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Introduction to Scripting Languages

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Goal of this session:



“Advocate the use of scripting languages (interpreted languages) and help you choose the most suitable for your needs”

Agenda



1. Interpreters vs compilers
2. Octave, R, Python
3. Graphical User Interfaces & Literate programming
4. Additional Packages/Libraries/Modules
5. What to do when it is too slow
6. Using several of them at the same time

Interpreters vs Compilers



- A **compiler** reads the whole (text) code and produces a separate “binary” file that can be executed by the CPU.
C/C++, Fortran, Java, Go, Rust, Haskell, ...
- An **interpreter** reads each line of code and executes it by calling the corresponding functionalities in its own code.
Bash, Python, PHP, Javascript, Ruby, ...

Interpreters vs Compilers



- The ugly truth...
 - Many interpreters will pre-compile the code
 - Some compilers compile not to CPU-specific machine instructions but to bytecode
 - The bytecode interpreters sometimes re-compile the bytecode just before execution (JIT compiling)
 - Interpreters exist for C and C++
 - Compilers exist for Python
 - The interpreter can be compiled or himself interpreted

Interpreters vs Compilers



Compilers

- can apply code-wise powerful optimization
- practically have no run-time overhead

→ Speed

Interpreters

- allow easy code introspection
- offer high-level language constructs and tools

→ Ease of use

Interpreted languages



- Easier to **learn**
 - Many implementation details hidden
 - Can try and test code portions rapidly and easily
- Easier to **exchange/reuse**
 - The scripts are cross-platform by design
 - Often built-in package management
- Faster development
 - More **convenient programming** and shorter programs
 - Offers many simplifications and shortcuts – no need to micromanage memory
 - Built-in support for mundane tasks (handle files, dates, plots, NAs, NaNs, ...)
 - **Easier to debug** and profile
 - GUI

Ex.1: argument parsing in Fortran



Parsing Command-Line Options in Fortran 2003

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BLEVINS

SEPTEMBER 17, 2009

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For programs with only a few simple command-line options, it isn't too difficult to parse them yourself, especially given Fortran 2003's new intrinsic functions `command_argument_count` and `get_command_argument`. Below is a simple example program which, by default, prints the current date and exits. It also accepts options to print the version, usage, or the current time. An error message is displayed if an invalid option is given.

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```
! cmdline.f90 -- simple command-line argument parsing example
```

```
program cmdline
  implicit none

  character(len=*), parameter :: version = '1.0'
  character(len=32) :: arg
  character(len=8) :: date
  character(len=10) :: time
  character(len=5) :: zone
  logical :: do_time = .false.
  integer :: i

  do i = 1, command_argument_count()
    call get_command_argument(i, arg)

    select case (arg)
    case ('-v', '--version')
```


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```
call get_command_argument(i, arg)

select case (arg)
case ('-v', '--version')
    print '(2a)', 'cmdline version ', version
    stop
case ('-h', '--help')
    call print_help()
    stop
case ('-t', '--time')
    do_time = .true.
case default
    print '(a,a,/)', 'Unrecognized command-line option: ', arg
    call print_help()
    stop
end select
end do

! Print the date and, optionally, the time
call date_and_time(DATE=date, TIME=time, ZONE=zone)
write (*, '(a,"-",a,"-",a)', advance='no') date(1:4), date(5:6), date(7:8)
if (do_time) then
    write (*, '(x,a,":",a,x,a)') time(1:2), time(3:4), zone
else
    write (*, '(a)') ''
end if
```

Ex.1: argument parsing in Fortran



contains

```
subroutine print_help()
  print '(a)', 'usage: cmdline [OPTIONS]'
  print '(a)', ''
  print '(a)', 'Without further options, cmdline prints the date and exits'
  print '(a)', ''
  print '(a)', 'cmdline options:'
  print '(a)', ''
  print '(a)', ' -v, --version      print version information and exit'
  print '(a)', ' -h, --help        print usage information and exit'
  print '(a)', ' -t, --time        print time'
end subroutine print_help
```

```
end program cmdline
```

Ex.1: argument parsing in Python



```
import argparse

parser = argparse.ArgumentParser(description='Process some integers.')
parser.add_argument('integers', metavar='N', type=int, nargs='+',
                    help='an integer for the accumulator')
parser.add_argument('--sum', dest='accumulate', action='store_const',
                    const=sum, default=max,
                    help='sum the integers (default: find the max)')

args = parser.parse_args()
print(args.accumulate(args.integers))
```

Ex.2: Use XLS file in C



```
88     break;
89     case 't':
90         sheetName = strdup(optarg);
91         break;
92     case 'q':
93         stringSeparator = optarg[0];
94         break;
95     case 'f':
96         fieldSeparator = strdup(optarg);
97         break;
98     default:
99         Usage(argv[0]);
100        break;
101    }
102 }
103
104 struct st_row_data* row;
105 WORD cellRow, cellCol;
106
107 // open workbook, choose standard conversion
108 pWB = xls_open(argv[1], encoding);
109 if (!pWB) {
110     fprintf(stderr, "File not found");
111     fprintf(stderr, "\n");
112     return EXIT_FAILURE;
113 }
114
115 // check if the requested sheet (if any) exists
116 if (sheetName[0]) {
117     for (i = 0; i < pWB->sheets.count; i++) {
118         if (strcmp(sheetName, (char *)pWB->sheets.sheet[i].name) ==
119             break;
120     }
121 }
122
123     if (i == pWB->sheets.count) {
124         fprintf(stderr, "Sheet \"%s\" not found", sheetName);
125         fprintf(stderr, "\n");
126         return EXIT_FAILURE;
127     }
128 }
129
130 // process all sheets
131 for (i = 0; i < pWB->sheets.count; i++) {
132     int isFirstLine = 1;
133
134     // just looking for sheet names
135     if (justList) {
136         printf("%s\n", pWB->sheets.sheet[i].name);
137         continue;
138     }
139
140     // check if this the sheet we want
141     if (sheetName[0]) {
142         if (strcmp(sheetName, (char *)pWB->sheets.sheet[i].name) !=
143             continue;
144     }
145 }
146
147 // open and parse the sheet
148 pWS = xls_getWorkSheet(pWB, i);
149 xls_parseWorkSheet(pWS);
150
151 // process all rows of the sheet
152 for (cellRow = 0; cellRow <= pWS->rows.lastrow; cellRow++) {
153     int isFirstCol = 1;
154     row = xls_row(pWS, cellRow);
155
156     // process cells
157     if (!isFirstLine) {
158         printf("%s", lineSeparator);
159     } else {
160         isFirstLine = 0;
161     }
162
163     for (cellCol = 0; cellCol <= pWS->rows.lastcol; cellCol++) {
164         //printf("Processing row=%d col=%d\n", cellRow+1, cellCol+1);
165
166         xlsCell *cell = xls_cell(pWS, cellRow, cellCol);
167
```

```
167
168
169         if (!(!cell) || (cell->isHidden)) {
170             continue;
171         }
172
173         if (!isFirstCol) {
174             printf("%s", fieldSeparator);
175         } else {
176             isFirstCol = 0;
177         }
178
179         // display the colspan as only one cell, but reject
180         if (cell->rowspan > 1) {
181             fprintf(stderr, "Warning: %d rows spanned at
182         }
183
184         // display the value of the cell (either numeric or
185         if (cell->id == 0x27e || cell->id == 0x0BD || cell->
186             OutputNumber(cell->d);
187         } else if (cell->id == 0x06) {
188             // formula
189             if (cell->l == 0) // its a number
190             {
191                 OutputNumber(cell->d);
192             } else {
193                 if (strstr((char *)cell->str, "bool
194                     {
195                         OutputString((int) cell->d ?
196                     } else if (strstr((char *)cell->str
197                     {
198                         OutputString("*error*");
199                     } else // ... cell->str is valid as
200                     {
201                         OutputString((char *)cell->s
202                     }
203                 }
204             } else if (cell->str != NULL) {
205                 OutputString((char *)cell->str);
206             } else {
207                 OutputString("");
208             }
209         }
210     }
211     xls_close_WS(pWS);
212 }
213
214 xls_close(pWB);
215 return EXIT_SUCCESS;
216
217 // Output a CSV String (between double quotes)
218 // Escapes (doubles)" and \ characters
219 static void OutputString(const char *string) {
220     const char *str;
221
222     printf("%c", stringSeparator);
223     for (str = string; *str; str++) {
224         if (*str == stringSeparator) {
225             printf("%c%c", stringSeparator, stringSeparator);
226         } else if (*str == '\\') {
227             printf("\\\\");
228         } else {
229             printf("%c", *str);
230         }
231     }
232     printf("%c", stringSeparator);
233 }
234
235 // Output a CSV Number
236 static void OutputNumber(const double number) {
237     printf("%.15g", number);
238 }
```

Ex.2: Use XLS file in R



```
> mydata = read.xls("mydata.xls") # read from first sheet  
> write.csv(MyData, file = "MyData.csv")
```

Ex.3: default args in Java

```
class DisplayOverloading
{
    public void disp(char c)
    {
        System.out.println(c);
    }
    public void disp(char c, int num)
    {
        System.out.println(c + " "+num);
    }
}
class Sample
{
    public static void main(String args[])
    {
        DisplayOverloading obj = new DisplayOverloading();
        obj.disp('a');
        obj.disp('a',10);
    }
}
```


Ex.3: default args in Octave



```
function hello (who = "World")
    printf ("Hello, %s!\n", who);
endfunction
```

1.



