

A SYSTEM FOR FORMATTING TABLES

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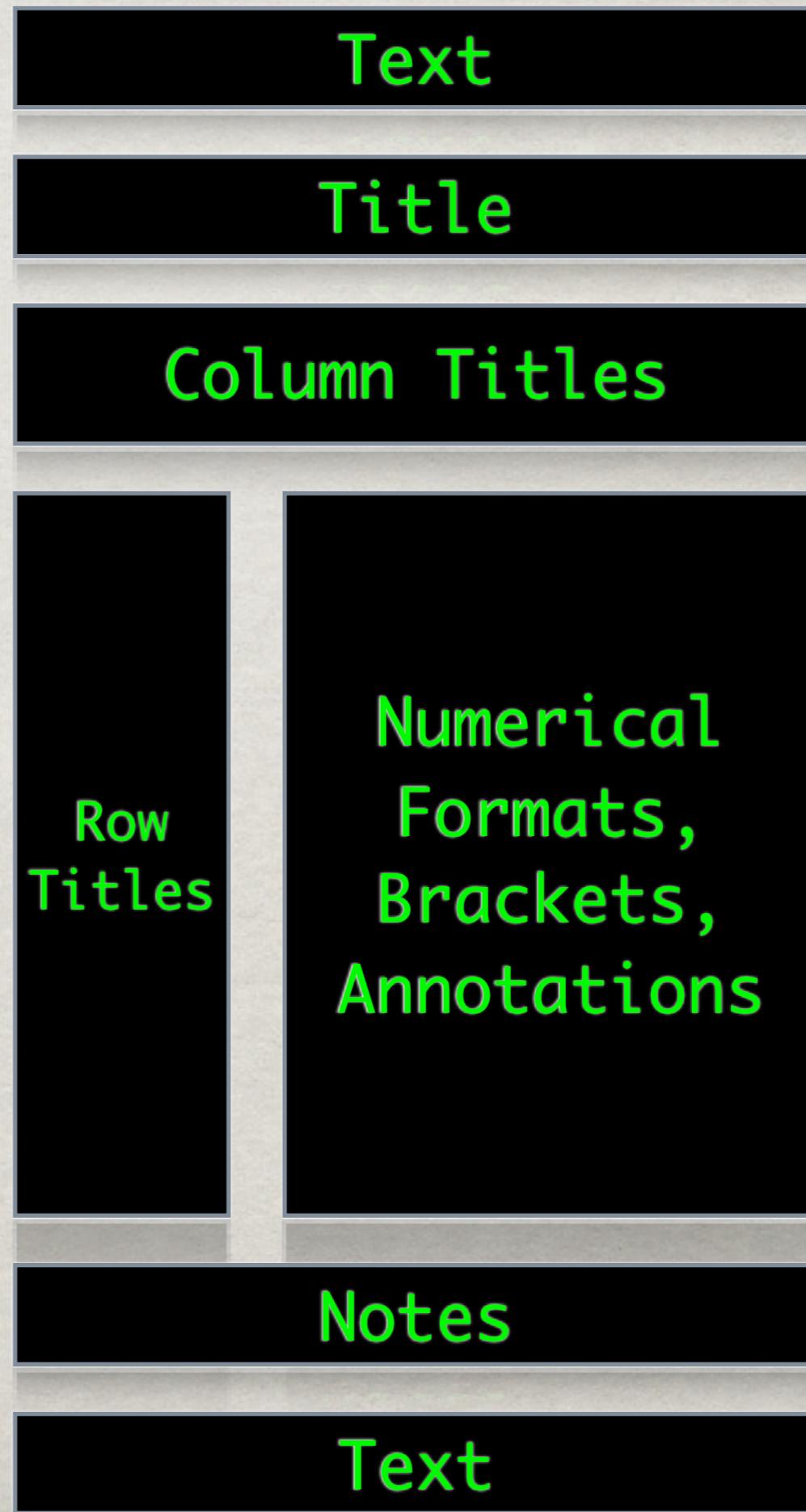
