

# *rapport*: a report templating system in **R**

Literate programming with global options and local arguments

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### ① rapportools

Helper functions to be used inside of textual reports.

### ② pandер

Turning R objects into markdown.

### ③ rapport

# What is “pander”?

A collection of helper functions to print markdown syntax

```
> ?pandoc.(footnote|header|horizontal.rule|image|link|p)(.return)?  
> ?pandoc.(emphasis|strikeout|strong|verbatim)(.return)?  
  
> pandoc.strong('foobar')  
**foobar**  
  
> pandoc.strong.return('foobar')  
[1] "***foobar***"  
  
> pandoc.header('foobar', level = 2)  
  
## foobar  
  
> pandoc.header('foobar', style = 'setext')  
  
foobar  
=====
```

# What is “pander”?

Collection of helper functions to map R objects to markdown

```
> ?pandoc.(list|table)(.return)?  
  
> pandoc.list(list('foo', list('bar')))  
  
* foo  
  * bar  
  
> pandoc.table(head(iris, 2), split.table = Inf)
```

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Sepal.Length	Sepal.Width	Petal.Length	Petal.Width	Species
5.1	3.5	1.4	0.2	setosa
4.9	3	1.4	0.2	setosa

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# What is “pander”?

Collection of helper functions to map R objects to various markdown languages

```
> pandoc.table(head(iris, 2), split.table = Inf, style = 'rmarkdown')
```

Sepal.Length	Sepal.Width	Petal.Length	Petal.Width	Species
5.1	3.5	1.4	0.2	setosa
4.9	3	1.4	0.2	setosa

```
> pandoc.table(head(iris, 2), split.table = Inf, style = 'simple')
```

Sepal.Length	Sepal.Width	Petal.Length	Petal.Width	Species
5.1	3.5	1.4	0.2	setosa
4.9	3	1.4	0.2	setosa

# What is “pander”?

Collection of helper functions to map R objects to various markdown languages

```
> iris$Species <- 'foos and bars'; names(iris) <- gsub(' ', ' ', names(iris))  
> pandoc.table(head(iris, 4), split.table = Inf, style = 'grid',  
+ split.cells = 5, justify = 'left')
```

Sepal Length	Sepal Width	Petal Length	Petal Width	Species
5.1	3.5	1.4	0.2	setosa
4.9	3	1.4	0.2	setosa
4.7	3.2	1.3	0.2	setosa
4.6	3.1	1.5	0.2	foos
				and
				bars

# What is “pander”?

S3 method to map R objects to markdown

```
> ?pander(.return)?
> methods(pander)
[1] pander.anova*      pander.aov*       pander.cast_df*    pander.character*
[5] pander.data.frame* pander.default*   pander.density*   pander.evals*
[9] pander.factor*    pander.glm*       pander.htest*     pander.image*
[13] pander.list*      pander.lm*       pander.logical*  pander.matrix*
[17] pander.NULL*      pander.numeric*  pander.option    pander.POSIXct*
[21] pander.POSIXt*    pander.prcomp*   pander.rapport*   pander.table*

Non-visible functions are asterisked
> pander(head(iris, 1), split.table = Inf)
```

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Sepal.Length	Sepal.Width	Petal.Length	Petal.Width	Species
5.1	3.5	1.4	0.2	setosa

---

# What is “pander”?

S3 method to map R objects to markdown

```
> pander(letters[1:7])
```

\_a\_, \_b\_, \_c\_, \_d\_, \_e\_, \_f\_ and \_g\_

```
> pander(ks.test(runif(50), runif(50))
```

```
-----  
Test statistic  P value  Alternative hypothesis
```

```
-----  
0.18        _0.3959_      two-sided
```

```
-----  
Table: Two-sample Kolmogorov-Smirnov test: ‘runif(50)’ and ‘runif(50)’
```

```
> pander(chisq.test(table(mtcars$am, mtcars$gear)))
```

```
-----  
Test statistic  df      P value
```

```
-----  
20.94        2    _2.831e-05_ * * *
```

```
-----  
Table: Pearson’s Chi-squared test: ‘table(mtcars$am, mtcars$gear)’
```

