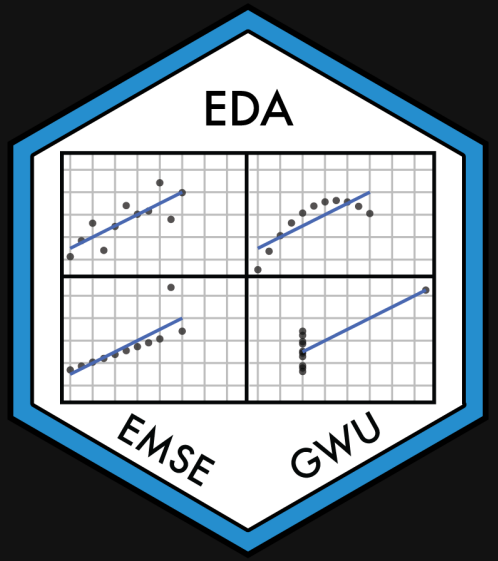

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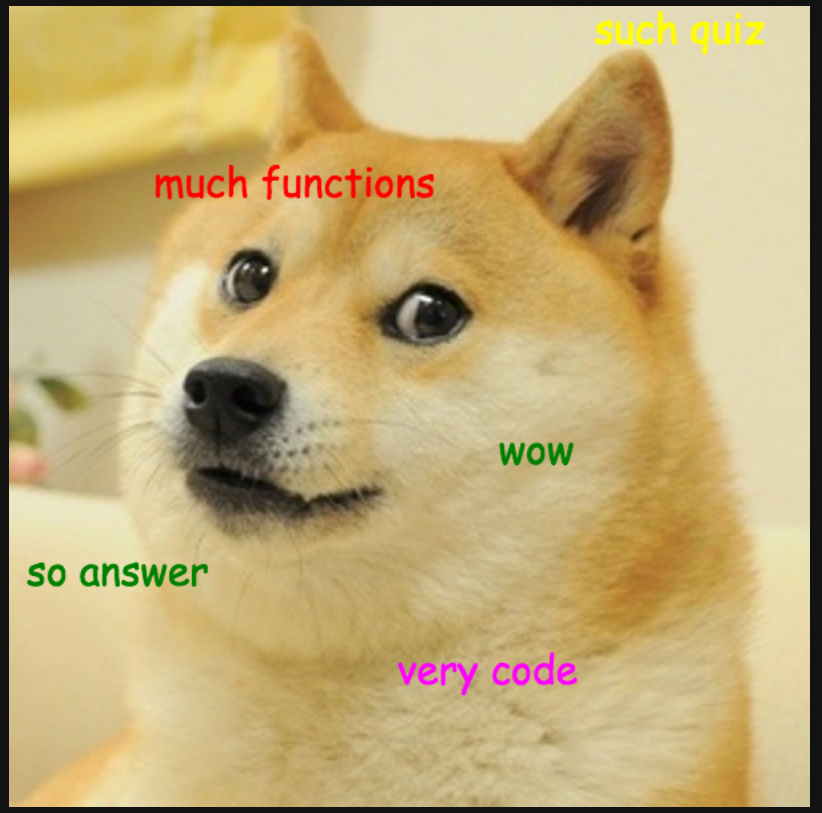

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New libraries to install

```
install.packages('shiny')
install.packages('shinyWidgets')
install.packages('rsconnect')
```

Interactive Webapps in R

Check out the Shiny Gallery

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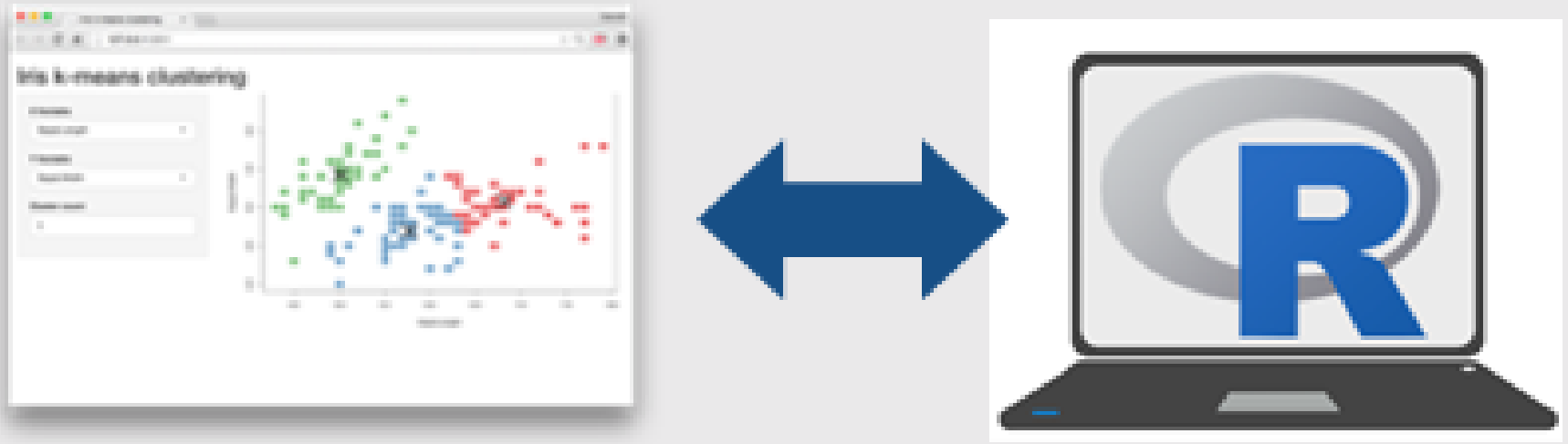
Anatomy of a Shiny App

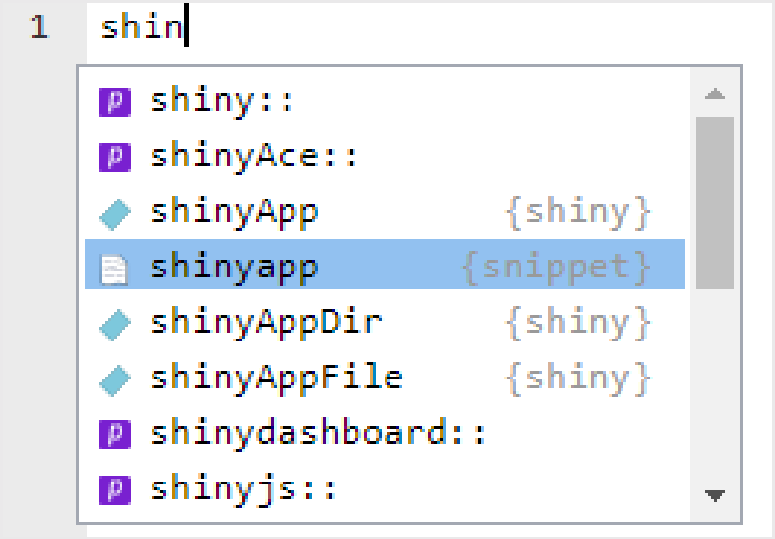
A Shiny app is a web page (UI) connected to a computer running a live R session (Server)



app.R

You can insert all the code at once with the shinyapp snippet!

