

R/Insurance Webinars

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For the R Consortium's R/Adoption Series

Welcome

Welcome

1. From Excel to programming in R
2. From programming in R to putting R into production
(today's topic)
3. R performance culture
4. High performance programming in R

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Background

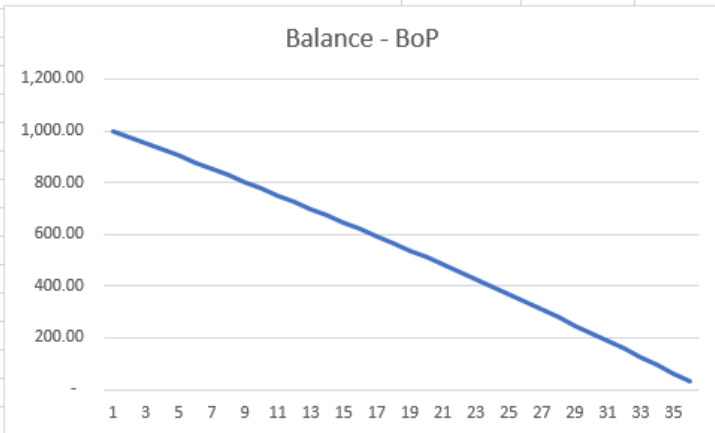
- Swiss Re internal R community sponsored by our Group Chief Actuary Philip Long (Atelier programme)
- 2000+ community with 500+ regular coders who also support each other
- The case we see today appeared in our Microsoft Teams community channel by an actuary in a high-growth market
- Views expressed belong solely to the speakers and not necessarily to the speaker's employer

Running example for webinars 1 & 2

- Insurer covers the remaining balance of loans in case of death/disability of the borrower
- Requires a quote for a portfolio of ca. 300,000 policies
- Has provided information on a) loan amount b) loan duration and c) interest rate for each policy
- Problem: The actuary needs to calculate the sum-insured profile for each policy as it amortises
- A solution in Excel and a potential solution in R
- Putting the solution ‘into production’ with R

A credit life insurance quote

Data input		Modelling and output					
Loan Amount	1,000	Monthly cashflows					
Loan Term (in years)	3	Time-months	Balance - BoP	Interest	Principal	Balance - EoP	Time-years
Loan Term (in months)	36	1	1,000.00	8.33	23.93	976.07	1
		2	976.07	8.13	24.13	951.93	1
Parameter input		3	951.93	7.93	24.33	927.60	1
Interest Rate (Annual Percentage Rate)	10%	4	927.60	7.73	24.54	903.06	1
Monthly interest rate	0.83%	5	903.06	7.53	24.74	878.32	1
		6	878.32	7.32	24.95	853.37	1
Modelling and Output		7	853.37	7.11	25.16	828.22	1
Equivalent monthly payment		8	828.22	6.90	25.37	802.85	1
EMI	32.27	9	802.85	6.69	25.58	777.27	1
Total Payments	1,161.62	10	777.27	6.48	25.79	751.48	1
Total Interest	161.62	11	751.48	6.26	26.00	725.48	1
		12	725.48	6.05	26.22	699.26	1
Key		13	699.26	5.83	26.44	672.82	2
Inputs		14	672.82	5.61	26.66	646.16	2
Distinct calc in column		15	646.16	5.38	26.88	619.27	2
		16	619.27	5.16	27.11	592.17	2
		17	592.17	4.93	27.33	564.84	2
		18	564.84	4.71	27.56	537.28	2
		19	537.28	4.48	27.79	509.49	2
		20	509.49	4.25	28.02	481.46	2
		21	481.46	4.01	28.25	453.21	2
		22	453.21	3.78	28.49	424.72	2
		23	424.72	3.54	28.73	395.99	2
		24	395.99	3.30	28.97	367.02	2
		25	367.02	3.06	29.21	337.81	3
		26	337.81	2.82	29.45	308.36	3
		27	308.36	2.57	29.70	278.67	3
		28	278.67	2.32	29.94	248.72	3
		29	248.72	2.07	30.19	218.53	3
		30	218.53	1.82	30.45	188.08	3
		31	188.08	1.57	30.70	157.38	3
		32	157.38	1.31	30.96	126.42	3
		33	126.42	1.05	31.21	95.21	3
		34	95.21	0.79	31.47	63.74	3
		35	63.74	0.53	31.74	32.00	3
		36	32.00	0.27	32.00	-	3



Graphical user interfaces available

eg <https://www.calculator.net/amortization-calculator.html>

Amortization Calculator

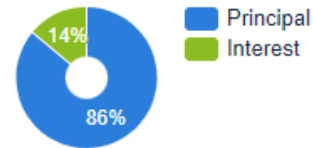
Loan amount

Loan term years months

Interest rate %

Optional: make extra payments

Monthly Pay: \$32.27

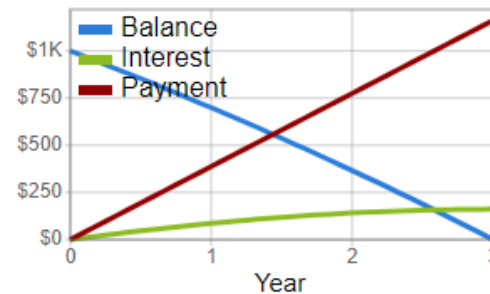


Total of 36 monthly payments	\$1,161.62
Total interest	\$161.62

Amortization schedule

[Annual Schedule](#) [Monthly Schedule](#)

Year	Interest	Principal	Ending Balance
1	\$86.46	\$300.74	\$699.26
2	\$54.97	\$332.23	\$367.02
3	\$20.18	\$367.02	\$-0.00



by Calculator.net

Where we ended in webinar 1

```
1 # Data and parameter input -----
2 A <- 1000
3 n_yr <- 3
4 int_yr <- 0.1
5 # Intermediate calculations -----
6 n <- n_yr * 12
7 i <- int_yr / 12
8 emi <- (1 + i)^n / ((1 + i)^n - 1) * i * A
9 # Define amortisation function -----
10 amortise_one <- function(a, b) {a + a * i - emi}
11 # apply it successively to the loan amount -----
12 P <- purrr::accumulate(1:(n-1), amortise_one, .init = A)
13 P[1:6] # print first few results

[1] 1000.0000  976.0661  951.9328  927.5984  903.0612  878.3196
```


Today: Putting R into production

- Build functions to reuse logic and abstract away complexity
- Iterate over all data with functional programming approach
- Bundle functions into packages to share with others
- Expose functions into Shiny apps for non-programming use
- Expose functions into Web APIs for use by other apps

Functions

Abstracting complexity away

```
1  calc_emi <- function(L, t, r) {
2    emi <- (1 + r)^t / ((1 + r)^t - 1) * r * L
3    emi
4  }
5  amort_helper_i <- function(x, y, r, emi_val) {x + x * r - emi_val}
6
7  amortise <- function(loan, term, rate) {
8    term <- term * 12 # turn it into months
9    rate <- rate / 12 # turn it to monthly effective rate
10   emi <- calc_emi(L = loan, t = term, r = rate)
11   amortised_loan <- purrr::accumulate(
12     .x = c(loan, rep(0, term - 1)), # c concatenates; rep repeats
13     .f = ~ amort_helper_i(x = .x, r = rate, emi_val = emi)
14   )
15   amortised_loan
16 }
```

Try function

```
1 amortise(loan = 1000, term = 3, rate = 0.1)
```

```
[1] 1000.00000  976.06615  951.93284  927.59843  903.06123  878.31955  
[7]  853.37170  828.21594  802.85055  777.27379  751.48388  725.47906  
[13]  699.25753  672.81749  646.15711  619.27457  592.16800  564.83555  
[19]  537.27533  509.48543  481.46396  453.20897  424.71852  395.99066  
[25]  367.02339  337.81473  308.36267  278.66517  248.72019  218.52567  
[31]  188.07953  157.37968  126.42399   95.21033   63.73657   32.00052
```

Automating with functions

- makes your code easier to understand
- update code in one place
- avoid copy and paste
- easier to reuse work

To learn more about functions in R, you may start at the Functions chapter from [R for Data Science 2e](#) by Wickham, Cetinkaya-Rundel and Grolemund which is freely available online

Iteration with functionals

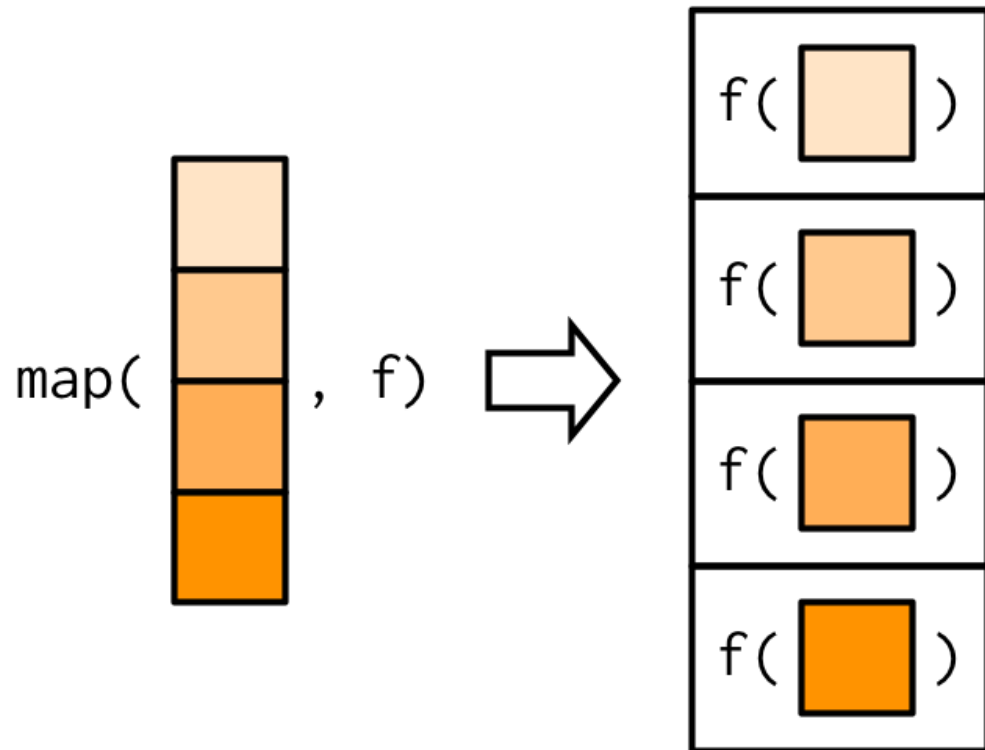
Create some data

```
1 z <- 1e3 # Number of customers (To Do: Find better name)
2 inforce <- tibble::tibble(
3   customer_id = 1:z,
4   loan_amount = pmax(100, round(rnorm(n = z, mean = 1000, sd = 100))),
5   policy_term = sample(x = 2:30, size = z, replace = TRUE),
6   interest_rate = sample(x = seq(8, 20, 0.25) / 100, size = z, replace = T)
7 )
8 inforce <- dplyr::bind_rows(
9   tibble::tibble(
10    customer_id = 0,
11    loan_amount = 1000,
12    policy_term = 3,
13    interest_rate = 0.1),
14   inforce
15 )
16 readr::write_csv(x = inforce, file = "data/client_data.csv")
```