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- All very much used in scientific applications
 - R (S/SPPlus): strong for statistics
 - Octave (Matlab): strong for engineering
 - Python Scipy/Numpy (Canopy,Anaconda): strong for data science
- All free and free.
- Fun fact: All started as wrappers for Fortran code!

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Some Julia in here...

2.



TripleQuickstart

Operators and assignment



```
a=1; b=2;  
a + b  
a - b  
a * b  
a / b  
a .^ b
```

```
rem(a,b)
```



```
a=1; b=1  
a + b or add(a,b)  
a - b or subtract(a,b)  
a * b or multiply(a,b)  
a / b or divide(a,b)  
a ** b  
power(a,b)  
pow(a,b)  
a % b  
remainder(a,b)  
fmod(a,b)
```



```
a<-1; b<-2  
a + b  
a - b  
a * b  
a / b  
a ^ b  
  
a %% b
```

Building arrays/matrices



```
1:10  
0:9  
1:3:10  
10:-1:1  
10:-3:1  
linspace(1,10,7)  
reverse(a)  
a(:) = 3
```

```
a=reshape(1:9, 3, 3)
```



from numpy import *

```
arange(1,11, dtype=Float)  
range(1,11)  
arange(10.)  
arange(1,11,3)  
arange(10,0,-1)  
arange(10,0,-3)  
linspace(1,10,7)  
a[::-1] or  
a.fill(3), a[:] = 3
```

```
a = reshape(arange(1,10),[3,3])  
a = arange(1,10).reshape(3,3)
```



```
seq(10) or 1:10  
  
seq(0,length=10)  
seq(1,10,by=3)  
seq(10,1) or 10:1  
seq(from=10,to=1,by=-3)  
seq(1,10,length=7)  
rev(a)
```

```
a=array(1:9, dim=c(3,3))
```

Indexing/slicing



```
a(2,3)
a(1,:)

a(:,1)

a([1 3],[1 4]);

a(2:end,:)
a(end-1:end,:)

a(1:2:end,:)

a(:, [1 3 4])
```



```
a[1,2]
a[0,]

a[:,0]

a.take([0,2]).take([0,3], axis=1)

a[1:,]
a[-2:,]

a[:,2,:]
a[...,2]

a.take([0,2,3], axis=1)

a.diagonal(offset=0)
```



```
a[2,3]
a[1,]

a[,1]

a[-1,]

a[-2,-3]

a[, -2]
```


Searching arrays/matrices



```
find(a)

[i j] = find(a)

[i j v] = find(a)

find(a>5.5)

a .* (a>5.5)
```



```
a.ravel().nonzero()

(i,j) = a.nonzero()
(i,j) = where(a!=0)

v = a.compress((a!=0).flat)
v = extract(a!=0,a)

(a>5.5).nonzero()

a.compress((a>5.5).flat)

where(a>5.5,0,a) or a * (a>5.5)
a.put(2,indices)
```



```
which(a != 0)

which(a != 0, arr.ind=T)

ij <- which(a != 0, arr.ind=T); v <- a[ij]

which(a>5.5)

ij <- which(a>5.5, arr.ind=T); v <- a[ij]
```

Control structures



```
for i=1:5; disp(i); end
for i=1:5
    disp(i)
    disp(i*2)
end
```

MATLAB/Octave

```
if 1>0 a=100; end
if 1>0 a=100; else a=0; end
```



```
for i in range(1,6): print(i)
for i in range(1,6):
    print(i)
    print(i*2)
```

Python

```
if 1>0: a=100
```



```
for(i in 1:5) print(i)
for(i in 1:5) {
    print(i)
    print(i*2)
}
```

R

```
if (1>0) a <- 100

ifelse(a>0,a,0)
```

More complete list



Hyperpolyglot

Numerical Analysis & Statistics: MATLAB, R, NumPy, Julia

a side-by-side reference sheet

sheet one: [grammar and invocation](#) | [variables and expressions](#) | [arithmetic and logic](#) | [strings](#) | [regexes](#) | [dates and time](#) | [tuples](#) | [arrays](#) | [arithmetic sequences](#) | [2d arrays](#) | [3d arrays](#) | [dictionaries](#) | [functions](#) | [execution control](#) | [file handles](#) | [directories](#) | [processes and environment](#) | [libraries and namespaces](#) | [reflection](#) | [debugging](#)

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	matlab	r	numpy	julia
version used	MATLAB 8.3 Octave 3.8	3.1	Python 2.7 NumPy 1.7 SciPy 0.13 Pandas 0.12 Matplotlib 1.3	0.4
show version	\$ matlab -nojvm -nodisplay -r 'exit' \$ octave --version	\$ R --version	sys.version np.__version__ sp.__version__ mpl.__version__	\$ julia --version
implicit prologue	none	install.packages('ggplot2') library('ggplot2')	import sys, os, re, math import numpy as np import scipy as sp import scipy.stats as stats import pandas as pd import matplotlib as mpl import matplotlib.pyplot as plt	
grammar and invocation				
	matlab	r	numpy	julia
interpreter	\$ cat >>foo.m 1 + 1 exit \$ matlab -nojvm -nodisplay -r "run('foo.m')" \$ octave foo.m	\$ cat >>foo.r 1 + 1 \$ Rscript foo.r \$ R -f foo.r	\$ cat >>foo.py print(1 + 1) \$ python foo.py	\$ cat >>foo.jl println(1 + 1) \$ julia foo.jl
repl	\$ matlab -nojvm -nodisplay \$ octave	\$ R	\$ python	\$ julia
command line program	\$ matlab -nojvm -nodisplay -r 'disp(1 + 1); exit' \$ octave --silent --eval '1 + 1'	\$ Rscript -e 'print("hi")'	python -c 'print("hi")'	\$ julia -e 'println("hi")'
block delimiters	function end if elseif else end while end for end	{ }	offside rule	

3.



Graphical User Interfaces

Editing, debugging, accessing the doc, made easy

Literate programming

Authoring dynamic documents with code in them

Octave



The screenshot displays the Octave software environment. On the left, the 'Octave' window shows the 'Command Window' with the following text:

```
warning: function .\info.m shadows a core library function
GNU Octave, version 3.8.0
Copyright (C) 2013 John W. Eaton and others.
This is free software; see the source code for copying on
There is ABSOLUTELY NO WARRANTY; not even for MERCHANTABILITY
FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE. For details, type 'warr
Octave was configured for "i686-pc-mingw32".
Additional information about Octave is available at http://
e.org.
Please contribute if you find this software useful.
For more information, visit http://www.octave.org/get-info
Read http://www.octave.org/bugs.html to learn how to submit
bugs.
For information about changes from previous versions, type
>> cd octave_test/
>> edit mysinc.m
>> mysinc
>> a=rand(2000);
>> b=rand(2000);
>> c=a*b;
Elapsed time is 5.44231 seconds.
>> |
```

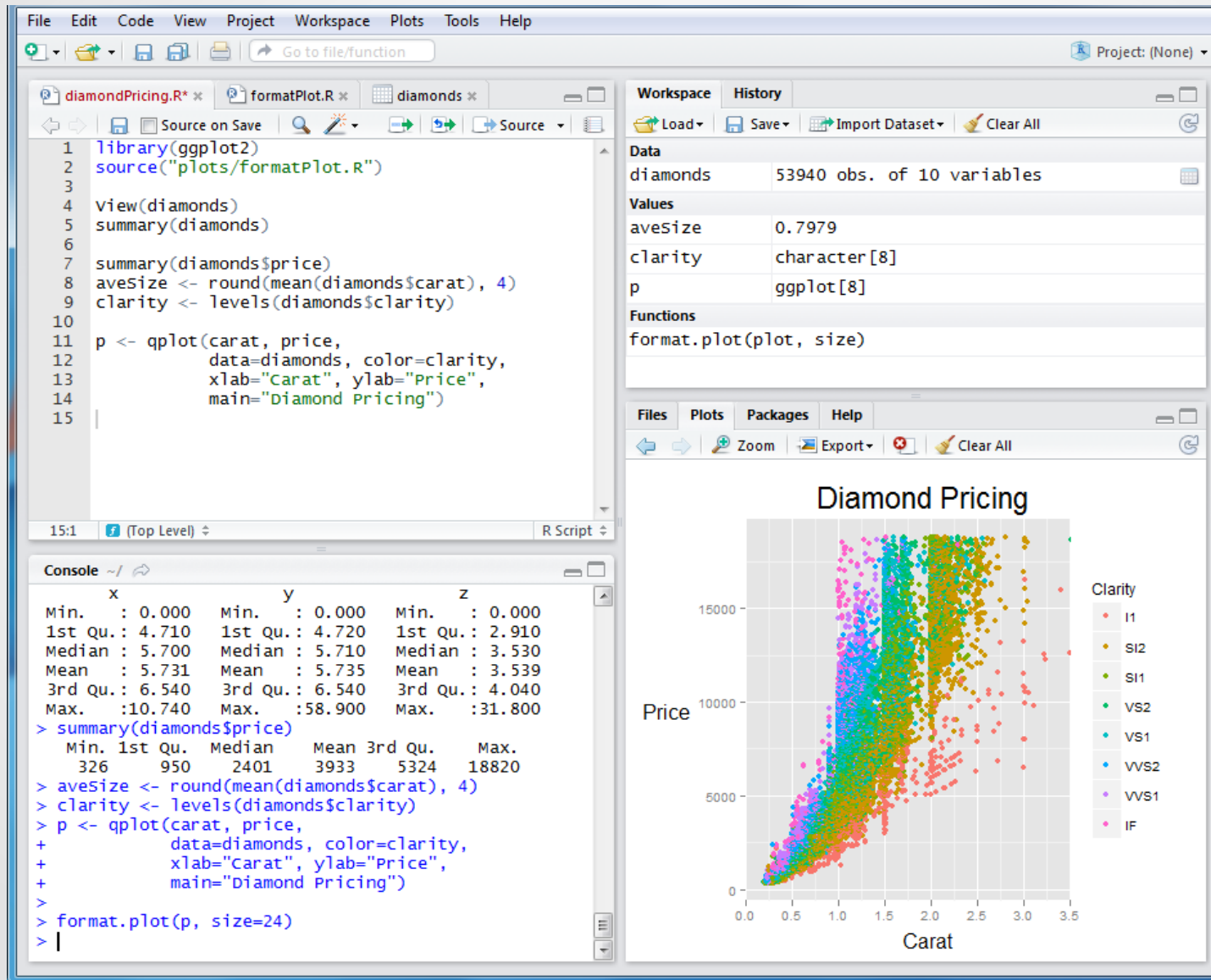
Below the command window is the 'Workspace' table:

Name	Class	Dimension	Value	Storage Class
R	double	33x33	[11.314, 10.966, ...	
X	double	33x33	[-8, -7.5000, -7, ...	
Y	double	33x33	[-8, -8, -8, -8, ...	
Z	double	33x33	[-0.083953, -0.0...	
a	double	2000x2000	[0.17387, 0.4938...	
b	double	2000x2000	[0.89777, 0.4025...	
c	double	2000x2000	[501.94, 497.51, ...	

On the right, the 'Editor' window shows the script 'mysinc.m' with the following code:

```
1 [X, Y] = meshgrid(-8:5:8);
2 R = sqrt(X.^2 + Y.^2);
3 Z = sin(R) ./ R;
4 mesh(X, Y, Z)
```

Below the editor is a 'Figure 1' window displaying a 3D surface plot of the function $Z = \frac{\sin(R)}{R}$. The plot shows a central peak at the origin, with the surface decaying and oscillating as it moves away from the center. The axes are labeled with values from -10 to 10.



The screenshot displays the RStudio environment with the following components:

- Source Editor:** Contains R code for loading data, summarizing it, and creating a faceted scatter plot.
- Console:** Shows the execution of the code, including summary statistics for 'x', 'y', and 'z' variables, and the execution of the plotting functions.
- Workspace:** Lists the loaded data object 'diamonds' (53940 observations) and the 'p' plot object.
- Plots Panel:** Displays a scatter plot titled 'Diamond Pricing' showing Price vs. Carat, faceted by Clarity.

```
1 library(ggplot2)
2 source("plots/formatPlot.R")
3
4 view(diamonds)
5 summary(diamonds)
6
7 summary(diamonds$price)
8 aveSize <- round(mean(diamonds$carat), 4)
9 clarity <- levels(diamonds$clarity)
10
11 p <- qplot(carat, price,
12           data=diamonds, color=clarity,
13           xlab="Carat", ylab="Price",
14           main="Diamond Pricing")
15
```

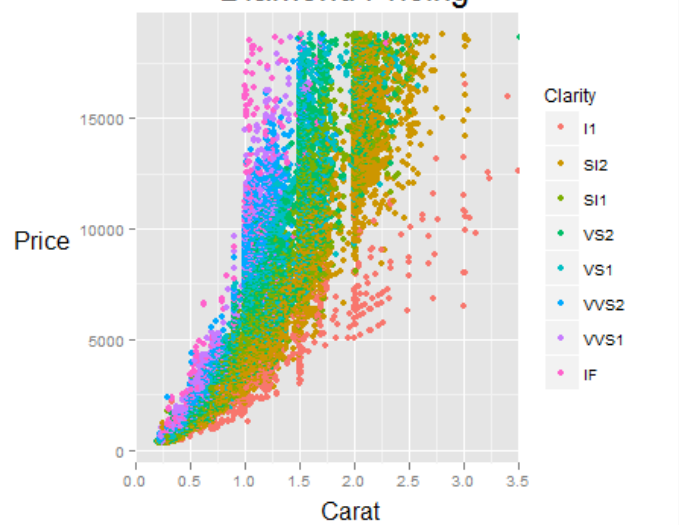
Console Output:

```
> summary(diamonds$price)
  Min. 1st Qu.  Median    Mean 3rd Qu.    Max.
   326    950   2401   3933   5324  18820
> aveSize <- round(mean(diamonds$carat), 4)
> clarity <- levels(diamonds$clarity)
> p <- qplot(carat, price,
+           data=diamonds, color=clarity,
+           xlab="Carat", ylab="Price",
+           main="Diamond Pricing")
>
> format.plot(p, size=24)
>
```

Workspace Data:

Variable	Value
diamonds	53940 obs. of 10 variables
aveSize	0.7979
clarity	character [8]
p	ggplot [8]

Plots Panel: Diamond Pricing



The plot shows Price on the y-axis (0 to 15000) and Carat on the x-axis (0.0 to 3.5). The legend indicates Clarity levels: I1, SI2, SI1, VS2, VS1, VVS2, VVS1, and IF.

Spyder



The screenshot displays the Spyder Python IDE interface. The main window is titled "Editor - C:\Users\Wick\Documents\School\spyder\special2.py". The code editor contains the following Python code:

```
1 # -*- coding: utf-8 -*-
2 """
3 Spyder Editor
4
5 This temporary script file is located here:
6 C:\Users\Wick\.spyder2\.temp.py
7 """
8
9 from numpy import *
10 from scipy import *
11 from scipy import eye
12 from scipy.integrate import odeint
13 import pylab
14
15 #Load data file
16 free_response = loadtxt("free_response.lvm")
17
18 #delete first few lines, adjust time vector back to zero
19 free_response = delete(free_response, linspace(0,20,20),0)
20 free_response[:,0]=free_response[:,0]-min(free_response[:,0])
21
22 #take numerical derivative
23 time = free_response[:,0]
24 pos = free_response[:,1]
25 vel = diff(pos)/diff(time)
26 time = delete(time,-1)
27 accel = diff(vel)/diff(time)
28
29 #resize vectors so they match up nicely
30 time = delete(time,-1)
31 vel = delete(vel,-1)
32 pos = delete(pos, [pos.size-1, pos.size-2], None)
33
34 #Least-squares fit to find parameters
35 #A is matrix with velocity and position
36 #b is vector of acceleration
37 A = vstack((vel,pos))
```

The Object Inspector panel on the right shows the function signature for `delete(arr, obj, axis=None)` from the `numpy.lib.function_base` module. It includes a description: "Return a new array with sub-arrays along an axis deleted." and lists parameters: `arr` (array_like), `obj` (slice, int or array of ints), and `axis` (int, optional). The Returns section indicates it returns an `ndarray`.

The Console panel at the bottom shows the IPython 1 environment with the following output:

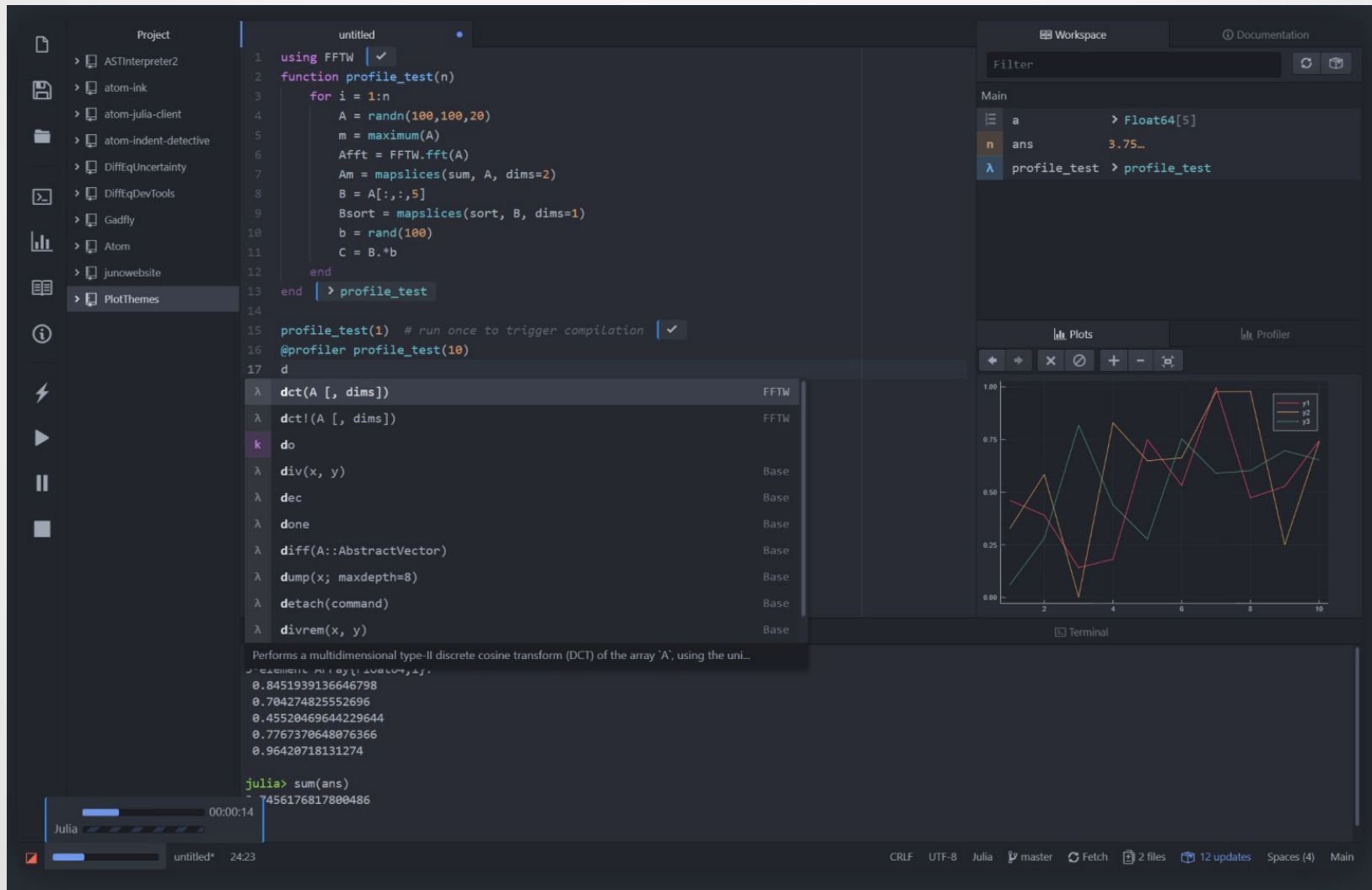
```
Python 2.6.6 (r266:84297, Aug 24 2010, 18:46:32) [MSC v.1500 32 bit (Intel)]
Type "copyright", "credits" or "license" for more information.

IPython 0.10.1 -- An enhanced Interactive Python.
? -> Introduction and overview of IPython's features.
%quickref -> Quick reference.
help -> Python's own help system.
object? -> Details about 'object'. ?object also works, ?? prints more.

Welcome to pylab, a matplotlib-based Python environment.
For more information, type 'help(pylab)'.

In [1]: |
```