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rapport: a report templating system in R

# What is “pander”?

S3 method to map R objects to markdown

```
> pander(lm(mtcars$wt ~ mtcars$hp), summary = TRUE)
```

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t )
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**mtcars\$hp**	0.009401	0.00196	4.796	4.146e-05
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**(Intercept)**	1.838	0.3165	5.808	2.389e-06
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Observations	Residual Std. Error	\$R^2\$	Adjusted \$R^2\$
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32	0.7483	0.4339	0.4151
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Table: Fitting linear model: mtcars\$wt ~ mtcars\$hp

# What is “pander”?

S3 method to map multiple R objects to markdown

```
> mtable123 <- mtable("Model 1" = lm(hp ~ wt, mtcars),  
+                         "Model 2" = lm(qsec ~ hp, mtcars),  
+                         "Model 3" = lm(qsec ~ wt, mtcars),  
+                         summary.stats = c("R-squared","F","p","N"))  
  
> pander(mtable123)
```

-----  
  &nbs;       Model 1    Model 2    Model 3

-----  
  \*\*(Intercept)\*\*   -1.821   20.556\*\*\* 18.875\*\*\*  
                    (32.325)   (0.542)   (1.103)

  \*\*wt\*\*          46.160\*\*\*                   -0.319  
                    (9.625)                      (0.328)

  \*\*hp\*\*                                   -0.018\*\*\*  
  (0.003)

  \*\*R-squared\*\*    0.434    0.502    0.031

  \*\*F\*\*            22.999   30.190   0.945

# What is “pander”?

S3 method to map R objects to pretty formatted markdown

```
> panderOptions('table.split.table', Inf)
> panderOptions('table.style', 'grid')
> emphasize.cells(which(iris > 1.3, arr.ind = TRUE))
> pander(iris)

+-----+-----+-----+-----+
| Sepal.Length | Sepal.Width | Petal.Length | Petal.Width | Species |
+=====+=====+=====+=====+
| *5.1* | *3.5* | *1.4* | 0.2 | setosa |
+-----+-----+-----+-----+
| *4.9* | *3* | *1.4* | 0.2 | setosa |
+-----+-----+-----+-----+
| *4.7* | *3.2* | 1.3 | 0.2 | setosa |
+-----+-----+-----+-----+
| *4.6* | *3.1* | *1.5* | 0.2 | setosa |
+-----+-----+-----+-----+
| *5* | *3.6* | *1.4* | 0.2 | setosa
```

# What does “pander” do inside of “rapport”?

A tool for literate programming that automatically transforms R objects into markdown

```
# A quick analysis on mtcars
```

```
<% for (v in names(mtcars)) { %>
```

The mean of `<%= v %>` is `<%= mean(mtcars[, v]) %>` and the standard deviation is `<%= sd(mtcars[, v]) %>`. Let us also check the frequency table:

```
<%= table(mtcars[, v]) %>
```

```
## Tables are boring!
```

```
<%=
```

```
set.caption(paste("Histogram of", v))
```

```
hist(mtcars[, v], xlab = v, col = sample(colors(), 1), main = "")
```

```
%>
```

```
<% } %>
```

# What does “pander” do inside of “rapport”?

Pandoc.brew: markdown results

```
# A quick analysis on mtcars
```

The mean of am is 0.4062 and the standard deviation is 0.499. Let us also check the frequency table:

```
-----
0     1
--- ---
19    13
-----
```

```
## Tables are boring!
```

```
![Histogram of am] (/tmp/RtmpL0K2Q/plots/f2457fb575.png)
```

```
...
```

# What does “pander” do inside of “rapport”?

Pandoc.brew: calling Pandoc to convert the results to HTML

The screenshot shows a Mozilla Firefox window with a private browsing session. The address bar displays "file:///tmp/Rtmp83n18y/demo-application.html". The main content area shows a report titled "A quick analysis on mtcars". The report includes text stating "The mean of am is 0.4062 and the standard deviation is 0.499. Let us also check the frequency table:" followed by a frequency table and a histogram.