Create some data

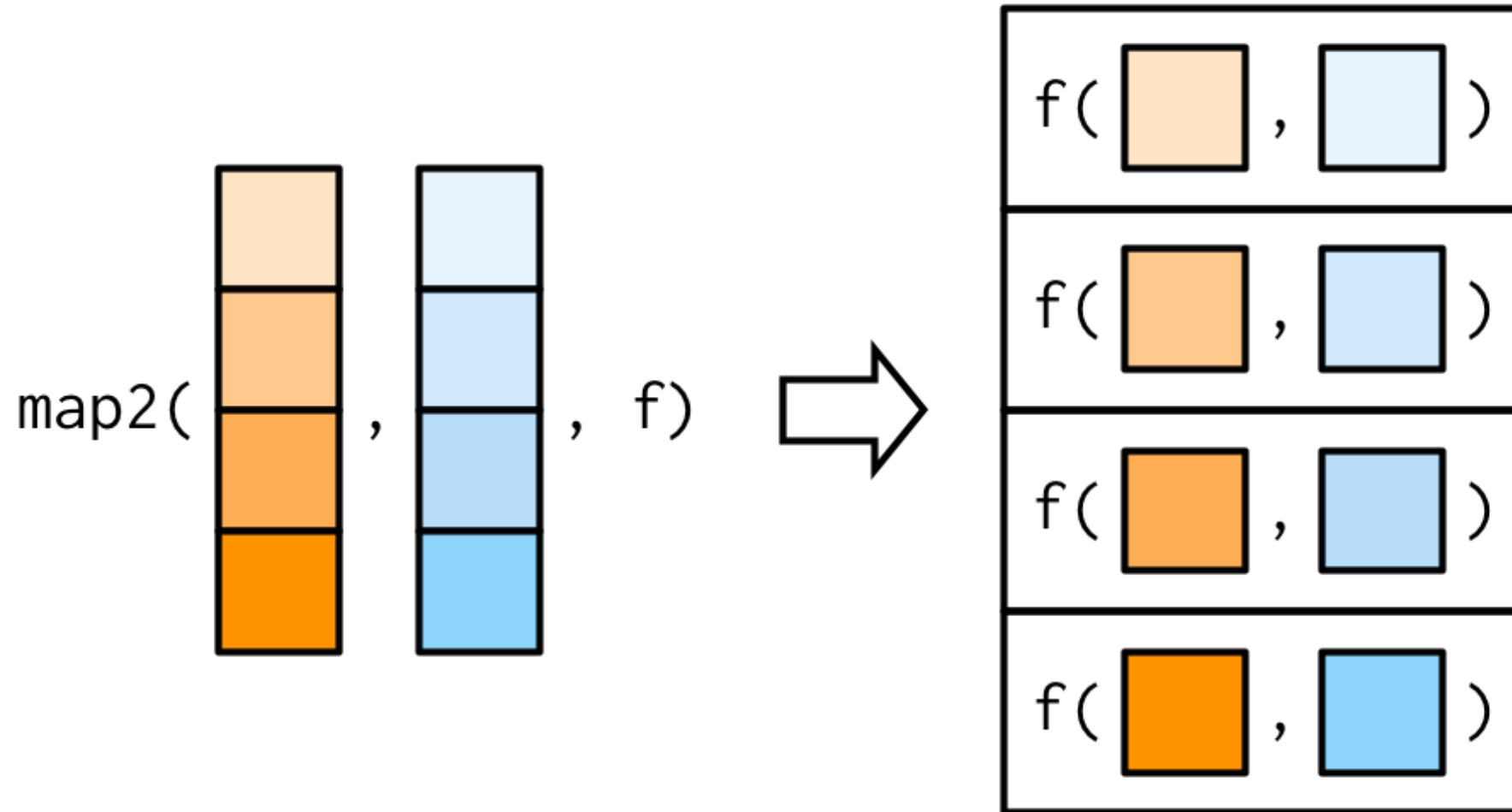
```
# A tibble: 1,001 × 4
  customer_id loan_amount policy_term interest_rate
  <dbl>       <dbl>       <dbl>       <dbl>
1           0         1000           3         0.1
2           1         1018          22        0.155
3           2           956          13        0.172
4           3         1080          15        0.192
5           4           899          11        0.155
6           5           971           8         0.12
7           6         1241          21        0.135
8           7         1010          21        0.185
9           8           843          12        0.165
10          9           867          12        0.162
# i 991 more rows
```


Functionals

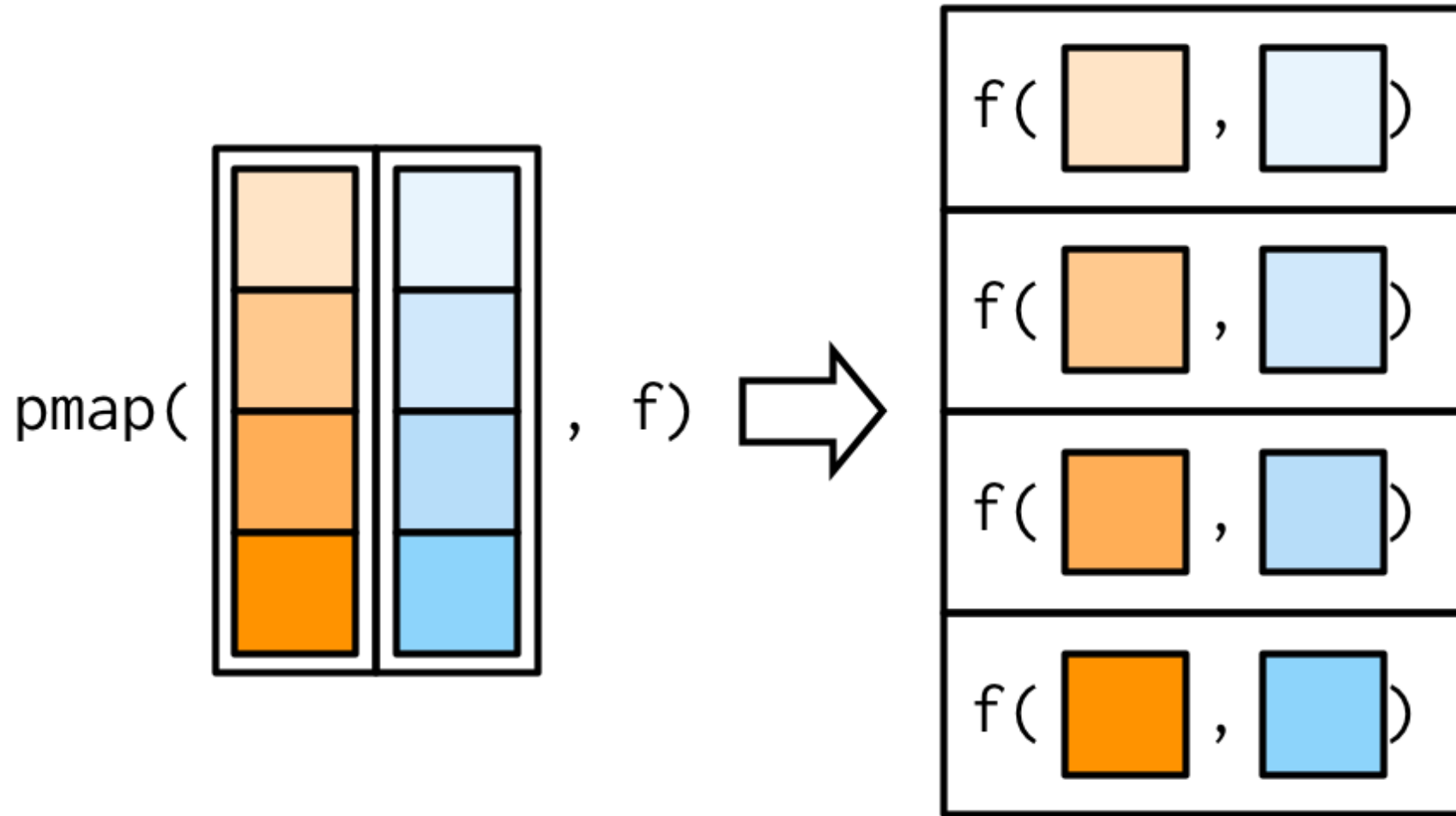


For more information about functionals please see the Iteration chapter from [R for Data Science 2e](#)

Functionals



Functionals



Single record: Pick the first record

```
1 inforce |> slice(1)
```

```
# A tibble: 1 × 4
```

```
  customer_id loan_amount policy_term interest_rate
    <dbl>      <dbl>      <dbl>      <dbl>
1           0         1000           3           0.1
```

Single record: Apply pmap

```
1 inforce |>
2   dplyr::slice(1) |>           # select first record
3   dplyr::mutate(              # create a new column
4     amortised_loan = pmap(    # parallel mapping
5       .l = list(..1 = loan_amount, ..2 = policy_term, ..3 = interest_rate
6       .f = ~ amortise(loan = ..1, term = ..2, rate = ..3)
7     )
8   )
```

```
# A tibble: 1 × 5
```

```
  customer_id loan_amount policy_term interest_rate amortised_loan
    <dbl>      <dbl>      <dbl>      <dbl> <list>
1           0        1000           3         0.1 <dbl [36]>
```

Chapter 23 on Hierarchical data from R for Data Science talks more about [list-columns](#) and [unnesting](#)

Single record: Unnest the list-column

```
1 inforce |>
2   dplyr::slice(1) |>           # select first record
3   dplyr::mutate(              # create a new column
4     amortised_loan = purrr::pmap( # parallel mapping
5       .l = list(..1 = loan_amount, ..2 = policy_term, ..3 = interest_rate),
6       .f = ~ amortise(loan = ..1, term = ..2, rate = ..3) |>
7         tibble::enframe(name = "proj_month", value = "principal_bop")
8     )
9   ) |>
10  tidyr::unnest(amortised_loan)
```

A tibble: 36 × 6

	customer_id	loan_amount	policy_term	interest_rate	proj_month	principal_bop
	<dbl>	<dbl>	<dbl>	<dbl>	<int>	<dbl>
1	0	1000	3	0.1	1	1000
2	0	1000	3	0.1	2	976.
3	0	1000	3	0.1	3	952.
4	0	1000	3	0.1	4	928.
5	0	1000	3	0.1	5	903.
6	0	1000	3	0.1	6	878.
7	0	1000	3	0.1	7	853.
8	0	1000	3	0.1	8	828.
9	0	1000	3	0.1	9	803.