At the bottom of the window, the status bar shows: Permissions: RW | End-of-lines: CRLF | Encoding: UTF-8 | Line: 19 | Column: 1



The screenshot displays the Juno IDE interface with the following components:

- Project Explorer:** Lists various project folders on the left side.
- Code Editor:** Contains a Julia script named `untitled` with the following code:

```
1 using FFTW
2 function profile_test(n)
3     for i = 1:n
4         A = randn(100,100,20)
5         m = maximum(A)
6         Afft = FFTW.ffft(A)
7         Am = mapslices(sum, A, dims=2)
8         B = A[:, :, 5]
9         Bsort = mapslices(sort, B, dims=1)
10        b = rand(100)
11        C = B.*b
12    end
13 end
14
15 profile_test(1) # run once to trigger compilation
16 @profiler profile_test(10)
17 d
```
- REPL:** Shows the execution of `dct(A [, dims])` and `sum(ans)`. The output of `sum(ans)` is `7456176817800486`.
- Workspace:** Displays the current state of variables, including `a` (Float64[5]), `ans` (3.75...), and `profile_test`.
- Plots:** A line plot showing three data series (`y1`, `y2`, `y3`) over a range of 0 to 10. The y-axis ranges from 0.00 to 1.00.
- Terminal:** Shows the output of the `d` command, displaying the DCT of the array `A`.

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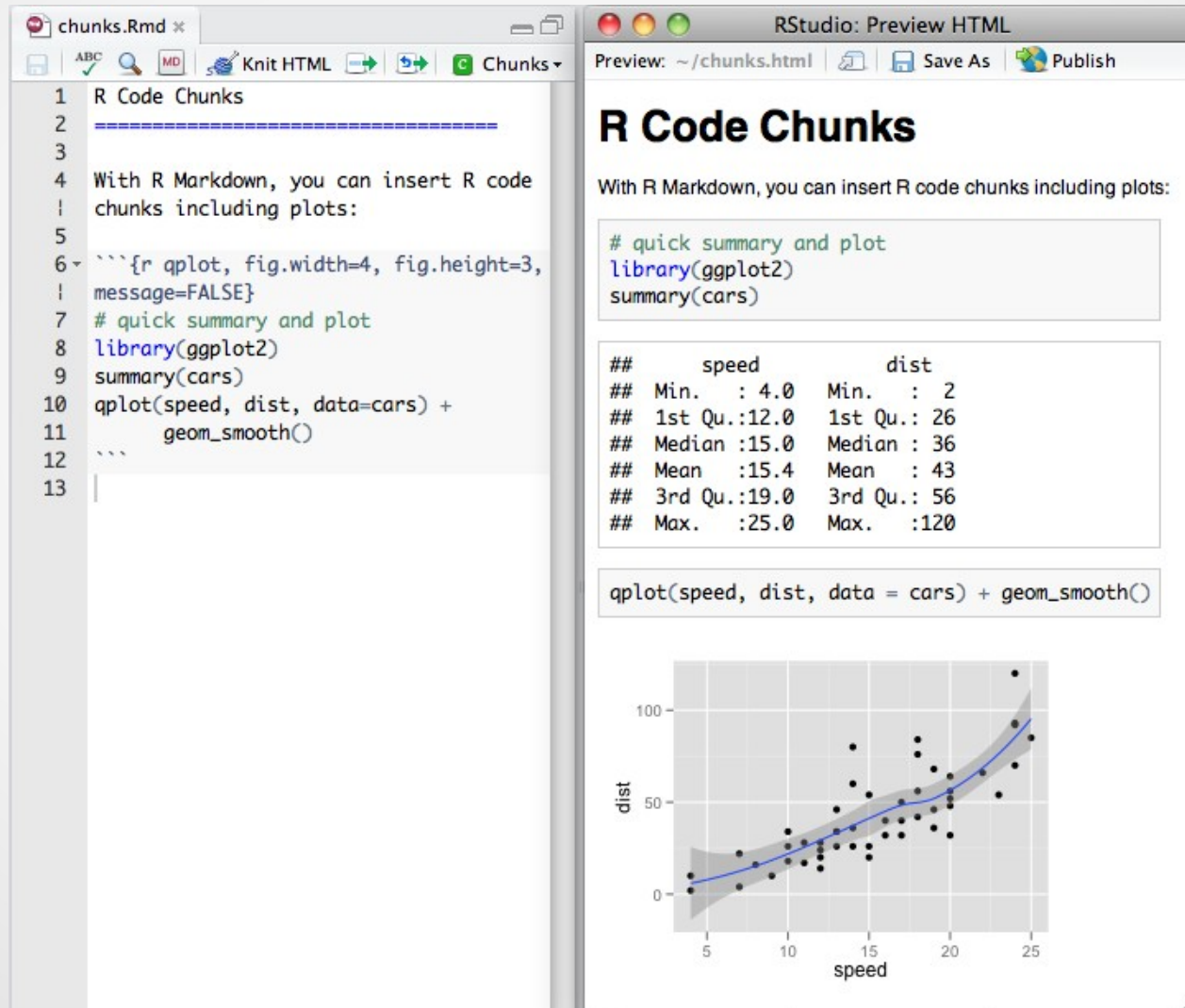
Graphical User Interfaces

Editing, debugging, accessing the doc, made easy

Literate programming

Authoring HTML or LaTeX documents
with code and results in them

RMarkdown and KnitR



The screenshot displays the RStudio interface with two windows. The left window, titled 'chunks.Rmd', shows R code chunks for a presentation. The right window, titled 'RStudio: Preview HTML', shows the rendered output of these chunks.

Left Window (chunks.Rmd):

```
1 R Code Chunks
2 =====
3
4 With R Markdown, you can insert R code
  chunks including plots:
5
6 ```{r qplot, fig.width=4, fig.height=3,
  message=FALSE}
7 # quick summary and plot
8 library(ggplot2)
9 summary(cars)
10 qplot(speed, dist, data=cars) +
11   geom_smooth()
12 ```
13
```

Right Window (RStudio: Preview HTML):

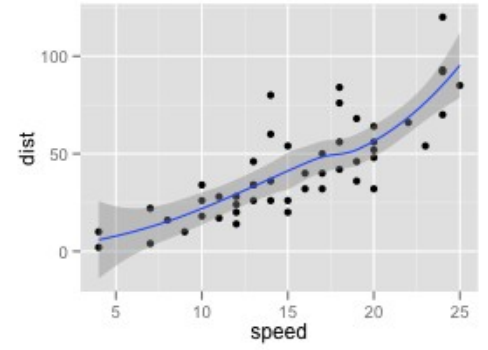
R Code Chunks

With R Markdown, you can insert R code chunks including plots:

```
# quick summary and plot
library(ggplot2)
summary(cars)
```

##	speed	dist
##	Min. : 4.0	Min. : 2
##	1st Qu.:12.0	1st Qu.: 26
##	Median :15.0	Median : 36
##	Mean :15.4	Mean : 43
##	3rd Qu.:19.0	3rd Qu.: 56
##	Max. :25.0	Max. :120

```
qplot(speed, dist, data = cars) + geom_smooth()
```



The plot shows a positive correlation between speed and distance. The x-axis is labeled 'speed' and ranges from 5 to 25. The y-axis is labeled 'dist' and ranges from 0 to 100. A blue smoothed trend line is overlaid on the data points, showing an upward curve. A grey shaded area around the line represents the confidence interval.

