



Data Visualization with R and Google Play Store Data

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Introduction

This document contains a step-by-step process of analyzing Google Play Store Apps data with R and will teach you how to create graphs using R language.

This guide was prepared by [Miracle's Innovation Labs](#).

Pre-Requisites

All attendees must have their workstation (with Internet) to participate in the lab. The following pre-requisites will help you to make the Hands-on Lab experience easier.

- Download and install R and R studio

Technology Involved

- R Programming

Lab Steps

So, let us get started with the Installation!

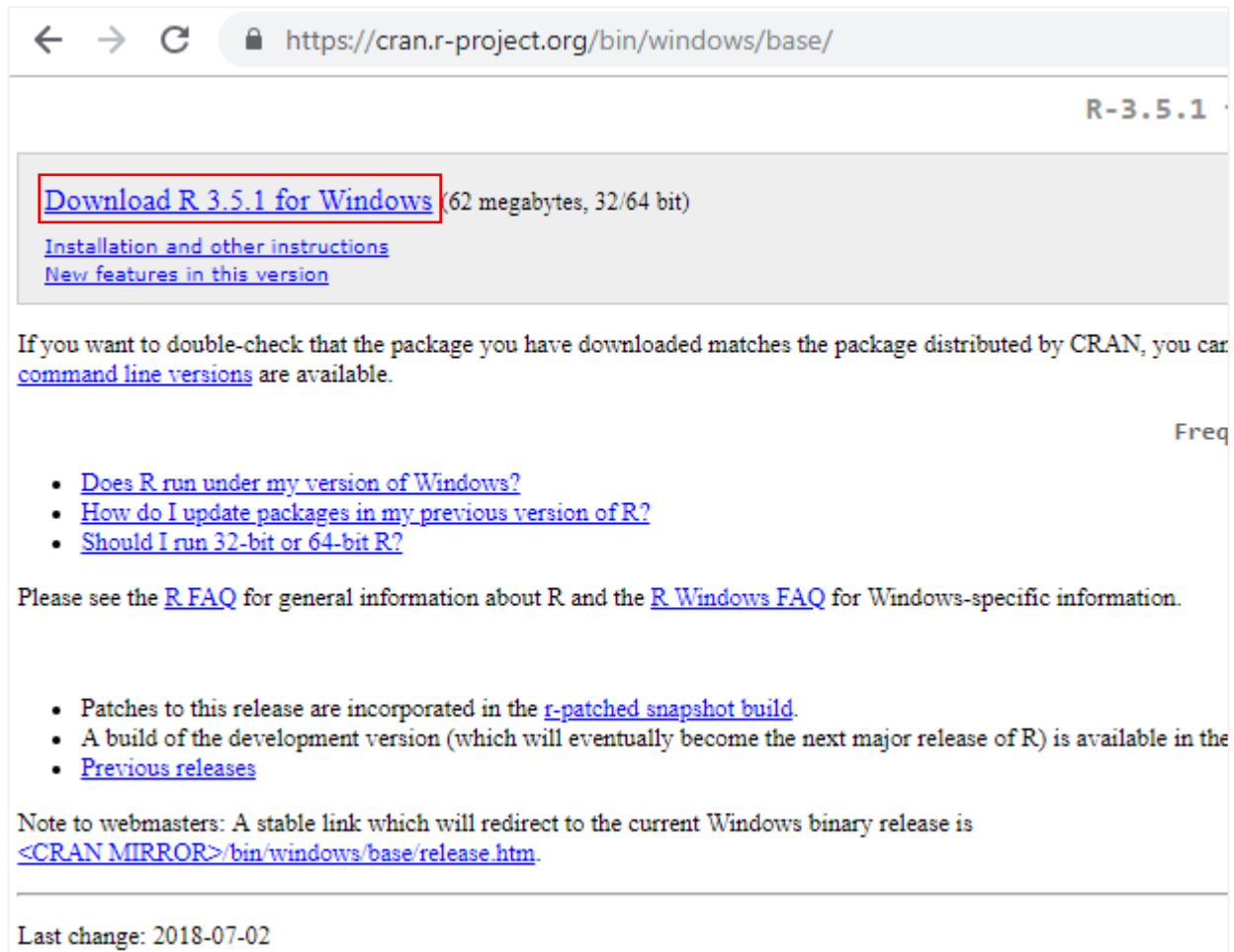
The following steps will outline how to install R and RStudio in your environment.

Step #1 | Installing R

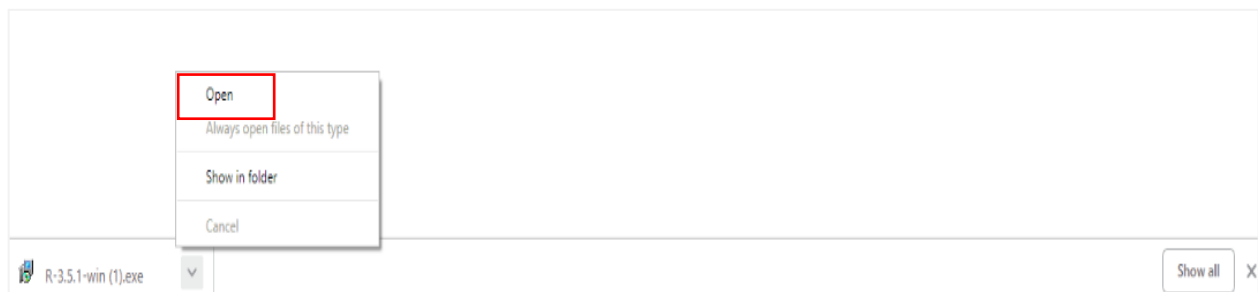
To install R on your computer, follow these steps,

Use this link to download the latest R version,

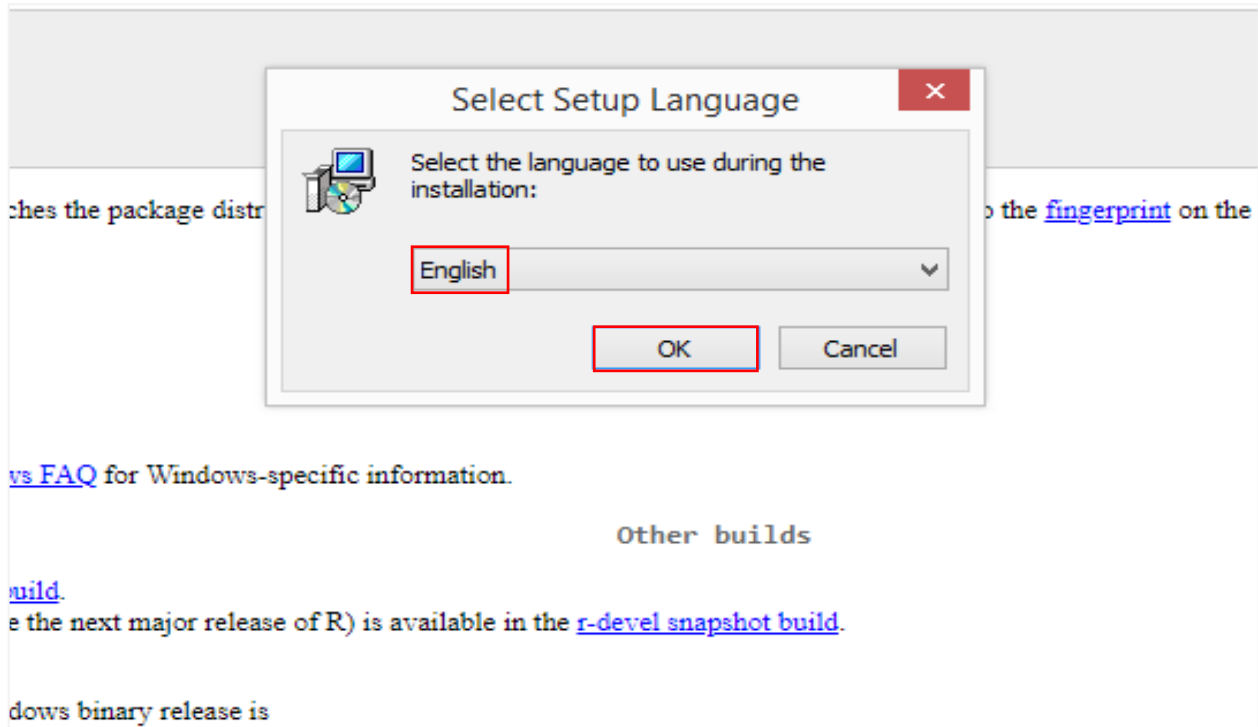
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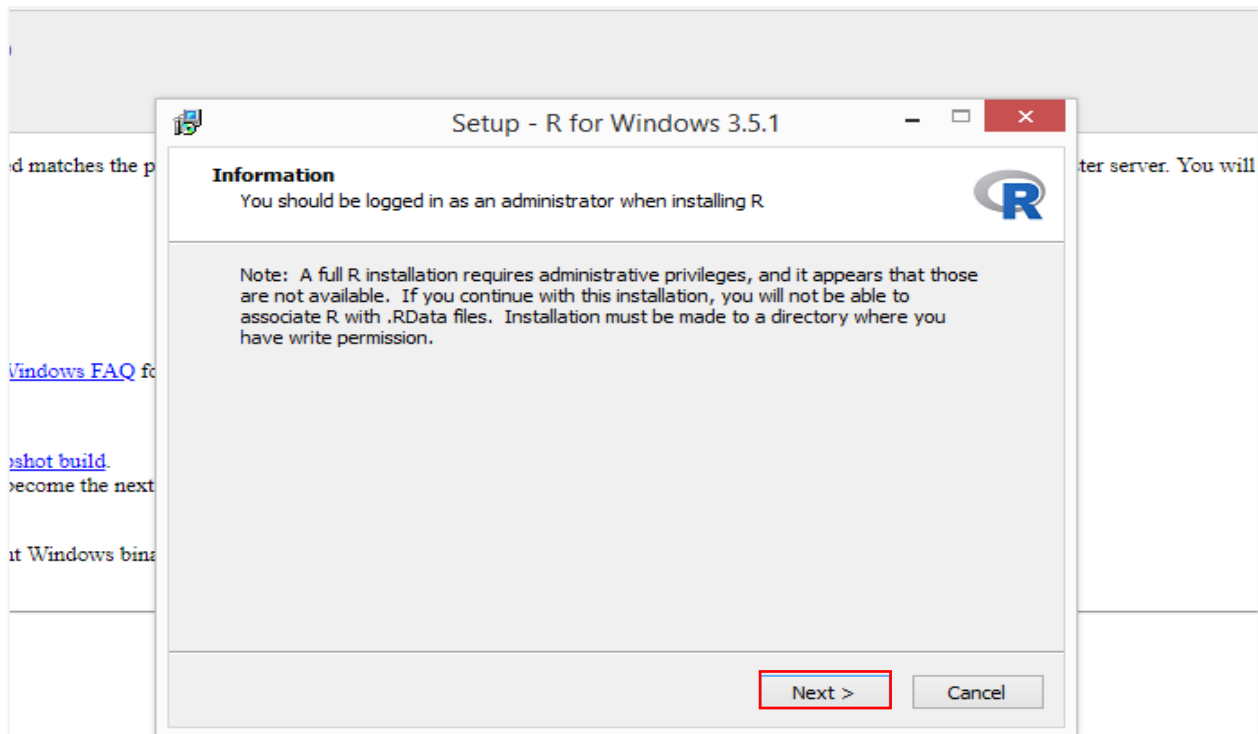
Click on **Download R 3.5.1 for Windows.**



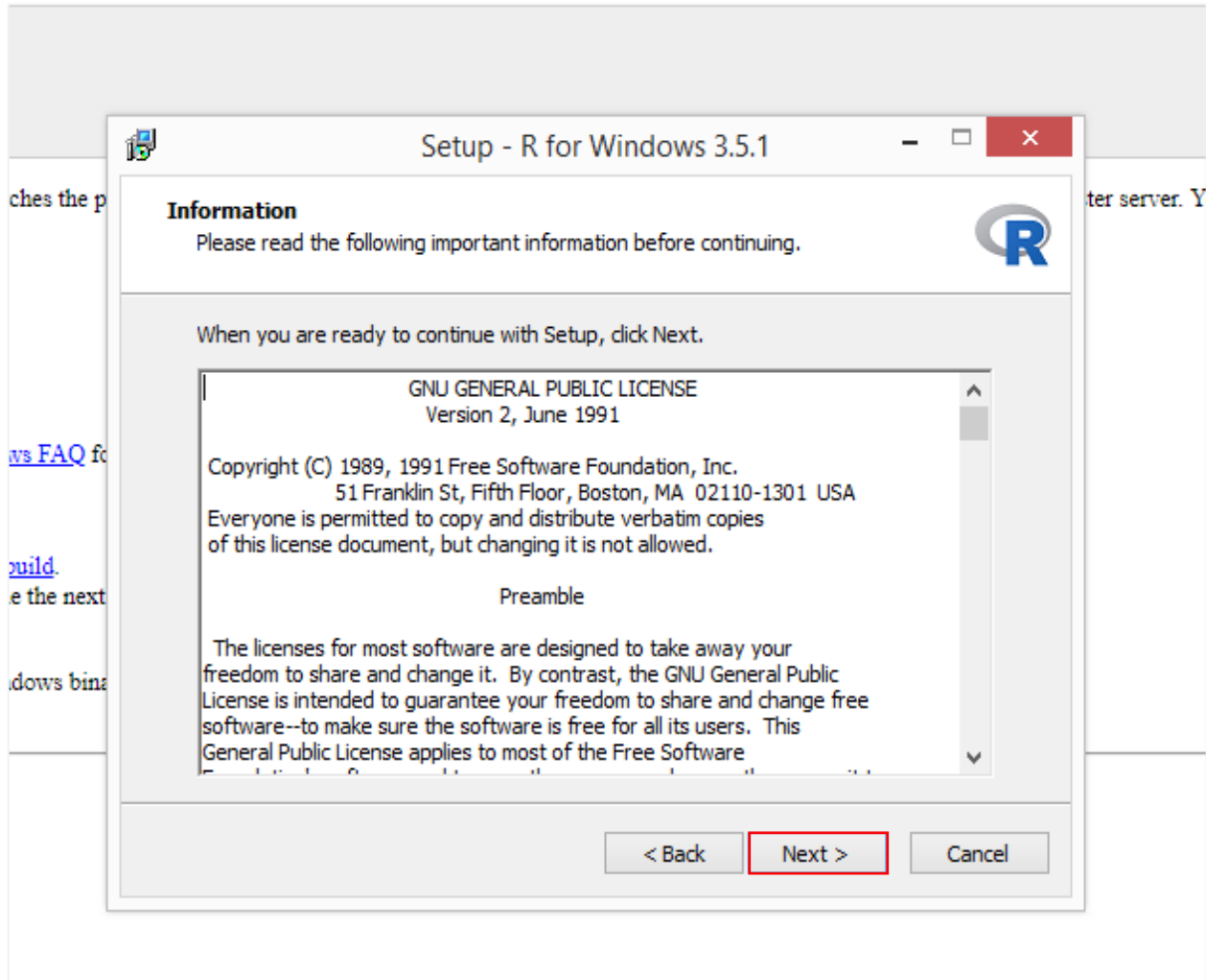
R is successfully downloaded on your machine, click on **Open** option to run the .exe file. You will be asked to choose a language to install, choose **English** and click on **Ok**.