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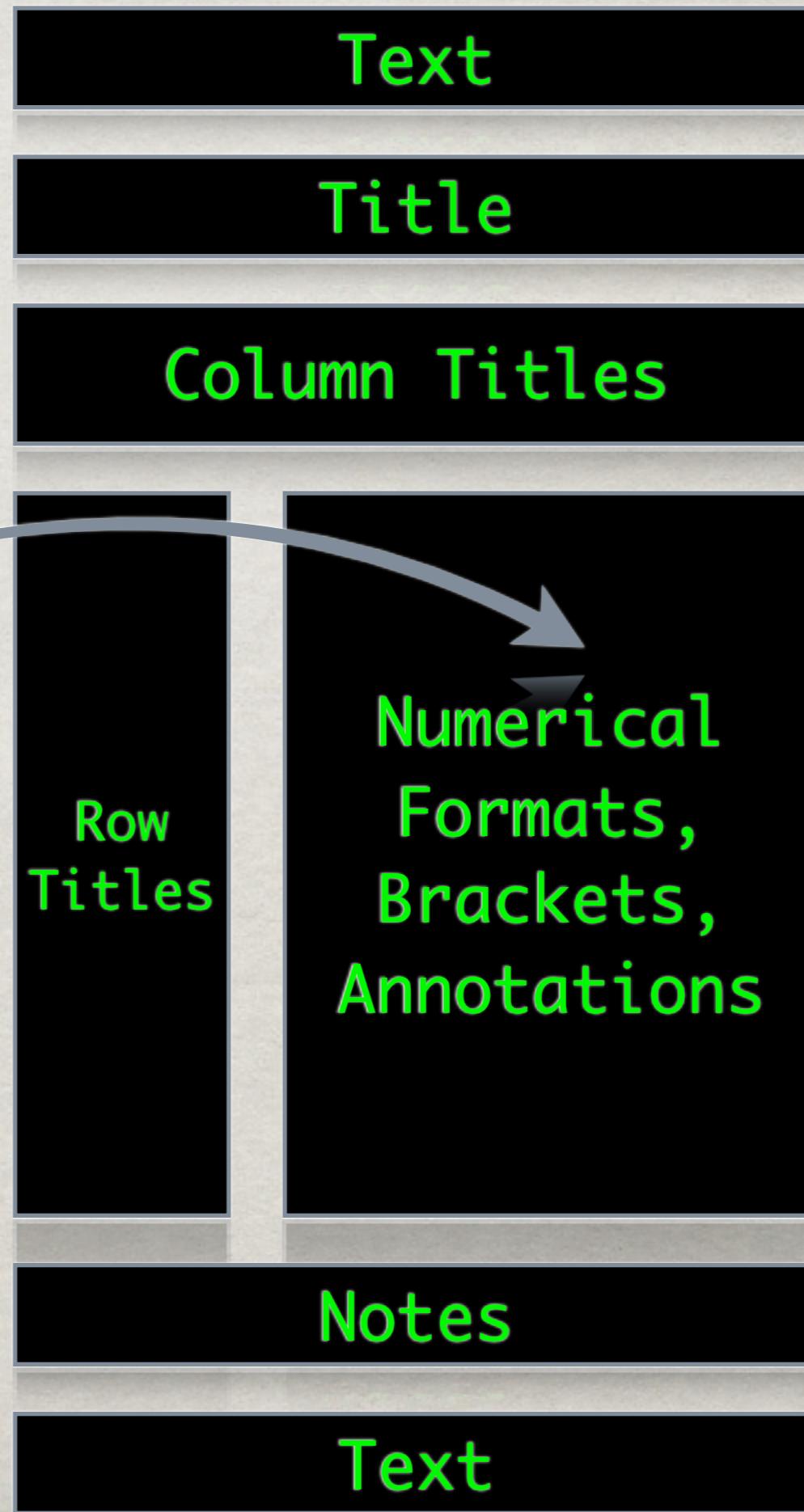
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