Run all records

```
1 result <-
2   inforce |>
3   mutate(                                # create a new column
4     amortised_loan = pmap(                # parallel mapping
5       .l = list(..1 = loan_amount, ..2 = policy_term, ..3 = interest_rate
6         .f = ~ amortise(loan = ..1, term = ..2, rate = ..3) |>
7         enframe(name = "proj_month", value = "principal_bop")
8       )
9     ) |>
10  tidyr::unnest(amortised_loan)
```

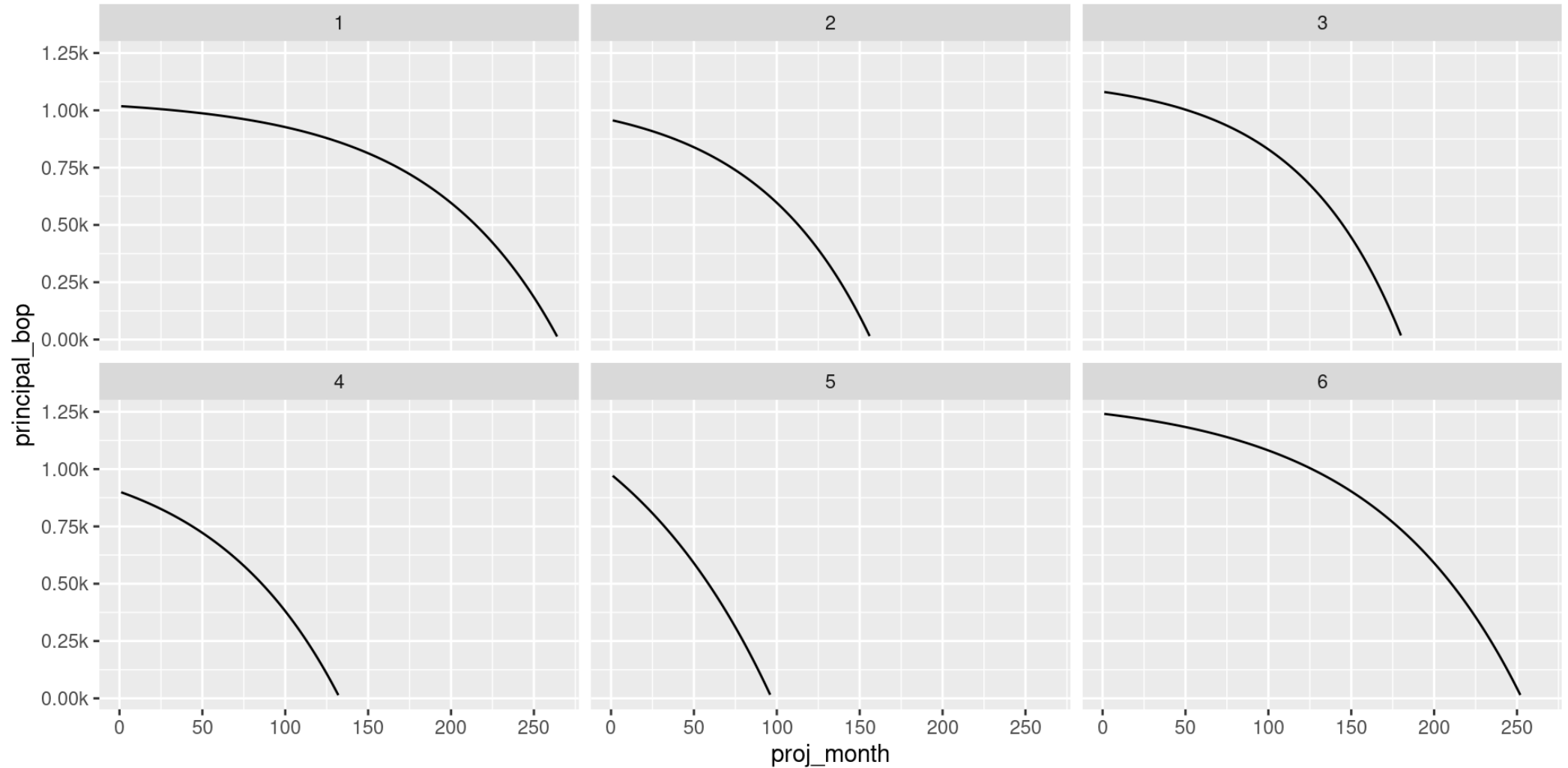
Review the result as table

```
# A tibble: 192,036 × 6
```

```
  customer_id loan_amount policy_term interest_rate proj_month principal_bop
    <dbl>      <dbl>      <dbl>      <dbl>      <int>      <dbl>
1           0         1000           3         0.1           1         1000
2           0         1000           3         0.1           2          976.
3           0         1000           3         0.1           3          952.
4           0         1000           3         0.1           4          928.
5           0         1000           3         0.1           5          903.
6           0         1000           3         0.1           6          878.
7           0         1000           3         0.1           7          853.
8           0         1000           3         0.1           8          828.
9           0         1000           3         0.1           9          803.
10          0         1000           3         0.1          10          777.
```

```
# i 192,026 more rows
```


Review sample records in a plot



Packages

The rationale

R packages are a familiar concept for sharing code with other R users.

In addition to sharing, there are other benefits that mean it can be a good idea even if you don't plan on sharing your code widely.

These include ease of **documentation** and **testing**, and we will demonstrate some handy tools for managing these elements and others.

Packaging - getting started 1

A great place to start for anyone new to developing packages in R is the R Packages book freely available online .

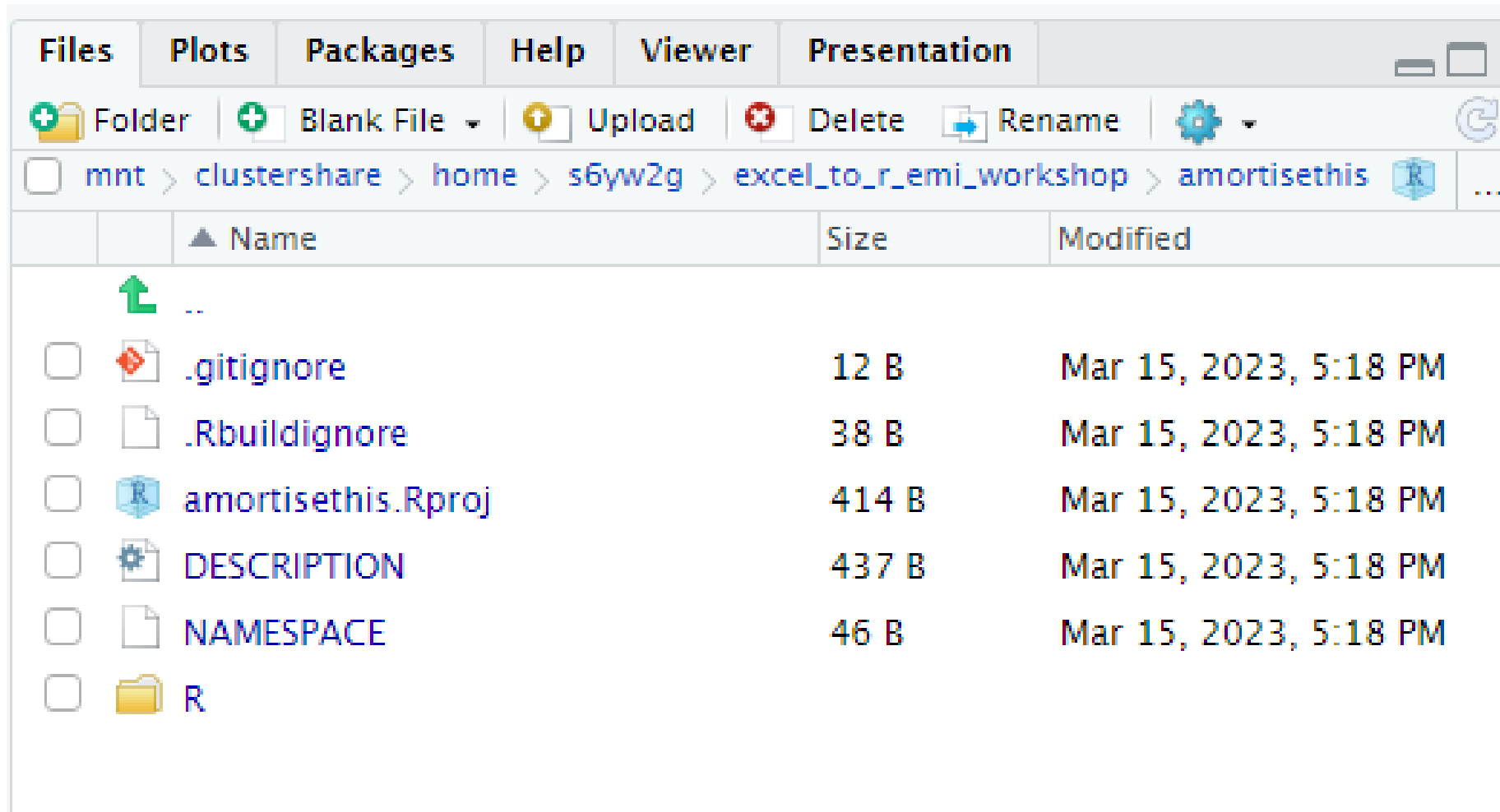
We'll use the `devtools` and `usethis` packages to help create and develop our package.

```
1 usethis::create_package("amortisethis")
```








```
✓ Creating 'amortisethis/' ✓ Setting active project to '/mnt/clustershare/home/s6yw2g/excel_to_r_emi_workshop/amortisethis' ✓ Creating 'R/' ✓ Writing 'DESCRIPTION' Package: amorti
sethis
Title: What the Package Does (One Line, Title Case)
Version: 0.0.0.9000
Authors@R (parsed):
 * First Last <first.last@example.com> [aut, cre] (YOUR-ORCID-ID)
Description: What the package does (one paragraph).
License: `use_mit_license()`, `use_gpl3_license()` or friends to
pick a license
Encoding: UTF-8
Roxygen: list(markdown = TRUE)
RoxygenNote: 7.2.3
✓ Writing 'NAMESPACE' ✓ Writing 'amortisethis.Rproj' ✓ Adding '^amortisethis\\.Rproj$' to '.Rbuildignore' ✓ Adding '.Rproj.user' to '.gitignore' ✓ Adding '^\\.Rproj\\.user$' to
'.Rbuildignore' ✓ Opening '/mnt/clustershare/home/s6yw2g/excel_to_r_emi_workshop/amortisethis/' in new RStudio session ✓ Setting active project to '<no active project>'
> |
```

