GSERM - St. Gallen

R (and LaTeX)

Materials: https://github.com/PrisonRodeo/GSERM-2020-git

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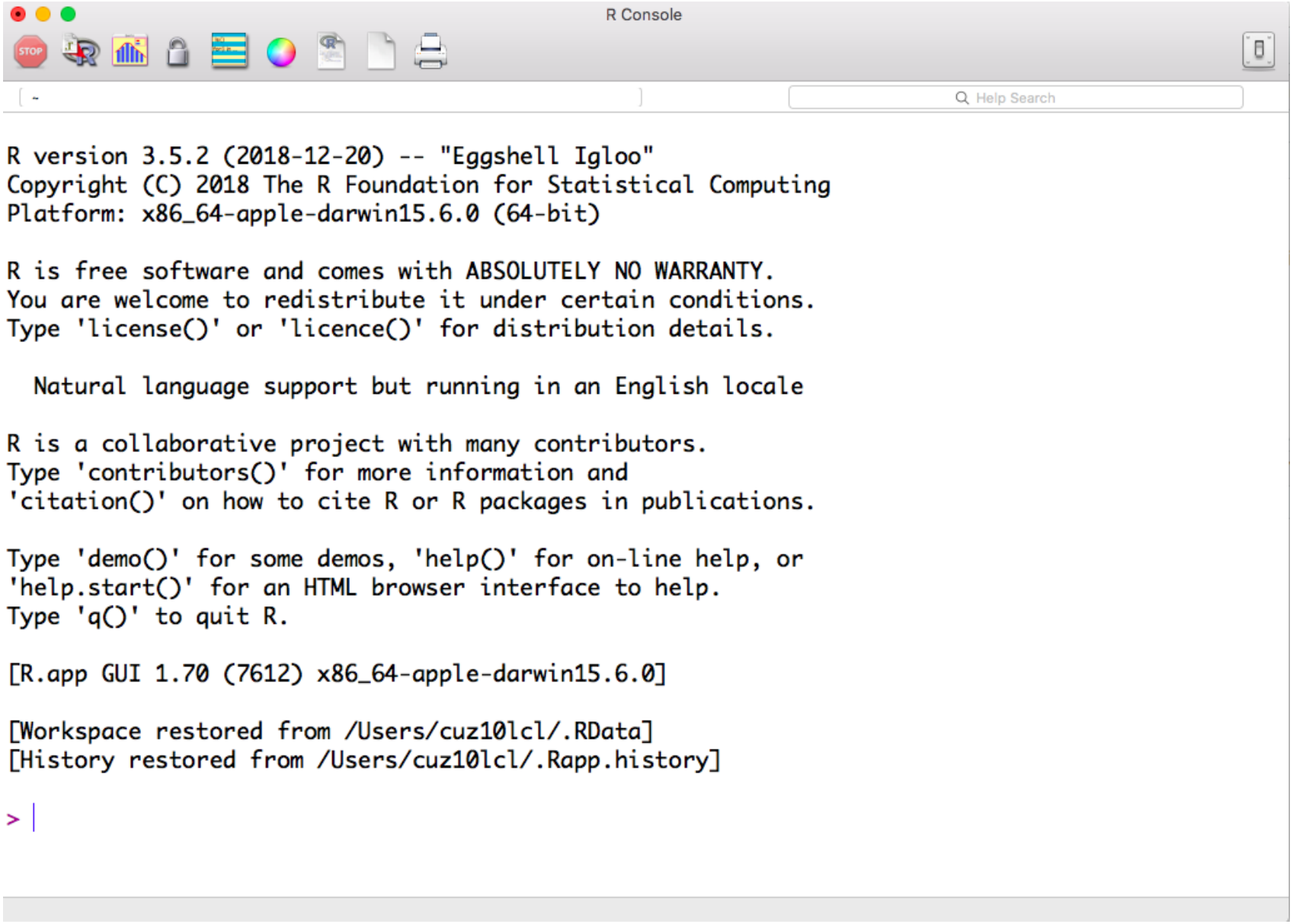
R (and RStudio)

- R
  - "R is a free software environment for statistical computing and graphics."
  - The R Project: https://www.r-project.org/
  - Comprehensive R Archive Network (CRAN): https://cran.r-project.org/

- RStudio
  - A free, open-source GUI for R
  - Website: https://www.rstudio.com/

R:

- Is an **object-oriented** language
- Is made up of:
  - Objects
  - Functions
  - Classes (of objects and functions)
- Is **Turing complete**
- Is **modular**
  - User-created **packages**
  - Organized into **task views** (https://cran.r-project.org/web/views/)
- Runs on UNIX/Linux/OS-X/Windows