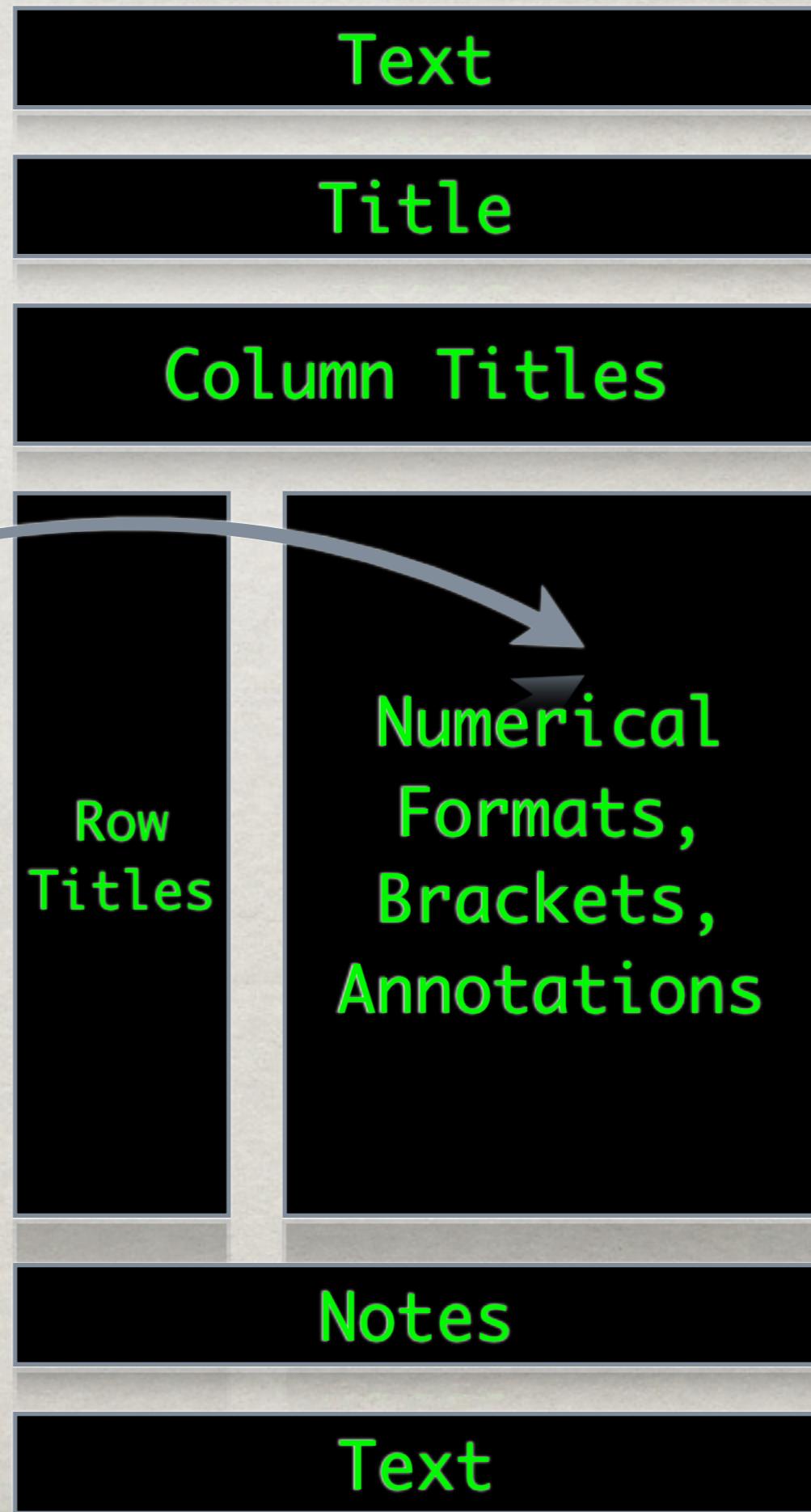
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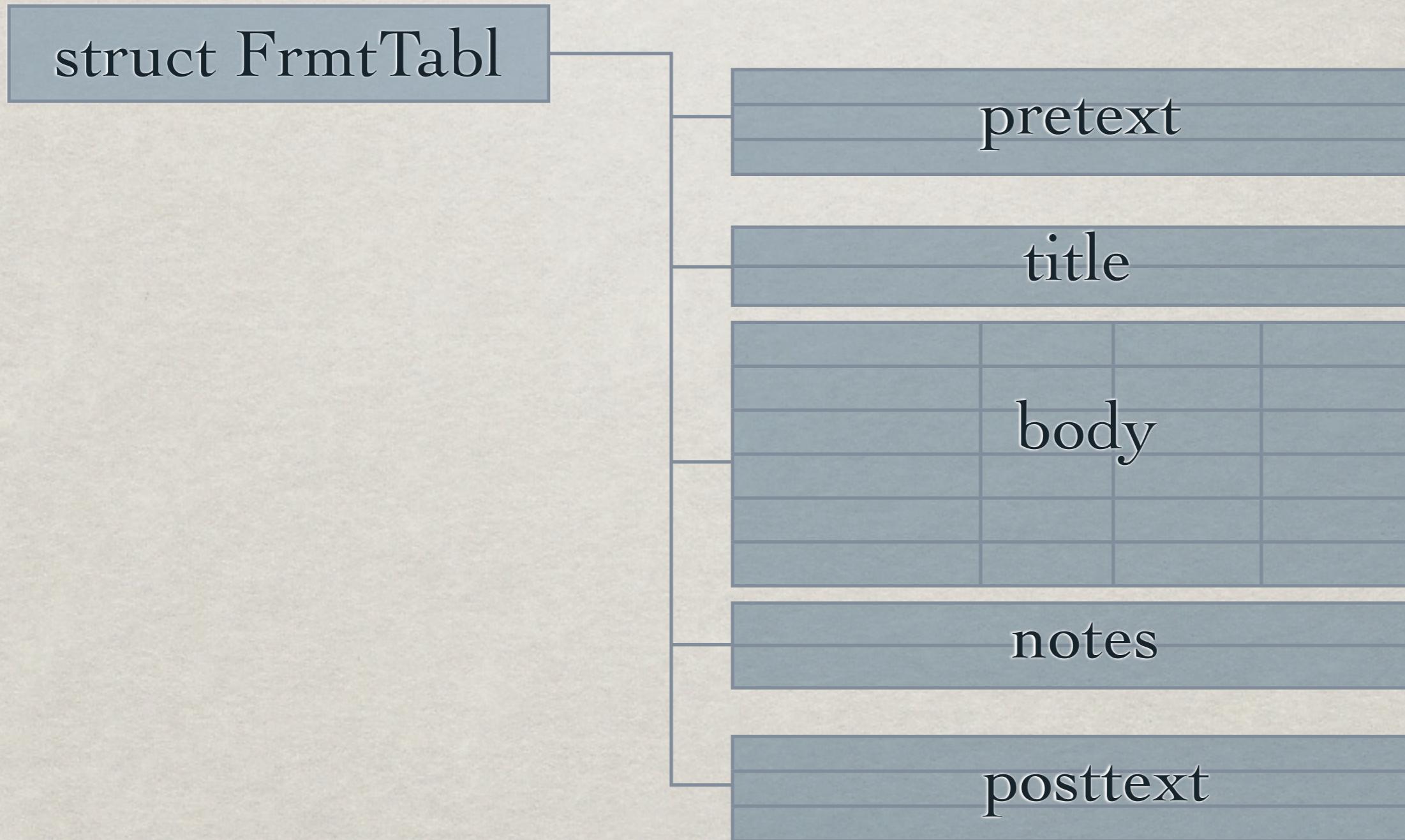
