How to make research reproducible?

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Time and place: Sep. 8, 2023 10:00 AM – 11:00 AM, Zoom **Open and reproducible research: An overview** Learn about what open research is and how to make your own research more transparent and reproducible.



Time and place: Sep. 13, 2023 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM, Zoom How to preregister research studies? Learn about what preregistration is and how to preregister your own studies.

Open and reproducible research courses



Time and place: Sep. 15, 2023 10:00 AM – 11:00 AM, Zoom How to make research reproducible? Learn about tools and practices for more reproducible and effective research

Sep 8th - 20th 2023



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Learn about different tools, platforms and services to share your research and other contributions, and how you utilise them to make yourself and your work more visible to the academic community and the society at large.

Roadmap

- Some definitions
- Open research and reproducibility
- Reproducible data acquisition, processing, analyses and reports/publications (with some useful tools)
- Take-aways
- Q&A time!

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Reproduced

results are consistent when following the same method and analysis steps with the **same input** data

Qualitative studies process transparency

"obtaining consistent computational results using the same input data, computational steps, methods, code, and conditions of analysis"

Re-running analyses/code with the same data

Qualitative studies process transparency

Arriving at similar (consistent) interpretation by following the same analysis process



Qualitative studies process transparency

Following the step-by-step reasoning and interpretation process

Reproducibility is strongly associated with **transparency**

"Open Science has the potential of making the scientific process more transparent, inclusive and **democratic**. It is (...) a true game changer in bridging the science, technology and innovation gaps and fulfilling the human right to science."



UNESCO Recommendation on Open Science

https://youtu.be/I3Wkvx_ZaFo https://www.unesco.org/en/natural-sciences/open-science

Reproducible does not (have to) mean fully open

As open as possible, as closed as necessary

Open but not usable



Reasons for irreproducibility:

- Unavailablility of materials, data and/or analyses
- Poor data management
- Unclear analysis specification
- Lack of documentation
- Errors in reporting numbers
- Lack of quality checking procedures
- Insufficient peer review

Reproducible research workflows

Data acquisition and processing Data analyses Data reports (manuscripts)



Data acquisition and processing

Data organization Data documentation Version control



Organized data

Research project with a proper data file structure. Image taken from CodeRefinery, Lesson on Reproducible Research. Shared under CC-BY 4.0.

Versioned data

Versioning refers to saving **new copies** of your files when you make changes so that later you can go back and **retrieve** specific **versions** of your files

- DataFileName_1.0 = original document
- DataFileName_1.1 = original document with minor revisions
- DataFileName_2.0 = document with substantial revisions



Documented data: README-files

• The first file to open

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- Map for navigating and exploring files and their content
- One README.txt file per folder

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Documented data: CODEBOOK

- Explains all variables and their codes in the dataset
- It typically contains:
- variable names, variable labels, variable codes, variable formats, missing data (in quantitative research)
- codes, code definitions, examples of what to include with a given code (in qualitative research)
- Can be also called **Data Dictionary**

Example

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Example

Sex: biological sex selfreported by the participant (0 – Female, 1 – Male)

Gender: self-reported gender (0 – Female, 1 – Male, 2 – Other)

Age: age in months at the date of test (automatically calculated in the system as the difference between the date of test and the date of birth)

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Tools that help: Templates

• Cornell University template and guide to README.txt-files:

https://data.research.cornell.edu/content/readme

• README.txt-files from DataverseNO:

General template

Example for social sciences

Example for life sciences

Tools that help: Nettskjema codebook

View Form builder

Codebook

Collect responses

sponses See results

Codebook

Mapping questions and alternatives to variables is necessary if the results of a survey are going to be processed in an external analysis tool (e.g. SPSS, STATA or R).

Settings

Read more about, and get an introduction to the codebook in Nettskjema

Tools that help: ELN

Electronic Lab Notebooks

help document research, experiments and procedures

performed in laboratories



Courses in research data management and sharing

November $6^{th} - 27^{th}$

Upcoming Courses

Data management planning

Nov. 6, 9:00 AM, Zoom

Data organization, metadata, and documentation

Nov. 8, 9:00 AM, Zoom

Data classification and storage selection

Upcoming Workshops

Workshop on Data Management Plans

Nov. 20, 12:00 PM, Georg Sverdrups hus: DSC-Oasen

Workshop on Data Documentation

Nov. 23, 9:00 AM, Georg Sverdrups hus: DSC-Oasen

Workshop on Archiving in DataverseNO

Nov. 27, 12:00 PM, Georg Sverdrups hus: DSC-Oasen

Copyright and licensing Nov. 13, 9:00 AM, Zoom

Sharing and archiving research data

Nov. 16, 9:00 AM, Zoom

Finding and reusing research data

Nov. 17, 9:00 AM, Zoom

Data analysis

Step-by-step documentation Version control Cloud computing and/or containers





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Following the step-by-step reasoning and interpretation process

Tools that help: Annotations NVIVO#

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Annotation for Transparent Inquiry (ATI) at a Glance

Annotation for Transparent

- Inquiry (ATI) **ATI Models**

ATI Instructions

Why ATI?

