**Downloading, Locating, and Opening an R Script from GitHub**

**Objective:** Provide instructions for downloading, locating, and opening an R script from GitHub for users without prior experience.

**Prerequisites:** Internet access, a web browser, R/RStudio installed on the computer.

**Step 1: Locating the R Script**

**Step 2: Locating the R Script**

1. Inside the repository, look for the file you want to download (usually a file ending in **.R**, such as **script\_name.R**) – in this tutorials repo they are in the **scripts** folder.

**Step 3: Downloading an Individual File**

1. Click on the filename of the script (.R) you want to download to view its contents.
2. On the script’s page, click the **Raw** button near the top right corner.
3. Right-click anywhere on the raw code and select **Save As** (on Windows) or **Save Page As** (on Mac) from the context menu.
4. Choose a location to save the file (e.g., "Documents" or "Downloads") and click **Save**.

**Step 4: Extracting the Repository (if downloaded as ZIP)**

1. Locate the downloaded ZIP file on your computer:
   * **Mac:** Open Finder and look in the "Downloads" folder.
   * **Windows:** Open File Explorer and look in the "Downloads" folder.
2. Right-click (or Control-click on Mac) the ZIP file and select **Extract All** (Windows) or **Unzip** (Mac).
3. Once extracted, navigate to the folder to find the R script you need.

**Step 5: Opening the R Script**

1. Locate the downloaded script file on your computer:
   * **Mac:** Use Finder. If you saved the file to your "Documents" or "Downloads" folder, navigate there.
   * **Windows:** Use File Explorer and navigate to the location where you saved the file (e.g., "Documents" or "Downloads").
2. Right-click (or Control-click on Mac) the **.R** file and choose **Open With**, then select **RStudio** (if it's installed).
3. Alternatively, open RStudio and use the **File > Open File** menu to browse and open the **.R** file directly.