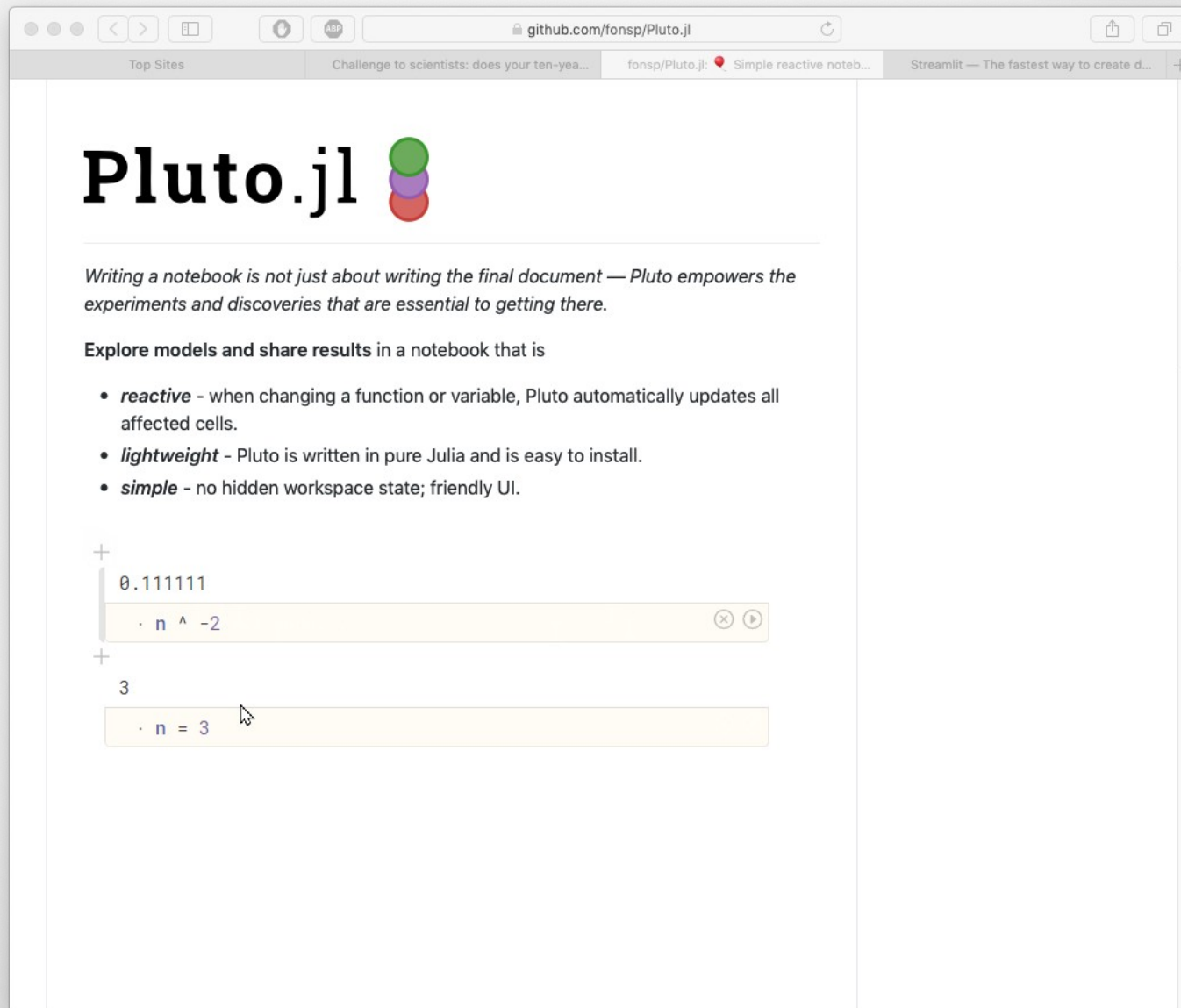
Jupyter notebooks




The screenshot displays a Jupyter Notebook interface with the following components:

- Left Panel (Commands):** A sidebar with sections for 'CONSOLE', 'EDITOR', 'FILE OPERATIONS', and 'HELP'. The 'CONSOLE' section includes actions like 'Clear Cells', 'Execute Cell', and 'Interrupt Kernel'. The 'EDITOR' section includes 'Close all files', 'Line Numbers', and 'Match Brackets'. 'FILE OPERATIONS' includes 'Close All', 'Close Document', and 'New Notebook'. 'HELP' includes 'About JupyterLab', 'FAQ', and various reference links.
- Top Panel:** A browser address bar showing '127.0.0.1:8888/lab' and a menu bar with 'File', 'Notebook', 'Editor', 'Terminal', 'Console', and 'Help'.
- Center Panel (Code Editor):** Contains two code cells. The first cell defines a function `plot_beta_hist(a, b)` and calls it with parameters (10, 10), (4, 12), (50, 12), and (6, 55). The second cell runs a script `mri_with_eeg.py` located in `~/Downloads/`.
- Right Panel (Terminal):** Shows the execution output of the script, including comments and code for loading MRI data, plotting histograms, and loading EEG data.
- Bottom Panel (Output):** Displays the results of the code execution. It includes a histogram of beta values with four colored distributions (green, red, blue, purple). Below it is a brain scan image and a plot of MRI density. At the bottom, there are four EEG waveforms labeled PG9, PG7, PG5, and PG3, plotted against time in seconds.

Julia notebooks



A screenshot of a web browser displaying the GitHub repository page for Pluto.jl. The browser's address bar shows 'github.com/fonsp/Pluto.jl'. The page features the Pluto.jl logo, a descriptive paragraph, and a list of features. Below the text, there are two interactive input fields: the first shows the expression 'n^-2' and the output '0.111111', and the second shows 'n = 3' and the output '3'.


Pluto.jl 

Writing a notebook is not just about writing the final document — Pluto empowers the experiments and discoveries that are essential to getting there.

Explore models and share results in a notebook that is

- **reactive** - when changing a function or variable, Pluto automatically updates all affected cells.
- **lightweight** - Pluto is written in pure Julia and is easy to install.
- **simple** - no hidden workspace state; friendly UI.

