learnr: Interactive R tutorials

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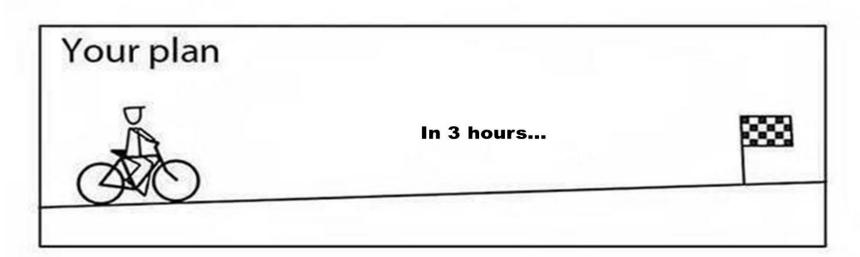
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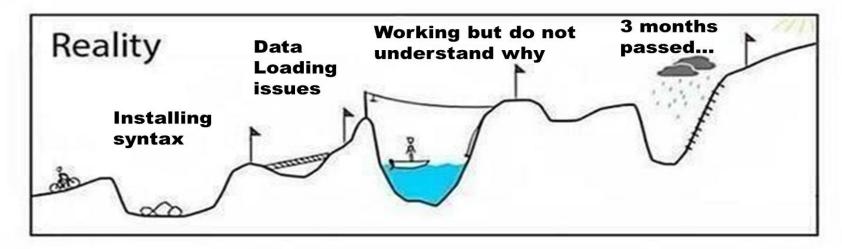
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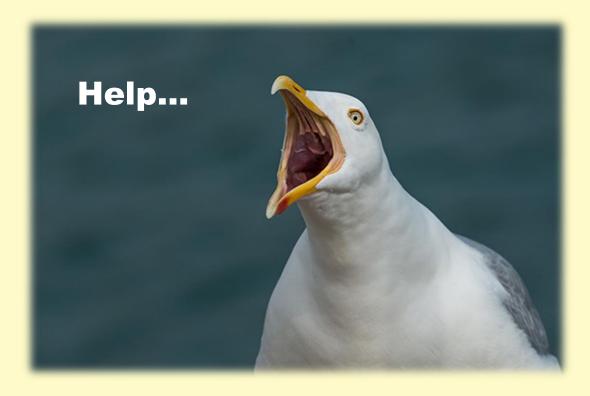
Assume
you teach
R to
others...





Beginner's feeling





learnr:

- Execute R code in excise chunk without pre-installing
- Document learning progress
- Customize quiz or code exercise
- Insert narratives, video or pictures

PlayeR

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English Translation of Chinese words: Give a Man a Fish, and You Feed Him for a Day. Teach a Man To Fish, and You Feed Him for a Lifetime.

About

The PlayeR website teaches you how to programming in R and Statistics interactively with practicing in the R console. No need to downland anything.

There are three main part of each chapter: demo code and play by yourself.

- . Demo code: code will be in R chunk followed with the plot and result.
- . Play R by yourself: default as demo code. It will be your turn to twist the code and see what happen. Have fun!
- · Quiz: a quiz!

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Data Visualization: Static

One of the most important parts of data analysis is to visualize your data even before any modeling or manipulation because **you can see a lot by looking**. This chapter will introduce one of the most powerful *R* package **ggplot**, and you can customize and polish your plots to generate graphics for scientific paper. You can play the code in the Exercise with Code session.

Note: this chapter will use iris dataset (a default R dataset), no need to load external data.

Box Plot

Demo part:

This is a demo for generating boxplot usng iris dataset:



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Now your turn, twist the demo code and see how it changes:

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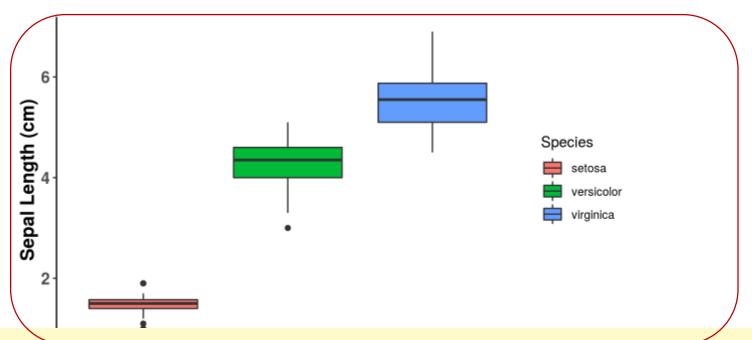
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Output from Exercise Chunk



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                                                                                                                         Run Code
Code
  1 ### Iris as a default demo dataset
  2 ### Fill= Species means each Species has its own color
   3 ggplot(iris, aes(x = Species, y = Petal.Length, fill = Species)) +
       ### geom_boxplot() means plotting as boxplot
       geom_boxplot() +
      ### xlab() for X label
      ### ylab() for y label
      xlab("Species")+ylab("Sepal Length (cm)")+
       ### theme_classic() change the background and ggplot theme. You can change any theme and taste the difference
      theme_classic() +
      ### change the x and y coordinator labels size
      theme(axis.text=element_text(size=12,face="bold"),axis.title=element_text(size=14,face="bold"))
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Educators:

Use learnr:

- Students can play (interact) with the code and have a broad idea of the concept (preview)
- Time saved to hands on experience in a class (classroom)
- Follow up exercise (review)

Students or self-learner:

Use learnr:

- Learning by doing (R exercise chunks)
- Document the learning process
- Systemically tutorials

Extra Packages:

- Code Checking
 - checkr by Danny Kaplan: github.com/dtkaplan/checkr
 - grader by Garrett Grolemund: github.com/rstudioeducation/grader

Thanks!

Any (easy) questions?

