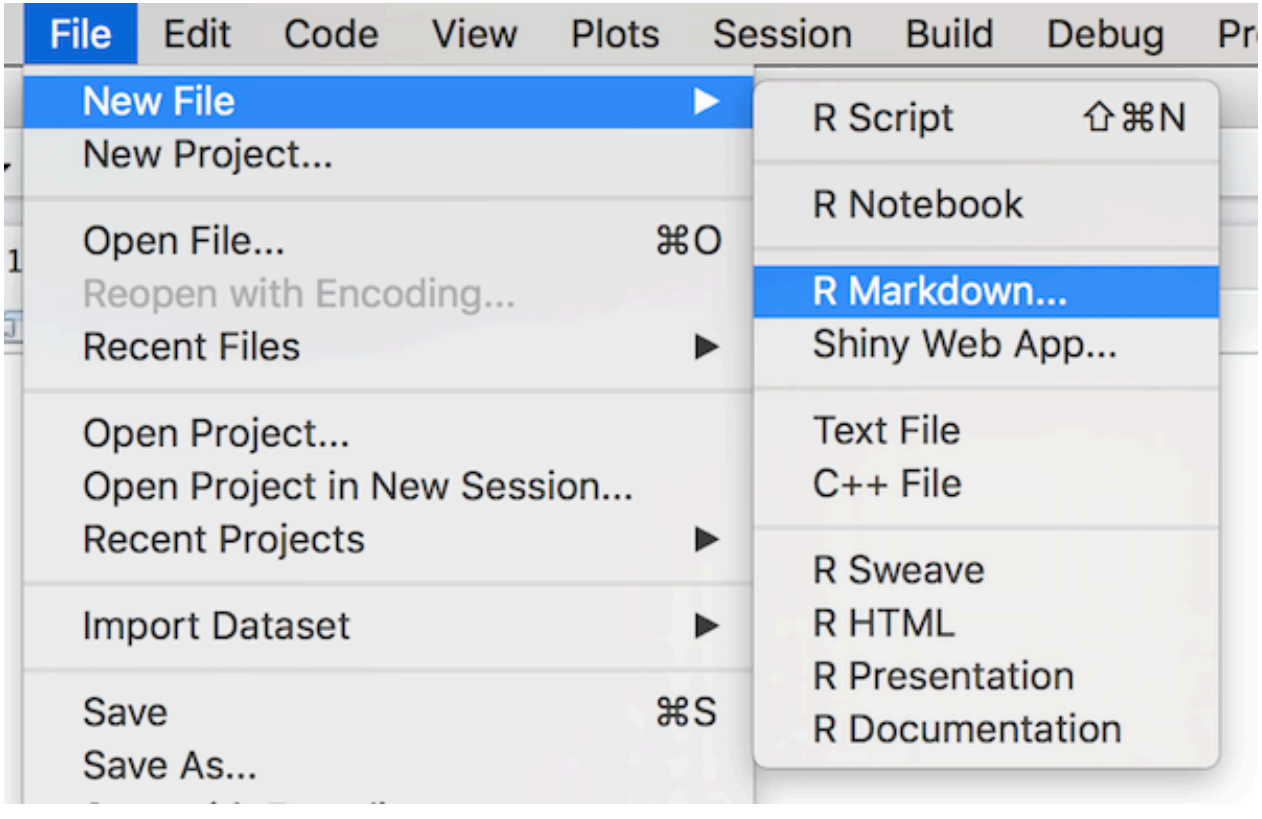

Markdown and Code

We write Markdown code as normal in the document, but include `{r}` next to code blocks we want to execute!