+
0.111111
· n^{-2}  

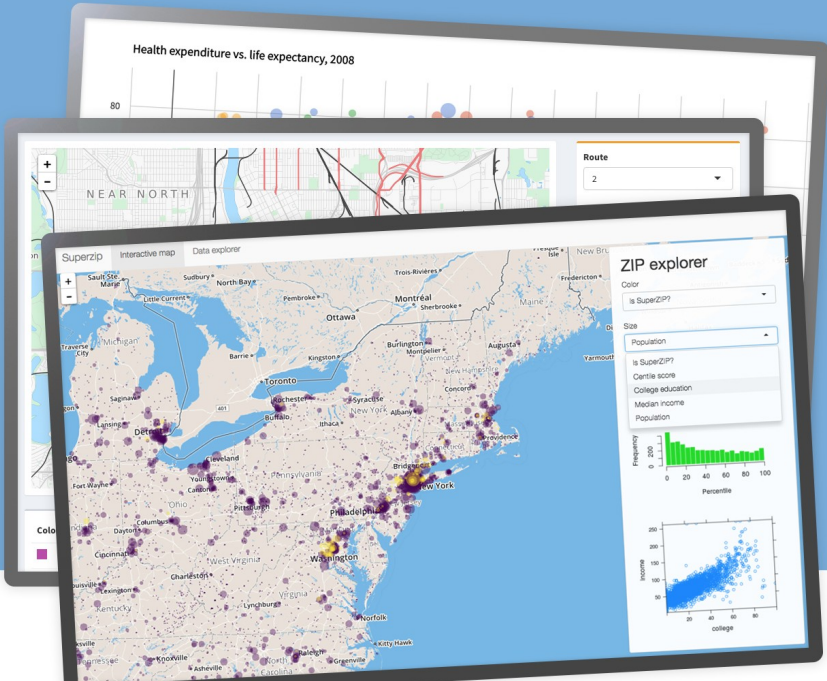
+
3
· $n = 3$ 

Shiny



Shiny from R Studio

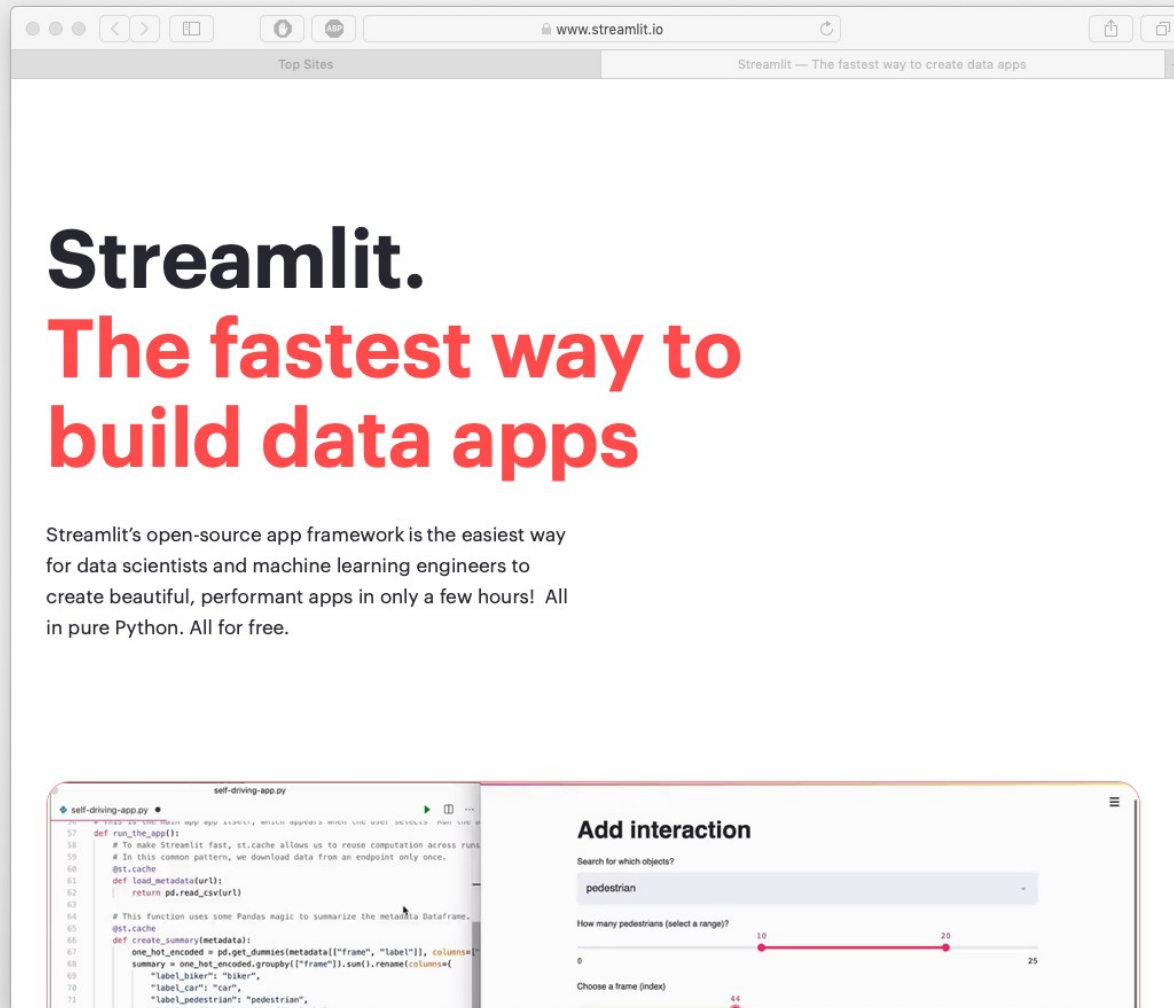
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The image shows three overlapping screenshots of Shiny applications. The top screenshot is titled "Health expenditure vs. life expectancy, 2008" and displays a scatter plot with a regression line. The middle screenshot shows a map of the "NEAR NORTH" region with a "Route" dropdown menu set to "2". The bottom screenshot is titled "ZIP explorer" and features an interactive map of the United States with various data points. To the right of the map are several interactive controls: a "Color" dropdown menu, a "Size" dropdown menu, a "Population" input field, and a "ZIP explorer" section with checkboxes for "Is SuperZIP?", "Centile score", "College education", "Median income", and "Population". Below these controls are two charts: a histogram showing "Frequency" vs "Percentile" and a scatter plot showing "income" vs "college".

Interact. Analyze. Communicate.

Take a fresh, interactive approach to telling your data story with Shiny. Let users interact with your Super data and your analysis. And do it all with R.



Interact

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Interact.jl allows you to use interactive widgets such as sliders, dropdowns and checkboxes to play with your Julia code:



Getting Started

To install Interact, run the following command in the Julia REPL:

```
Pkg.add("Interact")
```

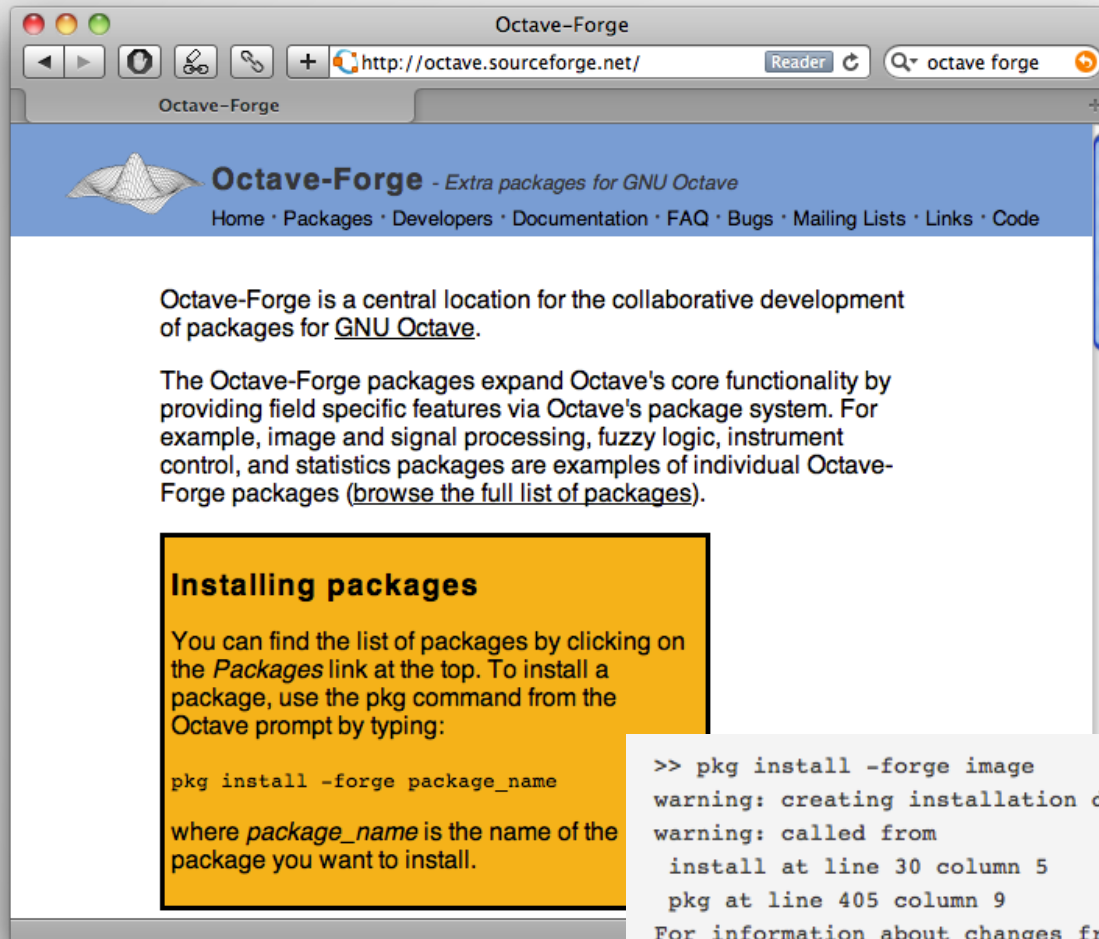
4.



Extensions

Packages – Libraries – Modules

Octave Forge



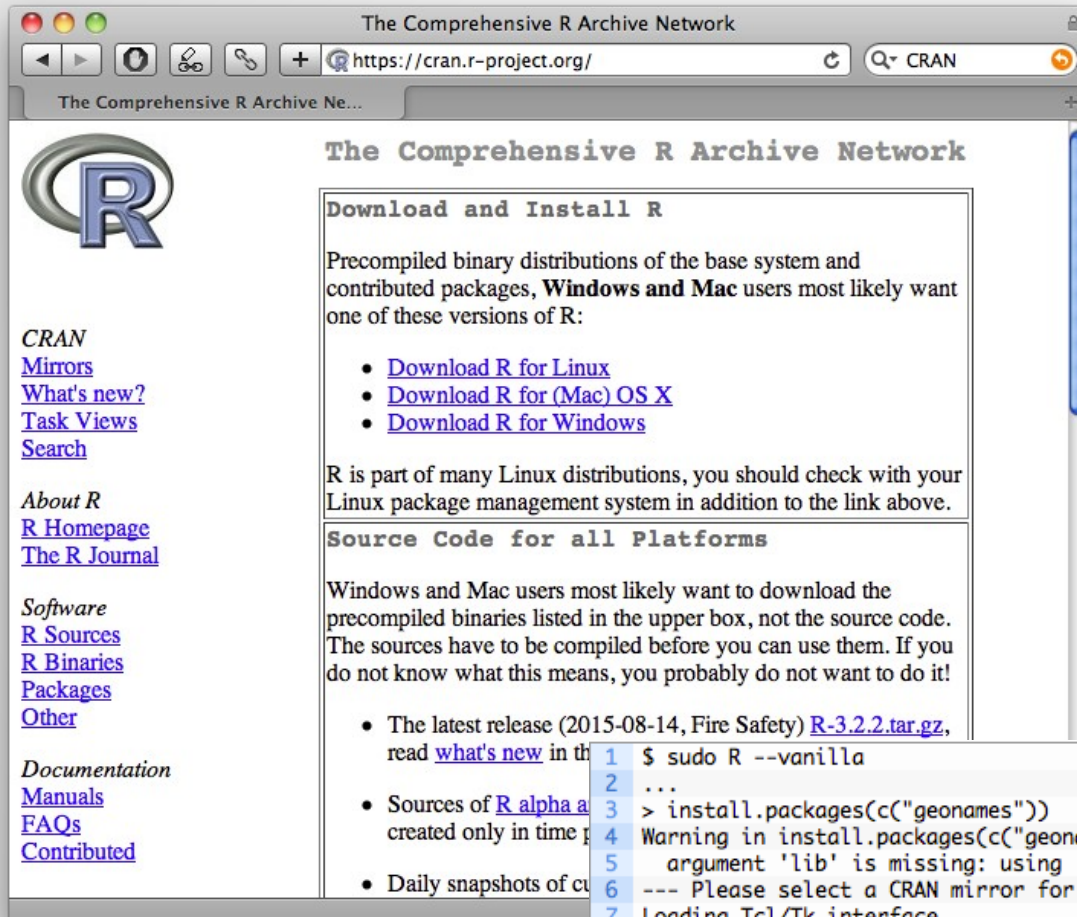
Installing packages

You can find the list of packages by clicking on the *Packages* link at the top. To install a package, use the `pkg` command from the Octave prompt by typing:

```
pkg install -forge package_name
```

where *package_name* is the name of the package you want to install.

```
>> pkg install -forge image
warning: creating installation directory C:\Octave\Octave-4.0.0\share\octave
warning: called from
  install at line 30 column 5
  pkg at line 405 column 9
For information about changes from previous versions of the image package, r
>> pkg list
Package Name | Version | Installation directory
-----+-----+-----
          image |    2.4.0 | C:\Octave\Octave-4.0.0\share\octave\packages\image
```