Packaging - getting started 2

In your new session you should see the following files

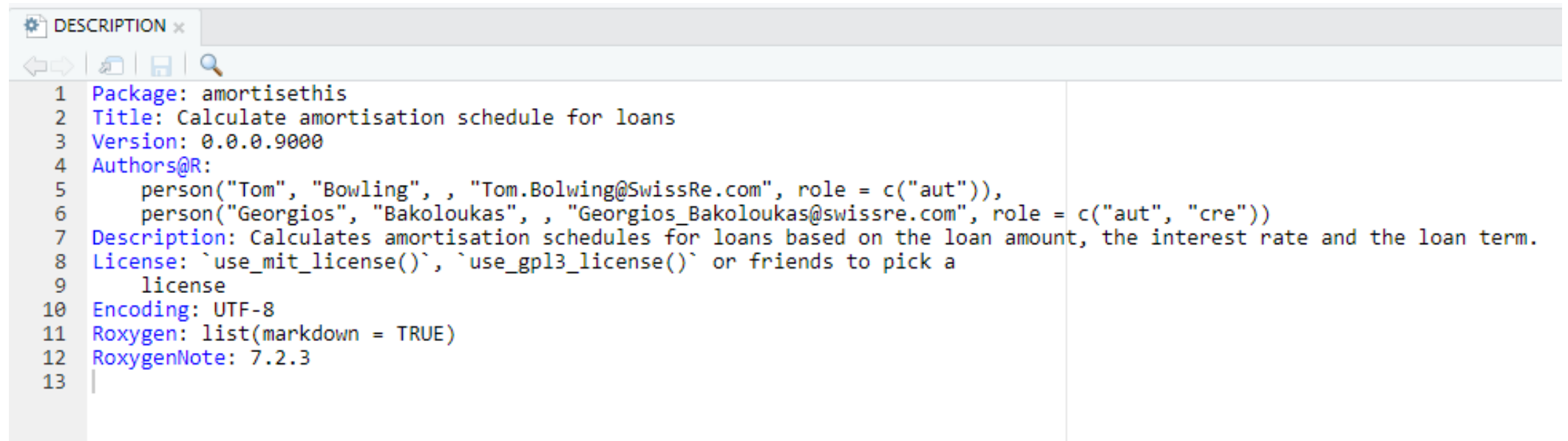


The screenshot shows a file explorer window with a menu bar (Files, Plots, Packages, Help, Viewer, Presentation) and a toolbar (Folder, Blank File, Upload, Delete, Rename, Settings). The breadcrumb path is mnt > clustershare > home > s6yw2g > excel_to_r_emi_workshop > amortisethis. The file list is as follows:

	Name	Size	Modified
	..		
<input type="checkbox"/>	 .gitignore	12 B	Mar 15, 2023, 5:18 PM
<input type="checkbox"/>	 .Rbuildignore	38 B	Mar 15, 2023, 5:18 PM
<input type="checkbox"/>	 amortisethis.Rproj	414 B	Mar 15, 2023, 5:18 PM
<input type="checkbox"/>	 DESCRIPTION	437 B	Mar 15, 2023, 5:18 PM
<input type="checkbox"/>	 NAMESPACE	46 B	Mar 15, 2023, 5:18 PM
<input type="checkbox"/>	 R		

Packaging - metadata 1

The DESCRIPTION file contains fundamental package info - some of which we've populated here

A screenshot of a code editor window titled 'DESCRIPTION'. The window shows the content of a DESCRIPTION file for an R package. The text is as follows:

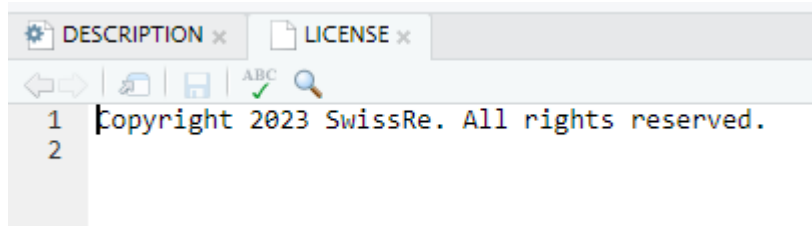
```
1 Package: amortisethis
2 Title: Calculate amortisation schedule for loans
3 Version: 0.0.0.9000
4 Authors@R:
5   person("Tom", "Bowling", , "Tom.Bolwing@SwissRe.com", role = c("aut")),
6   person("Georgios", "Bakoloukas", , "Georgios_Bakoloukas@swissre.com", role = c("aut", "cre"))
7 Description: Calculates amortisation schedules for loans based on the loan amount, the interest rate and the loan term.
8 License: `use_mit_license()`, `use_gpl3_license()` or friends to pick a
9   license
10 Encoding: UTF-8
11 Roxygen: list(markdown = TRUE)
12 RoxygenNote: 7.2.3
13 |
```

Packaging - metadata 2

The License field details how the package can be shared. We can use a `usethis` helper function to populate this for us

```
> usethis::use_proprietary_license("SwissRe")  
✓ Setting License field in DESCRIPTION to 'file LICENSE'  
✓ Writing 'LICENSE'
```

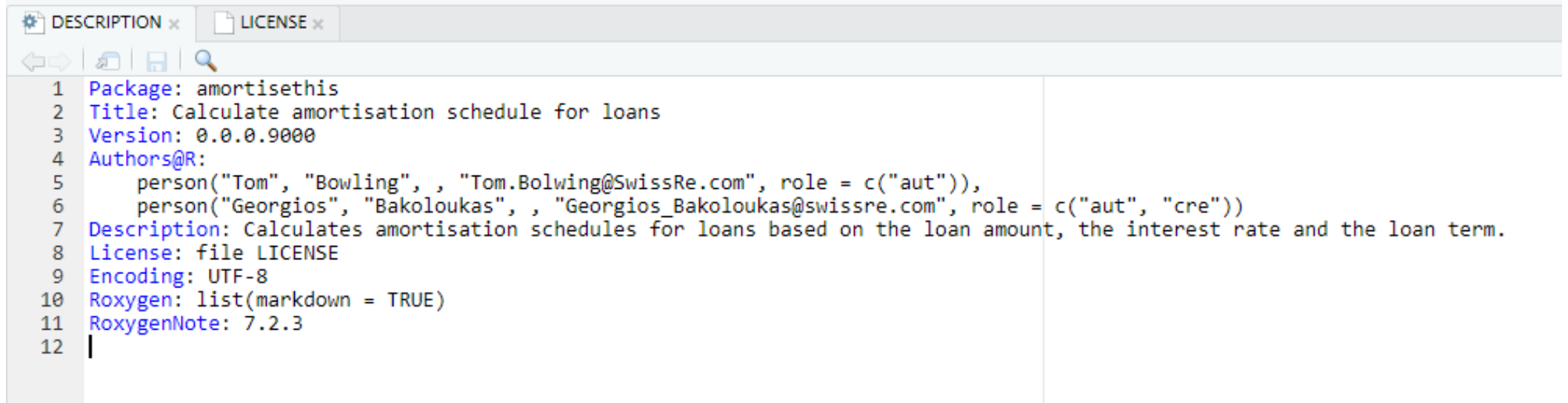
which creates this file



The screenshot shows a text editor window with two tabs: 'DESCRIPTION' and 'LICENSE'. The 'LICENSE' tab is active, and the text inside reads: '1 Copyright 2023 SwissRe. All rights reserved.' followed by a blank line '2'.

Packaging - metadata 3

The License field now looks like this



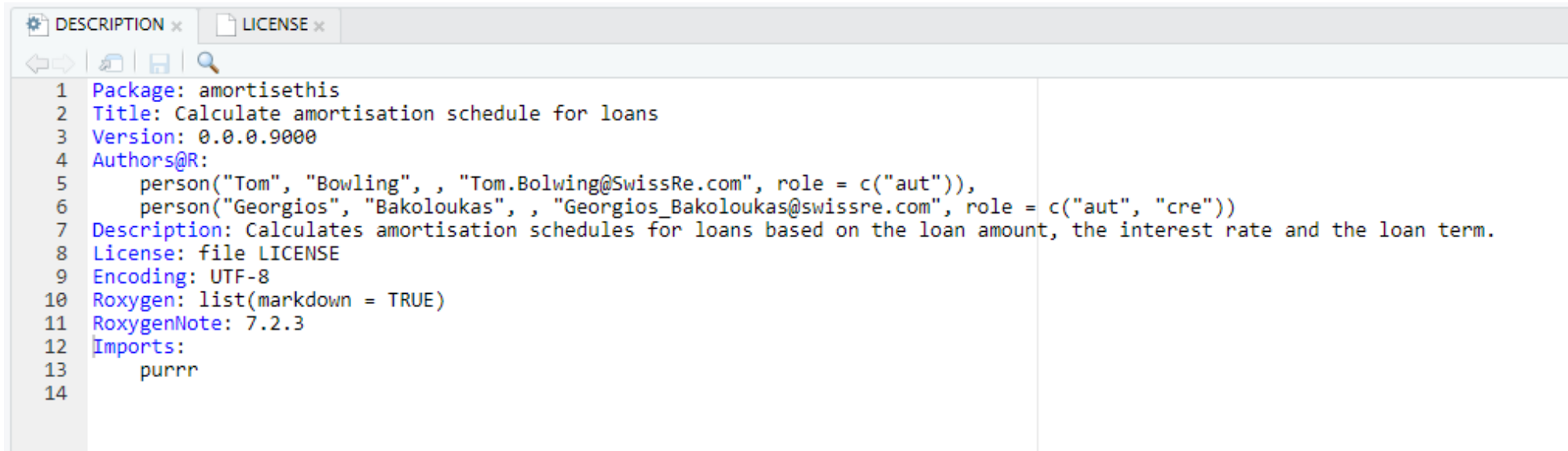
```
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8 License: file LICENSE
9 Encoding: UTF-8
10 Roxygen: list(markdown = TRUE)
11 RoxygenNote: 7.2.3
12 |
```


Packaging - metadata 4

If we want to use any other packages inside our package, we must import them. Again, `usethis` has a helper function

```
> usethis::use_package("purrr")
✓ Adding 'purrr' to Imports field in DESCRIPTION
• Refer to functions with `purrr::fun()`
```

which adds this line to the DESCRIPTION file



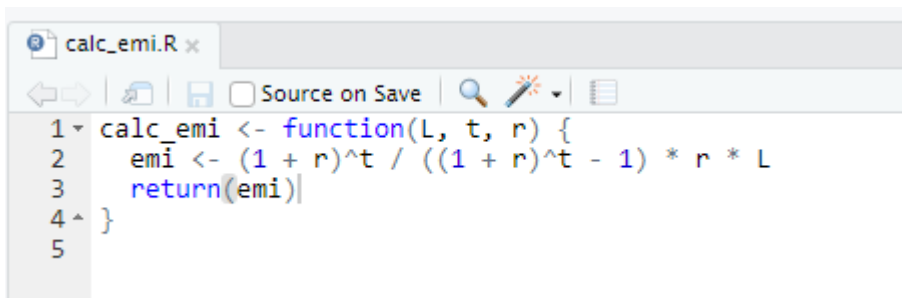
```
DESCRIPTION x LICENSE x
1 Package: amortisethis
2 Title: Calculate amortisation schedule for loans
3 Version: 0.0.0.9000
4 Authors@R:
5   person("Tom", "Bowling", , "Tom.Bolwing@SwissRe.com", role = c("aut")),
6   person("Georgios", "Bakoloukas", , "Georgios_Bakoloukas@swissre.com", role = c("aut", "cre"))
7 Description: Calculates amortisation schedules for loans based on the loan amount, the interest rate and the loan term.
8 License: file LICENSE
9 Encoding: UTF-8
10 Roxygen: list(markdown = TRUE)
11 RoxygenNote: 7.2.3
12 Imports:
13   purrr
14
```

Packaging - where to store your functions

In an R package, functions are stored in the R/ folder. We can again leverage `usethis`

```
> usethis::use_r("calc_emi")  
• Modify 'R/calc_emi.R'  
• Call 'use_test()' to create a matching test file  
└─
```

which creates and opens a blank file, in to which we can enter our function



```
calc_emi.R x  
Source on Save  
1 calc_emi <- function(L, t, r) {  
2   emi <- (1 + r)^t / ((1 + r)^t - 1) * r * L  
3   return(emi)  
4 }  
5
```

Packaging - development workflow

Once all functions are added, we can load the package by running `devtools::load_all()`.

