



Statistics Bootcamp using R

DAY 1 INTRODUCTION TO STATISTICS IN BUSINESS 1.2 INTRODUCTION TO R

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Agenda





Day 1: Introduction to Statistics in Business

- Basic Vocabulary of Statistics & Data Types
- Introduction to R
- Data Collection & Summarization

Learning objectives

- Understand what R can do
- Understand R studio interface
- •Run simple R commands
- Understand the common mistakes

What is R?





project considered in 1992

initial version released in 1995

stable beta version in 2000



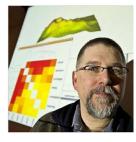
named after first names of first 2 authors



was created at Auckland New Zealand

Source: https://data-flair.training/blogs/r-interview-questions-and-answers/

was created by Ross Ihaka & Robert Gentleman



Why should we use R?





Open source programming language

R groups are noted for its energetic contributions

Serves as a glue language

R has gotten faster over time

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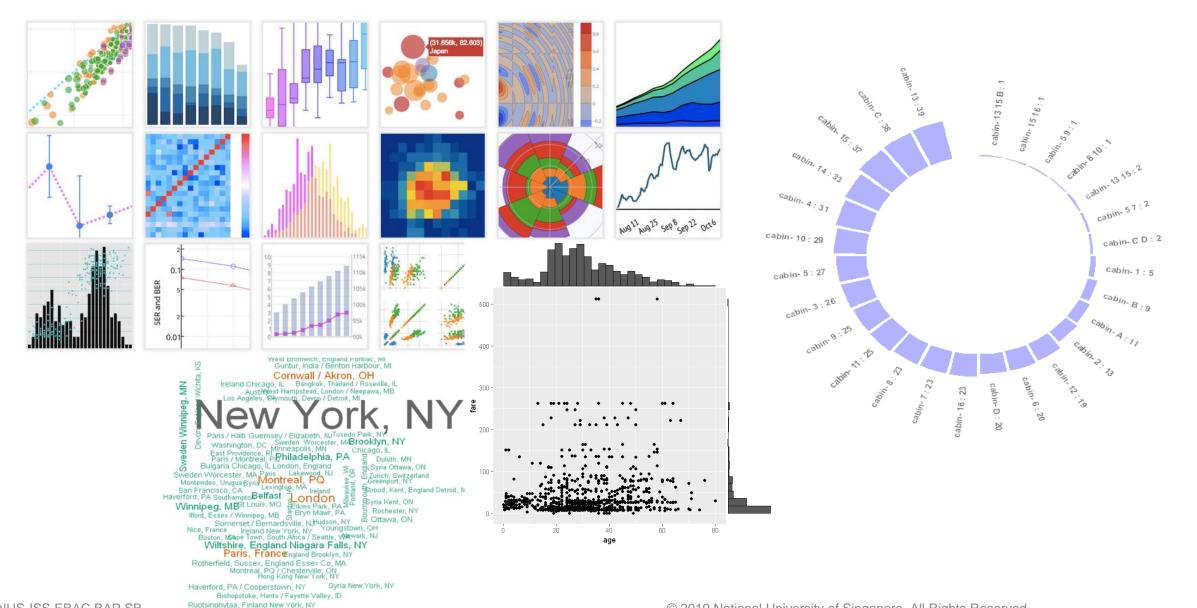
Other equivalent software: **Commercial:** SAS, SPSS, JMP etc.

Open Source: Python etc.

R has great graphic capabilities







How applicable is R?