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Download and Install R

Precompiled binary distributions of the base system and contributed packages, **Windows and Mac** users most likely want one of these versions of R:

- [Download R for Linux](#)
- [Download R for \(Mac\) OS X](#)
- [Download R for Windows](#)

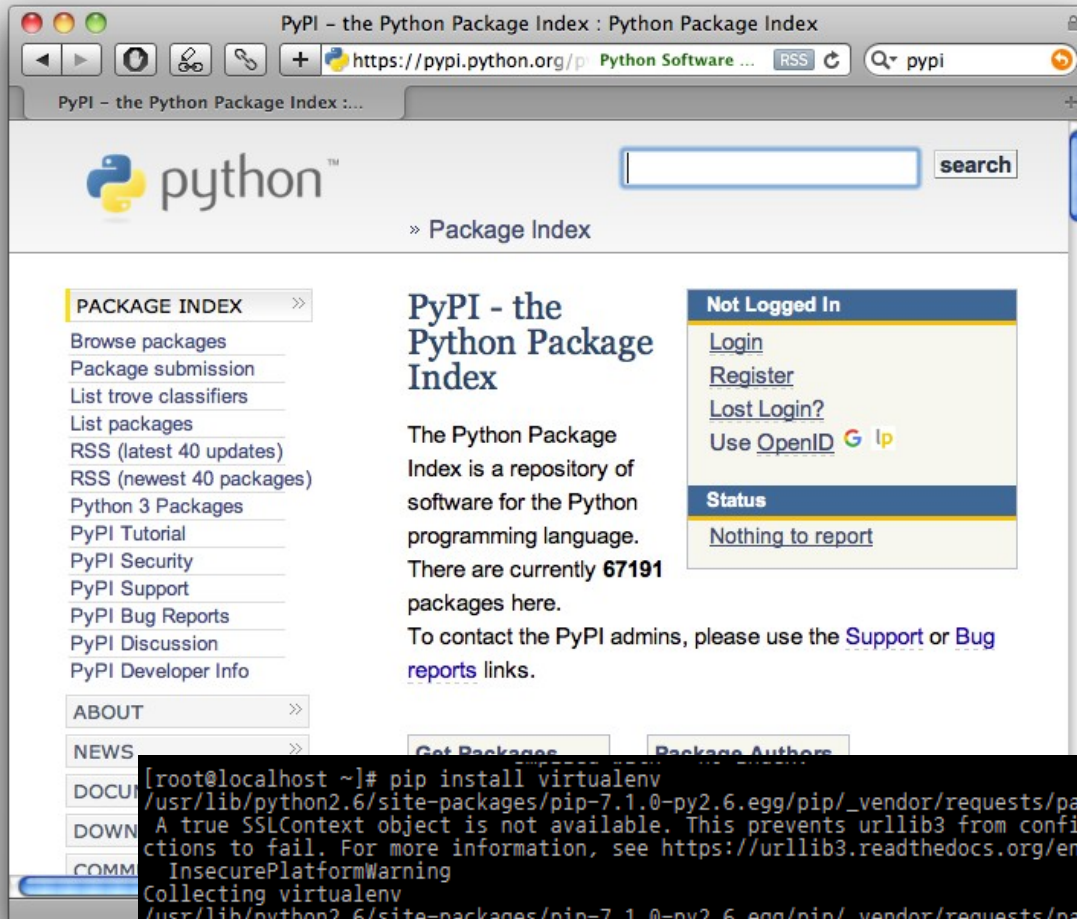
R is part of many Linux distributions, you should check with your Linux package management system in addition to the link above.

Source Code for all Platforms

Windows and Mac users most likely want to download the precompiled binaries listed in the upper box, not the source code. The sources have to be compiled before you can use them. If you do not know what this means, you probably do not want to do it!

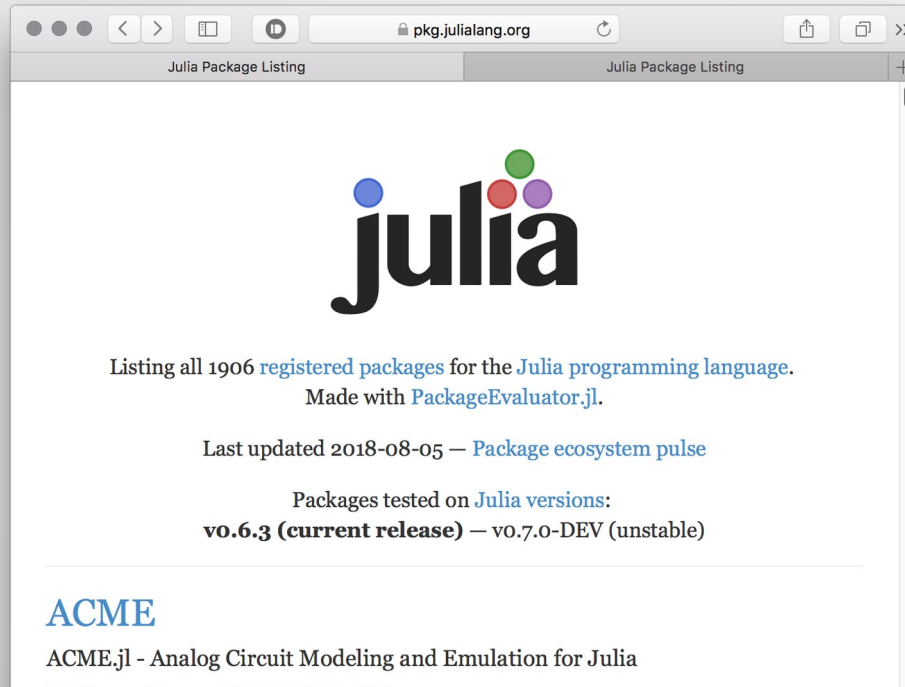
- The latest release (2015-08-14, Fire Safety) [R-3.2.2.tar.gz](#), read [what's new](#) in the [NEWS](#) file.
- Sources of [R alpha](#) are available, but they are created only in time for testing.
- Daily snapshots of current development are available.

```
1 $ sudo R --vanilla
2 ...
3 > install.packages(c("geonames"))
4 Warning in install.packages(c("geonames")) :
5   argument 'lib' is missing: using '/usr/local/lib/R/site-library'
6 --- Please select a CRAN mirror for use in this session ---
7 Loading Tcl/Tk interface ...
8 ...
9 * DONE (geonames)
10
11 The downloaded packages are in
12   /tmp/Rtmp3FziH3/downloaded_packages
```



```
[root@localhost ~]# pip install virtualenv
/usr/lib/python2.6/site-packages/pip-7.1.0-py2.6.egg/pip/_vendor/requests/packages/urllib3/util/ssl_.py:90: InsecurePlatformWarning:
A true SSLContext object is not available. This prevents urllib3 from configuring SSL appropriately and may cause certain SSL connections to fail. For more information, see https://urllib3.readthedocs.org/en/latest/security.html#insecureplatformwarning.
InsecurePlatformWarning
Collecting virtualenv
/usr/lib/python2.6/site-packages/pip-7.1.0-py2.6.egg/pip/_vendor/requests/packages/urllib3/util/ssl_.py:90: InsecurePlatformWarning:
A true SSLContext object is not available. This prevents urllib3 from configuring SSL appropriately and may cause certain SSL connections to fail. For more information, see https://urllib3.readthedocs.org/en/latest/security.html#insecureplatformwarning.
InsecurePlatformWarning
Downloading virtualenv-13.1.0-py2.py3-none-any.whl (1.7MB)
100% |#####| 1.7MB 201kB/s
Installing collected packages: virtualenv
Successfully installed virtualenv-13.1.0
[root@localhost ~]#
```

Julia package ecosystem

A screenshot of a web browser showing the Julia Package Listing page. The browser's address bar shows 'pkg.julialang.org'. The page features the Julia logo, a heading 'Listing all 1906 registered packages for the Julia programming language.', and information about the last update and tested Julia versions. Below this, the 'ACME' package is listed with details about its license, owner, and test status.

Listing all 1906 registered packages for the Julia programming language.
Made with PackageEvaluator.jl.

Last updated 2018-08-05 — Package ecosystem pulse

Packages tested on Julia versions:
vo.6.3 (current release) — vo.7.0-DEV (unstable)

ACME

ACME.jl - Analog Circuit Modeling and Emulation for Julia

MIT license / Owner: HSU-ANT / [permalink](#)
37 ★ / 4 ↓ / 0 ↑
Julia vo.6: 0.7.4 (12 days ago) / ■ Tests pass.

AMD

Approximate Minimum Degree Ordering in Julia

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0 ★ / 0 ↓ / 0 ↑
Julia vo.6: 0.1.0 (1 year, 10 months ago) / ■ Tests fail.