Now we can interactively test and use our new functions.

We can check on the status of our package using `devtools::check()`

This forms our general developer workflow:

1. Add/change some code
2. Load the changes and do some basic testing
3. Run devtools check to see that the package is still in good shape.

Documentation - the rationale

When we write functions, we generally expect them to be used again in the future, either by ourselves or by others

Well documented functions are easier to pick up and use than poorly documented ones

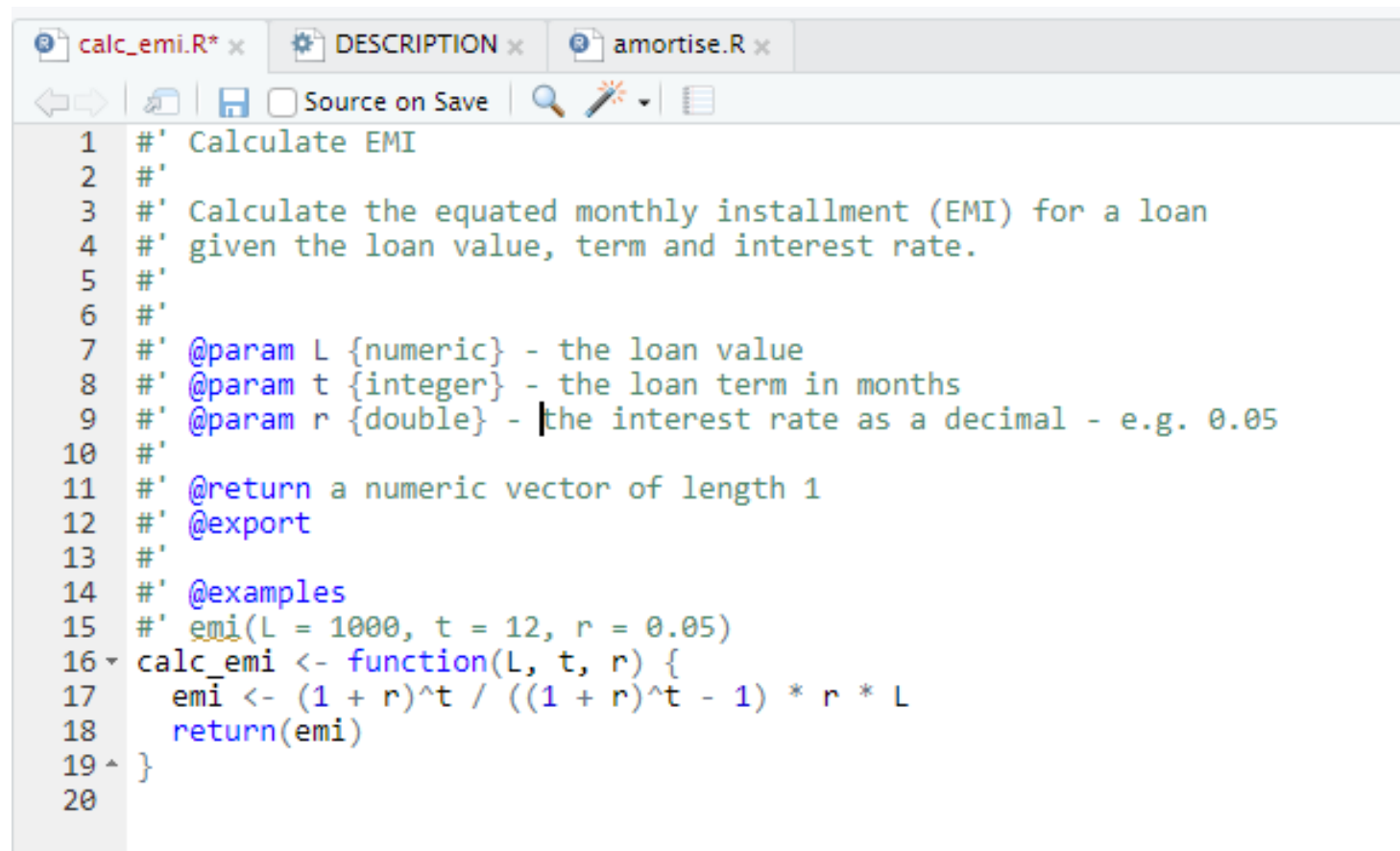
Good documentation reduces the amount of questions you receive as the author of the function, and allows users to be more efficient as they spend less time working out how to use it

Documentation - roxygen headers 1

R uses the roxygen framework, which enables you to document your functions in what are called headers. These take the form of metadata stored above the function definition. They can be inserted by pressing `ctrl+shift+alt+r` with your cursor inside the function

Documentation - roxygen headers 2

We fill in the details with as much info as we can/think will be helpful for other users



```
1 #' Calculate EMI
2 #'
3 #' Calculate the equated monthly installment (EMI) for a loan
4 #' given the loan value, term and interest rate.
5 #'
6 #'
7 #' @param L {numeric} - the loan value
8 #' @param t {integer} - the loan term in months
9 #' @param r {double} - the interest rate as a decimal - e.g. 0.05
10 #'
11 #' @return a numeric vector of length 1
12 #' @export
13 #'
14 #' @examples
15 #' emi(L = 1000, t = 12, r = 0.05)
16 calc_emi <- function(L, t, r) {
17   emi <- (1 + r)^t / ((1 + r)^t - 1) * r * L
18   return(emi)
19 }
20
```

Documentation - rendering docs

To render the docs we'll use `devtools::document()`

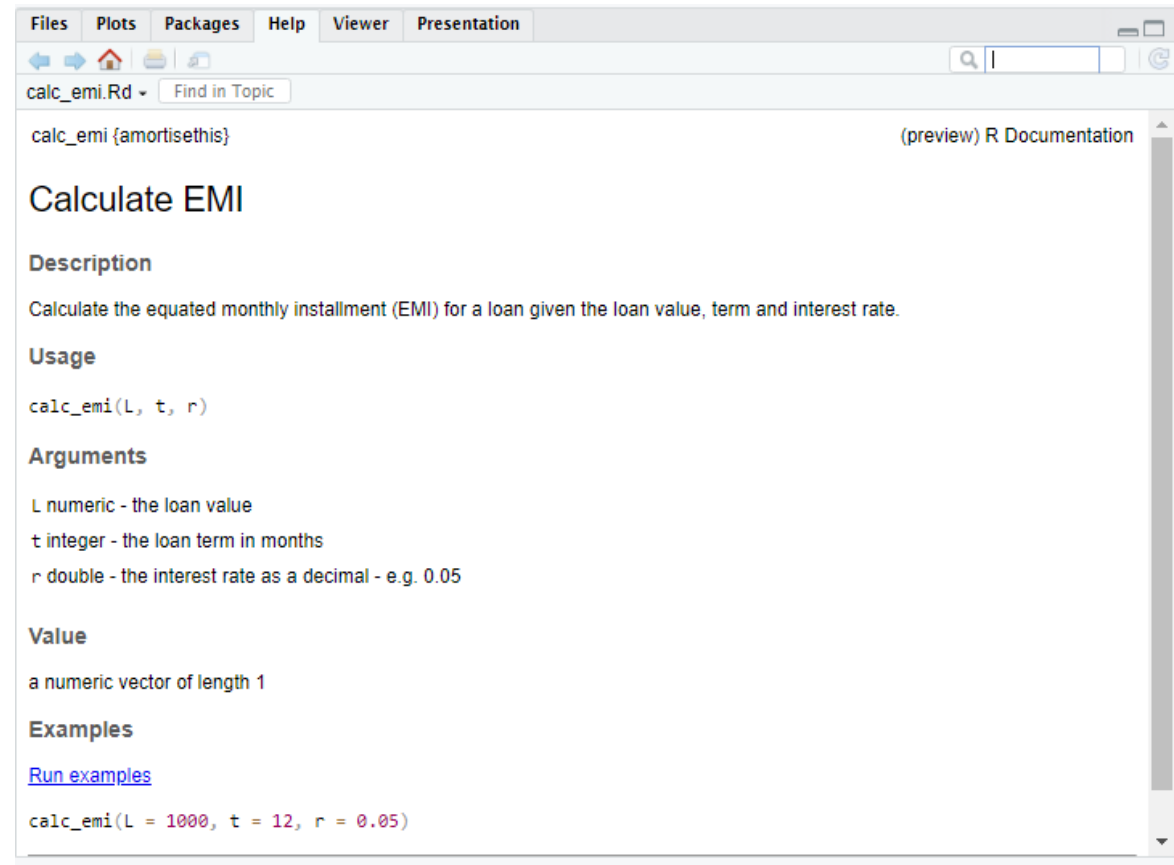
```
> devtools::document()
i Updating amortisethis documentation
i Loading amortisethis
Writing NAMESPACE
Writing calc_emi.Rd
```

Documentation - viewing docs

Users can access the help for functions in our package just like any other, either with

```
1 ?calc_emi
```

or by pressing F1 with the function name highlighted, or by searching in the help pane



Testing - the rationale

Unit testing is a way of confirming that all functions are working as expected

Automating these tests reduces the amount of time that a developer spends checking outputs when they make changes to code

Running `devtools::check()` runs any tests in your package, so embedding that step in your developer workflow means you're more likely to catch any bugs before they get to your end users