R Console
Help Search
R version 3.5.2 (2018-12-20) -- "Eggshell Igloo"
Copyright (C) 2018 The R Foundation for Statistical Computing
Platform: x86_64-apple-darwin15.6.0 (64-bit)
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Natural language support but running in an English locale
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'citation()' on how to cite R or R packages in publications.
Type 'demo()' for some demos, 'help()' for on-line help, or
'help.start()' for an HTML browser interface to help.
Type 'q()' to quit R.
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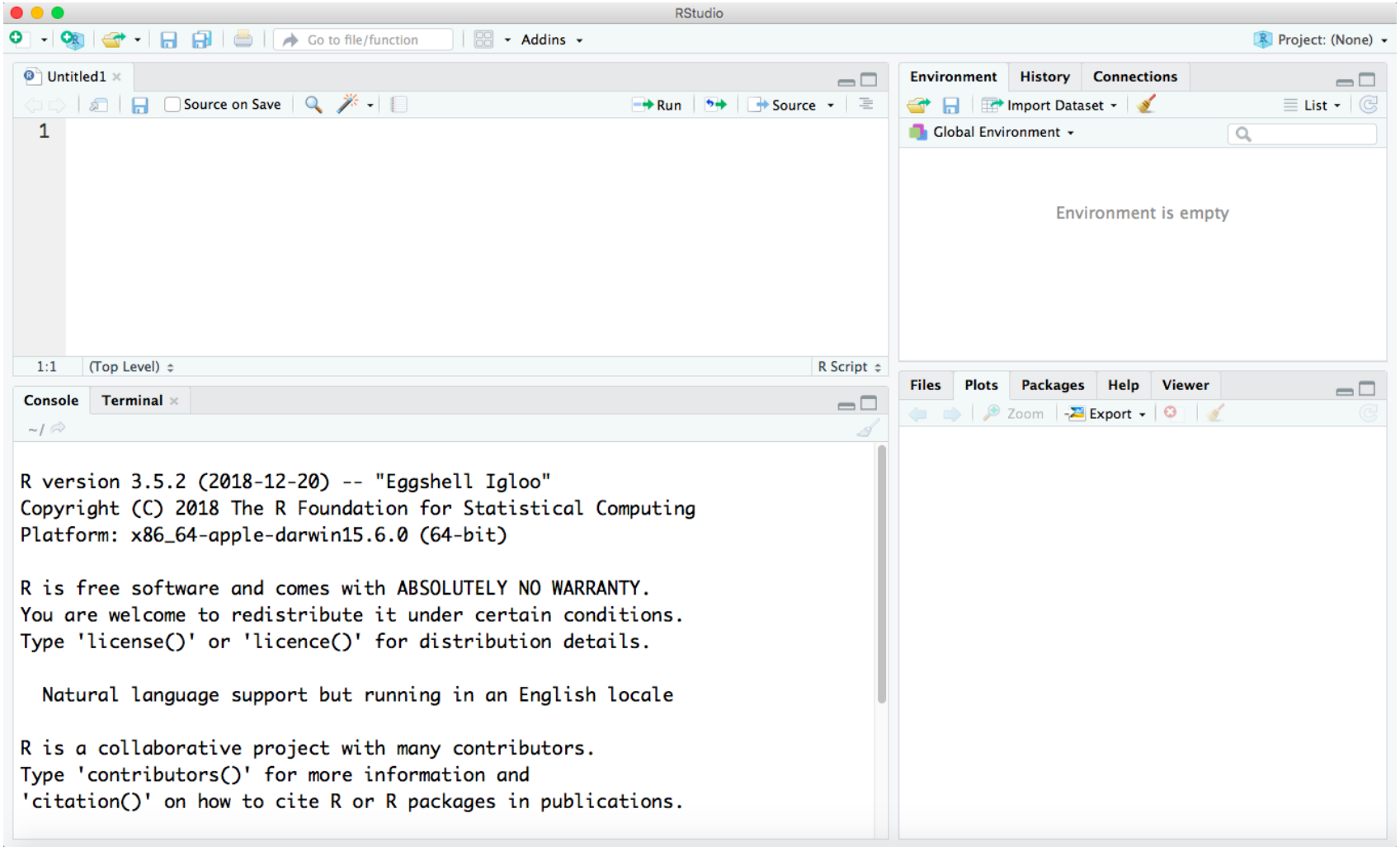
RStudio