Empowering Openness in Law-Related Research: A Pilot

Working with Sensitive Research Data (WSRD)

Publications

Annotation for Transparent Inquiry (ATI) facilitates transparency in qualitative research by allowing scholars to "annotate" specific passages in an article. Annotations amplify the text and, when possible, include a link to one or more data sources underlying a claim; data sources are housed in a repository.

> Any digitally published manuscript can be annotated using ATI (here: an article in International Organization published by Cambridge University Press)

Hungary, this was their only stated concern. However, many states conditioned their recognition decision on an action related to Indian troop withdrawal and gave three different types of reasons for doing so. States also differed in the extent of troop withdrawal they required before recognition. See Table 2 for a full list of states, their stated reason for conditioning recognition on withdrawal (if any can be identified), and what recognition was conditioned on (whether actual withdrawal or a proxy).

The first type of reason, opposition to condoning or legitimizing aggression, is labeled as "Non-aggression." A good example comes from Mexican Foreign Minister Emilio Óscar Rabasa who reported that the Mexican president had decided not to recognize Bangladesh because, "since the Mexicans, like many Latin Americans, refuse to condone territorial aggrandizement as a result of war, they would prefer to wait on the withdrawal of Indian troops as the sign of true independence."90

This statement also appeals to "true independence." Self-determination is another important value expressed by the Mexican representative and is the second type of reason commonly appealed to as justifying recognition as Bangladesh. For

89. A frequent concern was that states had to recognize in a group, or on the same day as multiple other

states. However, even allowing for minor coordination problems, this in and of itself cannot explain the

length of time taken to make recognition decisions and declarations.

90. Cable from Hope, 16 January 1972, FCO 37/1020.

88. See Figure 2.



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Active Citation: A Precondition for Replicable Qualitative Research

Andrew Moravcsik, Princeton University

Re-running analyses/code with the same data

Tools that help: analysis via code



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Tools that help: version control

- Git: Free and open source version control system
- GitHub: is an internet hosting service for software development and version control using Git





https://git-scm.com/ https://github.com/ https://youtu.be/gY2JwRfin1M





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Upcoming workshops



Carpentry: Version Control with Git -September 19

Sep. 19, 2023 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM, GSH: LINKEN



Carpentry: Unix Shell - October 12 Oct. 12, 2023 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM, <u>GSH: LINKEN</u>

Tools that help: shared notebooks

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Free software, open standards, and web services for interactive computing across all programming languages

https://jupyter.org/

Tools that help: shared notebooks



Tools that help: Quality check

Language

Python

R

Shell/Bash

Static code analysis tool Pylint, prospector lintr shellcheck Language Python R Shell/Bash HTML

Formatter Tool

<u>Black, yapf</u> formatR ShellIndent Tidy

Tools that help: Code review



However...

Different operating systems



Different programs/languages



Different packages







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A large-scale study on research code quality and execution

Ana Trisovic 🖂, Matthew K. Lau, Thomas Pasquier & Mercè Crosas

<u>Scientific Data</u> 9, Article number: 60 (2022) **19k** Accesses 7 Citations 399 Altmetric



Computational environment



Tools that help: Containers





https://codeocean.com/

Start faster. Reproduce reliably. Focus on science.

Data reports (manuscripts)

Linked tables and analyses Version control Collaboration



Tools that help: R Markdown

R Markdown

from R Studio



R Markdown documents are fully reproducible. Use a productive notebook interface to weave together narrative text and code to produce Get Started Gallery Formats Articles Book References

Analyze. Share. Reproduce.

Your data tells a story. Tell it with R Markdown. Turn your analyses into high quality documents, reports, presentations and dashboards.



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Tools that help: R Markdown

Efficient

- · everything in one place
- re-do analyses and automatically update throughout all text
- decrease the possibility of making mistakes

Flexible

• output to various formats, e.g., HTML, LaTeX, PDF, Word

Open access/source

- use for free
- create documents accessible to anyone (with a computer and internet connection)

Tools that help: Quarto

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Welcome to Quarto

Quarto[°] is an open-source scientific and technical publishing system built on Pandoc

- Create dynamic content with Python, R, Julia, and Observable.
- Author documents as plain text markdown or Jupyter notebooks.
- Publish high-quality articles, reports, presentations, websites, blogs, and books in HTML, PDF, MS Word, ePub, and more.
- Author with scientific markdown, including equations, citations, crossrefs, figure panels, callouts, advanced layout, and more.