Testing - testthat framework 1

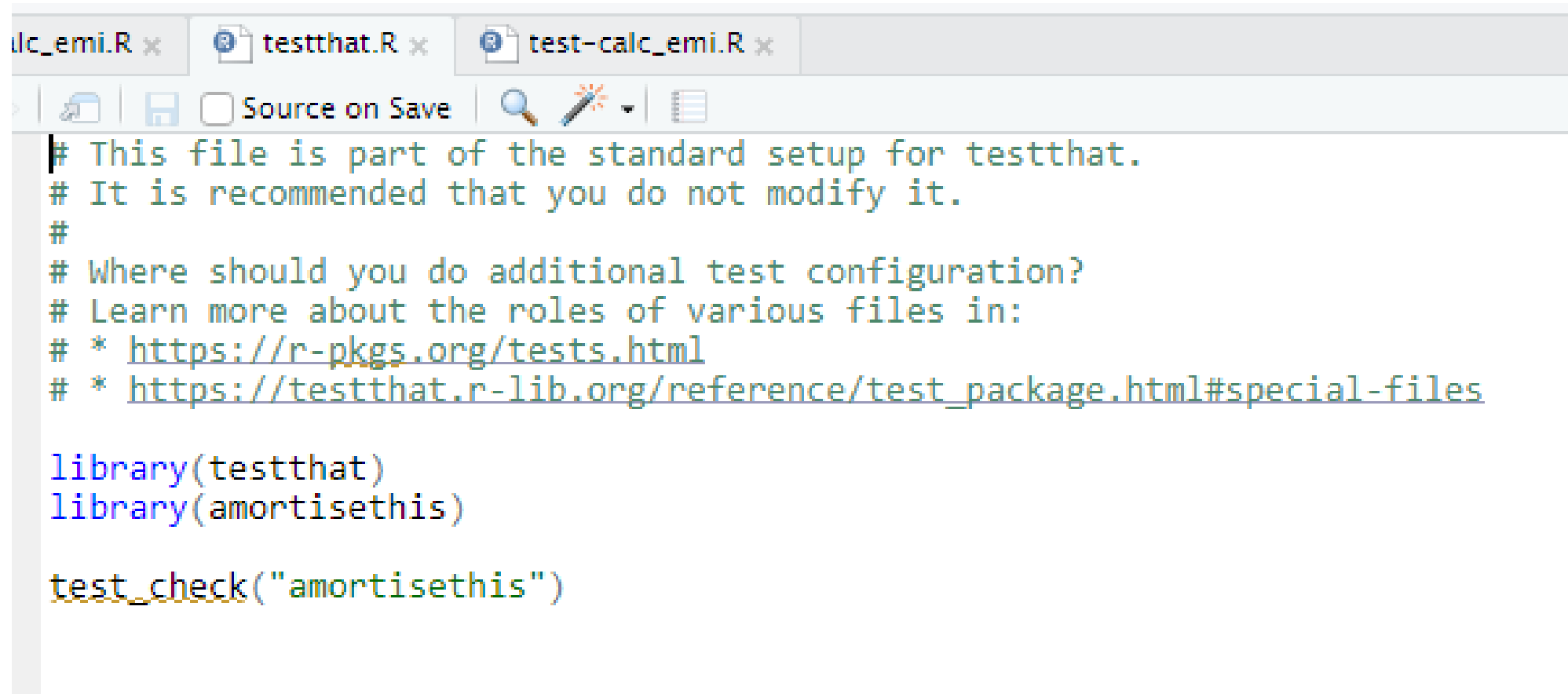
One of the most commonly used testing frameworks in R is `testthat`. We can use this framework in our package with `usethis`

```
> usethis::use_testthat()
✓ Setting active project to '/mnt/clustershare/home/s6yw2g/excel_to_r_emi_workshop/amortisethis'
✓ Adding 'testthat' to Suggests field in DESCRIPTION
✓ Setting Config/testthat/edition field in DESCRIPTION to '3'
✓ Creating 'tests/testthat/'
✓ Writing 'tests/testthat.R'
• Call `use_test()` to initialize a basic test file and open it for editing.
..
```

which creates the test folder in our package

Testing - testthat framework 2

The testthat.R script contains set-up code that is run before the tests, for now it is pretty basic



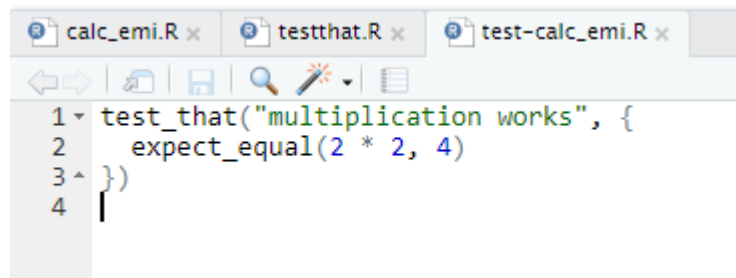
```
calc_emi.R x testthat.R x test-calc_emi.R x
Source on Save
# This file is part of the standard setup for testthat.
# It is recommended that you do not modify it.
#
# Where should you do additional test configuration?
# Learn more about the roles of various files in:
# * https://r-pkgs.org/tests.html
# * https://testthat.r-lib.org/reference/test\_package.html#special-files
library(testthat)
library(amortisethis)
test_check("amortisethis")
```

Testing - a basic test 1

To set up our first test, again we turn to `usethis`

```
> usethis::use_test("calc_emi")
✓ Writing 'tests/testthat/test-calc_emi.R'
• Modify 'tests/testthat/test-calc_emi.R'
```

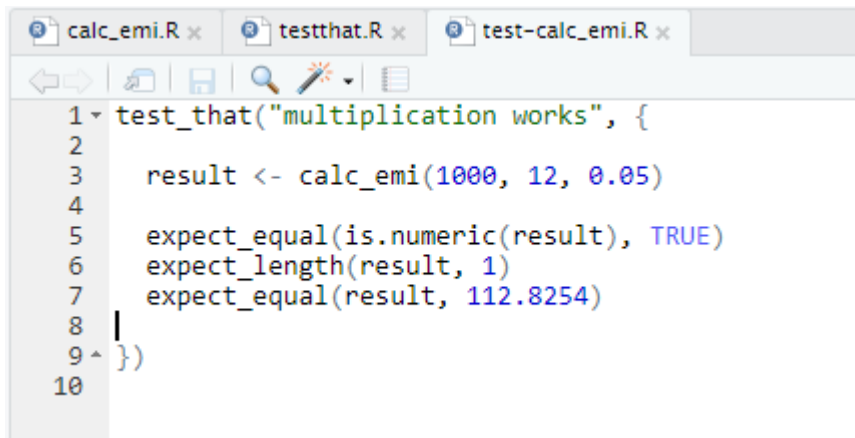
which creates a dummy test for us in the `tests/testthat` folder

A screenshot of an RStudio editor window. The title bar shows three tabs: 'calc_emi.R x', 'testthat.R x', and 'test-calc_emi.R x'. The active tab is 'test-calc_emi.R x'. The editor area shows the following R code:

```
1 test_that("multiplication works", {
2   expect_equal(2 * 2, 4)
3 })
4 |
```

Testing - a basic test 2

We might test such things as the type of the output, the size of the output, and the value.



```
calc_emi.R x testthat.R x test-calc_emi.R x
1 test_that("multiplication works", {
2
3   result <- calc_emi(1000, 12, 0.05)
4
5   expect_equal(is.numeric(result), TRUE)
6   expect_length(result, 1)
7   expect_equal(result, 112.8254)
8 }
9 })
10
```

we can execute our tests using

```
> devtools::test()
i Testing amortisethis
✓ | F W S OK | Context
✓ |          3 | calc_emi
```

```
== Results ==
Duration: 0.2 s

[ FAIL 0 | WARN 0 | SKIP 0 | PASS 3 ]
>
```

Testing - a testing checklist

When first starting out, it can be hard to know what to test.

A basic checklist would cover

- expected inputs -> expected outputs
- unexpected inputs -> expected error handling

Testing - defensive programming 1

The second item on our testing checklist leads us to defensive programming

Consider the following, are either of them desirable

```
> calc_emi("$1000", 12, 0.05)
Error in (1 + r)^t/((1 + r)^t - 1) * r * L :
  non-numeric argument to binary operator
> |
```

```
> calc_emi(1000, -12, 0.05)
[1] -62.82541
```

Defensive programming enables us to mitigate for these sorts of situations

Testing - defensive programming 2

So we might do something like this

```
##' Calculate EMI
##'
##' Calculate the equated monthly installment (EMI) for a loan
##' given the loan value, term and interest rate.
##'
##'
##' @param L {numeric} - the loan value
##' @param t {integer} - the loan term in months
##' @param r {double} - the interest rate as a decimal - e.g. 0.05
##'
##' @return a numeric vector of length 1
##' @export
##'
##' @examples
##' emi(L = 1000, t = 12, r = 0.05)
calc_emi <- function(L, t, r) {
  if (!is.numeric(L) | L <= 0) stop("L must be numeric and positive")
  if (!is.numeric(t) | t <= 0) stop("t must be numeric and positive")
  if (!is.numeric(r) | r <= 0) stop("r must be numeric and positive")

  if (r >= 1) warning("r should be a decimal representation e.g. for 5% r should be 0.05 - a value of 1 relates to a rate of 100%")

  if (t %% 1 != 0) {
    warning("t must be a whole number, t will be rounded to the nearest value")
    t <- as.integer(t)
  }

  emi <- (1 + r)^t / ((1 + r)^t - 1) * r * L
  return(emi)
}
```


Testing - defensive programming 3

which would then return the following in practice

```
> calc_emi("$100", 12, 0.05)
Error in calc_emi("$100", 12, 0.05) : L must be numeric and positive
> calc_emi(100, 12, 5)
[1] 500
Warning message:
In calc_emi(100, 12, 5) :
  r should be a decimal representation e.g. for 5% r should be 0.05 - a value of 1 relates to a rate of 100%
.
```

Testing - defensive programming 4

Our tests for the unexpected inputs could look like this

```
test_that("calc_emi works", {  
  result <- calc_emi(1000, 12, 0.05)  
  
  expect_equal(is.numeric(result), TRUE)  
  expect_length(result, 1)  
  expect_equal(result, 112.82541)  
  
  expect_error(calc_emi("$1000", 12, 0.05), 'L must be numeric and positive')  
  expect_error(calc_emi(-1000, 12, 0.05), 'L must be numeric and positive')  
  expect_error(calc_emi(1000, "12 months", 0.05), 't must be numeric and positive')  
  expect_error(calc_emi(1000, -12, 0.05), 't must be numeric and positive')  
  expect_warning(calc_emi(1000, 12.3, 0.05), 't must be a whole number, t will be rounded to the nearest value')  
  expect_error(calc_emi(1000, 12, "5%"), 'r must be numeric and positive')  
  expect_error(calc_emi(1000, 12, -5), 'r must be numeric and positive')  
  expect_warning(calc_emi(1000, 12, 5), 'r should be a decimal representation e.g. for 5% r should be 0.05 - a value of 1 relates to a rate of 100%')  
})
```

Testing - coverage

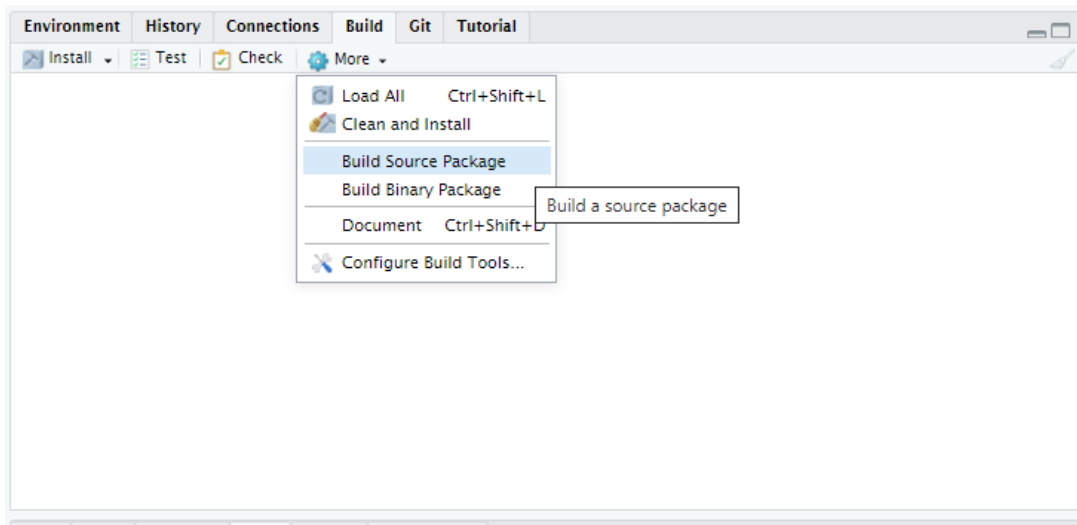
Test coverage looks at what % of lines of our code are run as part of our unit tests

The R package `covr` provides a nice way to look at this

```
> covr::package_coverage()
amortisethis Coverage: 56.25%
R/amortise.R: 0.00%
R/calc_emi.R: 100.00%
```

Sharing packages within our organisation

To add our package to our designated package manager (eg an internal to the organisation Posit Package Manager installation), we must build our package and upload it to our server.