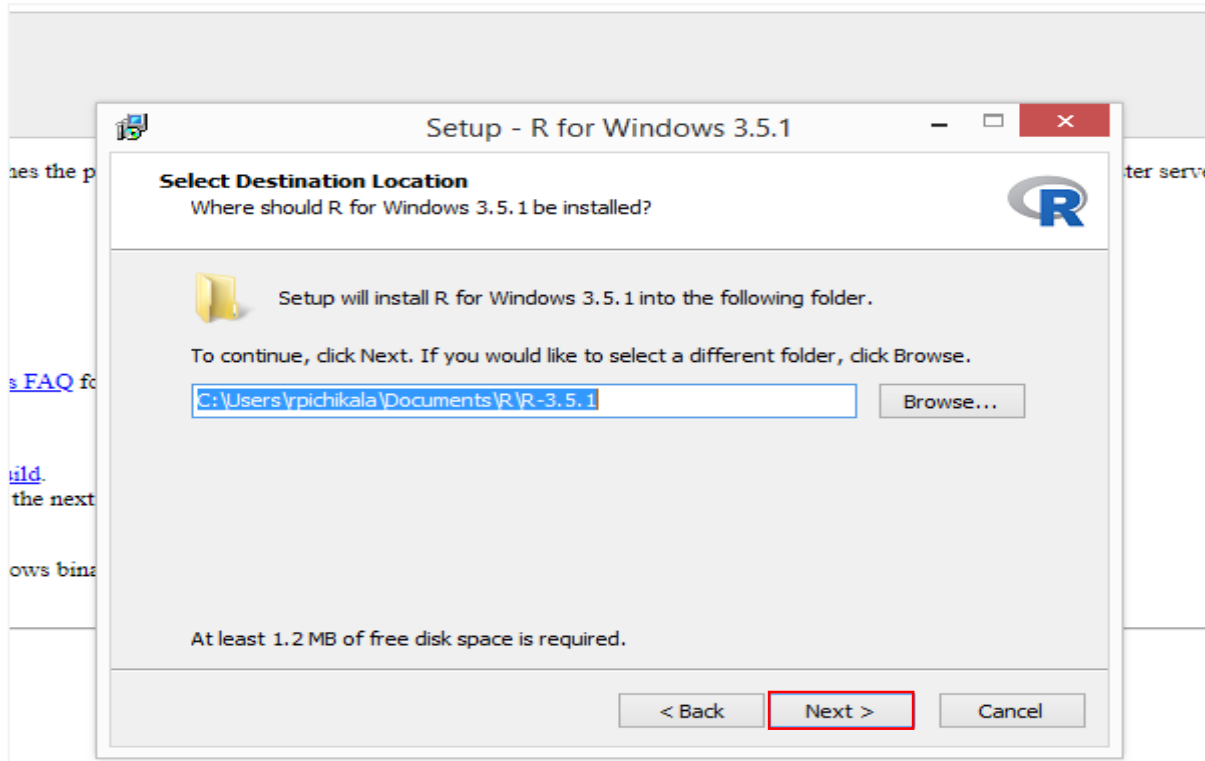
The R Setup Wizard will appear in a window. Click on **Next** at the bottom of the R Setup wizard window.



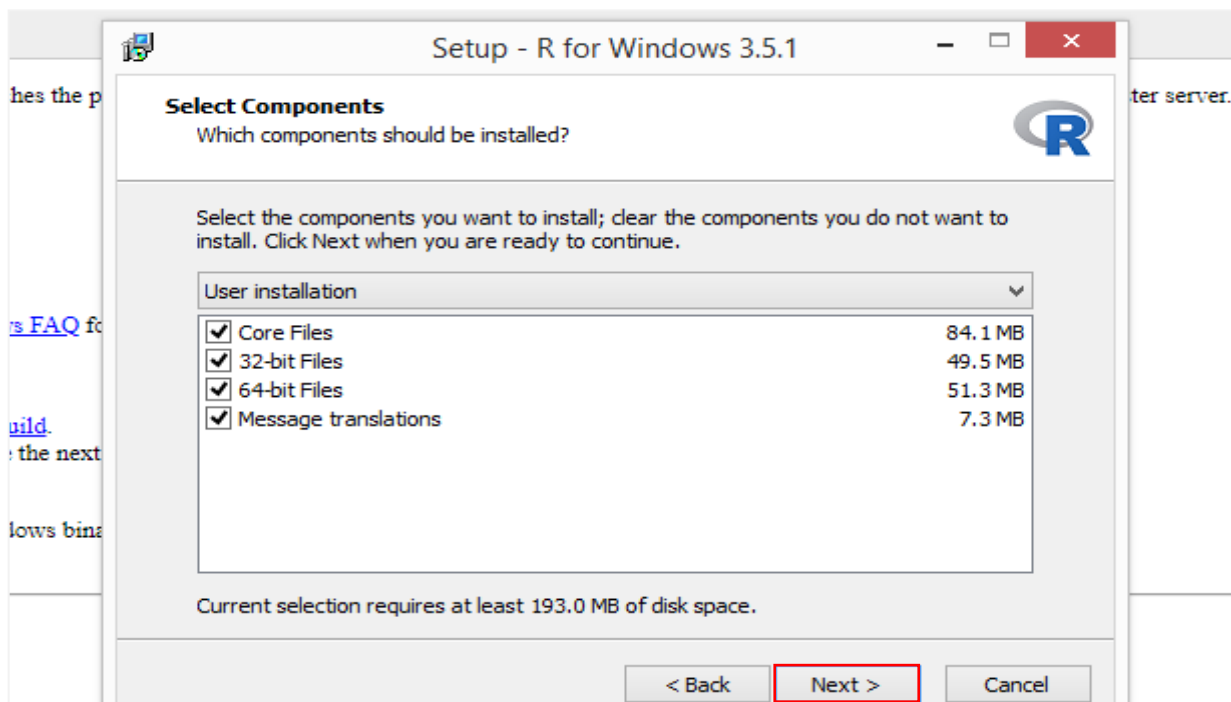
The next page provides the Information on R installation. Click on **Next**.



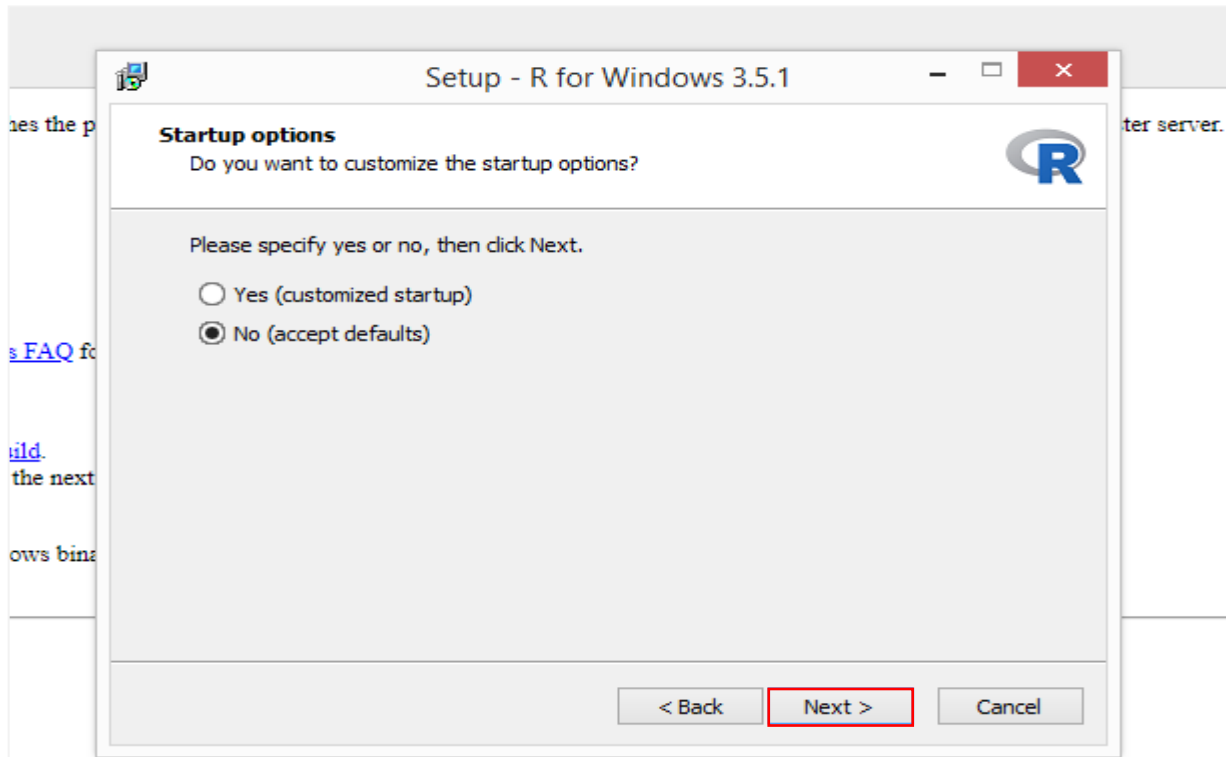
Select destination location at the top. By default, it will suggest installing R in “C:\Program Files” on your computer. Click on **Next** at the bottom of the R Setup wizard window.



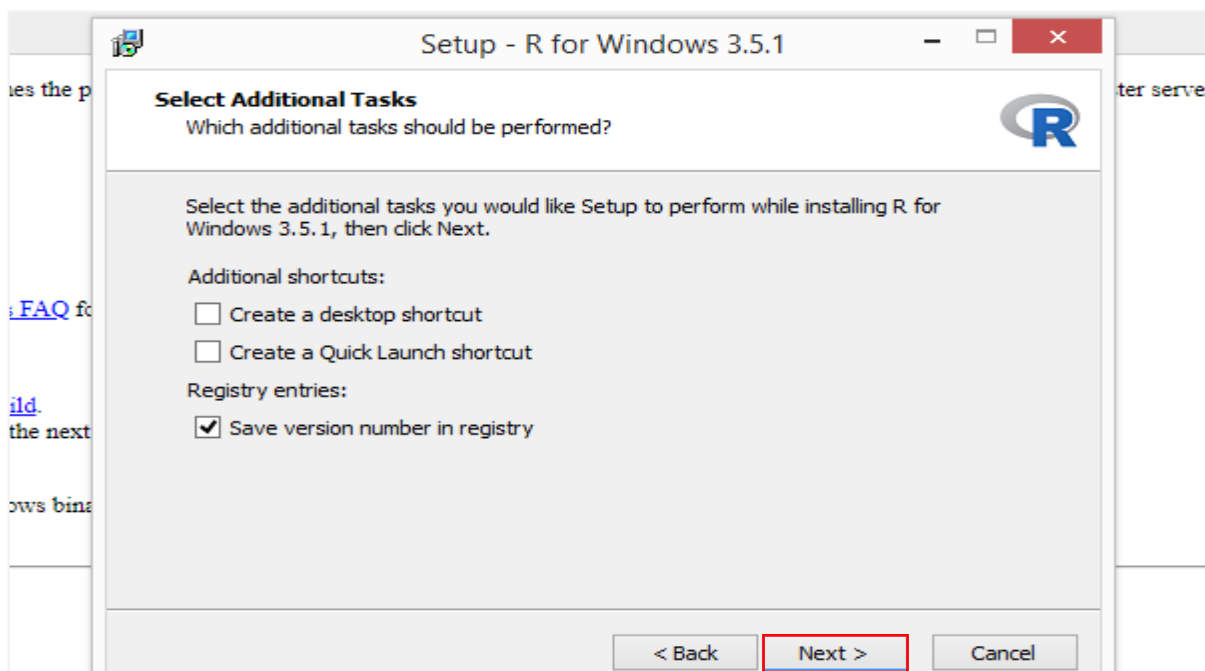
You will be requested to select components at the top. By default all the components will be selected and click on **Next**.



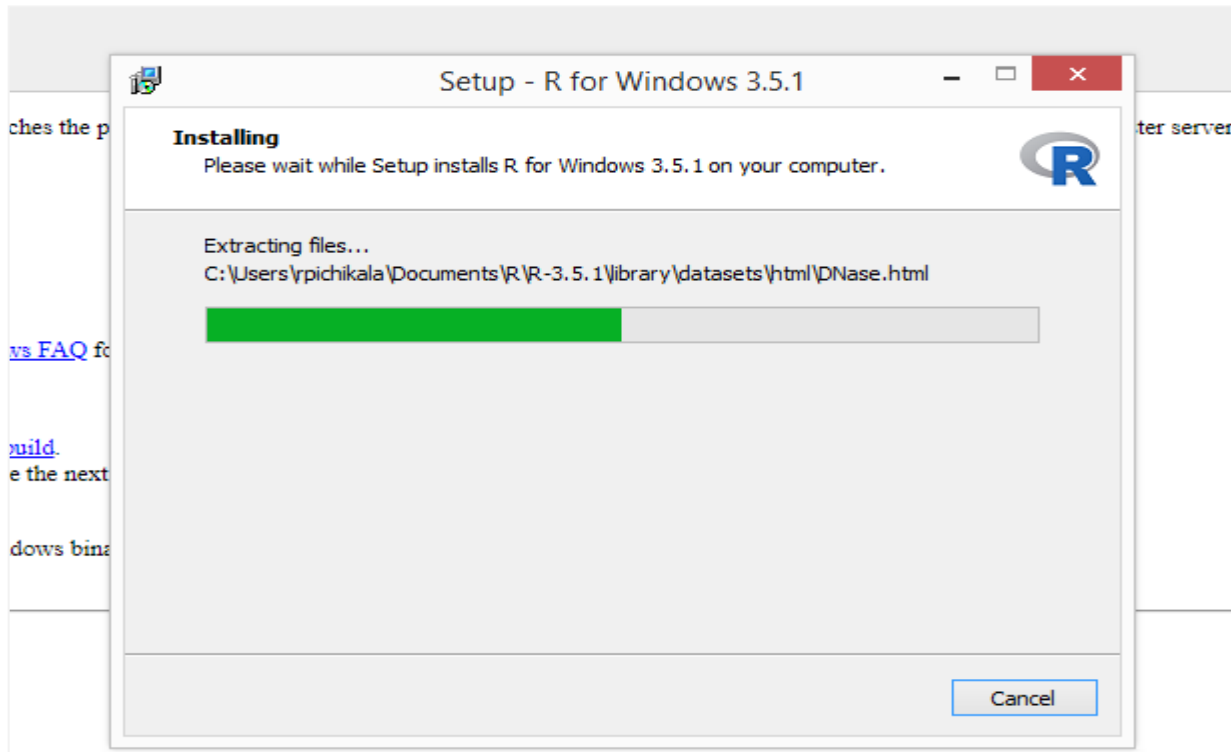
The next step is about Startup options. Select **No** and Click on **Next**.