RStudio
Go to file/function
Addins
Project: (None)
Untitled1
Source on Save
Run
Source
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R Script
Environment
History
Connections
Import Dataset
List
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Files
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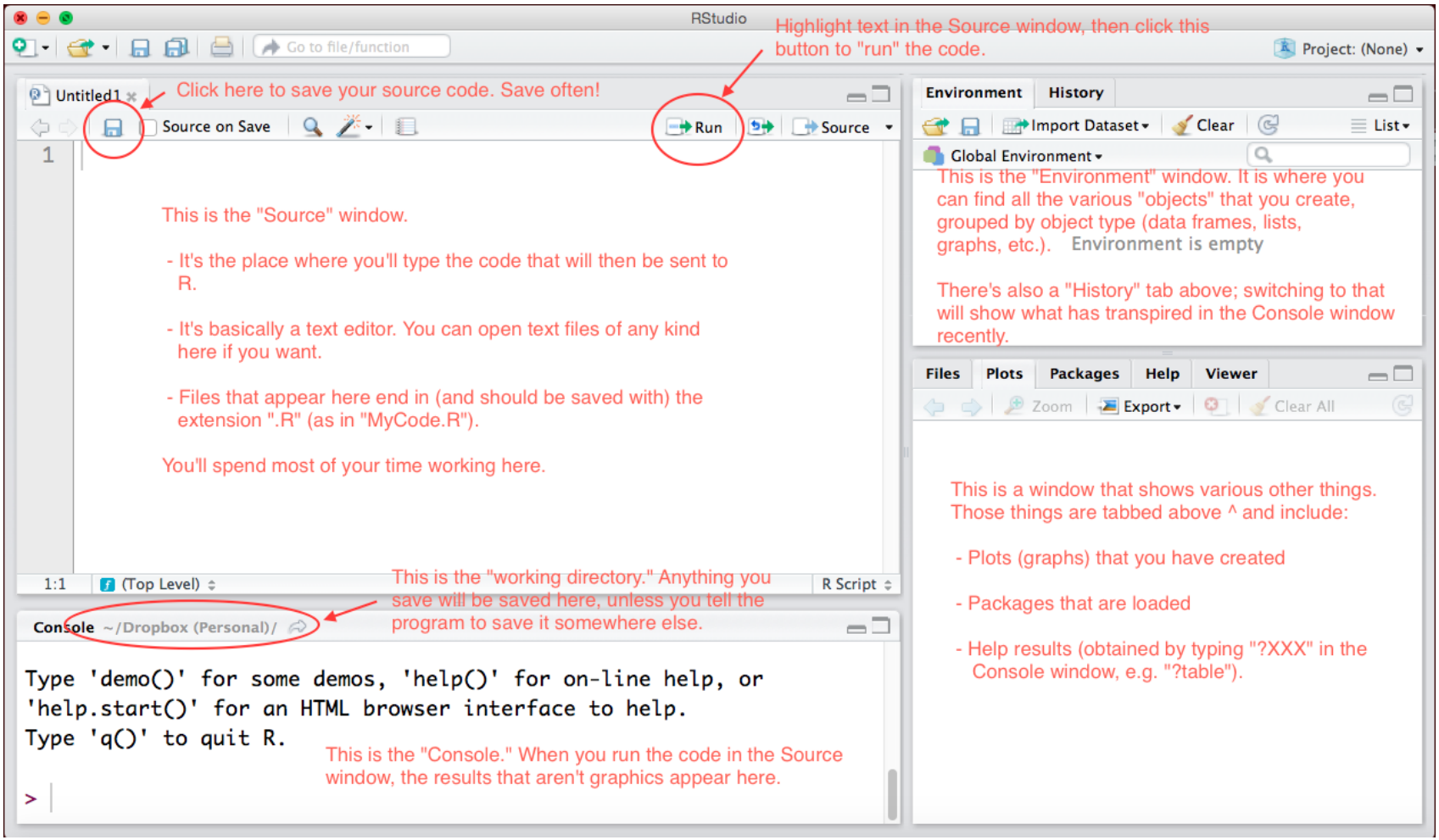
RStudio (annotated)



Inside the Source Window

This:

```
> table(df$X)
```

... means "Type the phrase 'table(df$X)' on the command line," or – equivalently – "Type the phrase 'table(df$X)' into your Source code, and then run it."

Inside the Source Window

More often, you'll see:

```
with(df, plot(Y~X,pch=19,col="red")) # draw a scatterplot
abline(h=0,lty=2) # add a horizontal line at zero
abline(v=0,lty=2) # add a vertical line at zero
text(df$X,df$Y,labels=df$names,pos=1) # add labels
```

... which means "Put this block of text into your Source code, and then run it."

Note:

- R / RStudio ignores line breaks
- Anything to the right of a "#" is a comment

Very basic R examples...

(see `GSERM-StGallen-2020-R-Intro.R` in the github repo)

Help For Learning R(Studio)

In rough order of preference:

- Quick-R (`http://www.statmethods.net/`)
- The "Level-Zero" R Tutorial (doesn't integrate RStudio, but is otherwise very good)
- Statistics with R
- The Do It Yourself Introduction to R
- Also be sure to consult the GSERM / RfP "Useful R Resources" guide (on GitHub).

R and LaTeX

R + LaTeX: Sweave and `knitr`

- Sweave "...enables the embedding of R code within LaTeX documents to generate a PDF file that includes narrative and analysis, graphics, code, and the results of computations."

- `knitr` is an R package that expands the capabilities of Sweave.

- Key point: **Integrates data analysis and document creation.**
    - Analysis and text are in the same document
    - Documents are *dynamic*: When the data changes, the document changes.