Getting Started with R

Installation and Libraries



Upcoming projects:

- Data Question 5: R, tidyverse, and machine learning basics
 - Start Date 11/26
 - Presentation Date 12/17
- Shiny Mini-Project using data from DQ5
 - Start Date 12/19
 - End Date 12/21
- Midcourse Project using R Shiny
 - Start Date: 12/21
 - Presentation Date: 1/18

Your task will be to create a Shiny web app to present you findings.

For the midcourse project, you must choose a dataset and a data question.

Proposal deadline: December 14

Awesome Public Datasets:

https://github.com/awesomedata/awesome-public-datasets

Reddit Datasets:

https://www.reddit.com/r/datasets/

Datasetlist:

https://www.datasetlist.com/

Dataquest Datasets List:

https://www.dataquest.io/blog/free-datasets-for-projects/

Data is Plural:

https://tinyletter.com/data-is-plural/archive OR https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1wZhPLMCHKJvwOkP 4juclhjFqqIY8fQFMemwKL2c64vk/edit#gid=0

Install R - https://cran.r-project.org/



The Comprehensive R Archive Network

Download and Install R

Precompiled binary distributions of the base system and contributed packages, Windows and Mac users most likely want

- Download R for Linux
- Download R for (Mac) OS X
- Download R for Windows

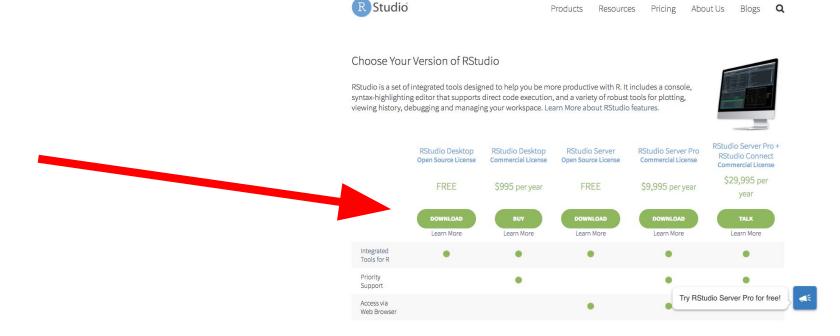
R is part of many Linux distributions, you buld check with your Linux package management system in addition to the

Source Code for all Platforms

Windows and Mac users most likely want to download the precompiled binaries listed in the upper box, not the source code. The sources have to be compiled before you can use them. If you do not know what this means, you probably do not want to do it!

- The latest release (2019-07-05, Action of the Toes) R-3.6.1.tar.gz, read what's new in the latest version.
- Sources of R alpha and beta releases (daily snapshots, created only in time periods before a planned release).
- Daily snapshots of current patched and development versions are available here. Please read about new features and

Install RStudio Desktop - https://www.rstudio.com/products/rstudio/download/



DO NOT INSTALL RSTUDIO FROM ANACONDA!

Libraries in R

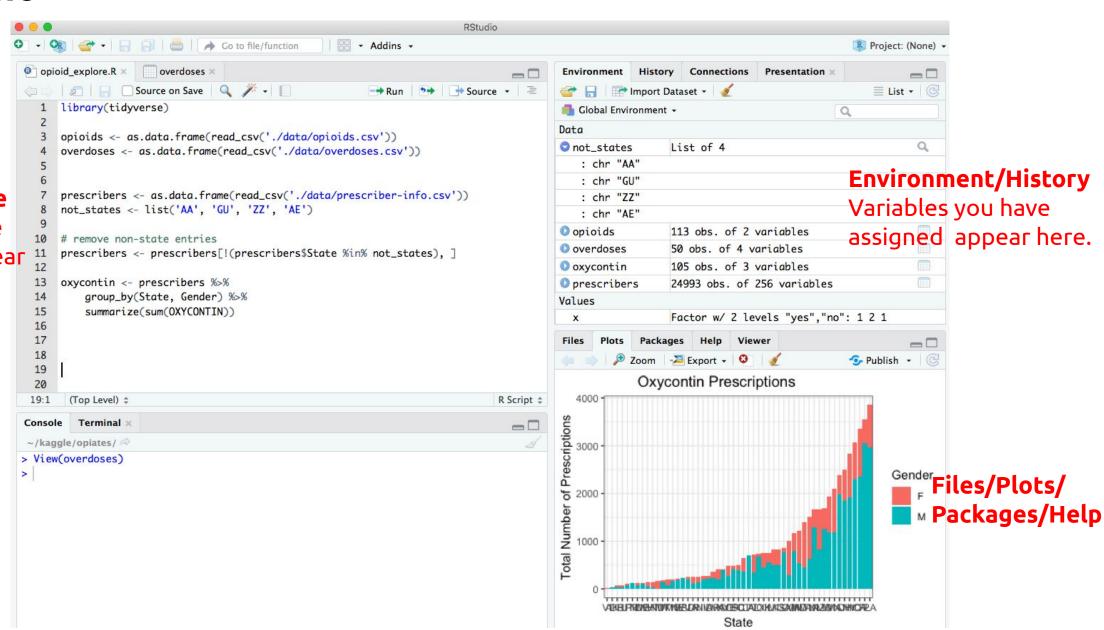
Windows users will also need to install Rtools so that they can install new libraries.