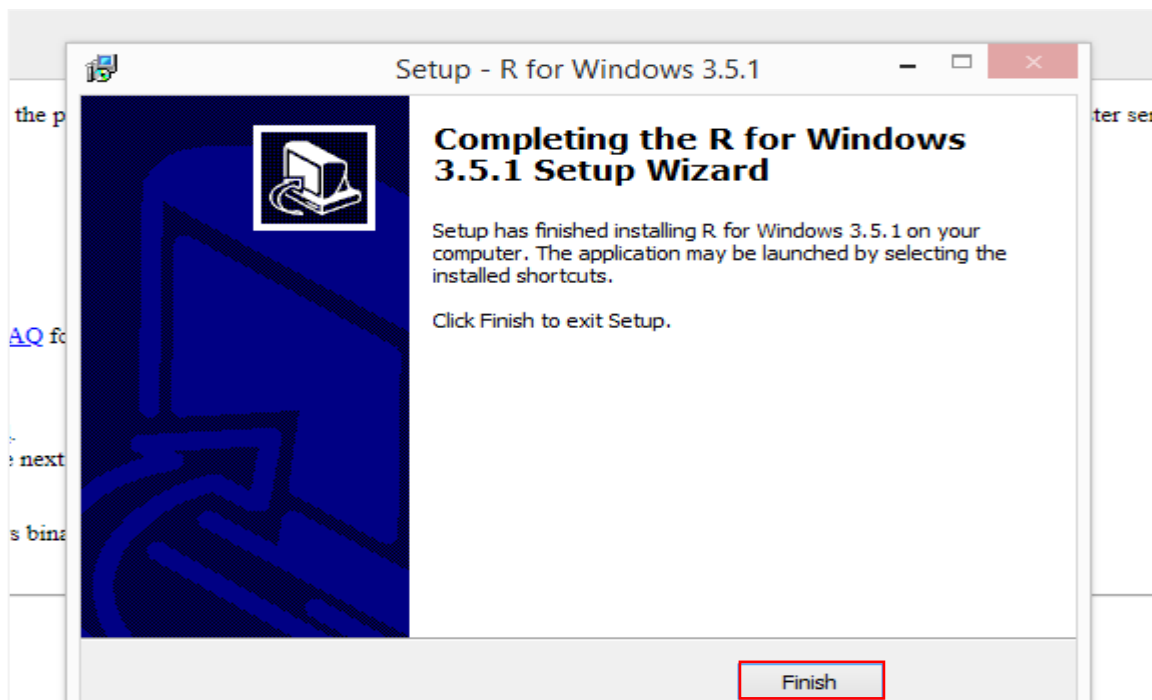
Finally, it asks you about additional tasks, click on **Next**.



R should now be installing. This will take about a minute or two to complete.



Now, R for Windows Setup Wizard is completed, click on **Finish**.



Step #2 | Installing RStudio

Go to <https://www.rstudio.com/products/rstudio/download/> and download the latest version of RStudio. Click on **Download** button which is under **Free** category in the page.

Choose Your Version of RStudio

RStudio is a set of integrated tools designed to help you be more productive with R. It includes a console, syntax-highlighting editor that supports direct code execution, and a variety of robust tools for plotting, viewing history, debugging and managing your workspace. [Learn More about RStudio features.](#)

| | RStudio Desktop Open Source License | RStudio Desktop Commercial License | RStudio Server Open Source License | RStudio Server Pro Commercial License |
|---------------------------|---|--|---|---|
| | FREE | \$995 per year | FREE | \$9,995 per year |
| | DOWNLOAD Learn More | BUY Learn More | DOWNLOAD Learn More | DOWNLOAD Learn More |
| Integrated Tools for R | ● | ● | ● | ● |
| Priority | | ● | | ● |

Select the link of the RStudio version which is appropriate to your system. If you are using Windows machine, please choose the first link and if you are using a Mac machine, please choose the second link.

RStudio Desktop 1.1.463 — Release Notes

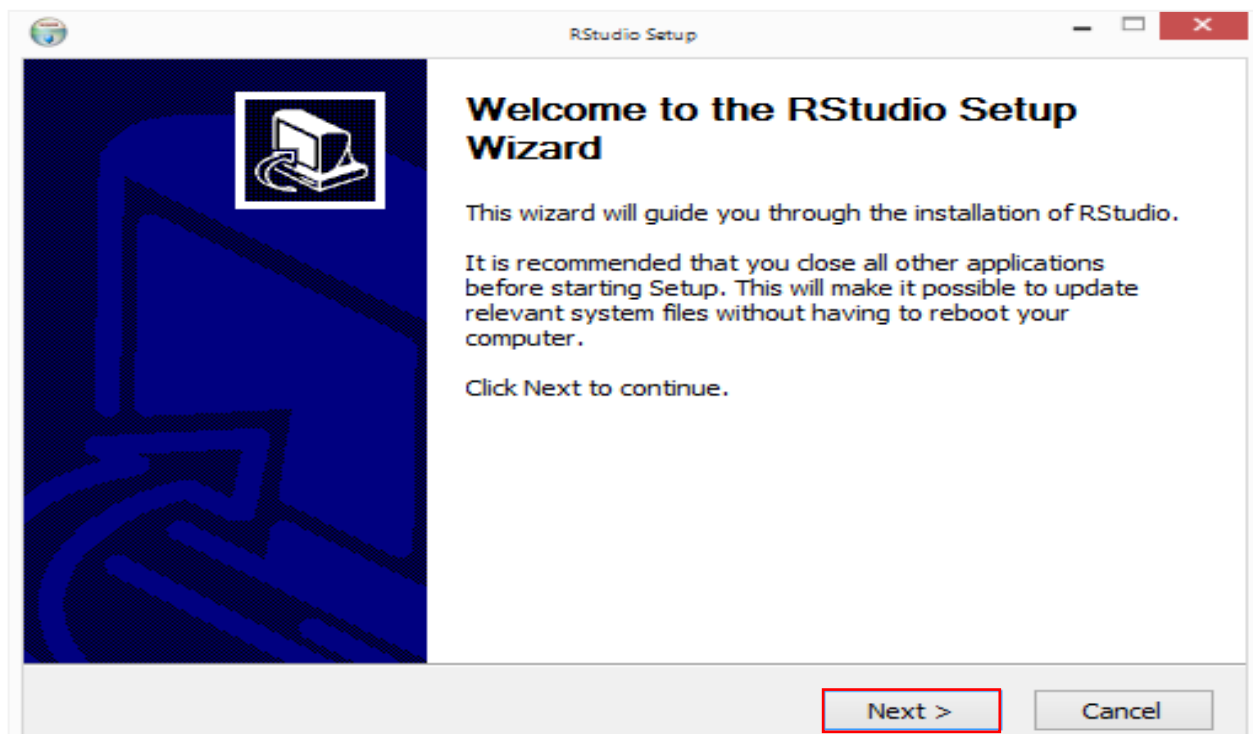
RStudio requires R 3.0.1+. If you don't already have R, download it [here](#).

Linux users may need to import RStudio's public code-signing key prior to installation, depending on the operating system's security policy.

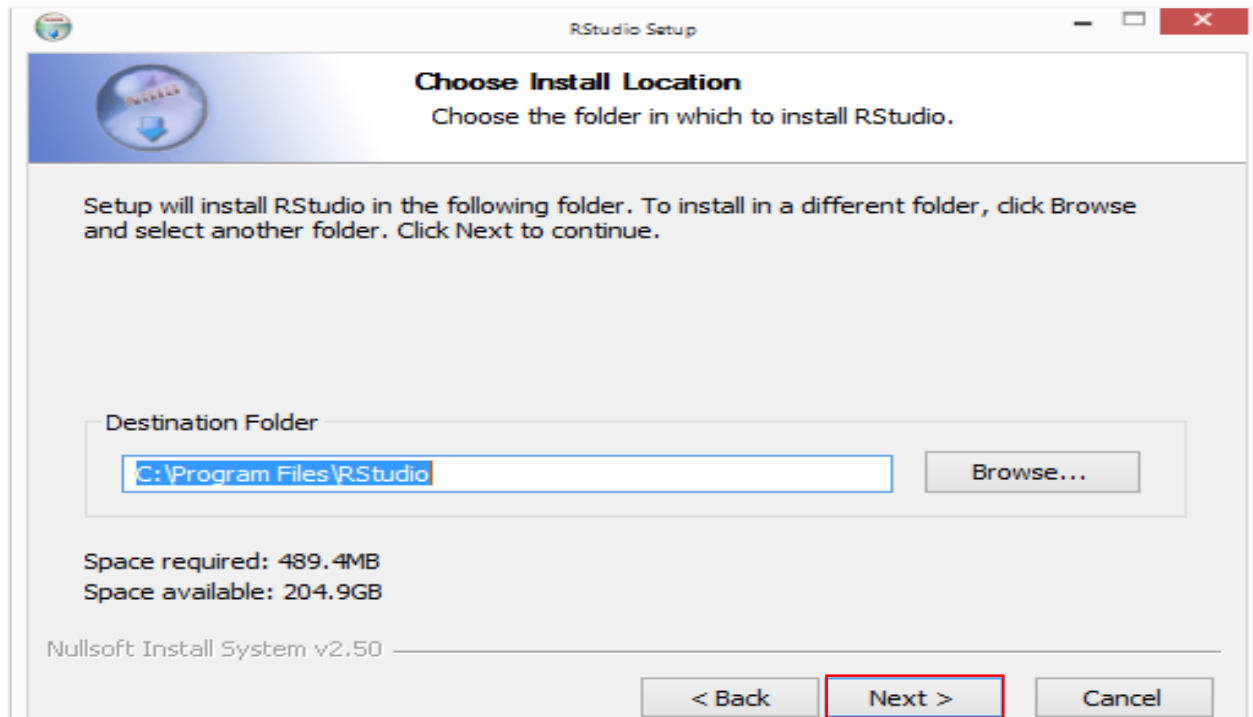
Installers for Supported Platforms

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| RStudio 1.1.463 - Windows Vista/7/8/10 | 85.8 MB | 2018-10-29 | 58b3d796d8cf96fb8580c62f46ab64d4 |
| RStudio 1.1.463 - Mac OS X 10.6+ (64-bit) | 74.5 MB | 2018-10-29 | a79032ba4d7daaa86a8da01948278d94 |
| RStudio 1.1.463 - Ubuntu 12.04-15.10/Debian 8 (32-bit) | 89.3 MB | 2018-10-29 | 8a6755fa9fae2bafce289df3358aaf63 |
| RStudio 1.1.463 - Ubuntu 12.04-15.10/Debian 8 (64-bit) | 97.4 MB | 2018-10-29 | bc50d6bd34926c1cc3ae4a209d67d649 |
| RStudio 1.1.463 - Ubuntu 16.04+/Debian 9+ (64-bit) | 65 MB | 2018-10-29 | cf659db18619cc78d1592fefaa7c753 |
| RStudio 1.1.463 - Fedora 19+/RedHat 7+/openSUSE 13.1+ (32-bit) | 88.1 MB | 2018-10-29 | 742f0bad60dfeaa3281576e14ad6699e |
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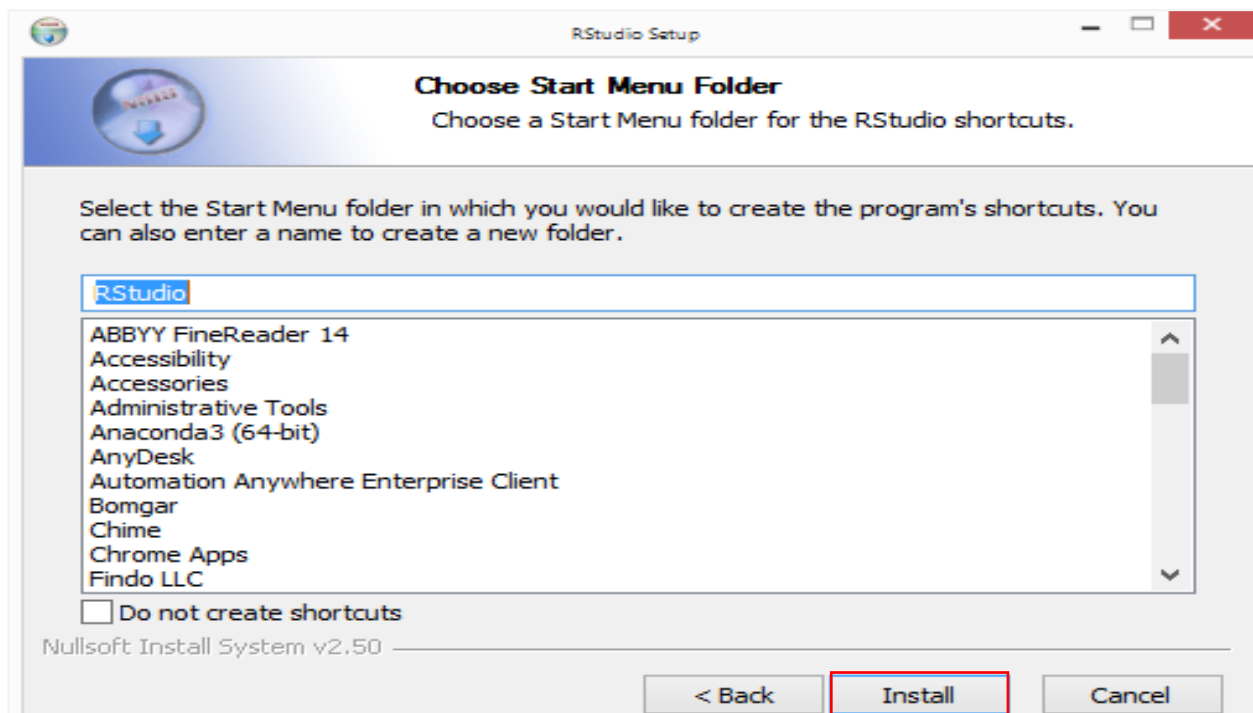
Click on **Next** to continue and the install wizard is opened.