Just start typing `shiny`...




```
library(shiny)

ui <- fluidPage(

)

server <- function(input, output, session) {

}

shinyApp(ui, server)
```

Building a shiny app

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`server`

1. Use `render*()` functions to make outputs
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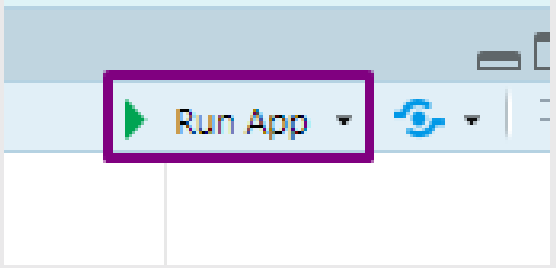
3. Link inputs with `input$<id>`

Run the app 🎬

- **Option 1**: Click the "Run App" button in the toolbar:



- **Option 2**: Use a keyboard shortcut: Cmd/Ctrl + Shift + Enter.
- **Option 3**: `shiny::runApp()` with the path to the **app.R** file.

Your Turn

hello_shiny.app

File → New File → Shiny Web App...

```
library(shiny)

# Define UI for application that draws a histogram
ui <- fluidPage(

    # Application title
    titlePanel("Old Faithful Geyser Data"),

    # Sidebar with a slider input for number of bins
    sidebarLayout(
        sidebarPanel(
            sliderInput("bins",
                        "Number of bins:",
                        min = 1,
                        max = 50,
                        value = 30)
        ),

        # Show a plot of the generated distribution
        mainPanel(
           plotOutput("distPlot")
        )
    )
)

# Define server logic required to draw a histogram
server <- function(input, output) {

    output$distPlot <- renderPlot({
        # generate bins based on input$bins from ui.R
        x    <- faithful[, 2]
        bins <- seq(min(x), max(x), length.out = input$bins + 1)

        # draw the histogram with the specified number of bins
        hist(x, breaks = bins, col = 'darkgray', border = 'white')
    })
}

# Run the application
shinyApp(ui = ui, server = server)
```

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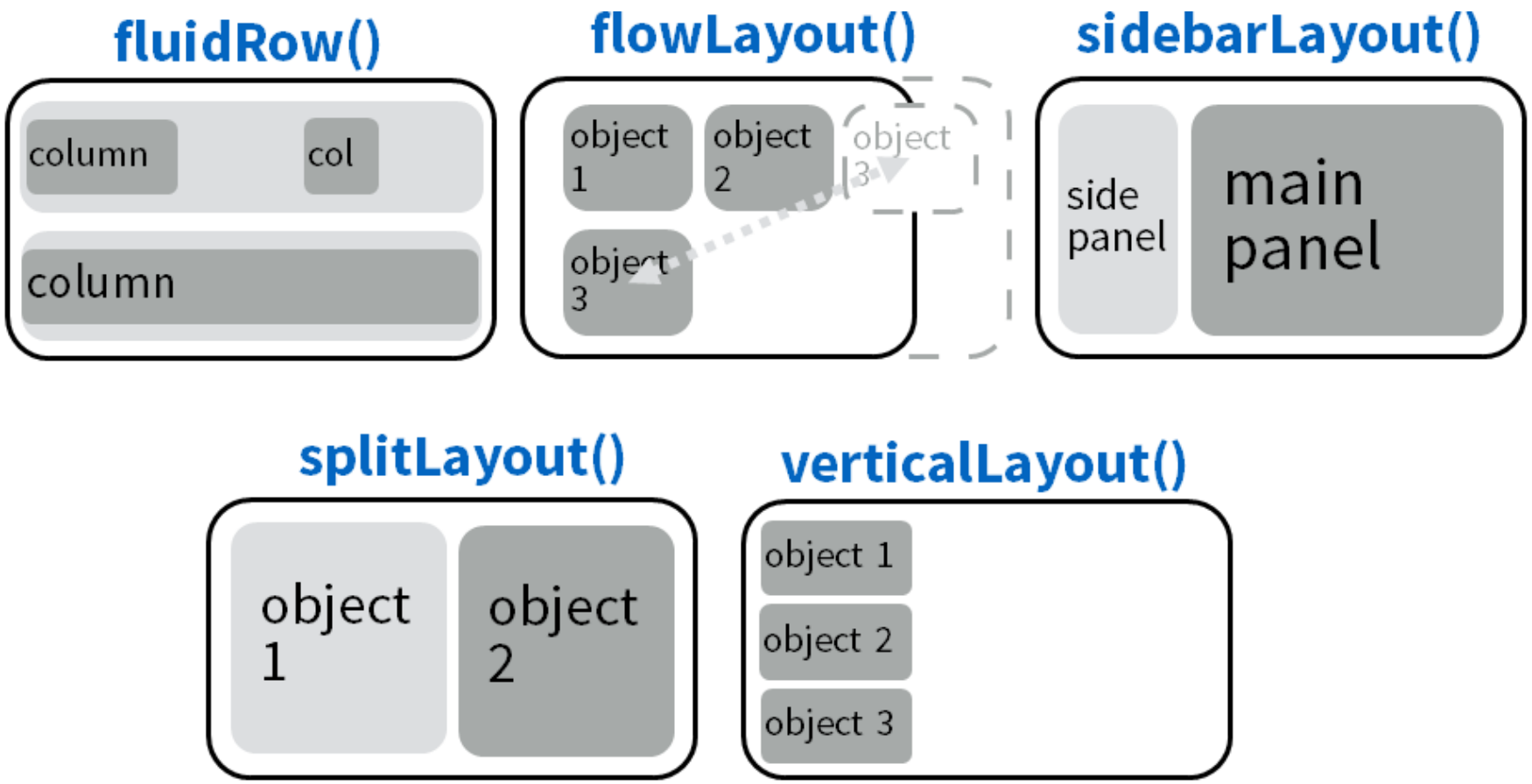
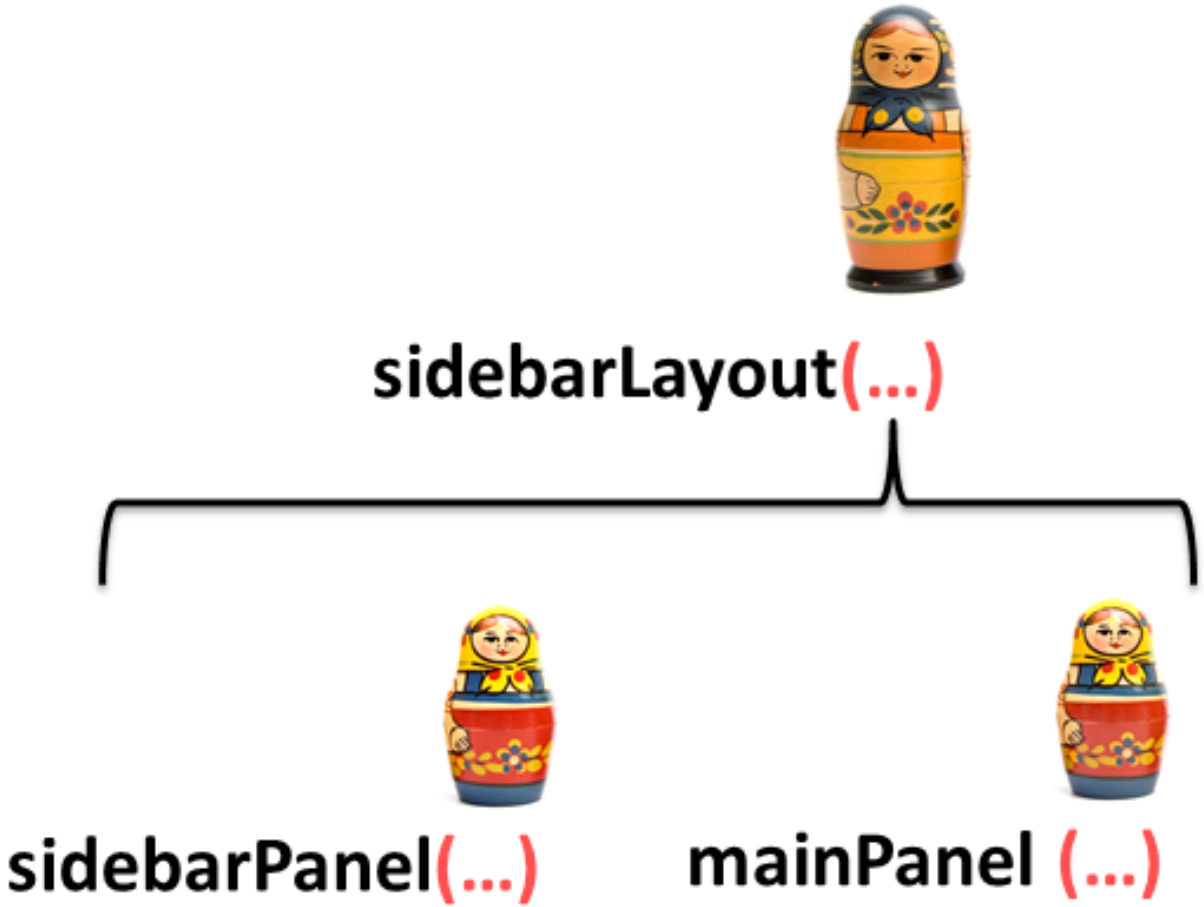
User Interface (UI)