Web apps (Shiny)

Sharing: Web apps

If we wanted to share the calculation with a user who had no familiarity with R, we could use R's [shiny](#) framework to build a simple web app

Sharing: Web apps - full app.R file

```
library(shiny)
library(amortisethis)
library(ggplot2)
library(tidyr)
library(dplyr)

# Define UI for application
ui <- fluidPage(
  |
  titlePanel("Basic Amortisation App"),
  # Sidebar with inputs
  sidebarLayout(
    sidebarPanel(
      numericInput("loan_val",
                  "Loan Value:",
                  value = 1000,
                  min = 1
                ),
      numericInput("loan_term",
                  "Loan Term:",
                  value = 12,
                  min = 1
                ),
      numericInput("rate",
                  "Interest Rate:",
                  value = 0.05,
                  min = 0
                ),
      actionButton("calc",
                  "Calculate")
    ),
    # Show a plot of the generated schedule
    mainPanel(
      plotOutput("Results_plot"),
      tableOutput("Results_table")
    )
  )
)

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

  observeEvent(input$calc, {
    balance <- amortisethis::amortise(loan = input$loan_val,
                                     term = input$loan_term,
                                     rate = input$rate)
    interest <- input$rate * balance
    principal <- amortisethis::calc_emi(input$loan_val, input$loan_term, input$rate) - interest

    result$schedule <- data.frame(period = 1:input$loan_term,
                                 opening_balance = balance,
                                 interest = interest,
                                 principal = principal,
                                 closing_balance = dplyr::lead(balance, n = 1, default = 0))
  })

  output$Results_plot <- renderPlot({
    req(result$schedule)
    result$schedule |>
      pivot_longer(!period, names_to = "type", values_to = "amount") |>
      filter(type != "opening_balance") |>
      ggplot(aes(x = .data$period, y = .data$amount, color = .data$type)) +
      scale_color_manual(values = c(srColors::sr_bougainvillea, srColors::sr_blue_sky, srColors::sr_lake)) +
      geom_line() +
      labs(x = "Term", y = "Amount", title = "Amortisation Schedule")
  })

  output$Results_Table <- renderTable({
    req(result$schedule)
    result$schedule
  })
}

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

Sharing: Web apps - UI code

```
# Define UI for application
ui <- fluidPage(

  titlePanel("Basic Amortisation App"),

  # Sidebar with inputs
  sidebarLayout(
    sidebarPanel(
      numericInput("loan_val",
                   "Loan Value:",
                   value = 1000,
                   min = 1
                  ),
      numericInput("loan_term",
                   "Loan Term:",
                   value = 12,
                   min = 1
                  ),
      numericInput("rate",
                   "Interest Rate:",
                   value = 0.05,
                   min = 0
                  ),
      actionButton("calc",
                   "Calculate")
    ),
    # Show a plot of the generated schedule
    mainPanel(
      plotOutput("Results_plot"),
      tableOutput("Results_table")
    )
  )
)
```


Sharing: Web apps - Server code

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

  result <- reactiveValues()

  observeEvent(input$calc, {

    balance <- amortisethis:::amortise(loan = input$loan_val,
                                     term = input$loan_term,
                                     rate = input$rate)

    interest <- input$rate * balance
    principal <- amortisethis:::calc_emi(input$loan_val, input$loan_term, input$rate) - interest

    result$schedule <- data.frame(period = 1:input$loan_term,
                                  opening_balance = balance,
                                  interest = interest,
                                  principal = principal,
                                  closing_balance = dplyr::lead(balance, n = 1, default = 0))

  })

  output$Results_plot <- renderPlot({
    req(result$schedule)
    browser()
    result$schedule |>
      pivot_longer(!period, names_to = "type", values_to = "amount") |>
      filter(type != "opening_balance") |>
    ggplot(aes(x = .data$period, y = .data$amount, color = .data$type)) +
      scale_color_manual(values = c(srColors::sr_bougainvillea, srColors::sr_blue_sky, srColors::sr_lake)) +
      geom_line() +
      labs(x = "Term", y = "Amount", title = "Amortisation Schedule")
  })

  output$Results_table <- renderTable({
    req(result$schedule)
    result$schedule
  })
}
```

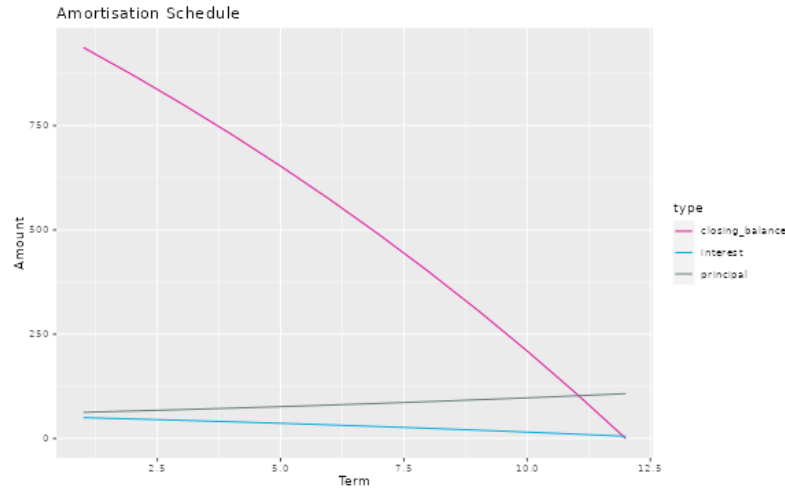
Sharing: Web apps - Run locally

Basic Amortisation App

Loan Value:

Loan Term:

Interest Rate:



period	opening_balance	interest	principal	closing_balance
1	1000.00	50.00	62.83	937.17
2	937.17	46.86	65.97	871.21
3	871.21	43.56	69.27	801.94
4	801.94	40.10	72.73	729.21
5	729.21	36.46	76.36	652.85
6	652.85	32.64	80.18	572.67
7	572.67	28.63	84.19	488.47
8	488.47	24.42	88.40	400.07
9	400.07	20.00	92.82	307.25
10	307.25	15.36	97.46	209.79
11	209.79	10.49	102.34	107.45
12	107.45	5.37	107.45	0.00

Sharing: Web apps - Publish application

Sharing: Web apps - Deployed Application

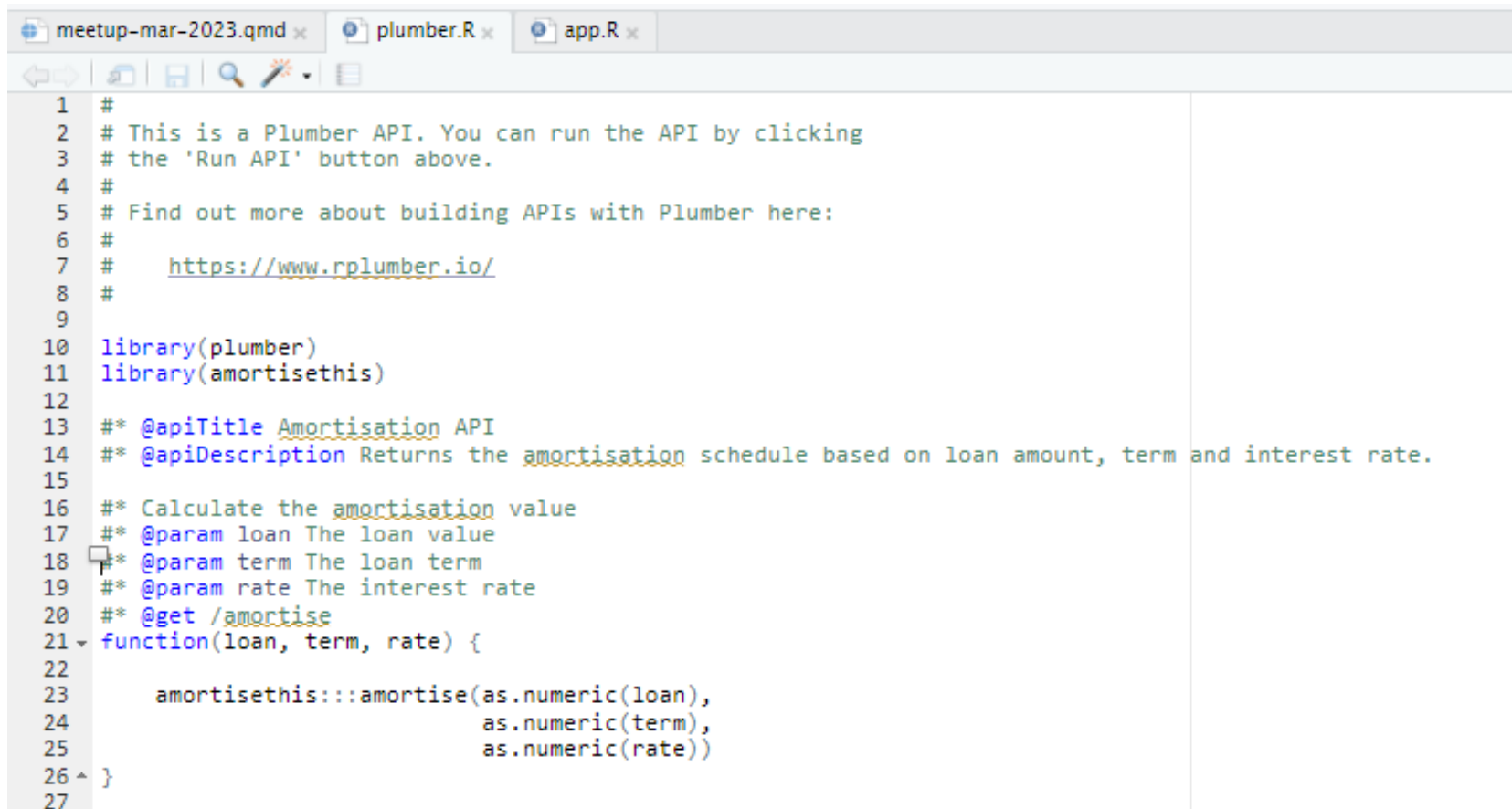
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Web APIs