- R is used in wide range of industry such as finance, e-commerce, semiconductors, manufacturing and many more
- R helps in data importing and cleaning

Considered as an alternate execution of science

R is one of the best open source tools for data science today

R is one of the most prevalent language though Python is also gaining popularity

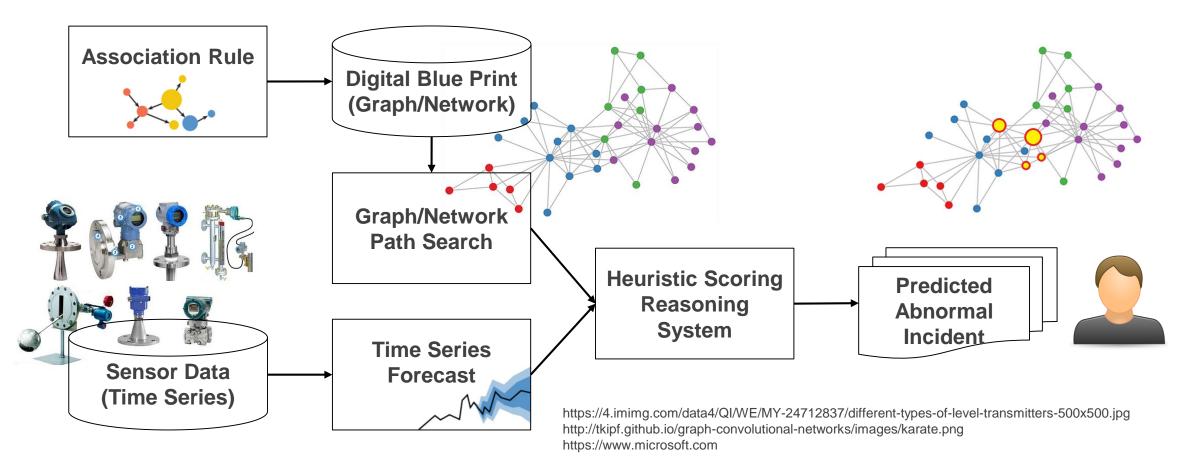
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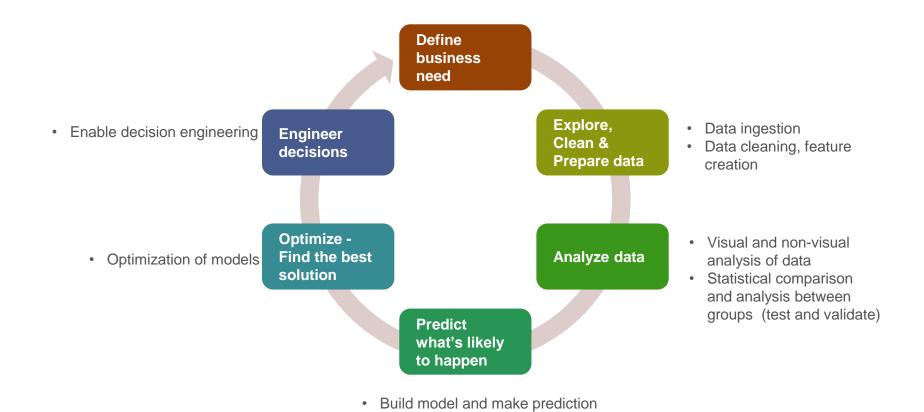
Use case: Plant Abnormal Situation Prediction (Predictive Maintenance)
Sub-systems: Time Series Forecast, Association Rule, Graph Search, Heuristic Score



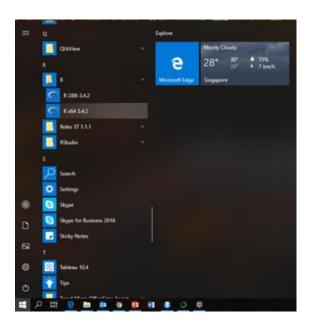
R is a vital part of the analytics process life-cycle







Obtaining R



^{*} It is possible to run R on USB stick, when you don't have administrative right to the computer.