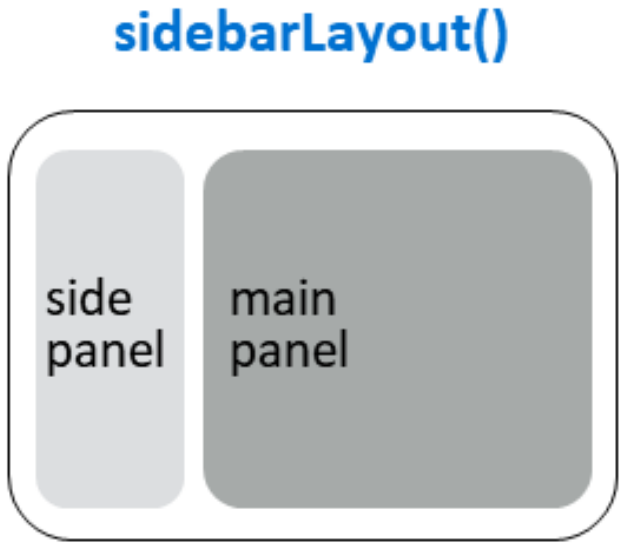
Matryoshka Dolls

Organize panels and elements into a layout with a **layout function**

Top level is usually `fluidPage()`

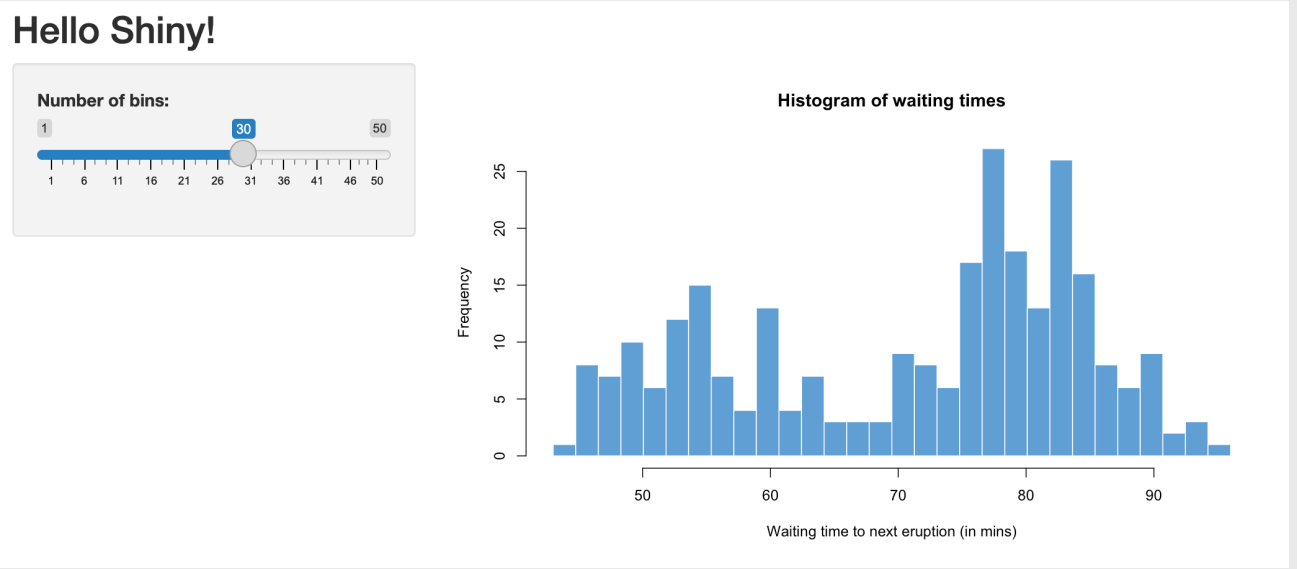



sidebarLayout(...)
sidebarPanel(...)
mainPanel (...)


sidebarLayout()
side
panel
main
panel

sidebarLayout()