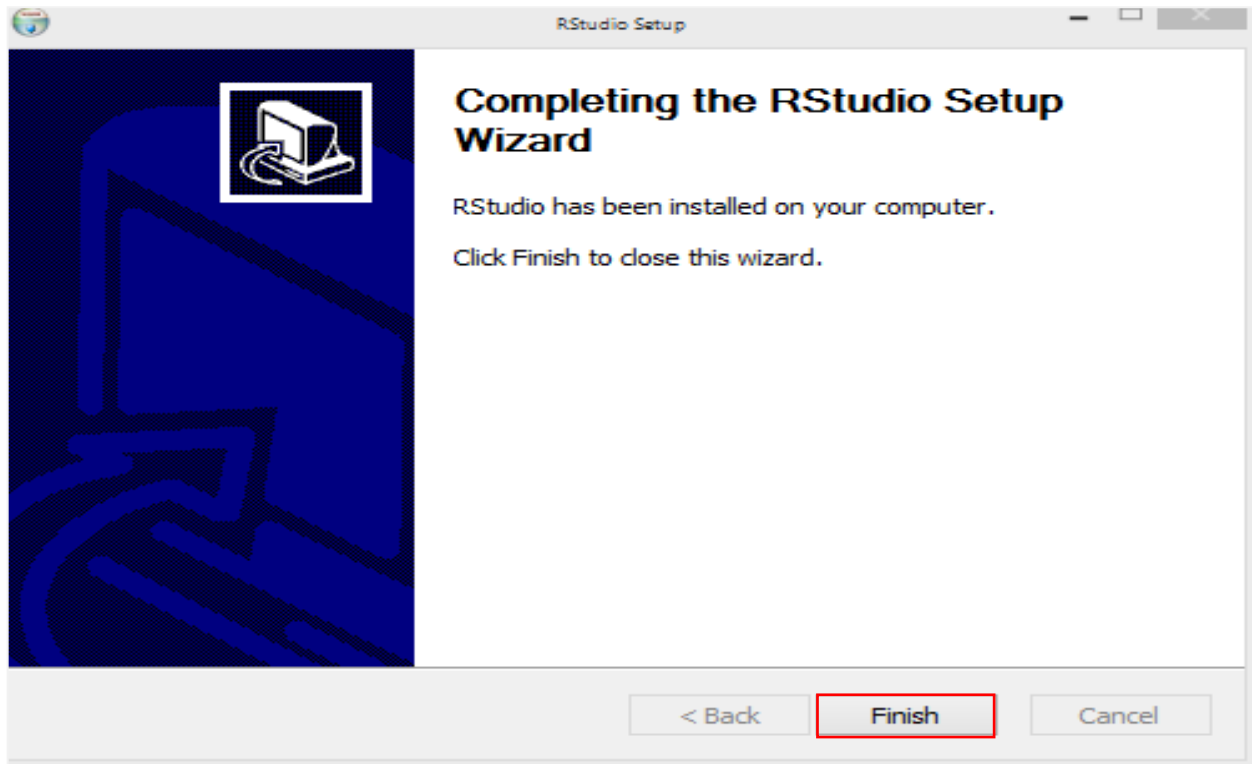
Choose Install Location, by default it will suggest installing in “C:\Program Files” on your computer and click on **Next**.



Click on **Install** to accept the default start menu folder and install RStudio.



Click on **Finish** to close the wizard.

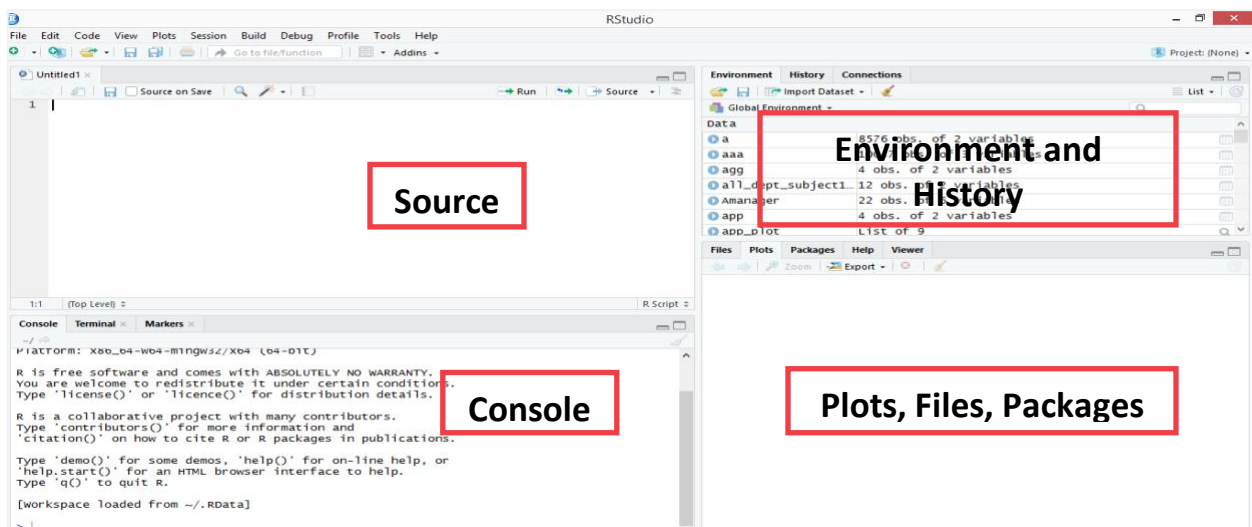


Glance on RStudio

RStudio is the IDE to run R scripts. There are four main components in IDE - Source, Console, Environment and History and Plots/Files/Packages.

Source - we write the main program in the source area.

Console - The output and errors are displayed in console.

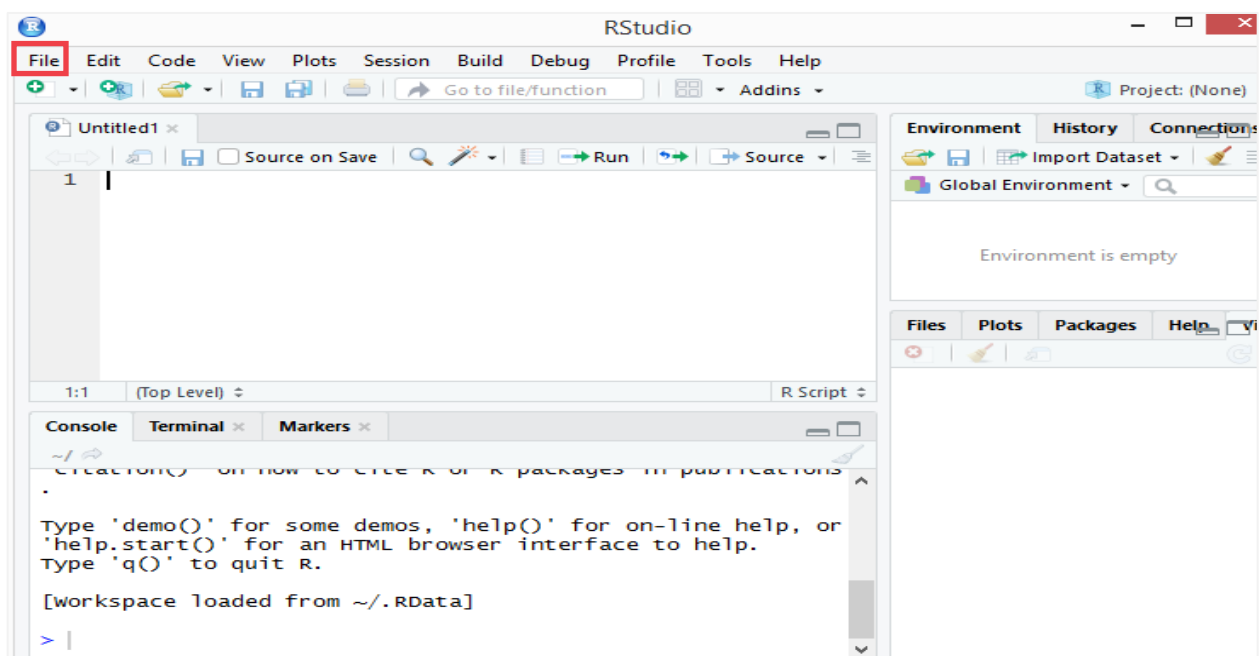


Environment and History - Data Frames and Lists are displayed in environment and provides interactive list of loaded R objects.

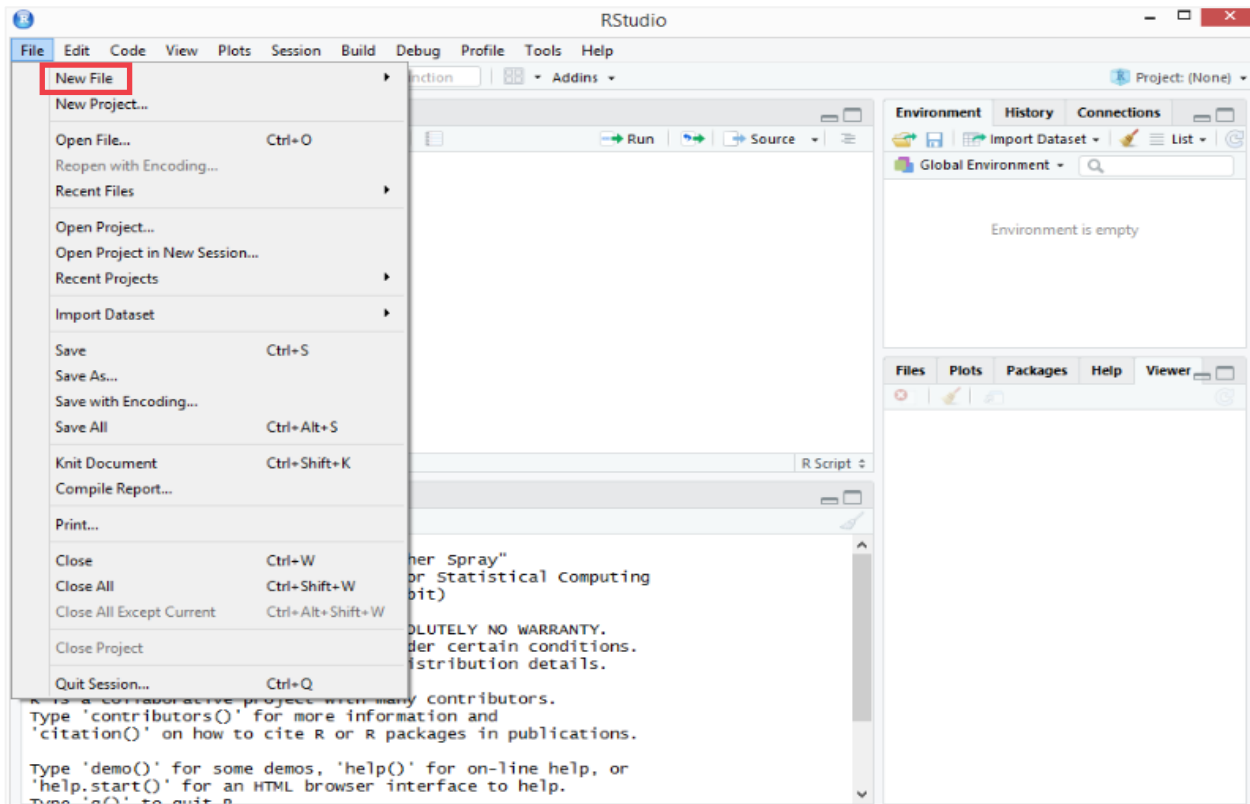
Plots, Files, Packages - Graphs are displayed in the plot section, we can see our installed packages under packages tab and also, we can search for any function with the help tab.

Step #3 | Create R Script

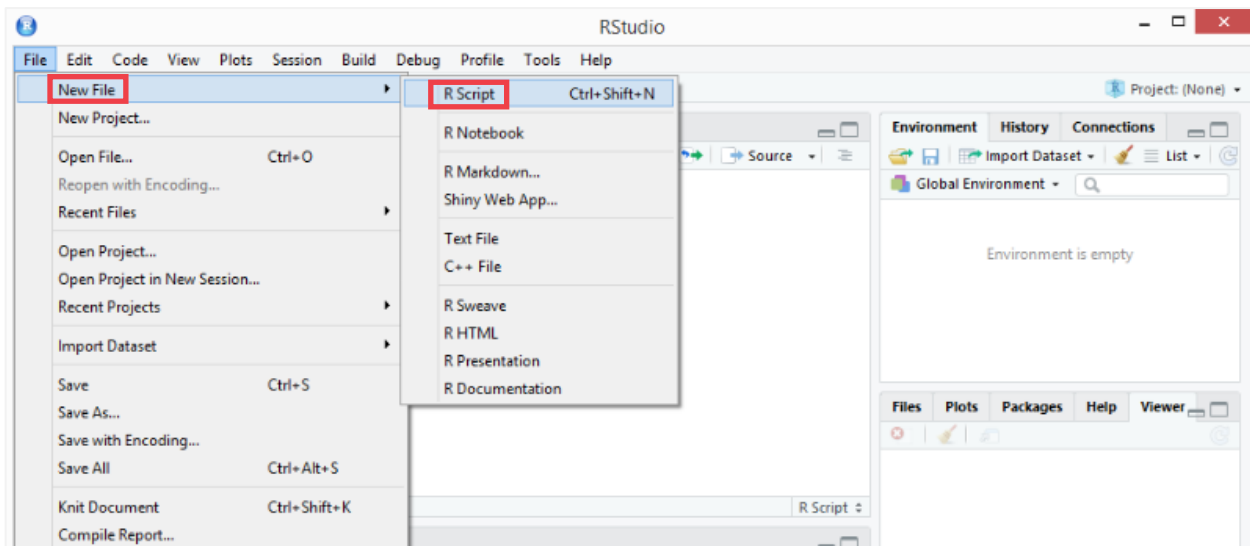
Open R Studio and go to **file** option which is at the top left corner of the RStudio.