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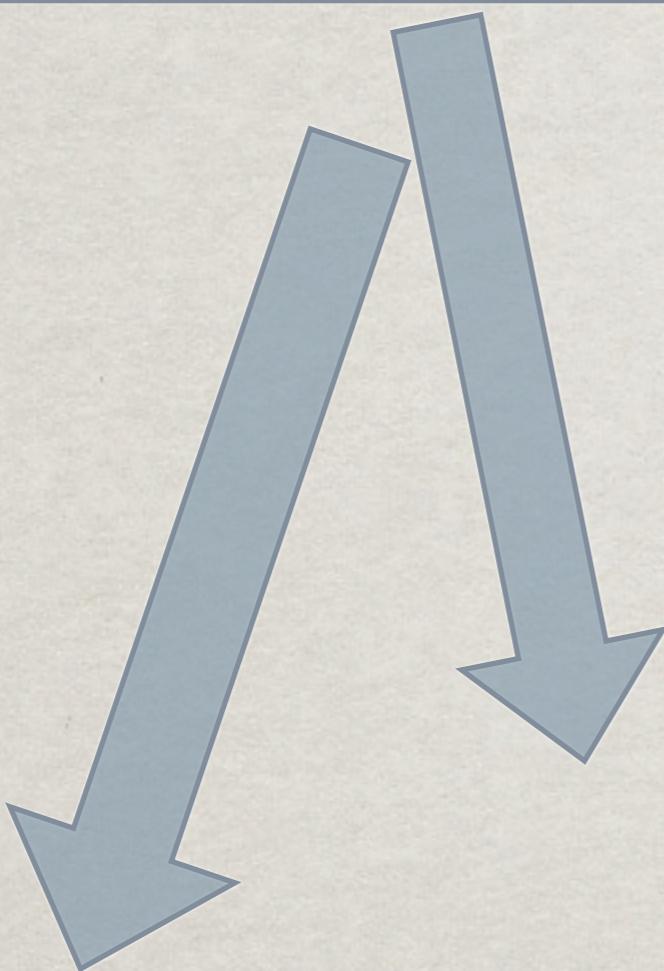
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