Providing R Reporting Capabilities to a Web Application from a Version Controlled R Code Database

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Reusing R Code for Item Display and Reports

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- International Company
- Many people
- Lack of control
- Wasted effort



Benefits

 Use the same R code with different data

- Hide the R code from the end user
- Store results for later use
- Cope with changing code
- Automate report production



Item Definitions

- XML describing what the item is and how to generate it
 - Defines rules about data it needs
 - Provides descriptions of expected user arguments
 - The R code

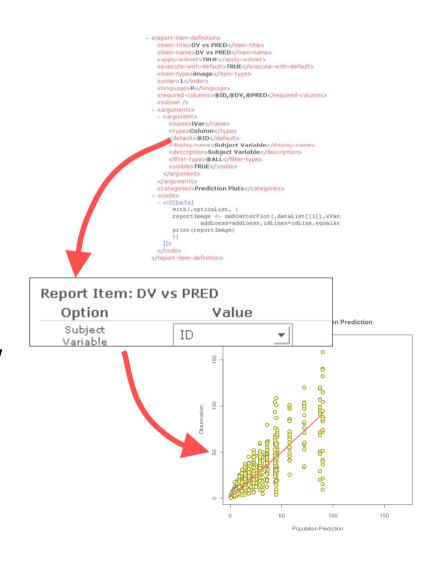
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Generating an Item

- Item definition from database
- Display fields
- Set variables
- Run the R code
- Audit and store new results for re-use



Report Production

- Define reports using item definitions
- Use the same process of item generation
- User arguments are provided as part of the report definition
- Output to a number of standard formats
- The report data is reusable



In Summary

- Reusing versioned R code
- Quick comparison of data
- Faster item generation
- Faster report generation
- Quicker turnaround from data to final report