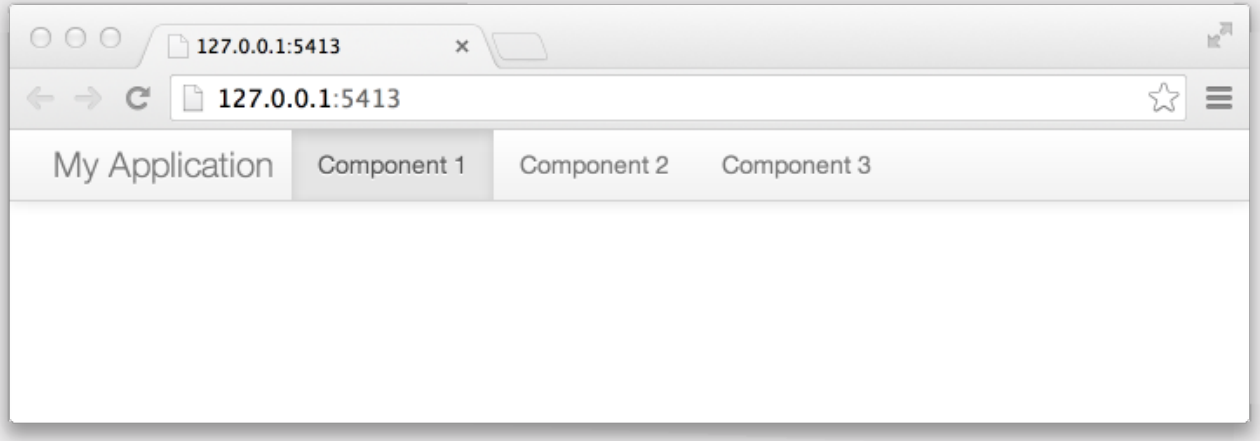
```
ui <- fluidPage(

  titlePanel("Hello Shiny!"),

  sidebarLayout(

    sidebarPanel(
      sliderInput(
        "bins", label = "Number of
        min = 1, value = 30, max =
      )
    ),

    mainPanel(
      plotOutput("distPlot")
    )
  )
)
```



`navbarPage()`: An alternative to `fluidPage()`

Think of each `tabPanel()` as it's own `fluidPage()`

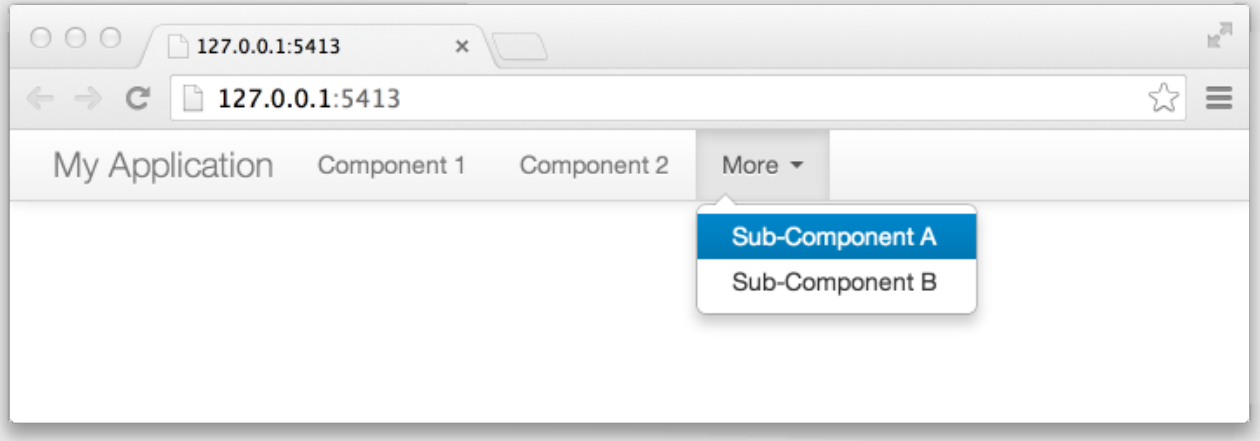
```
ui <- navbarPage("My Application",
  tabPanel("Component 1"),
  tabPanel("Component 2"),
  tabPanel("Component 3")
)
```



`navbarPage()`: An alternative to `fluidPage()`

Use `navbarMenu()` to create a nested menu item

```
ui <- navbarPage("My Application",
  tabPanel("Component 1"),
  tabPanel("Component 2"),
  navbarMenu("More",
    tabPanel("Sub-Component A"),
    tabPanel("Sub-Component B"))
)
```



The UI defines the "what" and "where" for:

1. **Inputs**: collect values from the user
2. **Output**: display something to the user

Inputs: collect values from the user

Buttons

Action

Submit

actionButton()
submitButton()

Single checkbox

Choice A

checkboxInput()

Checkbox group

Choice 1
Choice 2
Choice 3

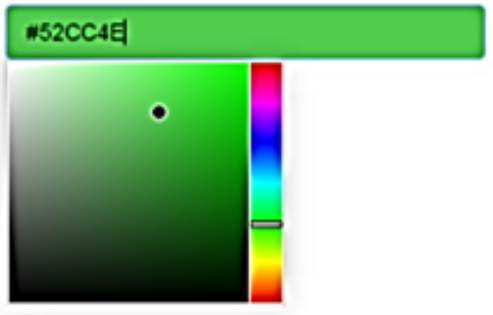
checkboxGroupInput()

Date input

2014-01-01

dateInput()

Colour input



shinyjs::colourInput()

Date range

2014-01-24 to 2014-01-24

dateRangeInput()

File input

Choose File No file chosen

fileInput()

Numeric input

1

numericInput()

Password Input

••••••••••

passwordInput()

Radio buttons

Choice 1
Choice 2
Choice 3

radioButtons()

Select box

Choice 1

selectInput()

Sliders

sliderInput()

