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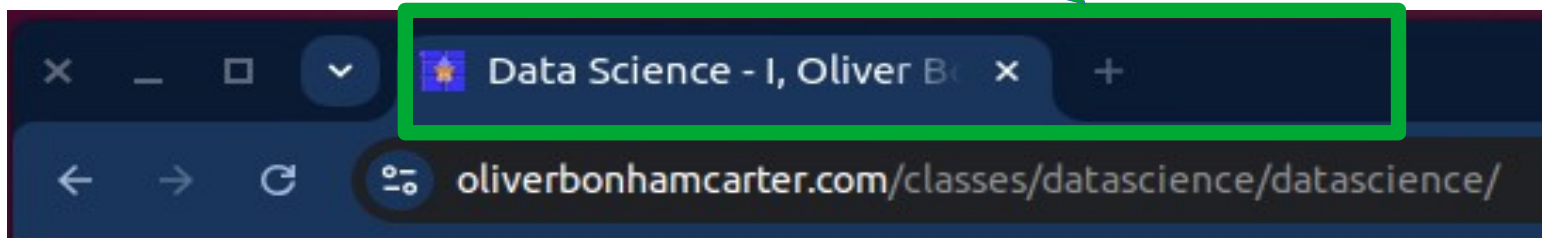
Installing R and RStudio

Week 1

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Just Link-IN!



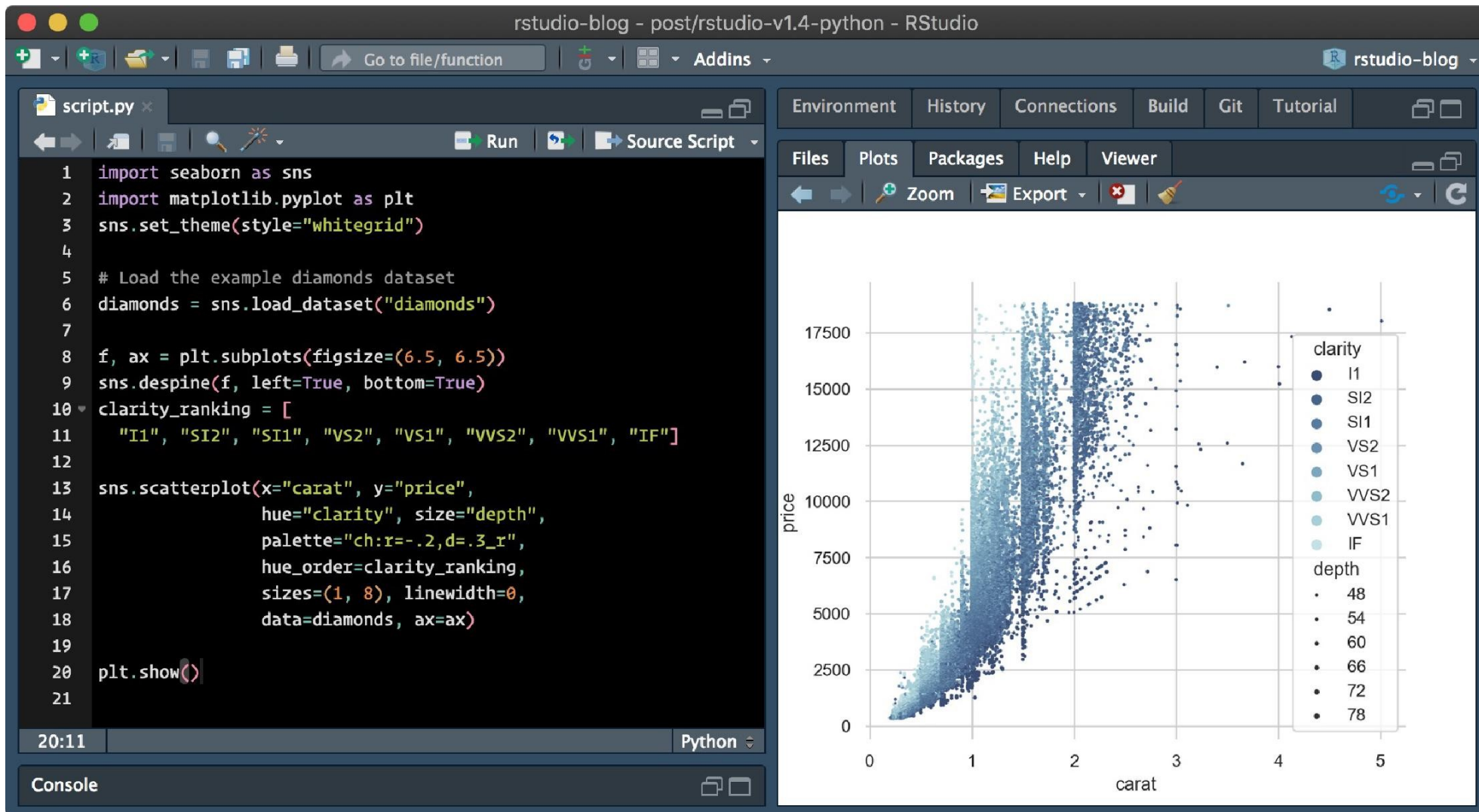
- Course web site:
 - <https://www.oliverbonhamcarter.com/classes/datascience/datascience/>
- Syllabus, Planning and ClassDocs/:
 - <https://github.com/AlleghenyCollege-CIS-301-F2025/classDocs>