- Freely available from the Comprehensive R Archive Network (CRAN)
- National University of Singapore

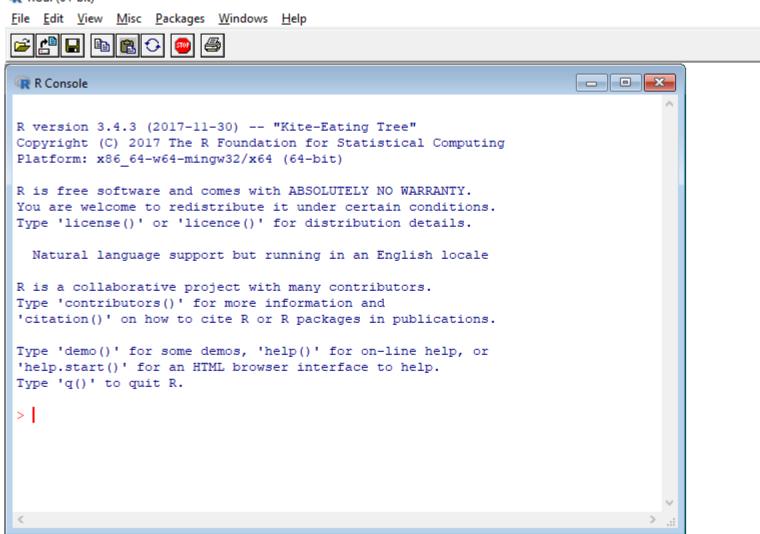


- Downloadable at http://CRAN.R-project.org/mirrors.html
- •Runs on Windows, Mac and Linux
- •To access the installed R, for windows user, go to *Start Menu*, select 'All apps', go to folder 'R', click 'R x64 3.x.x'

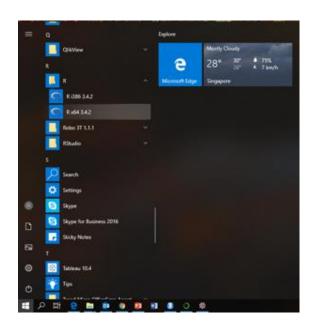




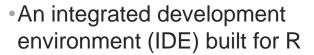
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Installing R studio



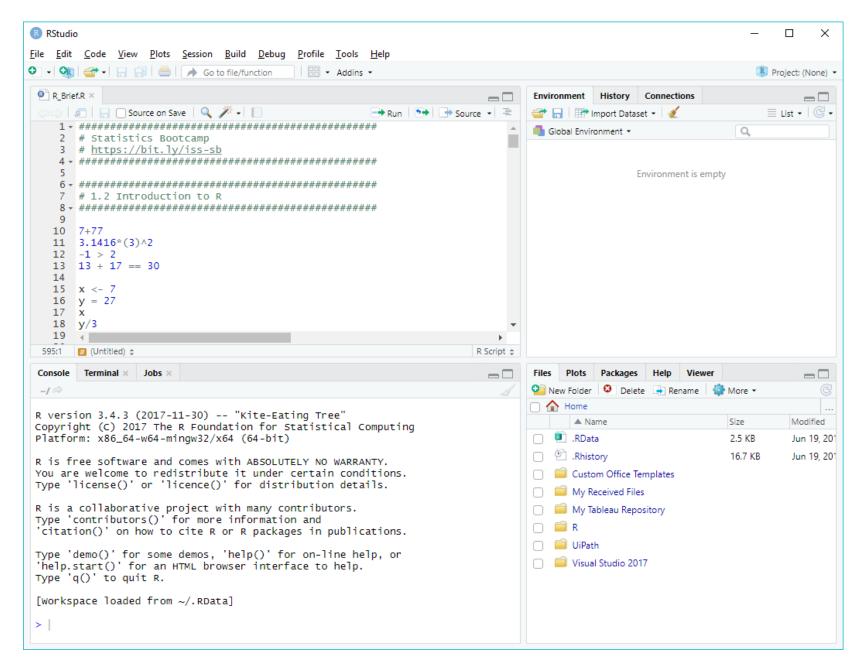
 $^{^{*}}$ It is possible to run R and R studio on USB stick. You need to install R before installing R studio.