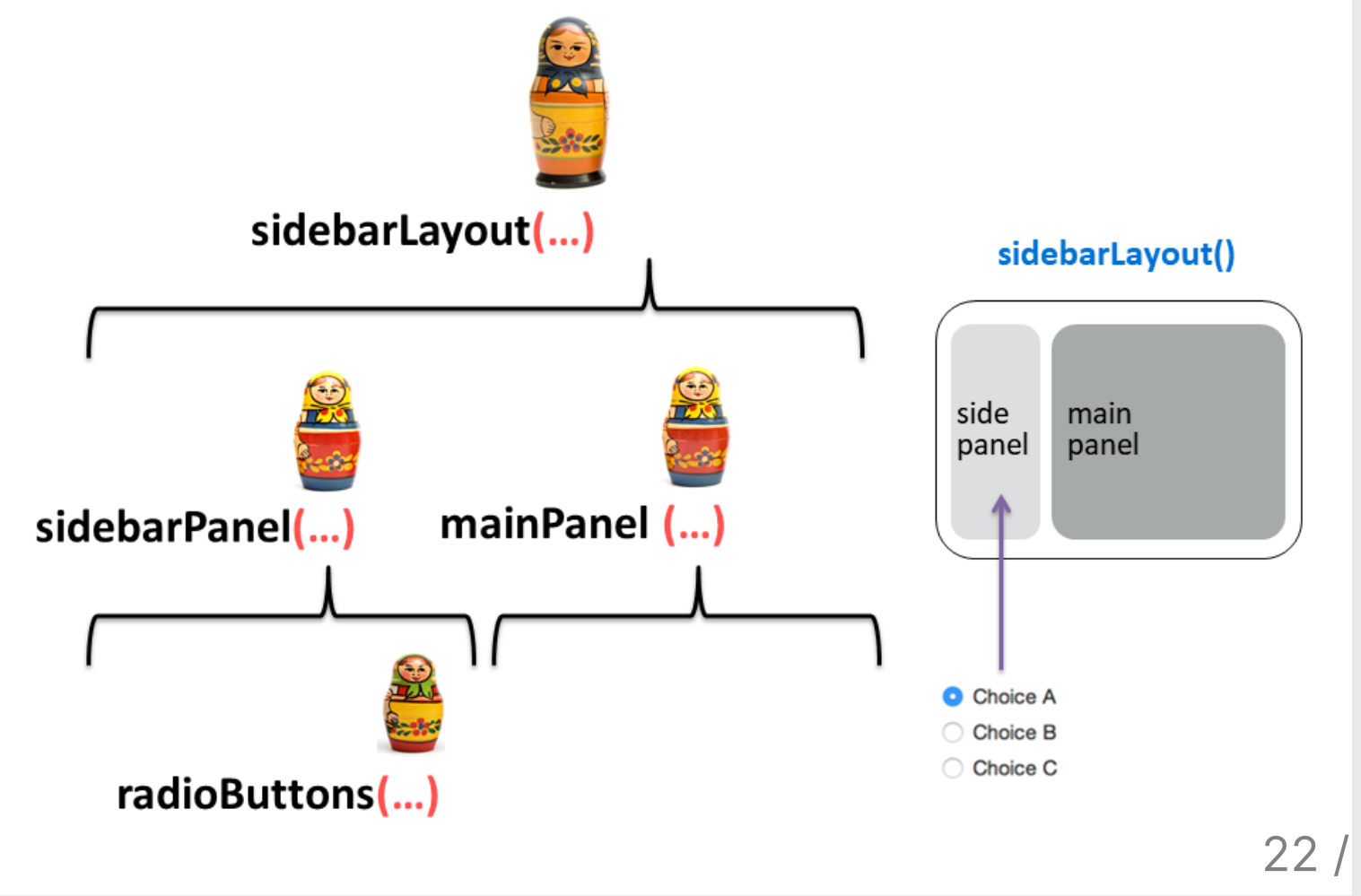
Text input

Enter text...

textInput()

Example Input: Radio buttons in the sidebar

```
ui <- fluidPage(
  sidebarLayout(
    sidebarPanel(
      radioButtons(…)
    ),
    mainPanel(…)
  )
)
```



Quick practice

Open the `widgets.R` app and click the "Run App" button

((((((((( )))))))))

) #mainPanel
) #sidebarLayout
) #fluidPage

Your Turn

10:00

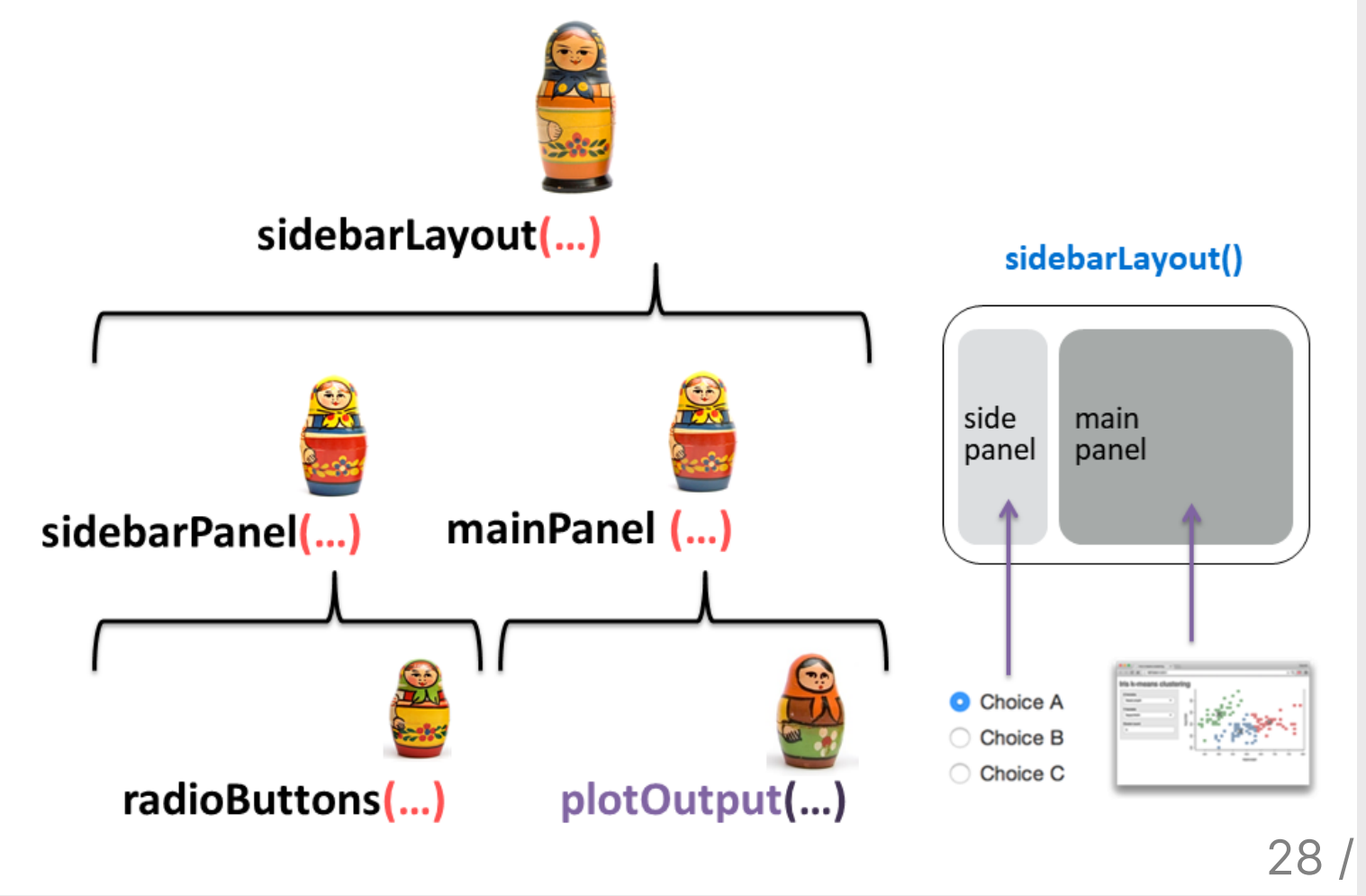
1. Open the `widgets.R` file.
2. Go to the Shiny Widgets Gallery and pick a new widget.
3. Look at the code for the widget and try to add that widget to the sidebar in the `widgets.R` file below all the other widgets.
4. Debug together! (ask each other questions)

The UI defines the "what" and "where" for:

1. **Inputs**: collect values from the user
2. **Output**: display something to the user

Example Output: Put a plot in the main panel

```
ui <- fluidPage(
  sidebarLayout(
    sidebarPanel(
      radioButtons(…)
    ),
    mainPanel(
      plotOutput(…)
    )
  )
)
```



Output: display something to the user

Output function	Description
`plotOutput()`	Display a reactive *plot*
`dataTableOutput()`	Display a `DT::datatable()`
`textOutput()`	Display reactive *text*
`imageOutput()`	Display an image

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Building a shiny app

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1. Pick a layout function, e.g. `sidebarLayout()`
2. Add inputs widgets
3. Add `*Output()` functions

`server`

1. Use `render*()` functions to make outputs
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Outputs - render*() and *Output() functions work together to add R output to the UI