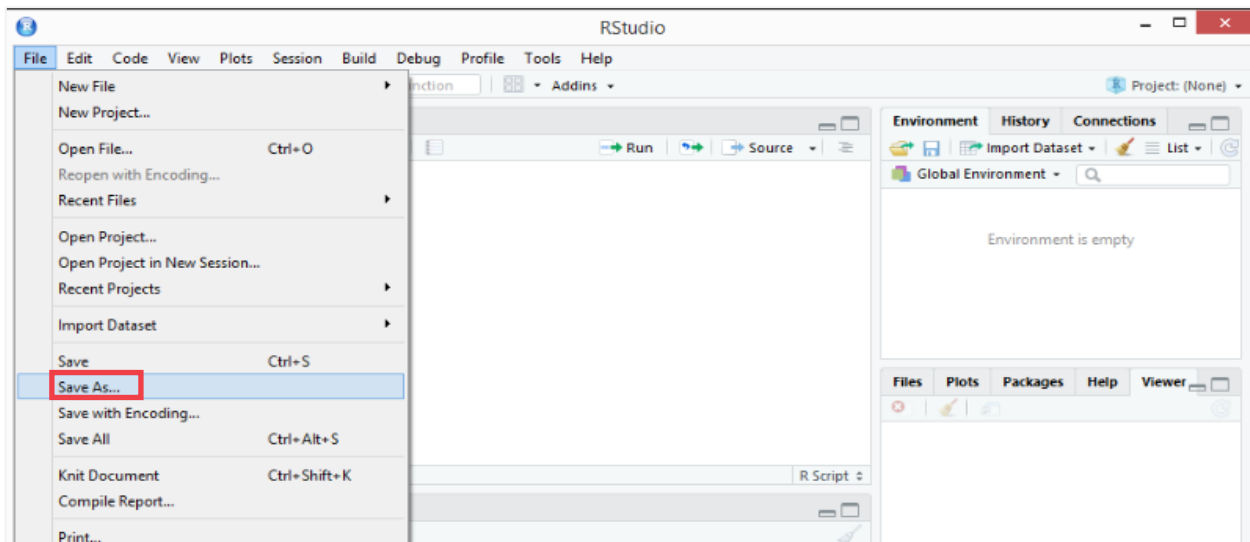
Select **New File** to create R script.



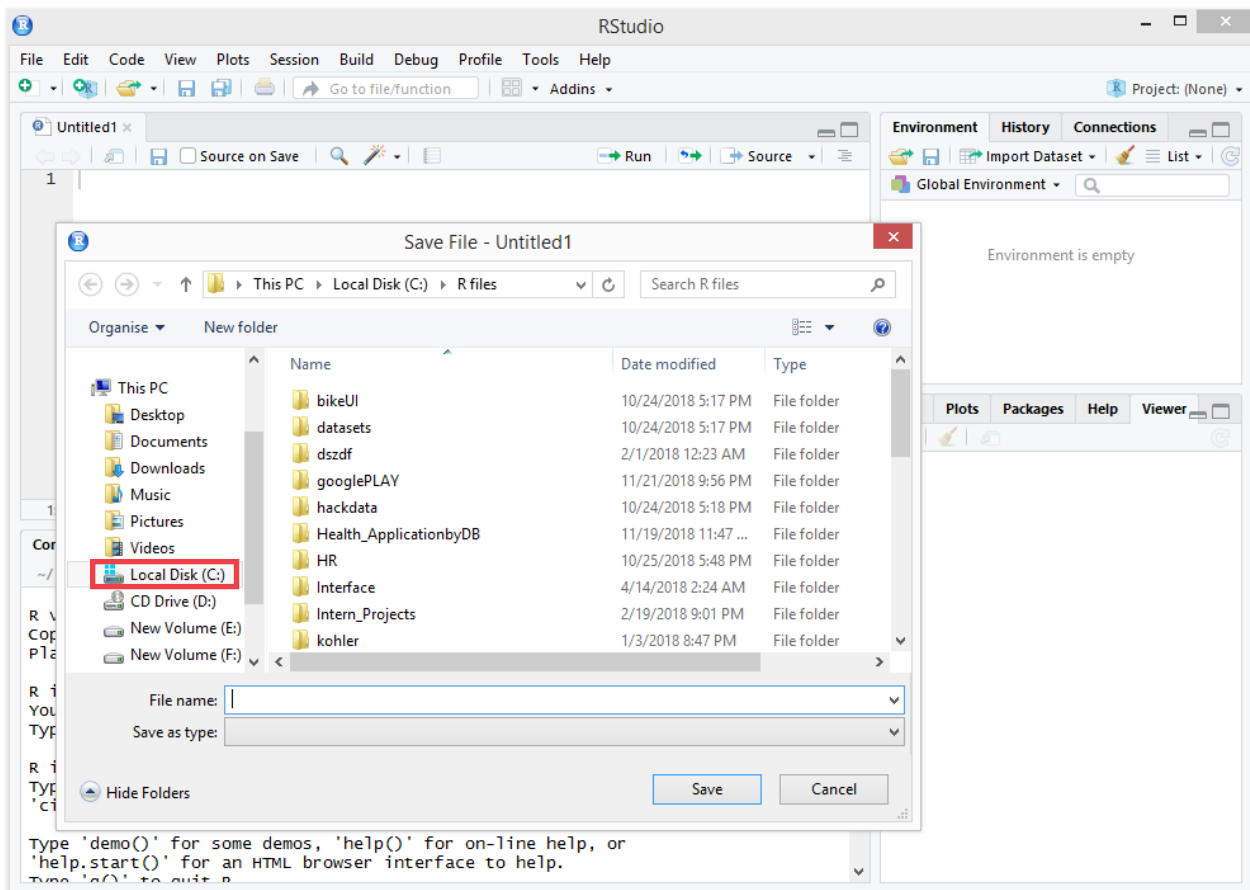
After selecting **New File** there, you will find multiple options. Select **R Script** which is at the top.



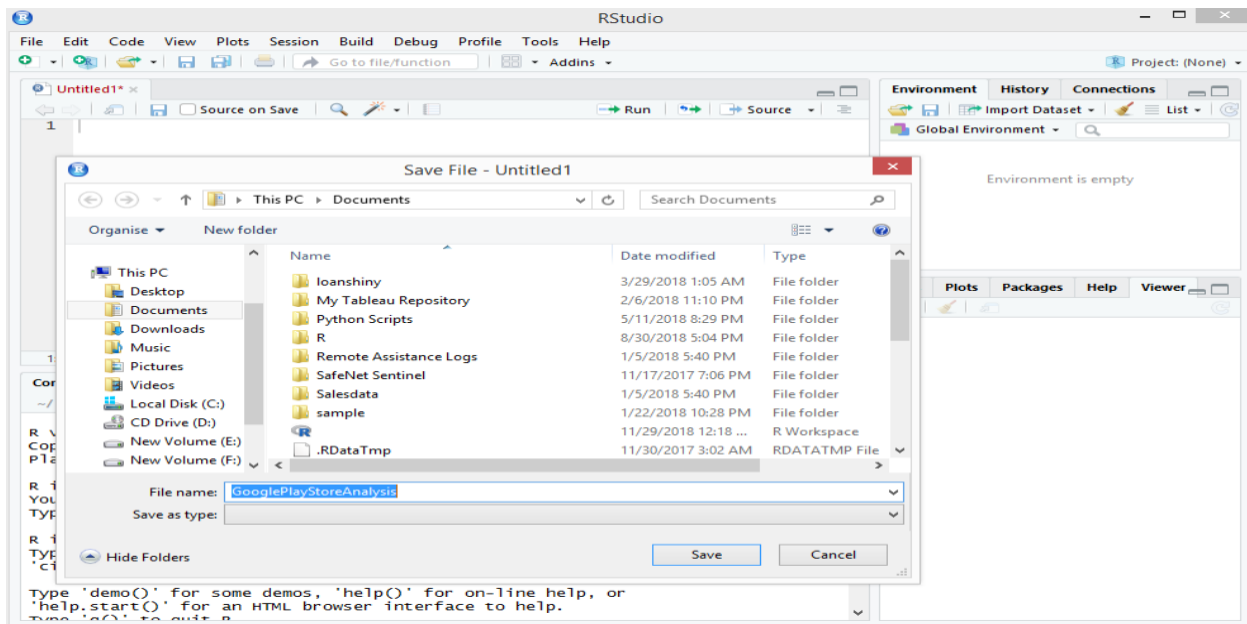
Now your R script will be created with the name **Untitled1**. To save R script, go to file and select **Save As** option.



Choose the location of the directory in which you want to save.



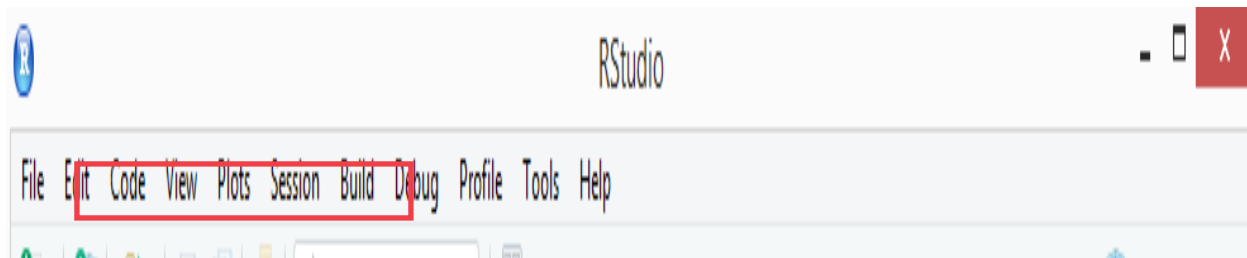
Enter the name you want to give to your R Script in **File name** field and click on **Save** option.



Step #4 | Setting up your Directory

Set your data file location inside setwd function.

```
setwd("C:/R files/googlePLAY")
```



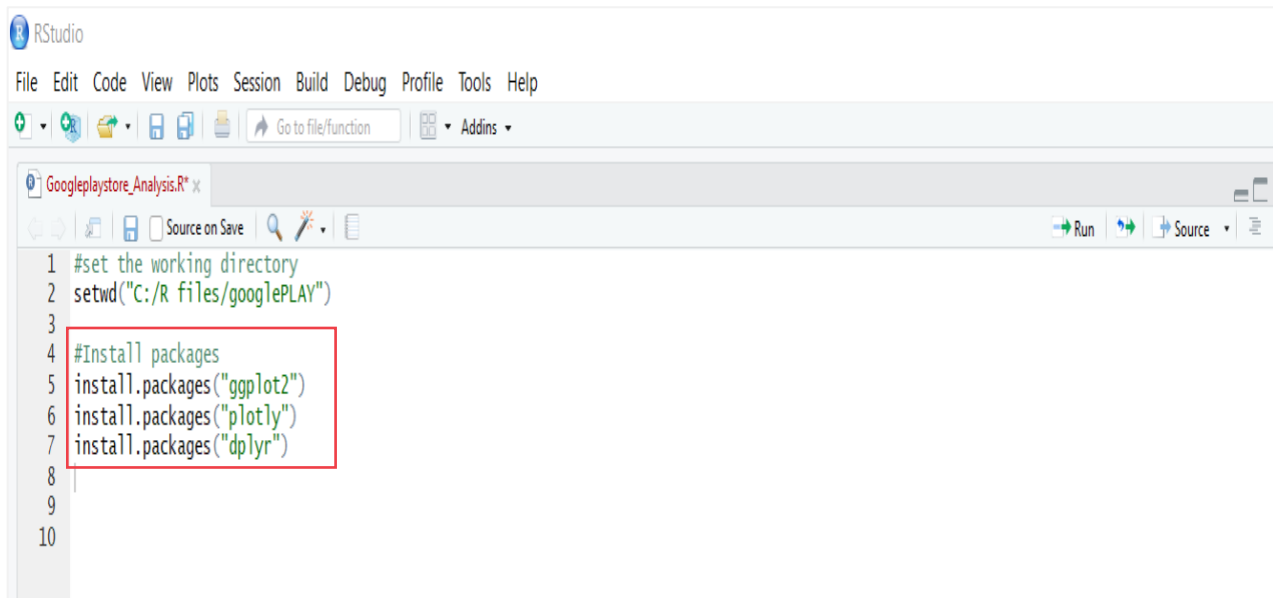
Step #5 | Install Packages

Install the libraries which are necessary for our R application.

```
install.packages("ggplot2")
```

```
install.packages("plotly")
```

```
install.packages("dplyr")
```



A screenshot of the RStudio interface. The menu bar includes File, Edit, Code, View, Plots, Session, Build, Debug, Profile, Tools, and Help. The toolbar shows icons for saving, running, and other functions. The script editor displays the following R code:

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```

The code for installing packages (lines 4-7) is highlighted with a red rectangular box.