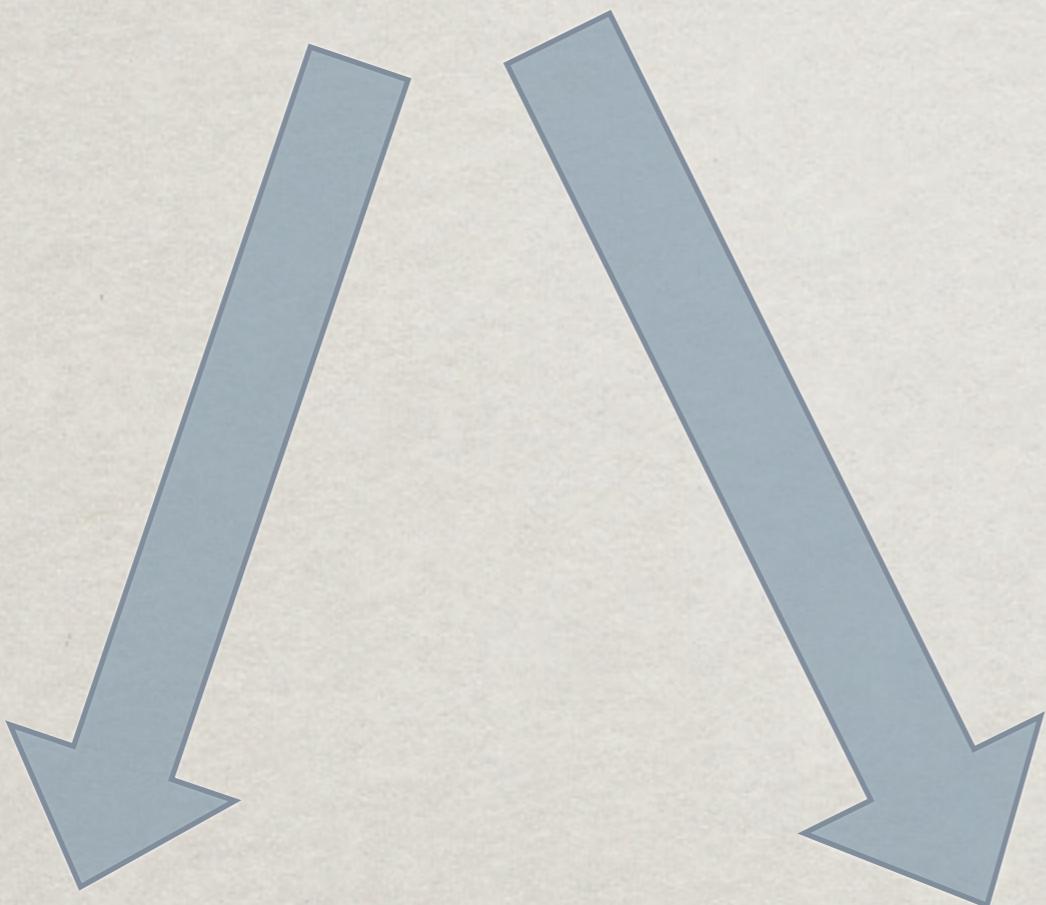
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TABLE AS WORD DOCUMENT