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text in **bold** or _italics_. However, you can
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show the code and the results!

```{r}
numbers <- runif(1:100)  # make random numbers

hist(x)  # show a histogram of those numbers
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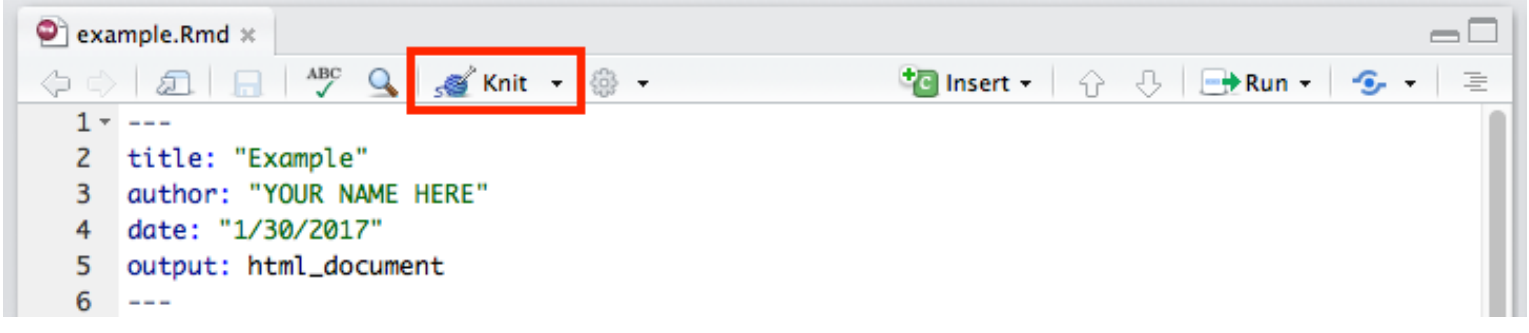
Knitting

R Markdown files are converted into readable documents (e.g., HTML) using the `knitr` library. This library handles the code execution and producing the output.



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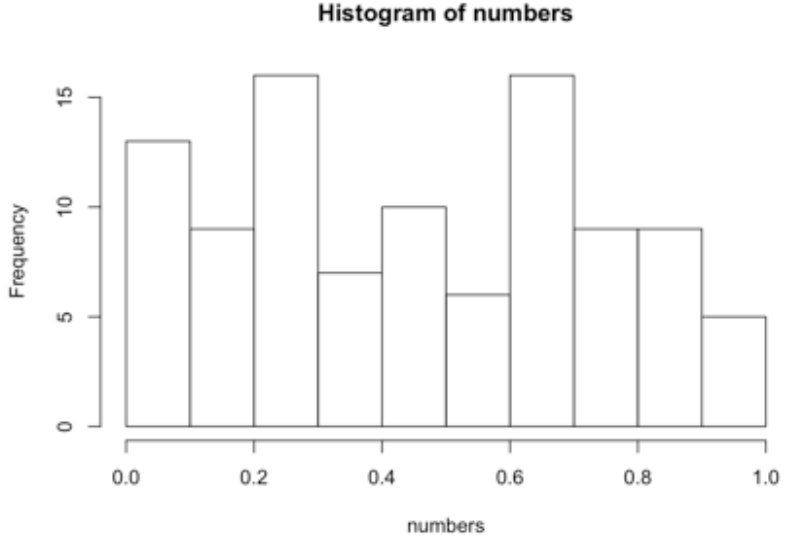

knitr Options

Specify options after a comma in the `{r}` to specify what content should be rendered.

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Do not echo (show) the code, just output

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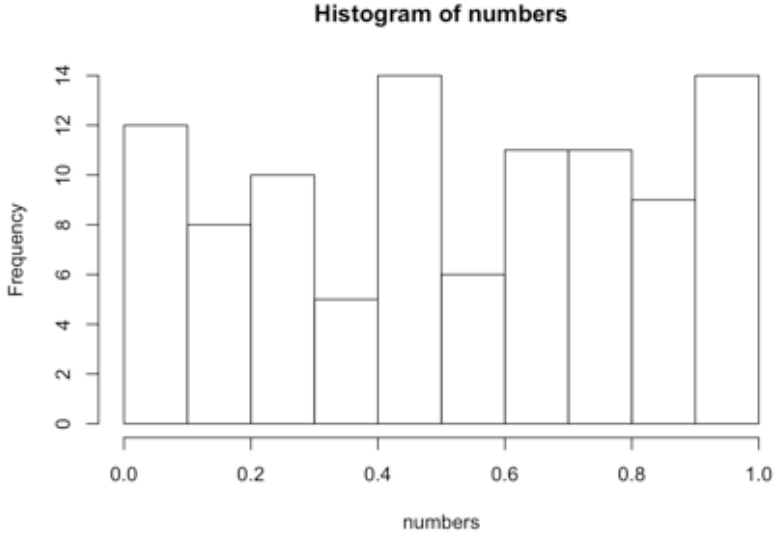

https://yihui.name/knitr/options/

Inline Code

Include expressions (e.g., variables) in **inline** code blocks by prepending them with `r`

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```{r, echo=FALSE}
numbers <- runif(1:100)  # make random numbers

hist(x)  # show a histogram of those numbers

numbers.mean <- mean(numbers)  # save the mean
```


The mean of the above histogram
is **`r numbers.mean`**
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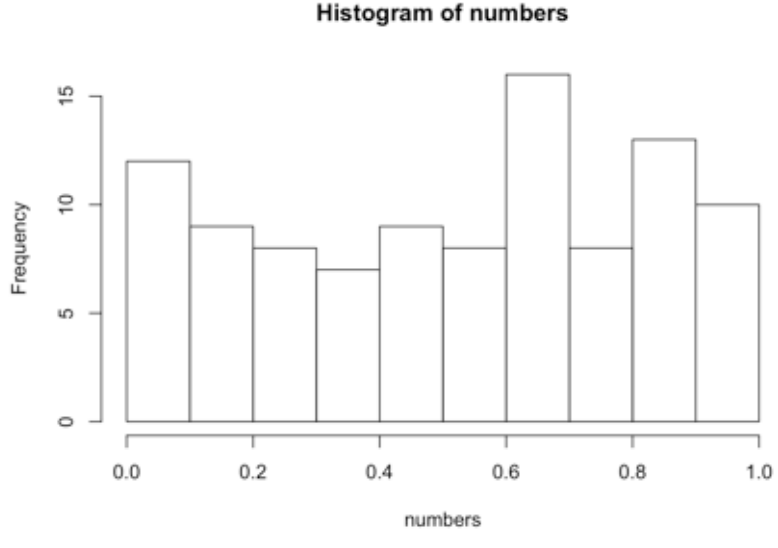

The mean of the above histogram is **0.5175073**

Module 12 exercise-1

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Questions on anything so far?

Action Items!

- Be comfortable with **module 11-12**
- Assignment 5 due ***Tuesday before class***

Tuesday: Making pretty diagrams!