The R Programming Language

- <https://www.r-project.org/>
- What is the R language?
 - An open source, well-developed programming platform for work in statistics, mathematics and data analytics
 - Cross platform; runs on major OSs
 - Popular programming skill among Big Data analysts, and data scientists
- Community Blogs:
 - <https://www.r-bloggers.com/>
 - <https://twitter.com/rstudiotips/>
 - <https://towardsdatascience.com>



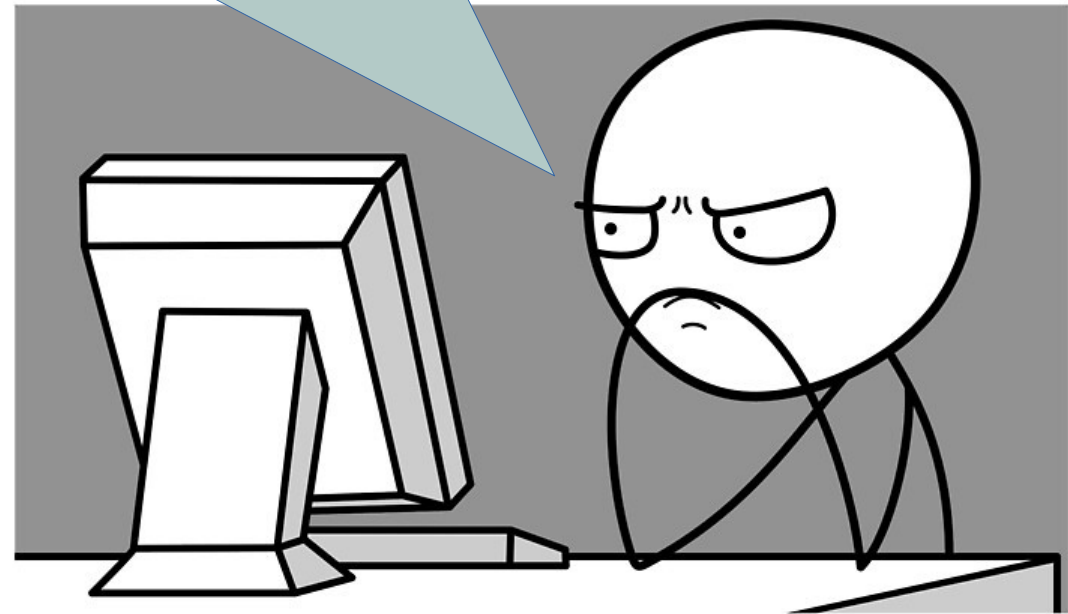




Let's take a moment
to install these
software packages!

 Language

 Studio®





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**Install
links**



RStudio download

<https://posit.co/downloads/>



R Programming Language

<https://cran.rstudio.com/>

Verify Your Installation!

- Wait! R or RStudio? Same language!

To run:

Find its icon or type *rstudio* at terminal

```
R version 3.2.2 (2015-08-14) -- "Fire Safety"
Copyright (C) 2015 The R Foundation for Statistical Computing
Platform: x86_64-pc-linux-gnu (64-bit)
```

```
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```