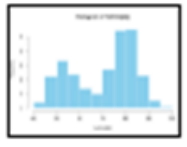
DT::**renderDataTable**(expr, options, callback, escape, env, quoted)

works with

dataTableOutput(outputId, icon, …)

renderImage(expr, env, quoted, deleteFile)

imageOutput(outputId, width, height, click, dblclick, hover, hoverDelay, hoverDelayType, brush, clickId, hoverId, inline)



renderPlot(expr, width, height, res, …, env, quoted, func)

plotOutput(outputId, width, height, click, dblclick, hover, hoverDelay, hoverDelayType, brush, clickId, hoverId, inline)

renderPrint(expr, env, quoted, func, width)

verbatimTextOutput(outputId)

renderTable(expr,…, env, quoted, func)

tableOutput(outputId)

foo

renderText(expr, env, quoted, func)

textOutput(outputId, container, inline)

renderUI(expr, env, quoted, func)

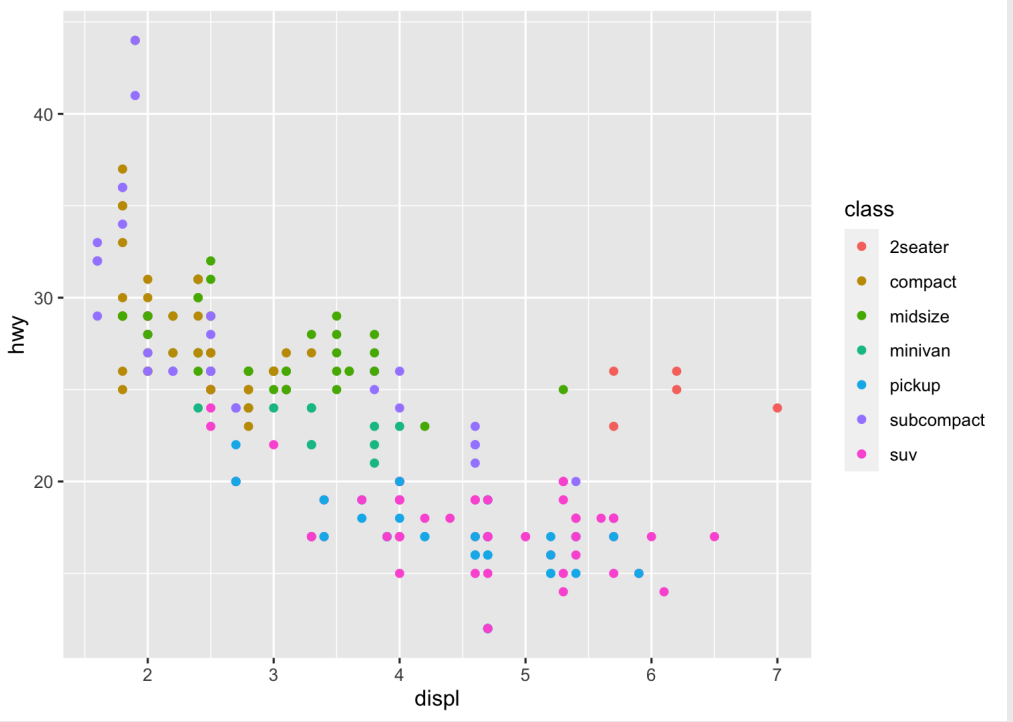
uiOutput(outputId, inline, container, …)

& **htmlOutput**(outputId, inline, container, …)

Using `renderPlot()`: make a plot

```
library(ggplot2)

ggplot(mpg) +
  geom_point(
    aes(x = displ, y = hwy, color = class))
```



Link plot to output with `output$<id>`

ui

```
ui <- fluidPage(
  sidebarLayout(
    sidebarPanel(
      radioButtons(…)
    ),
    mainPanel(
      plotOutput(
        outputId = "mpg_plot"
      )
    )
  )
)
```

server

```
server <- function(input, output, session) {
  output$mpg_plot <- renderPlot({
    ggplot(mpg) +
      geom_point(
        aes(x = displ, y = hwy, color = class))
  })
}
```

Link user inputs to plot with `input$<id>`

`ui`

```
ui <- fluidPage(
  sidebarLayout(
    sidebarPanel(
      radioButtons(
        inputId = "xvar",
        label = "Select the x-axis variable:",
        selected = "displ",
        choices = c(
          "Highway miles per gallon" = "hwy",
          "City miles per gallon" = "cty",
          "Engine displacement, in litres" = "displ")
      ),
    ),
    mainPanel(
      plotOutput(
        outputId = "mpg_plot"
      )
    )
  )
)
```

`server`

```
server <- function(input, output, session) {
  output$mpg_plot <- renderPlot({
    ggplot(mpg) +
      geom_point(
        aes_string(
          x = input$xvar,
          y = "hwy",
          color = "class"))
  })
}
```

Note: I switched the ggplot code from `aes()` to `aes_string()`

Quick practice

Open the `mpg.R` app and click the "Run App" button

Your Turn

10:00

1. Open the `caseConverter.R` file.
2. In the `server`: Write code in the provided `renderText()` to convert the input text to lower case.
3. Run the app and test that it's working.
4. In the `ui` main panel: Add two more `textOutput()` functions for also displaying the input text in "upper" case and "title" case.
5. In the `server`: Define two more outputs to convert the input text to "upper" case and "title" case.

Intermission

05:00

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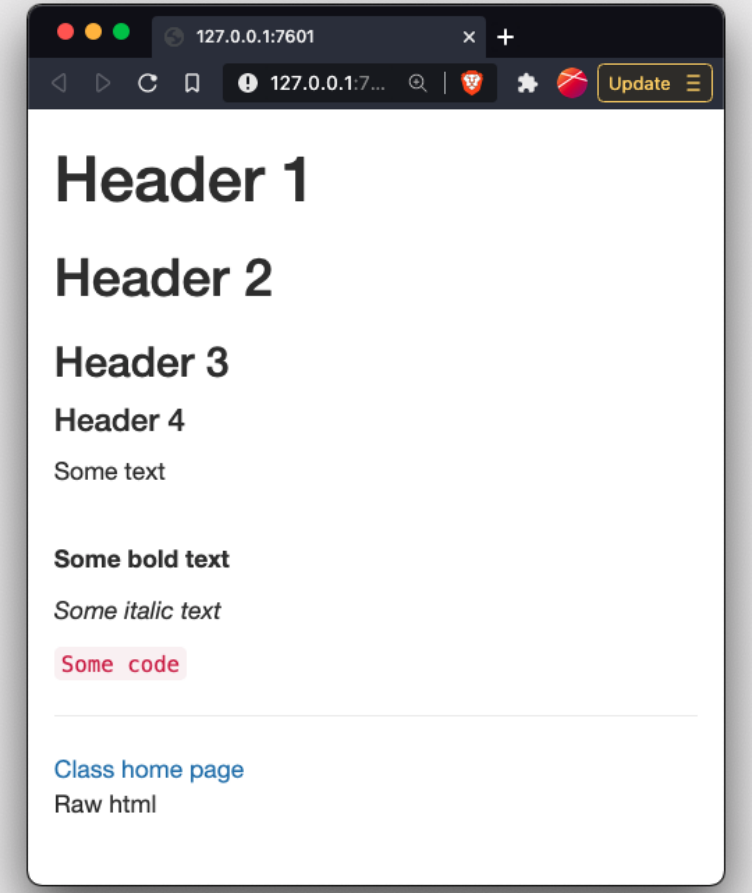
Use html functions to add text

