Changing the default library folder path in *R*

Running *R* under Windows

Installations of *R* will tend to install libraries at `C:/Program Files/R/R-X.X.X/library`, which may not always be writable or might be of limited space. To change this default, you need to make changes outside of *R* (and outside of *R Studio*) in Microsoft Windows.

Define a new folder '`R-Libraries`' as appropriate. I did it here:
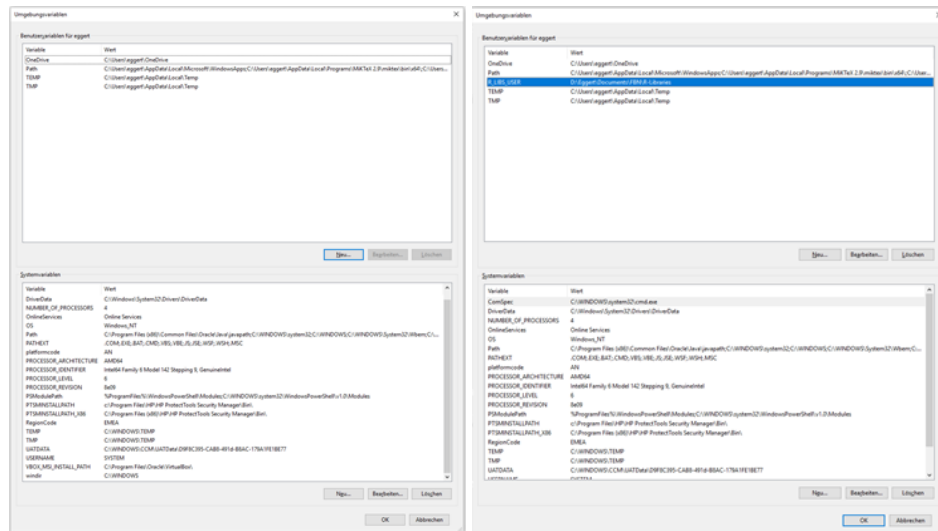`D:\Eggert\Documents\FBN\R-Libraries`

In the Microsoft Control Panel, go to

> `System and Security > System > Advanced system settings > Environment variables`
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> `Systemsteuerung > System > Erweiterte Systemeinstellungen > Erweitert > Umgebungsvariablen`

and following window pops up (left):

Create a new '`environment variable`' ('`Benutzervariable`') by clicking on "New…" and entering `R_LIBS_USER` as the variable name and the path of the R-Libraries folder, in my case `D:\Eggert\Documents\FBN\R-Libraries`, as the variable path.

Save the changes and restart *R*. Packages should now be saved to the new location.