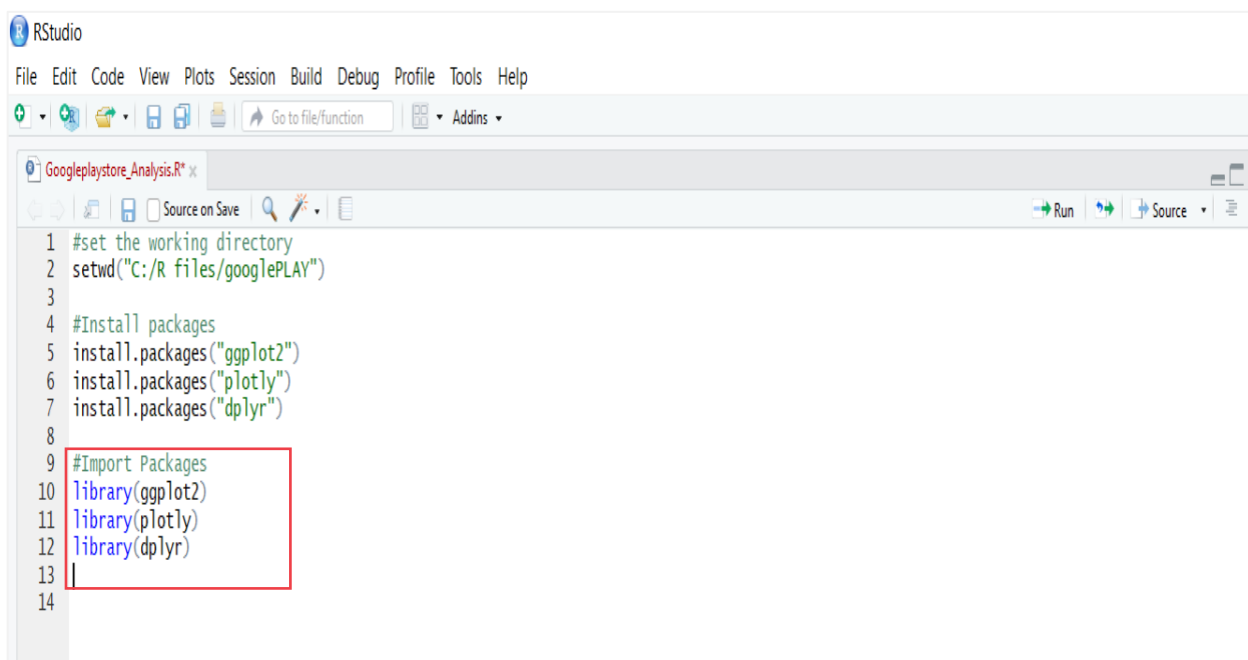
Step #6 | Load Packages

Load the installed packages through libraries.

```
library(ggplot2)
```

```
library(plotly)
```

```
library(dplyr)
```



A screenshot of the RStudio interface, similar to the previous one. The script editor displays the following R code:

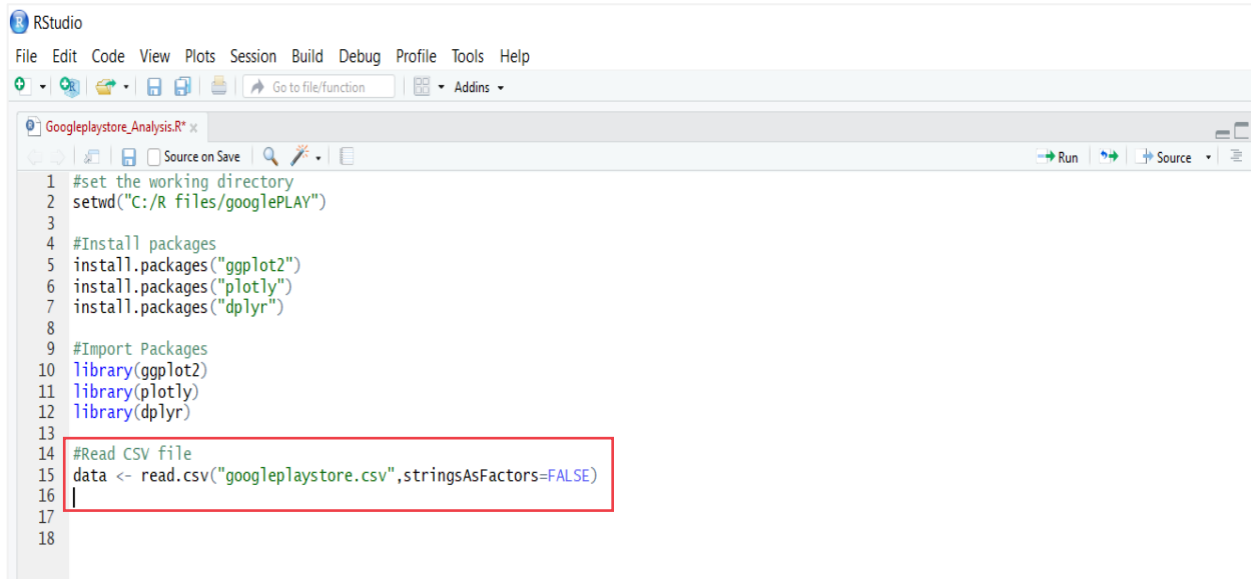
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8
9 #Import Packages
10 library(ggplot2)
11 library(plotly)
12 library(dplyr)
13
14
```

The code for loading packages (lines 9-12) is highlighted with a red rectangular box.

Step #7 | Import Data into R

Import the dataset to R environment and store it in a variable. Here, we load our data from the csv file into a variable called "data".

```
data <- read.csv("googleplaystore.csv",stringsAsFactors=FALSE)
```

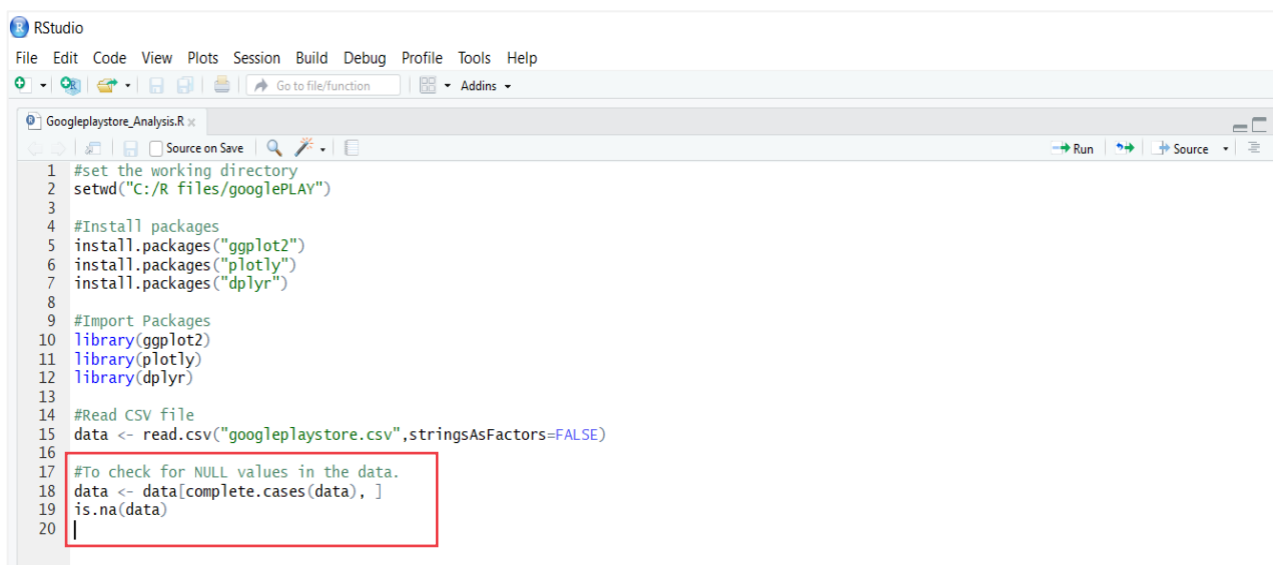


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13
14 #Read CSV file
15 data <- read.csv("googleplaystore.csv",stringsAsFactors=FALSE)
16 |
17
18
```

Step #8 | Data Cleansing Process

Check for null values in the data.

```
data <- data[complete.cases(data), ]
```



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14 #Read CSV file
15 data <- read.csv("googleplaystore.csv",stringsAsFactors=FALSE)
16
17 #To check for NULL values in the data.
18 data <- data[complete.cases(data), ]
19 is.na(data)
20 |
```

Step #9 | Find out Top Rating Apps

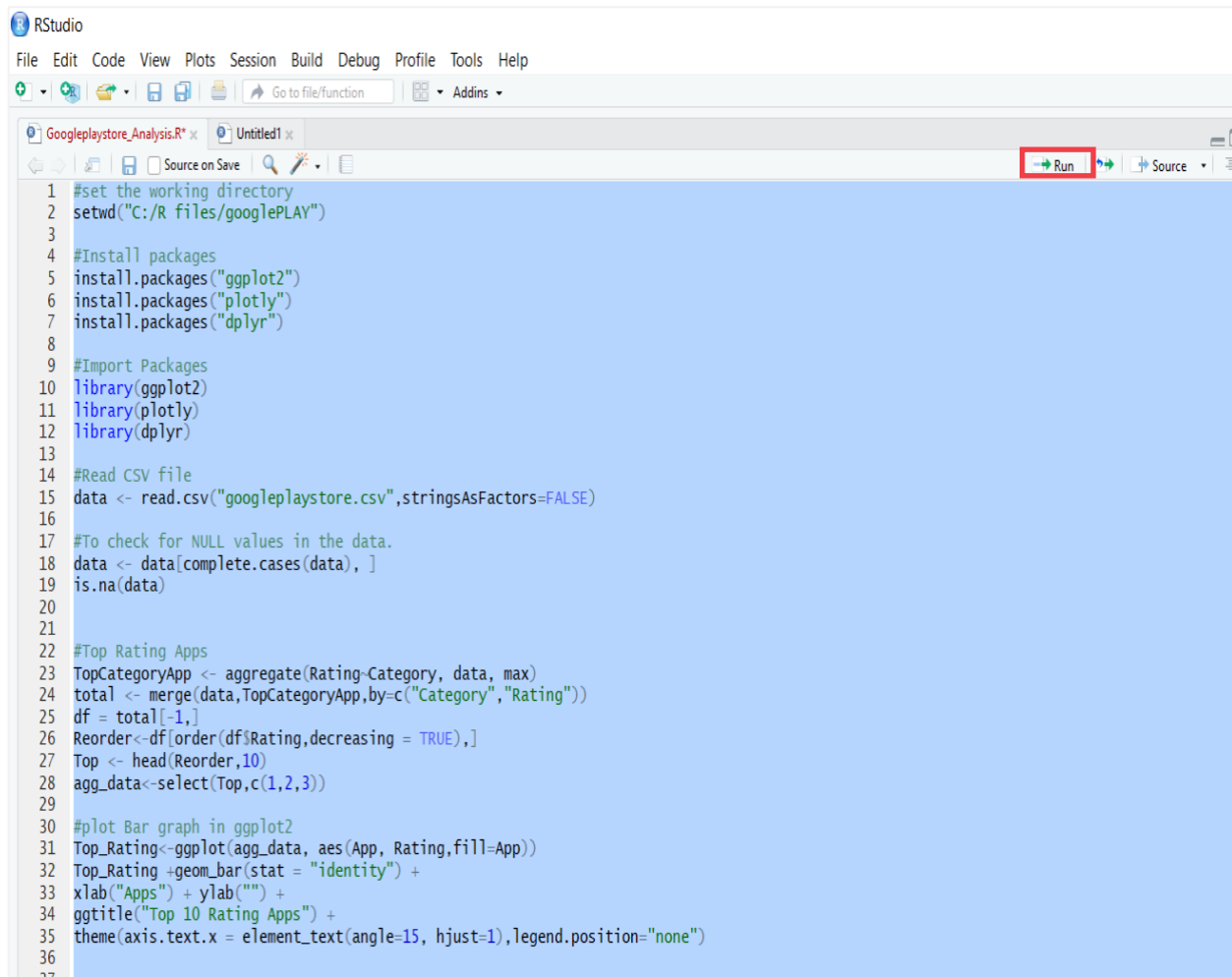
Data Preparation - Inorder to perform data analysis, we need to prepare the data according to our requirements.