See example in `html.R` app

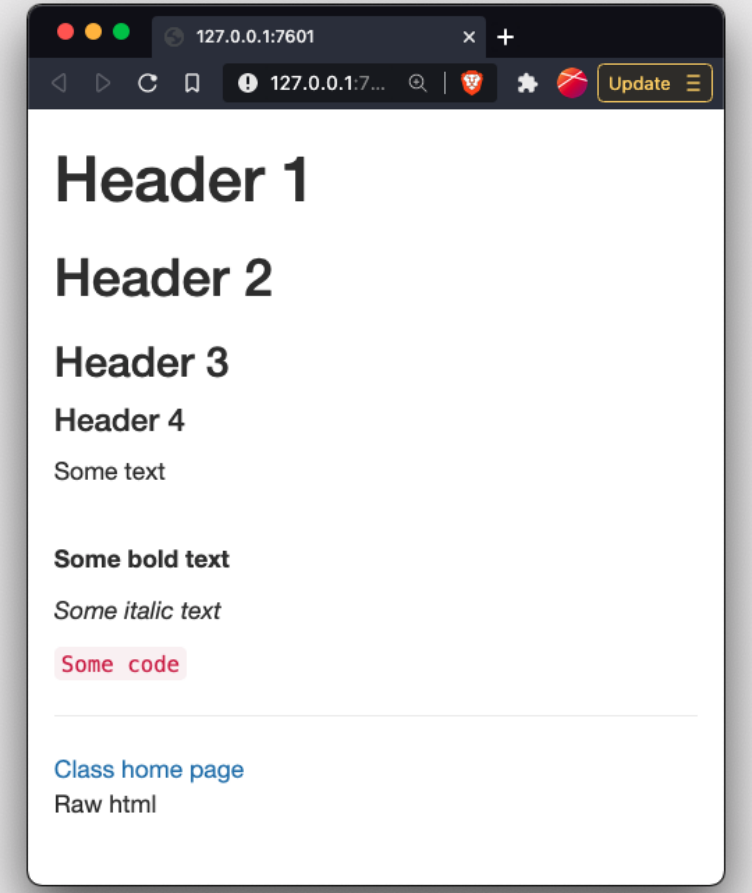
```
ui <- fluidPage(
  h1("Header 1"),
  h2("Header 2"),
  h3("Header 3"),
  h4("Header 4"),
  p("Some text"),
  br(),
  p(strong("Some bold text")),
  p(em("Some italic text")),
  p(code("Some code")),
  hr(),
  a(href="https://eda.seas.gwu.edu/2021-Spring/",
    "Class home page"),
  HTML("<p>Raw html</p>")
)
```



Can also just use plain markdown

See example in `markdown.R` app

```
ui <- fluidPage(
  markdown("
  # Header 1
  ## Header 2
  ### Header 3
  #### Header 4
  Some text
  **Some bold text**
  _Some italic text_
  `Some code`
  [Class home page](https://eda.seas.gwu.edu/2021-Spr
  ")
)
```



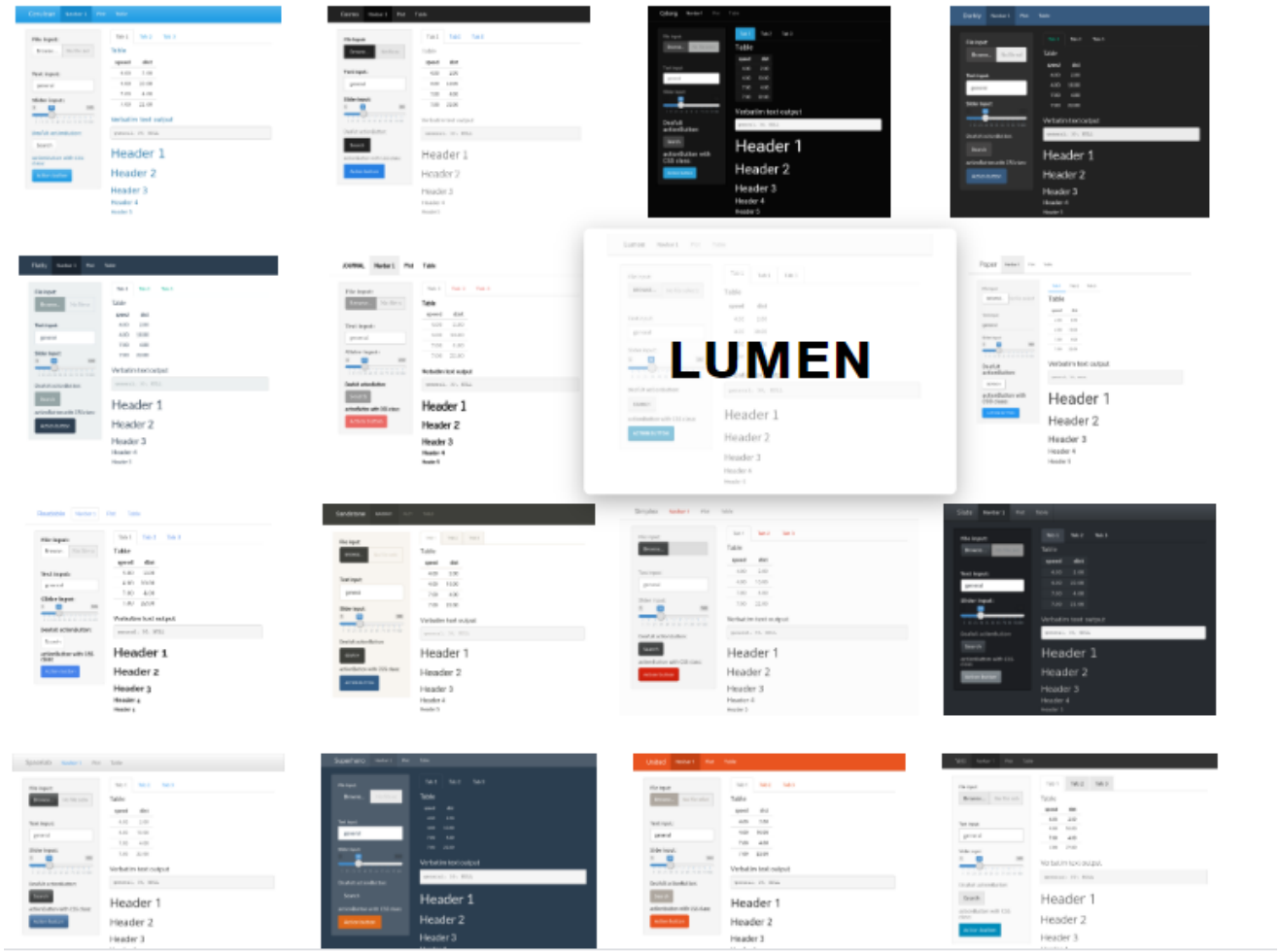
Quick practice

02:00

Open your `caseConverter.R` app and add html functions or markdown to add the following:

- Give the app a title by inserting a level 1 header in the `fluidPage()` function and before the `sidebarLayout()` function.
- In the main `ui` panel, add a short description of what the app does.