https://cran.r-project.org/bin/windows/Rtools/

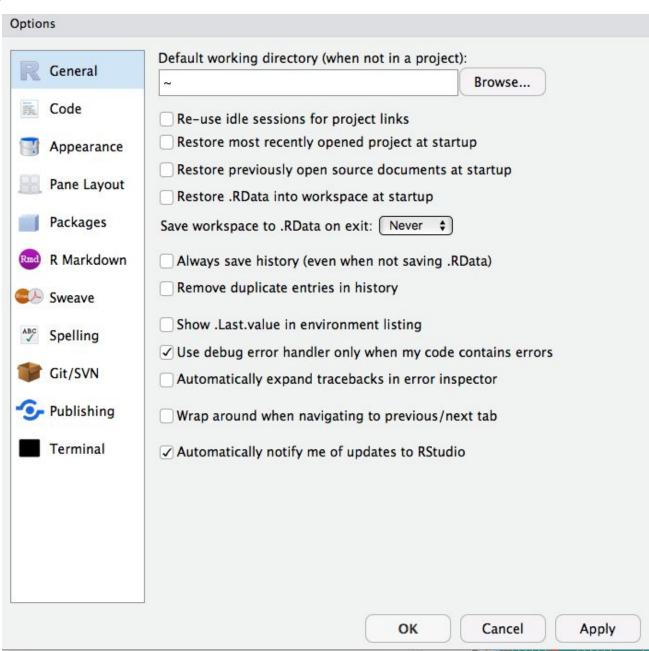
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Files you are
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Console Code is executed here.

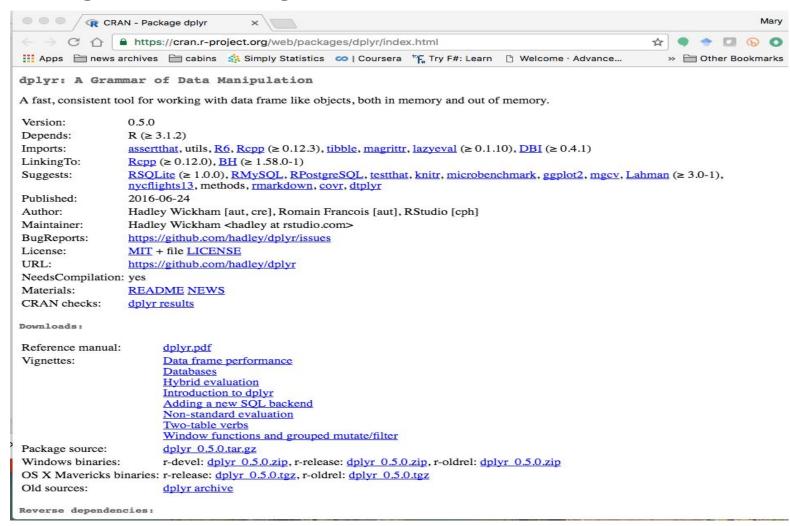


Tools > Global Options



<u>Using CRAN – the Comprehensive R Archive Network (https://cran.r-project.org/)</u>

- R Manuals
- Search Packages (date/package-name/title-description)
- 3. Package Manuals and Vignettes



Libraries in R

To import a library, simply use library(<libraryname>) > library(tidyverse)

If you need to install a library, you can use install.packages('<libraryname>')

> install.packages('tidyverse')

To update a package, you can again use

> install.packages('tidyverse')

To see a list of packages that can be updated, use >old.packages()

Tasks for Tonight

Install R and RStudio (and Rtools if on Windows)

Install the following libraries:

- glmnet
- ranger
- coefplot
- rpart
- rpart.plot
- censusapi
- tidyverse
- caret

Send a **direct message to me** to nominate at least one of your classmates for recognition for an outstanding job working on Data Question 4. Tell me your nominee and a sentence or two explaining your choice. You can nominate more than one, but you must nominate **at least one**!