```
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```

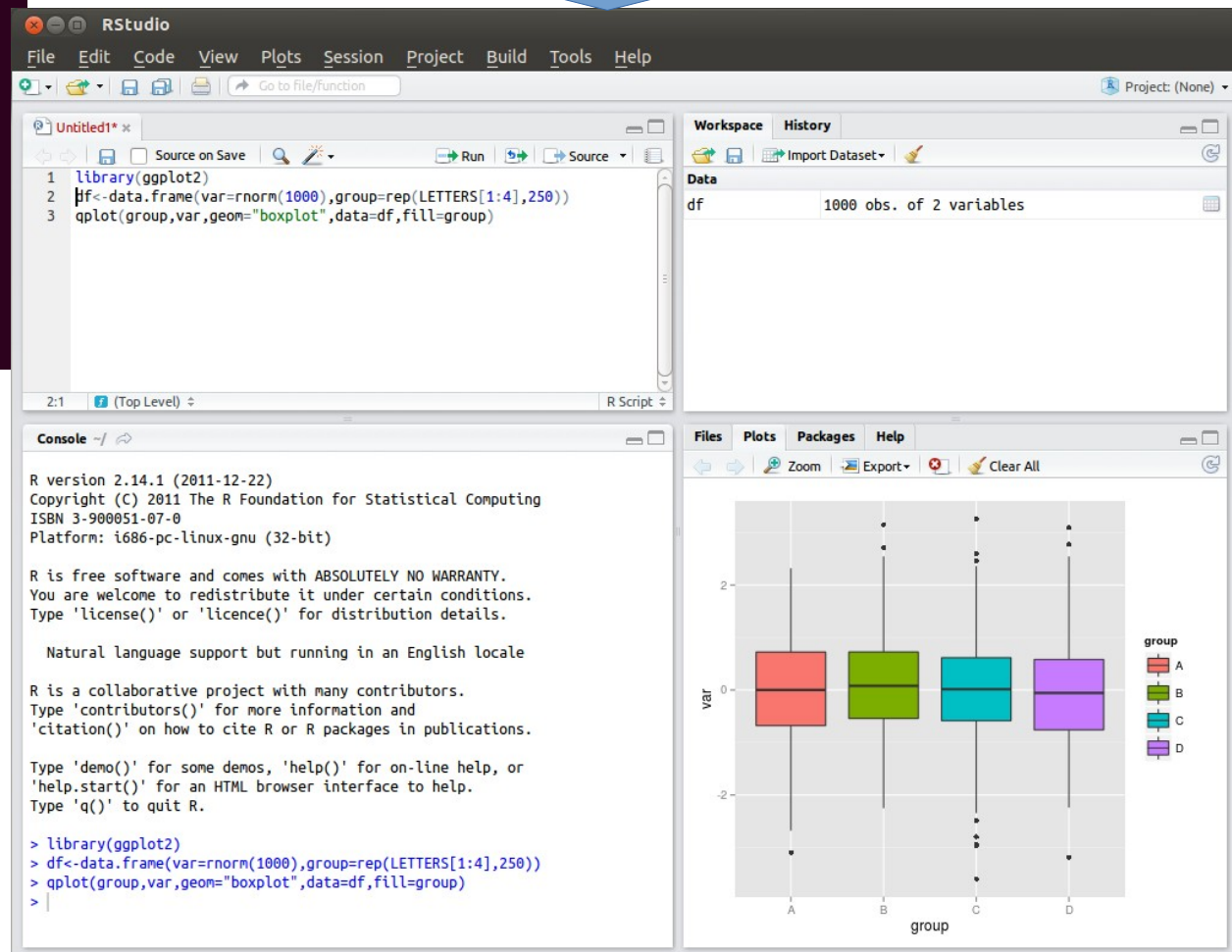
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```
Type 'demo()' for some demos, 'help()' for on-line help, or
'help.start()' for an HTML browser interface to help.
Type 'q()' to quit R.
```

```
> |
```



To run:
Type "R" at terminal





Getting Help in R

- Online help: place a “?” in front of a keyword
 - Ex: ?print

The screenshot shows the R console on the left and the R help viewer on the right. The console displays the R version 3.4.0 (2017-04-21) and the command `?print` being entered. The help viewer shows the documentation for the `paste` function, which is used to concatenate strings. The documentation includes a description, usage, and arguments.

Console:

```
R version 3.4.0 (2017-04-21) -- "You Stupid Darkness"
Copyright (C) 2017 The R Foundation for Statistical Computing
Platform: x86_64-apple-darwin15.6.0 (64-bit)

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[Workspace loaded from ~/.RData]

> ?paste
> ?print
```

Help Viewer:

R: Concatenate Strings | Find in Topic

paste {base} R Documentation

Concatenate Strings

Description

Concatenate vectors after converting to character.

Usage

```
paste(..., sep = " ", collapse = NULL)
paste0(..., collapse = NULL)
```

Arguments

...	one or more R objects, to be converted to character vectors.
sep	a character string to separate the terms. Not NA_character_ .
collapse	an optional character string to separate the results. Not NA_character_ .

Please take notes!!
We will be coding
together.