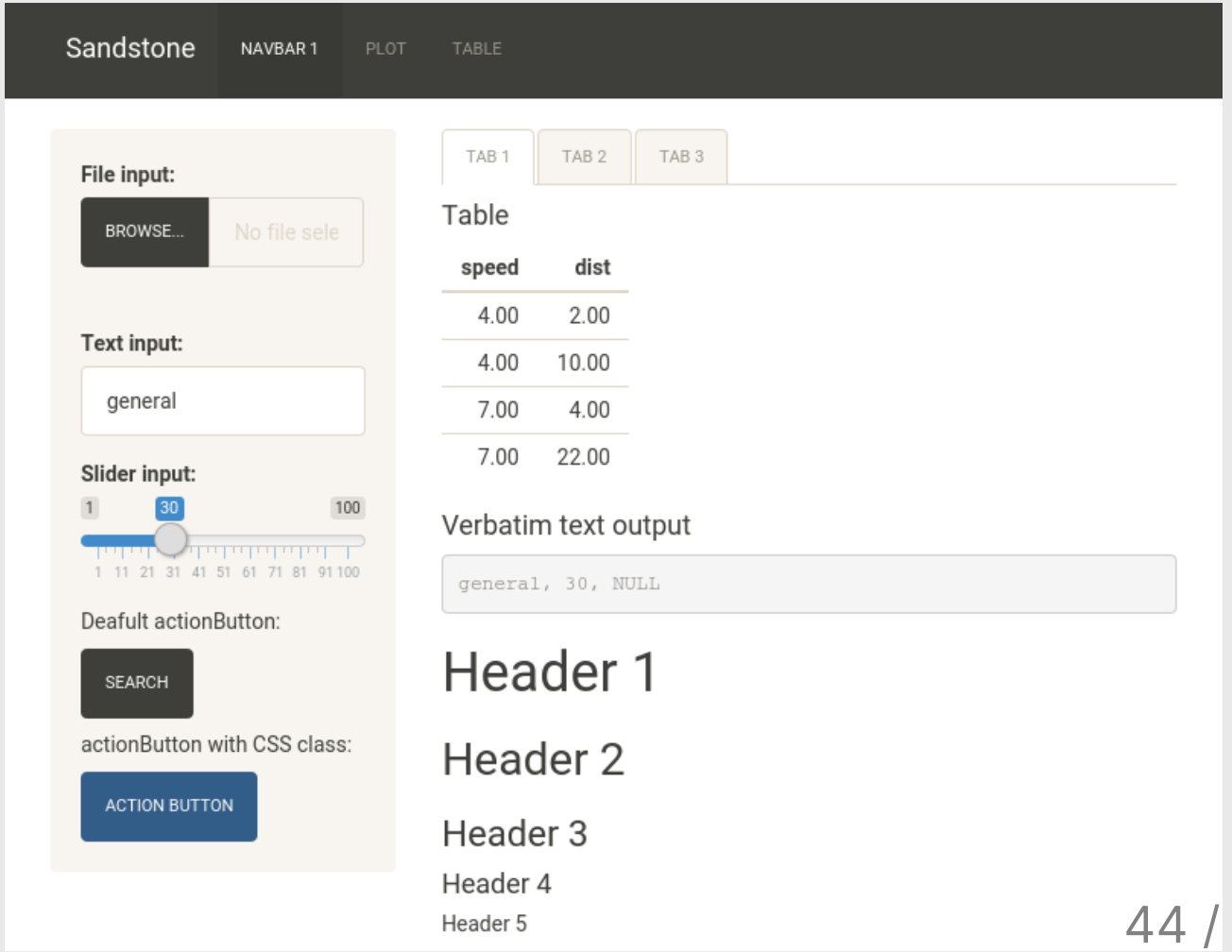
Add a theme with "shinythemes" package



Insert theme at top of main `ui` layout function

```
library(shinythemes)

ui <- fluidPage(
  theme = shinytheme("sandstone"),
  sidebarLayout(
    sidebarPanel(
      <insert widgets>
    ),
    mainPanel(
      <insert outputs>
    )
  )
)
```



Fancier widgets with "shinyWidgets" package

Open the `shinyWidgets.R` app and click the "Run App" button

Common shiny situations

- Filtering for a single category: `federalSpending.R`

- Filtering for multiple categories: `federalSpendingCompare.R`

Filtering for a single category: `federalSpending.R`

```
ui <- fluidPage(

  h1("Federal R&D Spending by Department"),

  sidebarLayout(

    sidebarPanel(
      selectInput(
        inputId = "department",
        label = "Choose a department:",
        selected = "DOD",
        choices = c(...)
    ),

    mainPanel(
      plotOutput("spendingPlot")
    )
  )
)
```

```
server <- function(input, output){
  output$spendingPlot <- renderPlot({

    # Filter out the data based on the user input
    data <- federal_spending %>%
      filter(department == input$department)

    ggplot(data) +
      geom_col(
        aes(x = year, y = rd_budget),
        fill = "steelblue", width = 0.7, alpha = 0.8
      scale_y_continuous(
        labels = scales::dollar,
        expand = expansion(mult = c(0, 0.05))) +
      theme_half_open(font_size = 18) +
      labs(
        x = "Year",
        y = "$USD Millions",
        title = paste("Federal R&D Spending"))

  })
}
```

Filtering for multiple categories: `federalSpendingCompare.R`

```r
ui <- fluidPage(

  h1("Federal R&D Spending by Department"),

  sidebarLayout(

    sidebarPanel(
      selectInput(
        inputId = "department",
        label = "Choose a department:",
        selected = "DOD",
        multiple = TRUE,
        choices = c(...)
    ),

    mainPanel(
      plotOutput("spendingPlot")
    )
  )
)
```

```r
server <- function(input, output){
  output$spendingPlot <- renderPlot({

    # Filter out the data based on the user input
    data <- federal_spending %>%
      filter(department %in% input$department)

    ggplot(data) +
      geom_col(
        aes(x = year, y = rd_budget),
        fill = "steelblue", width = 0.7, alpha = 0.8
      facet_wrap(~department) +
      scale_y_continuous(
        labels = scales::dollar,
        expand = expansion(mult = c(0, 0.05))) +
      theme_half_open(font_size = 18) +
      labs(
        x = "Year",
        y = "$USD Millions",
        title = paste("Federal R&D Spending"))

  })
}
```

If you really want to get good at this:

1. Print out this Cheatsheet
2. Watch this 2.5 Hour Comprehensive RStudio Tutorial
3. Use this reference manual: Mastering Shiny

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You can deploy an app for free on shinyapps.io

Follow the RStudio guide

1. Create a shinyapps.io account
2. Open your tokens, click "Show", copy the code
3. Run the code in RStudio
4. Deploy your app:

```
library(rsconnect)
deployApp()
```

Your Turn

15:00

1. Open the `internetUsers.R` file.
2. Modify the server code so that the inputs control the plot.
3. Deploy your app to shinyapps.io

Fill out course evals: https://gwu.smartevals.com/

(please be specific!)