```
TopCategoryApp <- aggregate(Rating~Category, data, max)
total <- merge(data,TopCategoryApp,by=c("Category","Rating"))
df = total[-1,]
Reorder<-df[order(df$Rating,decreasing = TRUE),]
Top <- head(Reorder,10)
agg_data<-select(Top,c(1,2,3))
Visualize the resulted data in the form of graphs.
Top_Rating<-ggplot(agg_data, aes(App, Rating,fill=App))
Top_Rating +geom_bar(stat = "identity") +
xlab("Apps") + ylab("") +
ggtitle("Top 10 Rating Apps") +
theme(axis.text.x = element_text(angle=15, hjust=1),legend.position="none")
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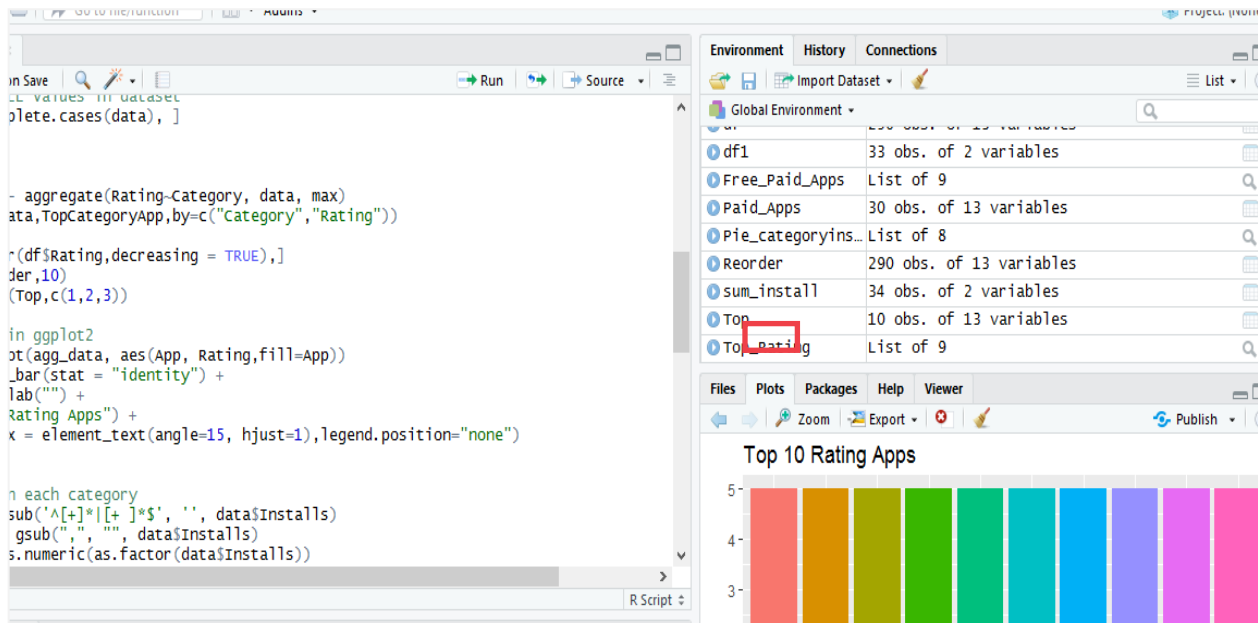
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25 #Read CSV file
26 data <- read.csv("googleplaystore.csv",stringsAsFactors=FALSE)
27
28 #To check for NULL values in dataset
29 data <- data[complete.cases(data), ]
30 is.na(data)
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32 #Top Rating Apps
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35 df = total[-1,]
36 Reorder<-df[order(df$Rating,decreasing = TRUE),]
37 Top <- head(Reorder,10)
38 agg_data<-select(Top,c(1,2,3))
39
40 #Plot Bar graph in ggplot2
41 Top_Rating<-ggplot(agg_data, aes(App, Rating,fill=App))
42 Top_Rating +geom_bar(stat = "identity") +
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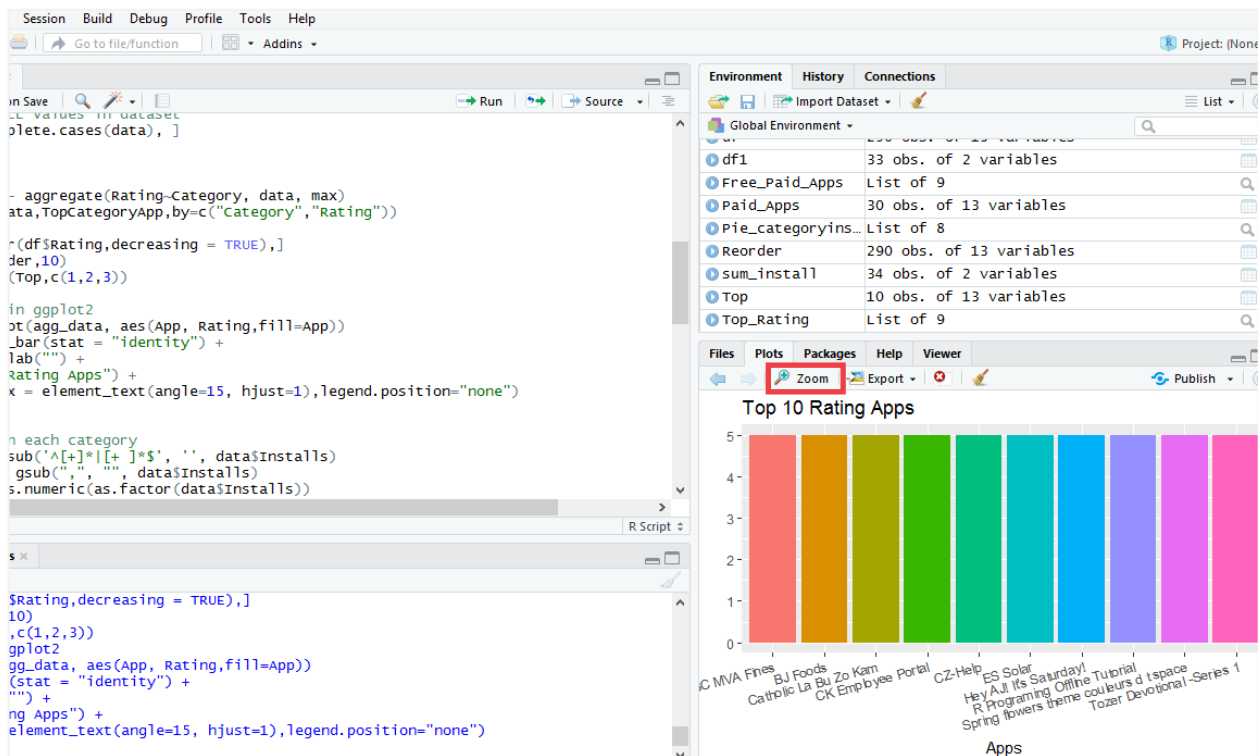


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25 df = total[,-1,]
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27 Top <- head(Reorder,10)
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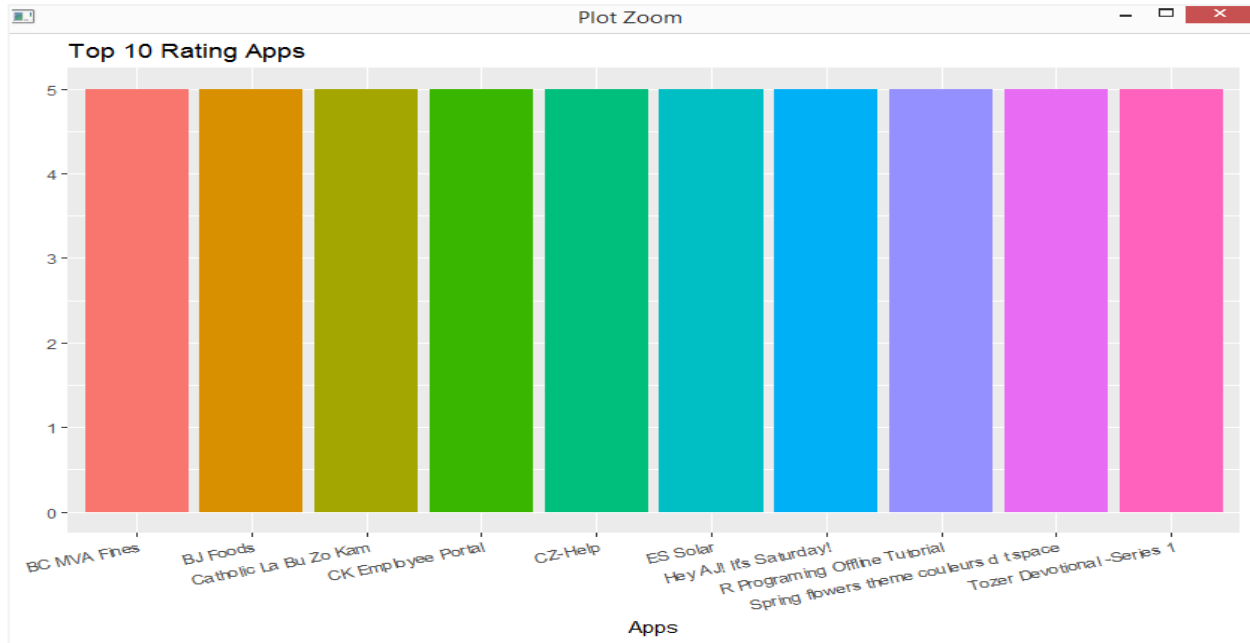
The graphs will be displayed under **Plots** tab which is at the bottom right corner of the R Studio.



You can select **Zoom** option as shown below to view the graph in a separate window.



Below is the resulted ggplot graph for Top Rating Apps.



Step #10 | Find out Installations Count in each Category

Calculate number of installations in each category.

```
data$Installs<-gsub('^[*]*|[*]*$', "", data$Installs)
data$Installs <- gsub(" ", "", data$Installs)
data$Installs<-as.numeric(as.factor(data$Installs))
sum_install <- aggregate(Installs~Category, data, sum)
df1 = sum_install[-1,]
#Plot Pie Chart
Pie_categoryinstalls <- plot_ly(sum_install, labels = ~Category, values = ~Installs,
type = 'pie') %>%
layout(title = 'Total Installations in each Category',
xaxis = list(showgrid = FALSE, zeroline = FALSE, showticklabels = FALSE),
yaxis = list(showgrid = FALSE, zeroline = FALSE, showticklabels = FALSE))
Pie_categoryinstalls
```

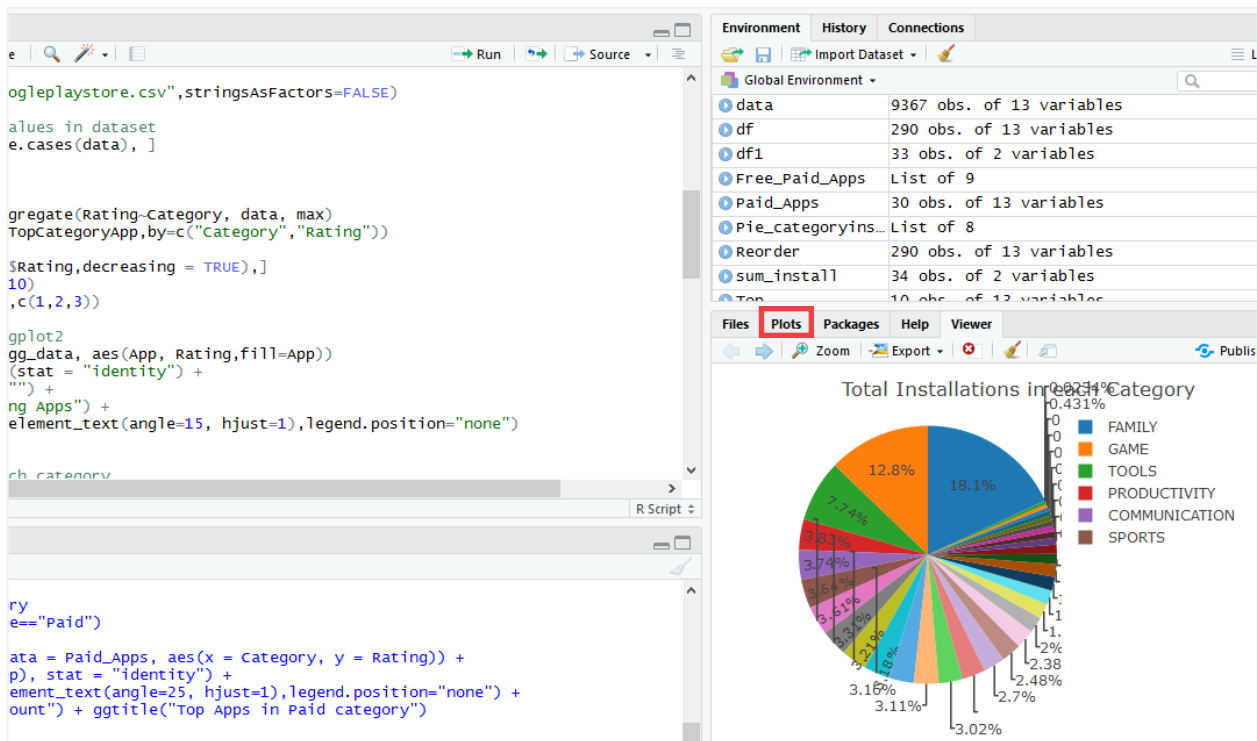
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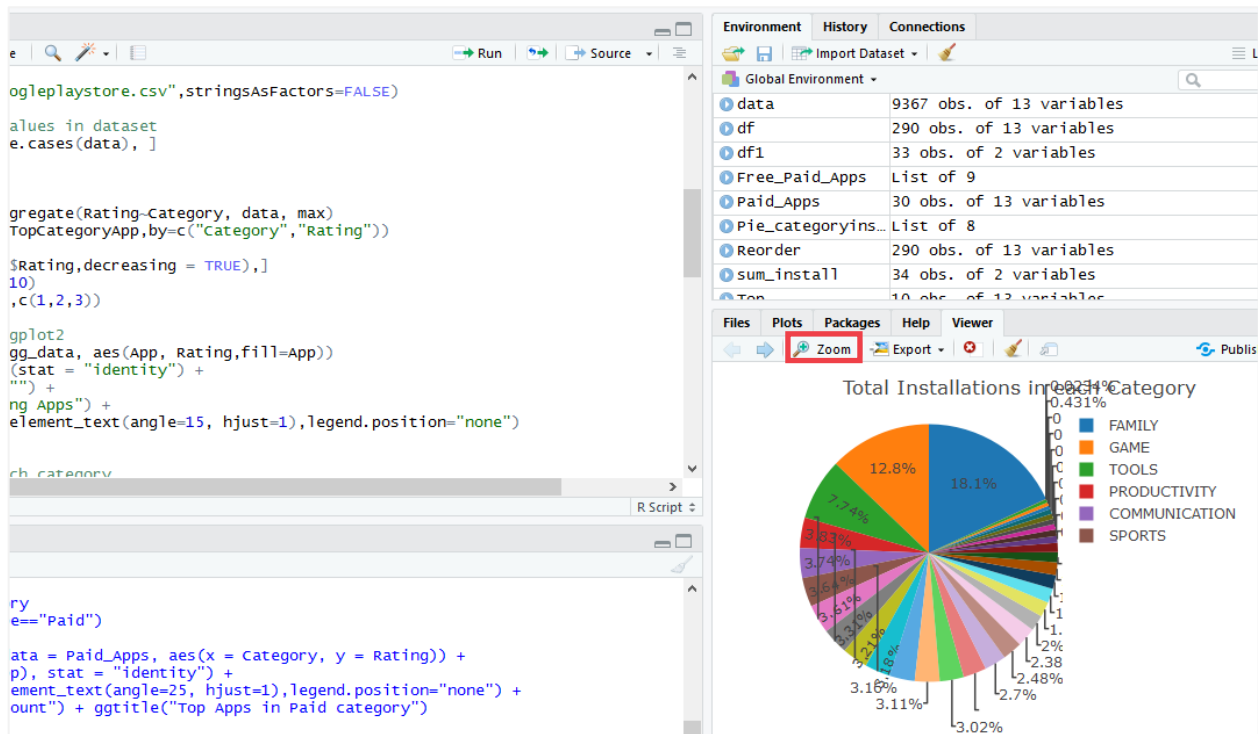
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35 #Installations in each category
36 data$Installs<-gsub('^'+[*]*|'+ ]*$', '', data$Installs)
37 data$Installs <- gsub(",", "", data$Installs)
38 data$Installs<-as.numeric(as.factor(data$Installs))
39 sum_install <- aggregate(Installs~Category, data, sum)
40 df1 = sum_install[-1,]
41 #Plot Pie Chart
42 Pie_categoryinstalls <- plot_ly(sum_install, labels = ~Category, values = ~Installs, type = 'pie') %>%
43   layout(title = 'Total Installations in each Category',
44     xaxis = list(showgrid = FALSE, zeroline = FALSE, showticklabels = FALSE),
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46 Pie_categoryinstalls
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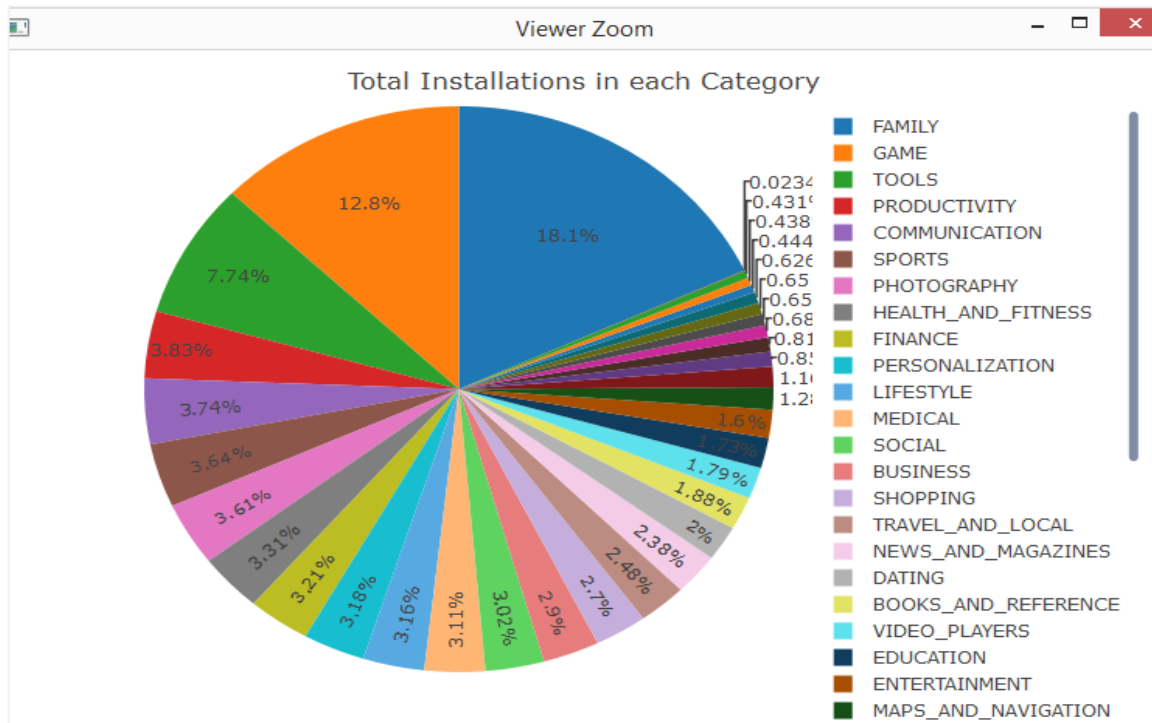
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Below is the Pie chart for Number of Installations in each Category.