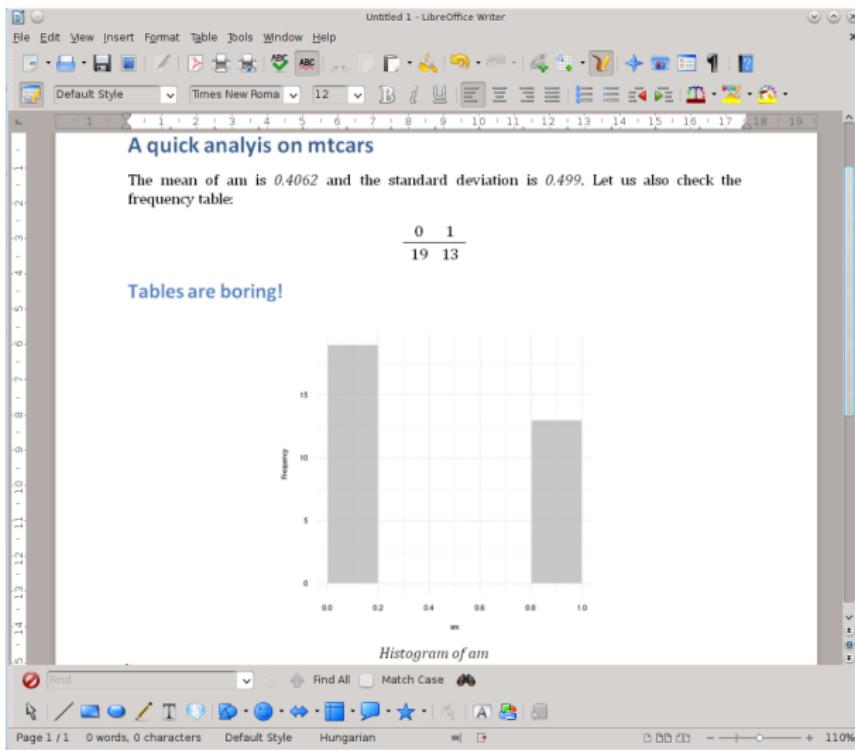
0	1
19	13

Tables are boring!

A histogram with "Frequency" on the y-axis (0 to 15) and an unlabeled x-axis. It contains two bars: one tall orange bar reaching approximately 18 on the y-axis, and one shorter orange bar reaching approximately 12 on the y-axis.

# What does “pander” do inside of “rapport”?

Pandoc.brew: calling Pandoc to convert the results to MS docx



# “rapport” overview

The overall structure of a reusable report template

```
<!--head  
meta:  
  title: ...  
  author: ...  
  description: ...  
  packages:  
    ...  
inputs:  
- name: ...  
  class: ...  
head-->  
  
<% for (...) { %>  
  
## Subtitle with <%= inline code chunk %>  
  
<%= table(...) %>  
  
<% } %>
```

# “rapport” demo

Header: meta information on the reporting template and input(s) specification

```
<!--head
meta:
  title: Rapport demo
  author: daroczig
  description: This is POC demo on the usage of rapport templates
  packages:
    - ggplot2
    - pander
inputs:
  - name: v
    label: Variable to analyse
    required: yes
    class: numeric
    length:
      min: 1.0
      max: 1.0
  - name: color
    label: Color of the histogram
    standalone: yes
    value: red
    class: character
head-->
```

# “rapport” demo

Body: normal text with brew-style code chunks

```
# A quick analysis on <%= v.name %>
```

The mean of <%= v.name %> is <%= mean(v) %> and the standard deviation is <%= sd(v) %>. Let us also check the frequency table:

```
<%= table(v) %>
```

```
## Tables are boring!
```

```
<%=
```

```
set.caption(paste('Histogram of', v.name))
hist(v, xlab = v, col = color, main = '')
%>
```