Sharing: Web API

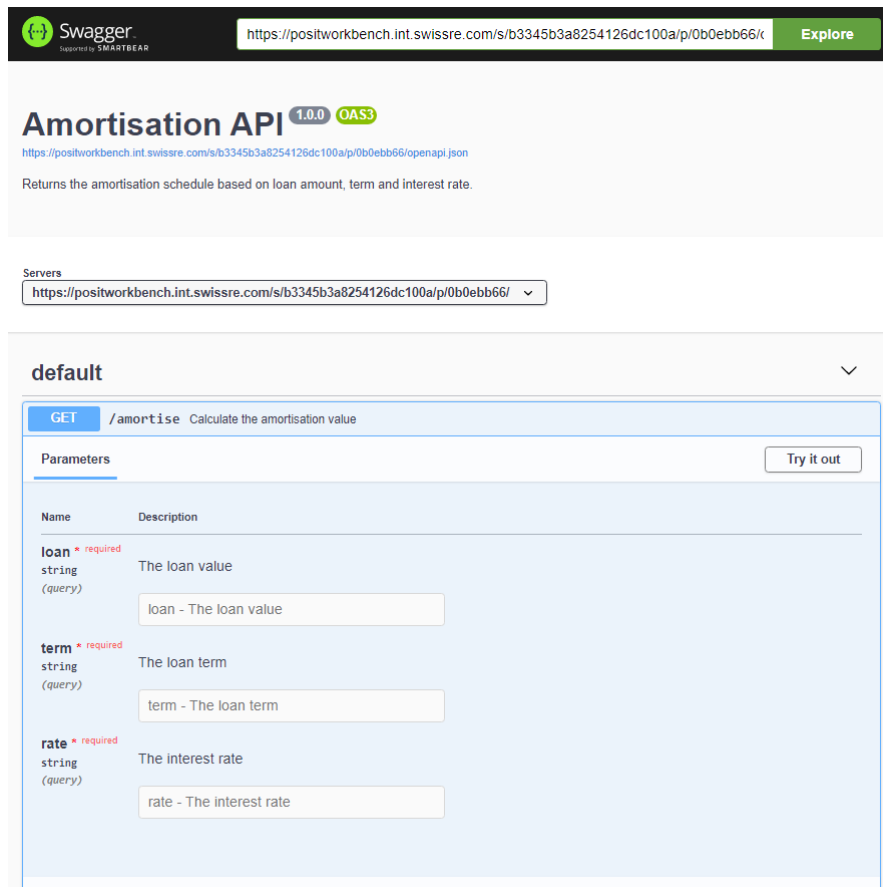
If we want other systems to interact with our functions, we can use R's `plumber` framework to deploy our functions as an API.



```
meetup-mar-2023.qmd x plumber.R x app.R x
1 #
2 # This is a Plumber API. You can run the API by clicking
3 # the 'Run API' button above.
4 #
5 # Find out more about building APIs with Plumber here:
6 #
7 # https://www.rplumber.io/
8 #
9
10 library(plumber)
11 library(amortisethis)
12
13 ## @apiTitle Amortisation API
14 ## @apiDescription Returns the amortisation schedule based on loan amount, term and interest rate.
15
16 ## Calculate the amortisation value
17 ## @param loan The loan value
18 ## @param term The loan term
19 ## @param rate The interest rate
20 ## @get /amortise
21 function(loan, term, rate) {
22
23     amortisethis::amortise(as.numeric(loan),
24                           as.numeric(term),
25                           as.numeric(rate))
26 }
27
```

Sharing: Web API

We can test locally by hitting run API, it generates a test interface for us



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<https://positworkbench.int.swissre.com/s/b3345b3a8254126dc100a/p/0b0ebb66/c> **Explore**

Amortisation API 1.0.0 OAS3

<https://positworkbench.int.swissre.com/s/b3345b3a8254126dc100a/p/0b0ebb66/openapi.json>

Returns the amortisation schedule based on loan amount, term and interest rate.

Servers

<https://positworkbench.int.swissre.com/s/b3345b3a8254126dc100a/p/0b0ebb66/> ▼

default

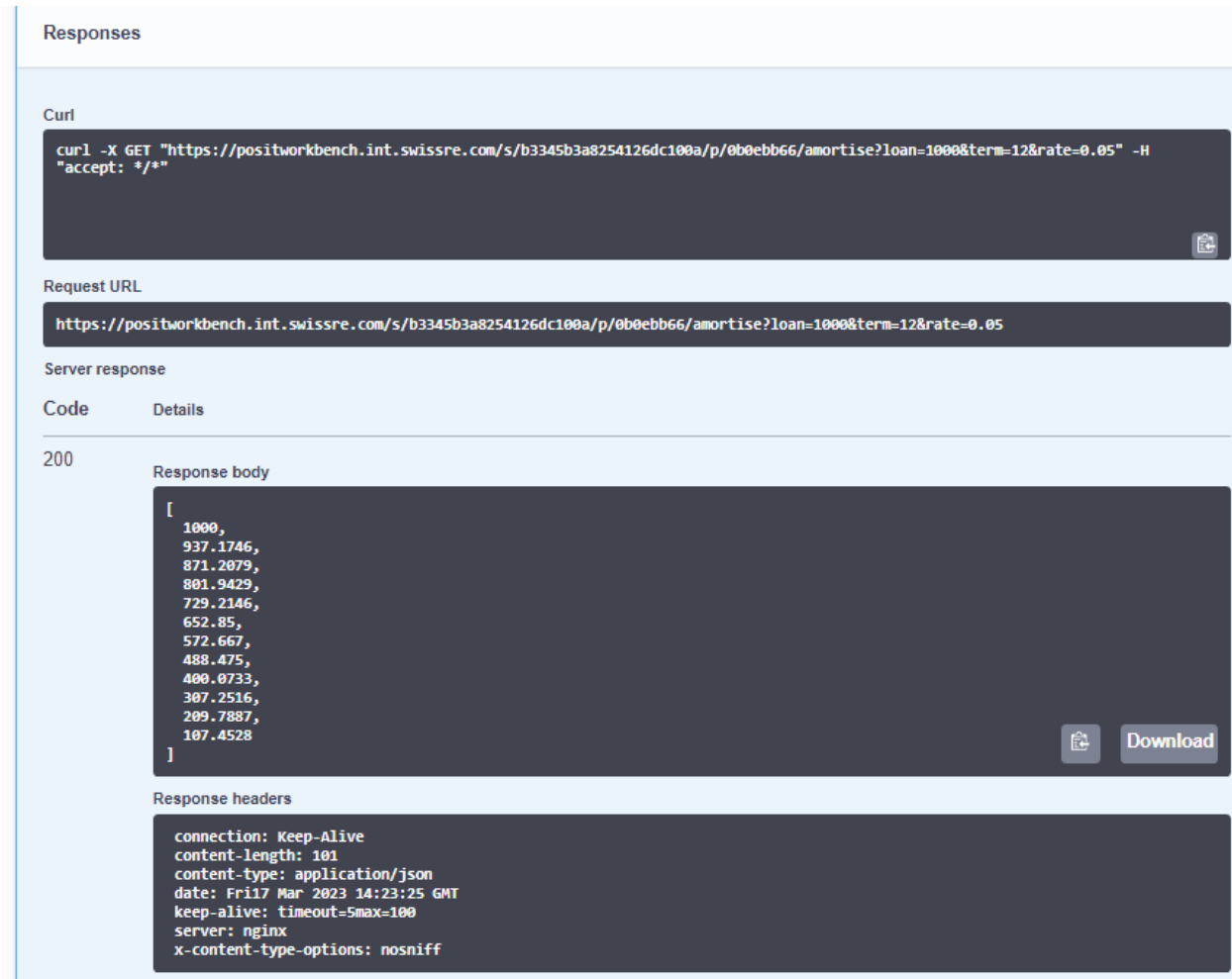
GET /amortise Calculate the amortisation value

Parameters Try it out

Name	Description
loan * required string (query)	The loan value
<input type="text" value="loan - The loan value"/>	
term * required string (query)	The loan term
<input type="text" value="term - The loan term"/>	
rate * required string (query)	The interest rate
<input type="text" value="rate - The interest rate"/>	

Sharing: Web API

If we fill in the values and hit execute, we can see the output



The screenshot displays a web API client interface with the following sections:

- Responses**: A header for the response details.
- Curl**: A text area containing the command: `curl -X GET "https://positworkbench.int.swissre.com/s/b3345b3a8254126dc100a/p/0b0ebb66/amortise?loan=1000&term=12&rate=0.05" -H "accept: */*"`
- Request URL**: A text area containing the URL: `https://positworkbench.int.swissre.com/s/b3345b3a8254126dc100a/p/0b0ebb66/amortise?loan=1000&term=12&rate=0.05`
- Server response**: A section indicating a successful response with a status code of **200**.
- Code** and **Details**: A tabbed interface where **Code** is selected.
- Response body**: A text area showing a JSON array of numbers: `[1000, 937.1746, 871.2079, 801.9429, 729.2146, 652.85, 572.667, 488.475, 400.0733, 307.2516, 209.7887, 107.4528]`. A **Download** button is visible next to the code.
- Response headers**: A text area showing the following headers: `connection: Keep-Alive, content-length: 101, content-type: application/json, date: Fri 17 Mar 2023 14:23:25 GMT, keep-alive: timeout=5max=100, server: nginx, x-content-type-options: nosniff`

Sharing: Web API

As with the shiny app, we can publish our API to Rstudio Connect

Sharing: Web API

Once the content is published we can edit the access settings

The screenshot shows a web browser displaying the Swagger UI for an API. The URL in the address bar is `https://rstudioconnect.atelier.swissre.com/connect/#/apps/51013021-96a1-4496-8476-f6aff3577408/access`. The page title is "Amortisation API" with version "1.0.0" and "OAS3" specification. The description states: "Returns the amortisation schedule based on loan amount, term and interest rate." The "Servers" section shows the base URL: `https://rstudioconnect.atelier.swissre.com/amortise_api_test/`. The "default" server is expanded, showing two endpoints:

- GET /amortise**: Calculate the amortisation value
- GET /**: RStudio Connect added this endpoint to redirect to the API docs by default. Once you define a base handler (i.e.: 'GET /'), RStudio Connect will stop adding this redirector.

The right sidebar is open to the "Access" settings. The "Sharing settings" are set to "Anyone - no login required". The "Who can view or change this API" section shows the user "Tom Bowling s6yw2g". The "Who runs this content on the server" is set to "The default user". The "Content URL" is `/amortise_api_test/`, and the full URL `https://rstudioconnect.atelier.swissre.com/amortise_api_test/` is shown with a "Copy" button.

Sharing: Web API

We can test the API from the terminal (i.e. not using R) like so

```
Console Terminal x Deploy x Background Jobs x Workbench Jobs x
Terminal 1 | s6yw2g@scl000111696: /mnt/clustershare/home/s6yw2g/excel_to_r_emi_workshop
s6yw2g@scl000111696:/mnt/clustershare/home/s6yw2g/excel_to_r_emi_workshop$ curl -X GET "https://rstudiocconnect.atelier.swissre.com/amortise_api_test/amortise?loan=1000&term=12&rate=0.05" -H "accept: */*"
[1000,937.1746,871.2079,801.9429,729.2146,652.85,572.667,488.475,400.0733,307.2516,209.7887,107.4528]s6yw2g@scl000111696:/mnt/clustershare/home/s6yw2g/excel_to_r_emi_workshop$
```

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Summary

In the first session we showed how we can take a process from Excel, move it in to R.

Today we have shown how we can

- structure our code as functions to abstract complexity away
- iterate using functionals to avoid writing explicit loops
- Package our code to improve robustness of our solution
- Demonstrated further ways we may productionalise our work via Web apps and Web APIs

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