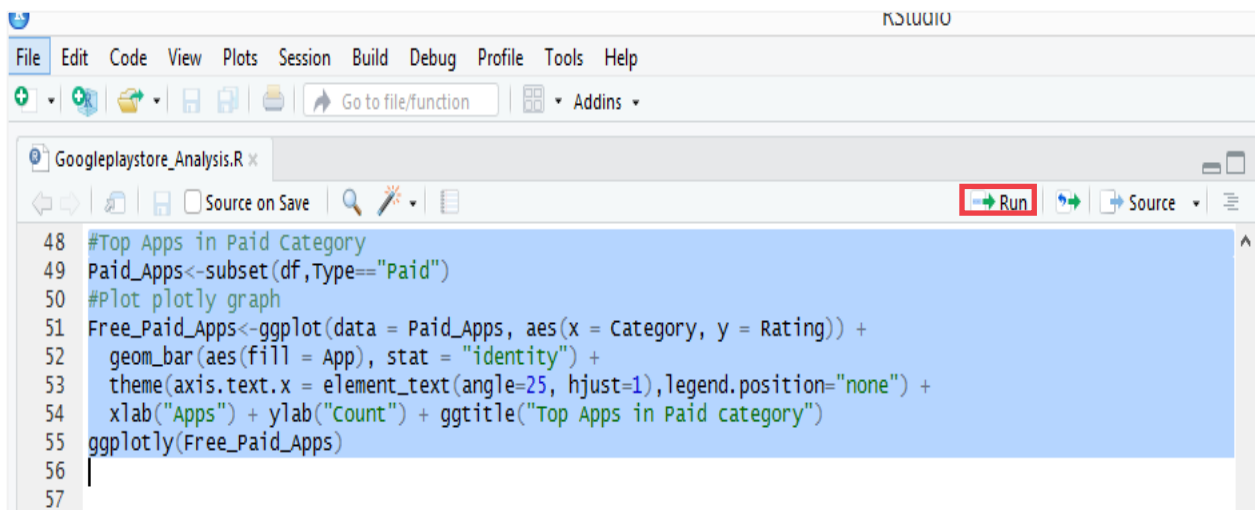


Step #11 | Find out Top Paid Apps

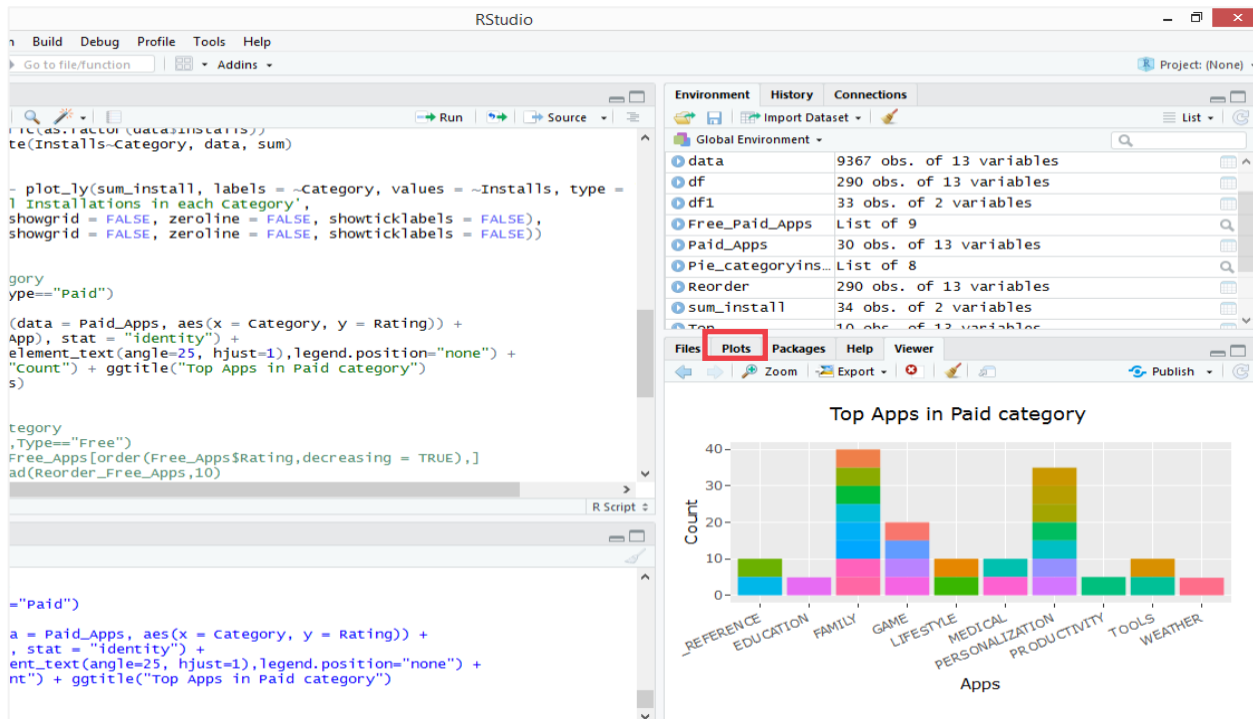
Analyze top paid apps.

```
Paid_Apps<-subset(df,Type=="Paid")
TopPaid_Apps<-ggplot(data = Paid_Apps, aes(x = Category, y = Rating)) +
  geom_bar(aes(fill = App), stat = "identity") +
  theme(axis.text.x = element_text(angle=25, hjust=1),legend.position="none") +
  xlab("Apps") + ylab("Count") + ggtitle("Top Apps in Paid Category")
ggplotly(TopPaid_Apps)
```

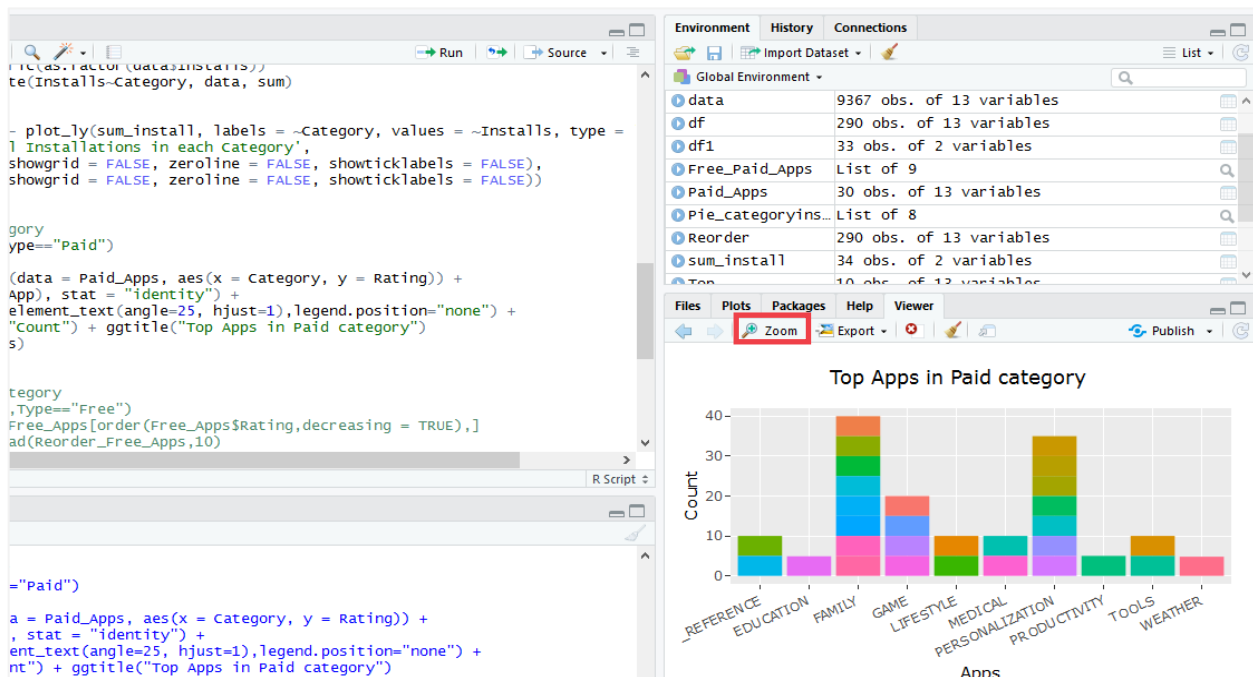
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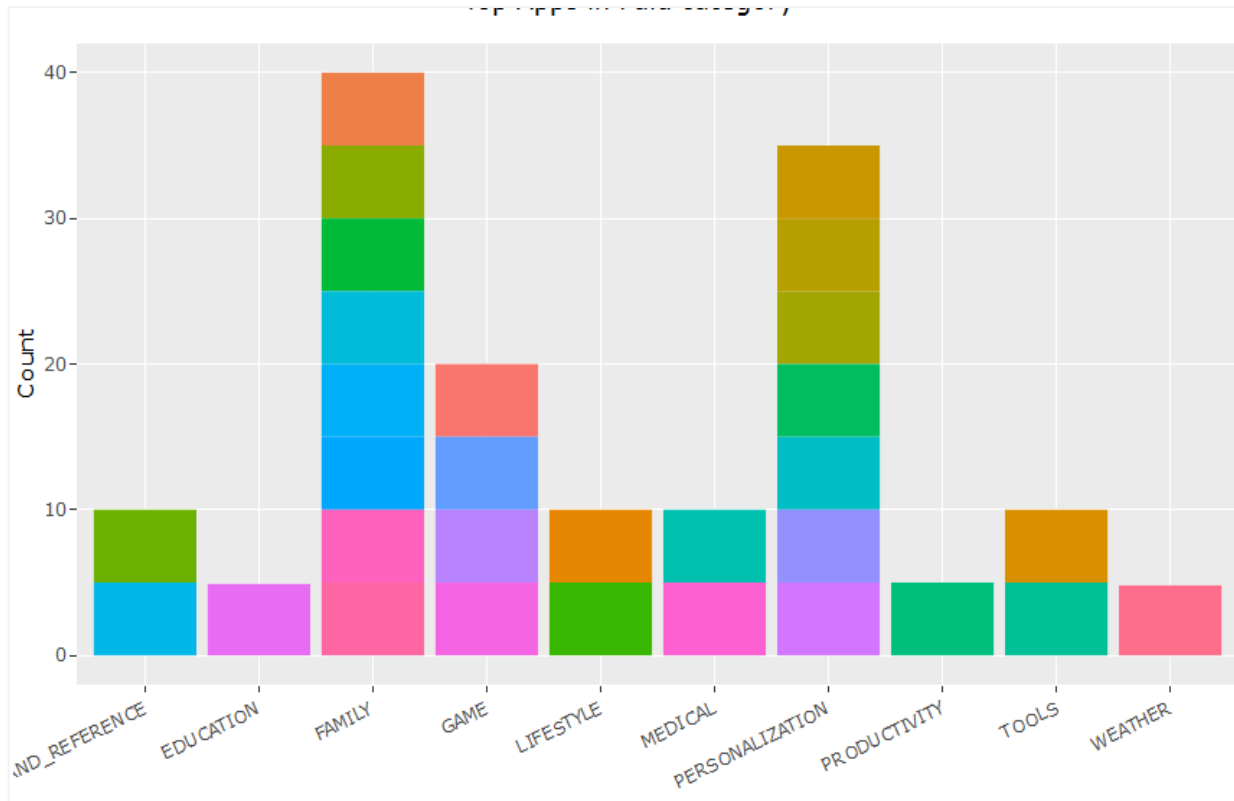
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Below is the plotly graph for Top Apps in Paid Category.



Hurrah!! With this lab you were able to analyze and visualize the **Google Play Store Apps Data** using R.

For any questions regarding the lab please feel free to reach out to innovation@miraclesoft.com. We hope you enjoyed analyzing data with us 😊