

Getting Started with the R-ArcGIS Bridge

Overview

This package consists of four tutorials that deal with integrating the statistical programming language R with ArcGIS for Desktop. Several concepts are covered which include configuring ArcGIS with R, writing basic R scripts, writing R scripts that use ArcGIS data and functionality, and constructing R Tools for use within ArcGIS Pro or ArcGIS Desktop. It is recommended that the tutorials are completed in the following order.

1. Getting Started with the R-ArcGIS Bridge:

- Installing and setting up R and RStudio
- Installing the R-ArcGIS Bridge
- Installing and loading third-party R packages
- Running basic R script tools from an ArcGIS toolbox

2. R Scripting Basics:

- Using R Integrated Development Environments (RStudio Desktop)
- Writing expressions and executing commands in R
- · Working with basic objects and data types in R
- · Importing and subsetting data in R

Note: The R Scripting Basics tutorial can be considered optional by anyone that is already well-versed in the R programming language, and familiar with RStudio Desktop or an equivalent IDE for developing R code

3. R-ArcGIS Scripting:

- Reading/writing ArcGIS datasets using the arcgisbinding package
- Working with ArcGIS datasets in R
- Manipulating and analyzing spatial data in R

4. Building an R Script Tool:

- Creating and debugging R scripts designed for use as script tools by ArcGIS applications
- Creating and configuring script tools in an ArcGIS toolbox to execute R code
- Integrating R script tools into Model Builder workspaces

Data Sources

· City of Toronto:

https://www1.toronto.ca/wps/portal/contentonly?vgnextoid=1a66e03bb8d1e310VgnVCM10000071d60f89RCRD

Toronto Police Service:

http://data.torontopolice.on.ca/pages/ksi

Statistics Canada:

http://www12.statcan.gc.ca/census-recensement/2016/dp-pd/index-eng.cfm

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