# “rapport” demo

```
> rapport('rapport-demo', data = mtcars, v = 'am')  
  
# A quick analysis on _am_
```

The mean of am is 0.4062 and the standard deviation is 0.499. Let us also check the frequency table:

```
-----  
0     1  
--- ---  
19    13  
-----
```

**## Tables are boring!**

```
![Histogram of am] (/tmp/RtmpL0K2Q/plots/f2457fb575.png)
```

# A bit more complex demo

Analysing the results of a dialect survey with Google Maps and ordinary English language

**UK dialect maps**

Analysing the results of The Cambridge Online Survey of World Englishes in the United Kingdom @ [http://www.tekstlab.uio.no/cambridge\\_survey](http://www.tekstlab.uio.no/cambridge_survey)

\* Question Pop or soda?

Number of neighbours to check  3

Color palette Set1

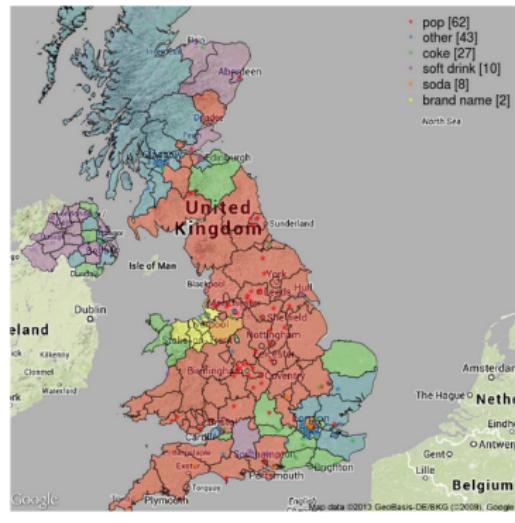
Output format html

Open in new tab

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## Map

First, let us plot the raw results about Pop or soda? gathered in the United Kingdom on a terrain map borrowed from [Google](#):



<http://blog.rapporter.net/2013/07/uk-dialect-maps.html>

# A bit more complex demo

Analysing the results of a dialect survey with Google Maps and ordinary English language

## Summary

The **most popular category** in the United Kingdom was <<pop>> for <<Pop or soda?>> chosen by *four tenth* of the respondents.

And the most important differences between the countries can be summarised as:

- it seems, that *two tenth* of Brittish people disagree with <<other>> that is low comparing to e.g. Scottish people
- eventually, *less than one tenth* of Brittish people tends to dislike the answer <<soft drink>> that is low compared to lets say Northern Irish people
- it seems, that *one half* of people living in Northern Ireland tends to like the answer <<soft drink>> that is high comparing to e.g. Welsh citizens
- it seems, that *two tenth* of Scottish people tends to dislike the answer <<pop>> that is low compared to the average
- it seems, that *five tenth* of Scottish people love the answer <<other>> that is high compared to lets say Brittish people

<http://blog.rapporter.net/2013/07/uk-dialect-maps.html>

# Rapporter packages

All released under AGPL, designed to be deployed in web applications

pander: A Pandoc's markdown writer in R

[GitHub](#) 

rapport: A report templating system with dynamic inputs

[GitHub](#) 

rapportools: Helpers functions

[GitHub](#) 

sandboxR: Filtering "malicious" R calls

[GitHub](#)

Further documentation:

- <http://rapport-package.info/>
- <http://rapporter.github.io/pander/>
- <http://hackme.rapporter.net>
- <http://blog.rapporter.net>

**Q & A:** [daroczig@rapporter.net](mailto:daroczig@rapporter.net)

# Why pander?

## Custom features

- brew loops and conditional parts of a report just like with brew,
- capturing plots and images with automatically applied theme,
- render all R objects automatically in Pandoc's markdown,
- recording all warning/error messages **plus** the raw R objects along with anything printed to stdout and the printed results,
- custom caching mechanism to disk or RAM with auto-dependency,
- convert to HTML/pdf/odt/docx at one go,
- no chunk options (only workaround),
- building reports also in interactive session with an R5 reference class.

<http://rapporter.github.io/pander/#brew-to-pandoc>