Payoffs

	Game 1	Game 2
Player 1	100	50
Player 2	0	50

TEXT FORMATTING

FONTS, FOOTNOTES, COLUMN SPAN, VERTICLE AND HORIZONTAL LINES

PAYOUTS

	Game 1	<u>Day 1</u>	<u>Day 2</u>	
		Game 2	Game 3	Game 4
Player 1	100	50	25	
Player 2	0	50 ^a		90
Player 3			75	
Player 4				10
Total	100	100	100	100

^a This player left without receiving payoff

OUTREG WORD FILE

A regression

	Mileage (mpg)
Length (in.)	-0.078 (1.38)
Weight (lbs.)	-0.004 (2.41)*
Headroom (in.)	-0.051 (0.09)
Constant	47.841 (7.78)**
R^2	0.66
N	74

* $p < 0.05$; ** $p < 0.01$

OUTREG TEX FILE

Marginal Effects & Confidence Intervals

Below Coefficients	
	Car type
Repair Record 1978	0.800** (0.174) [0.031 - 0.316]
Weight (lbs.)	-0.001** (-0.000) [-0.000 - -0.000]
Constant	0.185
N	69

* $p < 0.05$; ** $p < 0.01$

MULTIPLE STATISTICS

Horizontal Output like Stata's -estimates post-

	Coef.	Std. Err.	t	P> t	[95% Conf.	Interval]
mpg						
length	-0.0784973	0.0569915	-1.38	0.17	-0.1921633	0.0351688
weight	-0.0038541	0.0015974	-2.41	0.02	-0.0070401	-0.0006682
headroom	-0.0514305	0.5554372	-0.09	0.93	-1.1592150	1.0563540
_cons	47.8407895	6.1492834	7.78	0.00	35.5764304	60.1051486

Regression results with summary statistics

	Mileage (mpg)	Means
Length (in.)	-0.078 (1.38)	187.93 (22.27)
Weight (lbs.)	-0.004 (2.41)*	3,019.46 (777.19)
Headroom (in.)	-0.051 (0.09)	2.99 (0.85)
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A frequency table for car type

Car type	Frequency
Domestic	52
Foreign	22
Total	74

FURTHER STEPS

- ✿ Complete documentation for frmtable.ado, outreg.ado, outtab.ado
- ✿ Set default formatting values for FrmtTabl (fonts, output file types, even titles)
- ✿ Write to .docx & .xlsx XML formats (colors, spreadsheet, etc.)

CONCLUSION

- ✿ `frmttable.ado` provides presentation-ready formatting for Stata tables
- ✿ Fast
- ✿ Memory efficient
- ✿ Easily extensible



STATA WISHES

- ✿ Unicode support!
- ✿ Save r() matrices after table.ado
- ✿ Save r() matrices for varlist after summarize
- ✿ String matrices in Stata to pass to Mata