Other tools

- <u>Overleaf</u> (collaborative LaTeX editor)
- <u>HackMD</u> (a realtime web-based collaborative Markdown editor)
- <u>Manuscripts.io</u> (a collaborative authoring tool that support scientific content and reproducibility)
- <u>Rrtools</u> (instructions, templates, and functions for making a basic compendium suitable for writing a reproducible journal article or report with R)
- <u>Jupyter Notebooks</u> (can be used for supplementary material with journal articles.

Reproducible research workflows

Data acquisition and processing Data analyses Data reports (manuscripts)

Take-aways

- Be transparent about your full research workflow: research questions, methods, data, step-by-step procedures and analyses
- Make sure you have good documentation for all outputs and all stages of your research process
- Keep track of versions and do a solid quality check of your methods, data and analyses
- Verify your own work: try to reproduce your own results and/or have others do it
- Make your methods, data and analyses open (if you can)

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Join us

Everyone is welcome to join us - whether you are an enthusiast of open and reproducible research, a skeptic, or a cautious explorer. Currently, all meetings are hybrid with the possibility of joining on-site at Blindern or via Zoom. Grab a cup of tea (coffee?) and join us!

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Upcoming Monday!

Sep. 18th at 14.00

A Reproducible Data Analysis Workflow With R Markdown, Git, Make, and Docker

Aaron Peikert^{1,2} 💿 , Andreas M. Brandmaier^{1,3} 💿



Welcome to Norway's Reproducibility Network

Towards open & reproducible science

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Our Mission

The Norwegian Reproducibility Network (NORRN) is a peer-led network that aims to promote and enable rigorous, robust and transparent research practices in Norway. We attempt to achieve this goal by establishing appropriate training activities, designing, and evaluating research improvement efforts, disseminating best practices, and working with stakeholders to ensure coordination of efforts across the sector. NORRN's activities span multiple levels, including researchers, librarians, institutions, and other stakeholders (e.g., funders and public authorities).

https://www.norrn.no/

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At the Digital Scholarship Centre (DSC) you get guidance on how you can make the best possible use of digital tools and methods in your research and communication activities.

Open Access Information about open access publishing, publisher agreements, self-archiving, requirements, and guidelines.	\rightarrow	Open and reproducible research Make your research more transparent and reproducible.	\rightarrow
Research Data Management Managing your data both during and after a research project.	\rightarrow	Data Managers Network An informal network that aims to enable information exchange, initiate action, and create new interdisciplinary collaborations	\rightarrow
Text Mining Information about digital tools for searching, mining, and analysing textual data.	\rightarrow	Systematic search Information about systematic literature searching, how to get started, and how to get help.	\rightarrow
Visualization Use of visual methods to explore, communicate and understand data.	\rightarrow	Carpentry@UiO Offers workshops in foundational digital skills such as coding and data management.	\rightarrow
Reference management Styles, tools, and information on reference management.	\rightarrow	Digiforsk blog A blog about work and resources at UiO where digital research methods are involved. Posts in both Norwegian and English.	\rightarrow

Open and reproducible research

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Learn about how to make your research more open and reproducible and get involved in initiatives and communities that are interested in sharing and improving research at UiO.

More and more researchers and students across disciplines are implementing open research practices, preregistering their hypotheses, methods, and analysis plans and sharing research materials, data and analysis scripts. Digital Scholarship Center can help you learn about and implement these practices in your own research as well as advise on the policies and requirements from funders.

Open Science Lunch Every last Thursday of the month we meet at noon to discuss topics related to open research.	\rightarrow	ReproducibiliTea@UiO Join us for a Journal Club where we read and discuss papers on open research and meta-science.	\rightarrow
Norwegian Reproducibility Network Join a broader community that aims to promote and enable rigorous, robust and transparent research practices in Norway	\rightarrow	Courses and workshops Click here for the list of upcoming and previous courses and workshops on open and reproducible research at UiO.	\rightarrow



Menu

Digital Scholarship Centre

At the Digital Scholarship Centre (DSC) you get guidance on how you can make the best possible use of digital tools and methods in your research and communication activities.



https://sympa.uio.no/ub.uio.no/subscribe/dsc-news/subscribe

More resources:

The Turing Way: Guide for Reproducible Research <u>https://the-turing-way.netlify.app/reproducible-research/reproducible-research.html</u>

CodeRefinery: Reproducible Research <u>https://coderefinery.github.io/reproducible-research/motivation/</u>

CodeRefinery workshop September 19-21 and 26-28, 2023



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