AMC

```
(test1) pkg> add Example
Updating registry at `~/julia/registries/General`
Updating git-repo `https://github.com/JuliaRegistries/General.git`
Resolving package versions...
Updating `~/Desktop/hobby/julia/test/test1/Project.toml`
[7876af07] + Example v0.5.1
Updating `~/Desktop/hobby/julia/test/test1/Manifest.toml`
[7876af07] + Example v0.5.1
[2a0f44e3] + Base64
[8ba89e20] + Distributed
[b77e0a4c] + InteractiveUtils
[8f399da3] + Libdl
```

5. General tips when it is slow



- Program thoughtfully:
 - Use vectorized functions
 - Avoid loops
 - Preallocate
 - Force type
 - Avoid copy-on-write
- Link to fast libraries (C/C++, Fortran, Java)
- Write low-level parts in C or Fortran
- Compile – jit
- Go parallel

6. Bridges



Python	→ R	http://rpython.r-forge.r-project.org/
Octave	→ Python	https://pypi.python.org/pypi/oct2py
R	→ Python	http://rpy.sourceforge.net/
Octave	→ R	https://cran.r-project.org/web/packages/RcppOctave
Python	→ Octave	https://github.com/daniel-e/pyoctave
R	→ Octave	http://www.omegahat.org/ROctave/
R	→ Julia	https://github.com/Non-Contradiction/JuliaCall
Julia	→ R	https://github.com/JuliaInterop/RCall.jl
Python	→ Julia	https://github.com/JuliaPy/pyjulia
Julia	→ Python	https://github.com/JuliaPy/PyCall.jl

So..



Fast to learn
Fast to code

Challenge



- Look at the files in /CECI/proj/training/scripting/exercice2 on any CÉCI cluster

```
[dfr@lemaitre3 exercice2]$ pwd
/CECI/proj/training/scripting/exercice2
[dfr@lemaitre3 exercice2]$ ls
res-10.txt  res-18.txt  res-25.txt  res-32.txt  res-3.txt   res-47.txt  res-54.txt  res-61.txt  res-69.txt  res-76.txt  res-83.txt  res-90.txt  res-98.txt
res-11.txt  res-19.txt  res-26.txt  res-33.txt  res-40.txt  res-48.txt  res-55.txt  res-62.txt  res-6.txt   res-77.txt  res-84.txt  res-91.txt  res-99.txt
res-12.txt  res-1.txt   res-27.txt  res-34.txt  res-41.txt  res-49.txt  res-56.txt  res-63.txt  res-70.txt  res-78.txt  res-85.txt  res-92.txt  res-9.txt
res-13.txt  res-20.txt  res-28.txt  res-35.txt  res-42.txt  res-4.txt   res-57.txt  res-64.txt  res-71.txt  res-79.txt  res-86.txt  res-93.txt
res-14.txt  res-21.txt  res-29.txt  res-36.txt  res-43.txt  res-50.txt  res-58.txt  res-65.txt  res-72.txt  res-7.txt   res-87.txt  res-94.txt
res-15.txt  res-22.txt  res-2.txt   res-37.txt  res-44.txt  res-51.txt  res-59.txt  res-66.txt  res-73.txt  res-80.txt  res-88.txt  res-95.txt
res-16.txt  res-23.txt  res-30.txt  res-38.txt  res-45.txt  res-52.txt  res-5.txt   res-67.txt  res-74.txt  res-81.txt  res-89.txt  res-96.txt
res-17.txt  res-24.txt  res-31.txt  res-39.txt  res-46.txt  res-53.txt  res-60.txt  res-68.txt  res-75.txt  res-82.txt  res-8.txt   res-97.txt
[dfr@lemaitre3 exercice2]$ cat res-1.txt
# Result file for experiment
[main]

parameter=0.01
result=0.15492

[meta]
time=531244[dfr@lemaitre3 exercice2]$
```

- We will pretend they are the result of running 100 jobs that take an input parameter and output a result (.INI file)

Challenge



- Find for which value of 'parameter' is 'result' the lowest.
- Course of action:
 - Read all files and parse them (you might need to install additional packages/libraries/modules)
 - Build two arrays one of parameter values and the other one for result values
 - Remove problematic values (plotting might help here)
 - Find minimum

Challenge



- Pseudo code:
 - “Activate” extension for .ini files
 - Initialize two arrays to hold the values
 - For-loop 1-99 :
 - Read file (using a ready-made extension)
 - Store values in corresponding arrays
 - Remove from array values that show too large a difference between consecutive values (slicing)
 - Find index of minimum value in one array and the corresponding value in the other array

Possible solution



```
nb_res=99;
p=zeros(nb_res,1);
r=zeros(nb_res,1);
for i = 1:nb_res;
    res = ini2struct(sprintf("res-%d.txt", i));
    p(i)=str2double(res.main.parameter);
    r(i)=str2double(res.main.result);
end
r(diff(r)>0.1)=nan;
plot(p,r)
[i, j]=min(r);
i, p(j)
~
~
~
~
```

```
library(ini)
nb_res <-99
p <- numeric(nb_res)
r <- numeric(nb_res)
for (i in 1:nb_res) {
    f <- read.ini(sprintf('res-%d.txt', i))
    p[i] <- as.numeric(f$main$parameter )
    r[i] <- as.numeric(f$main$result )
}
plot(p,r, 'l')
r[diff(r) > 0.1] <- NA
print(min(r, na.rm=T))
print(p[which.min(r)])
```

```
import configparser
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

nb_res = 99

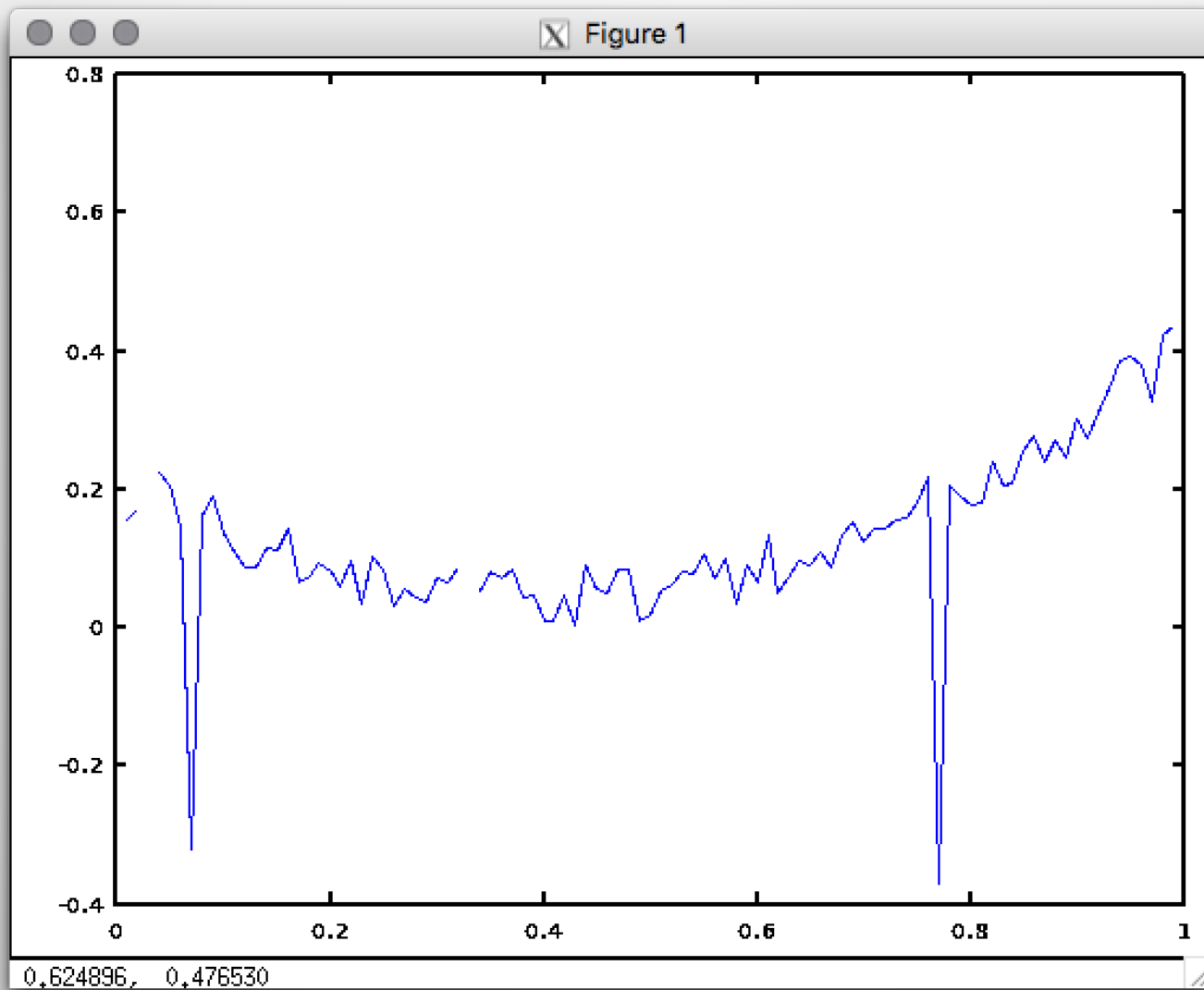
p = np.zeros(nb_res)
r = np.zeros(nb_res)

for i in range(nb_res):
    f = configparser.RawConfigParser()
    f.read("res-{} .txt".format(i=i+1))
    p[i] = float(f.get('main', 'parameter'))
    r[i] = float(f.get('main', 'result'))

plt.plot(p, r, '-')
r[np.where(np.diff(r) > .1)] = np.nan
print(np.nanmin(r))
print(p[np.nanargmin(r)])
```

- <https://nl.mathworks.com/matlabcentral/fileexchange/17177-ini2struct>
- <https://cran.r-project.org/web/packages/ini/index.html>
- <https://docs.python.org/3/library/configparser.html>

Challenge



Summary



Octave, R, Python (and Julia)

Much more programmer-friendly than C/C++/Fortran

Still able to use fast compiled code

Focus on the unsolved problems

Try all and choose one



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