- Downloadable at http://www.rstudio.com
- Runs on Windows, Mac and Linux, or over the web using RStudio Server
- •To access the installed R, for windows user, go to *Start Menu*, select 'All apps', go to folder 'RStudio', click 'RStudio'







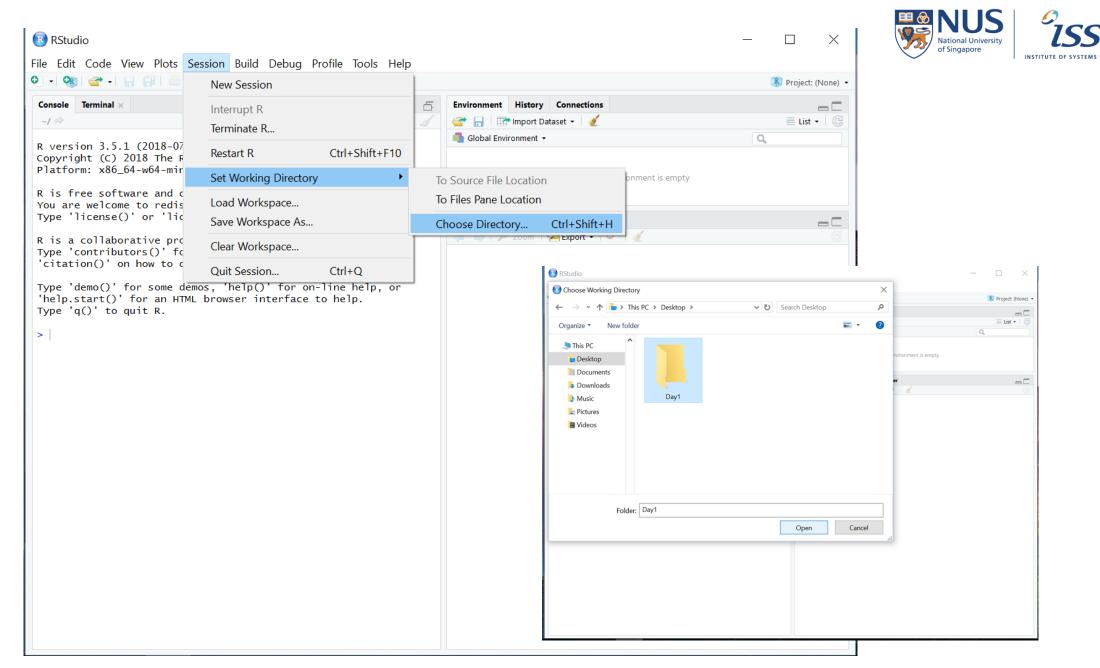
Set working directory

•This step is often needed when you start RStudio





 Not setting the correct working directory is a common mistake among new learners



How R works







- 2. Expressions evaluated by the R interpreter
- 3. Then computed values are printed below the prompt
- 4. Some examples:

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## expressions

R prompt 
>:7+77

[1] 84

> 3.1416*(3)^2

computed output 
[1] 28.2744:

comment 
## logical values:
> -1 > 2

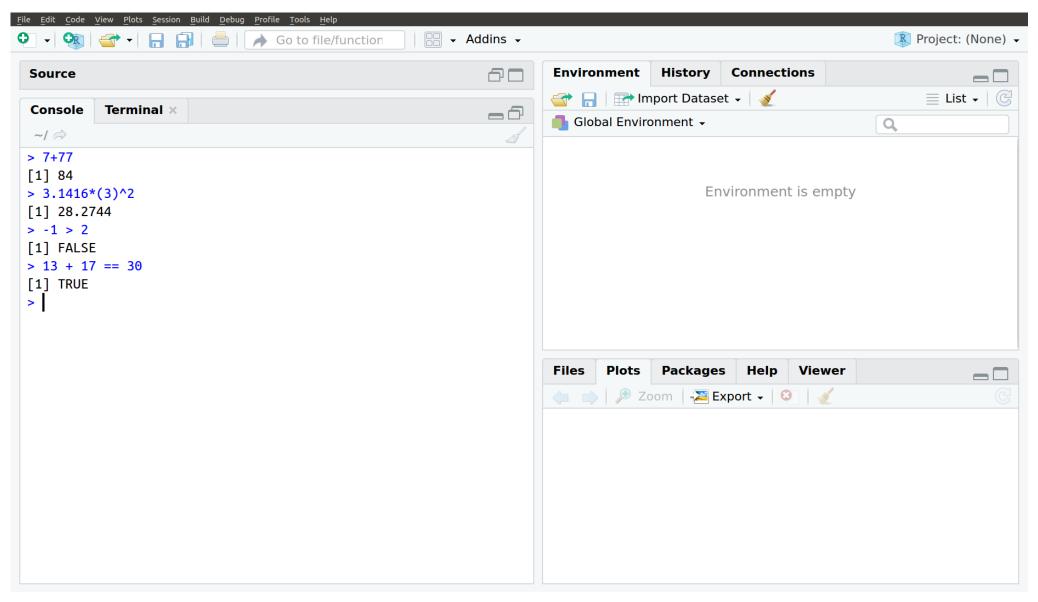
[1] FALSE

> 13 + 17 == 30

[1] TRUE
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Basic R



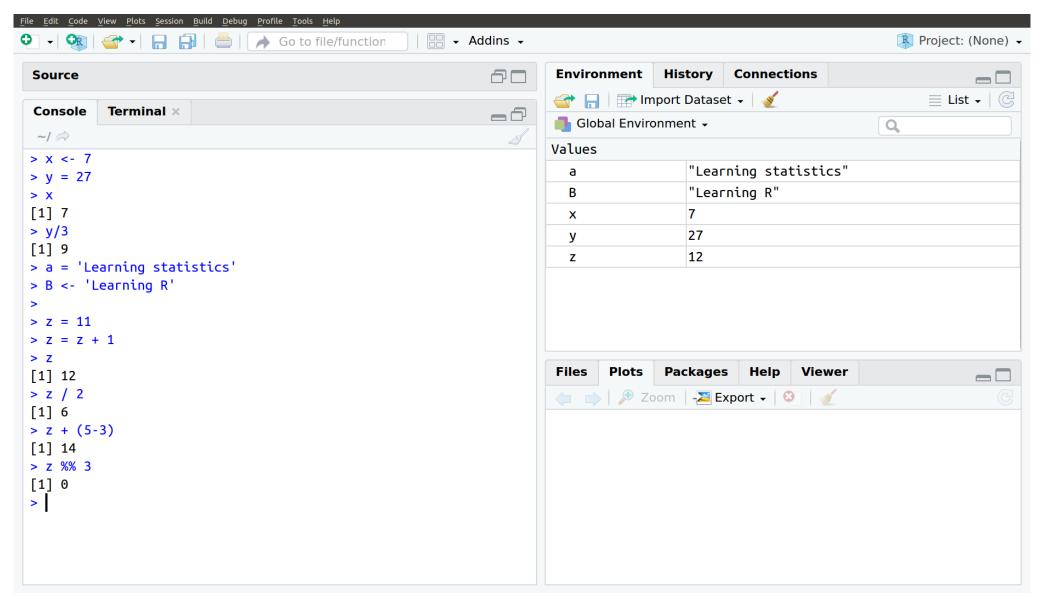


- string, etc) for access later
- •Assignment operator: <- or =</pre>

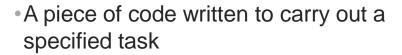
•Variable: store value (number, •+, -, / , <-, =, %%, ==, these are called operators:







Function





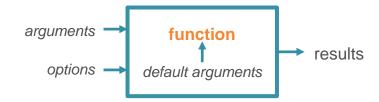


- It can or can not accept arguments
- It can or can not return one or more values

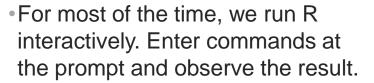
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> sum(2,4,5)
[1] 11
> sqrt(121)
[1] 11
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•Some arguments have names. For example to display the help page for 'stats' package, do:

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> help(package="stats")
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R script





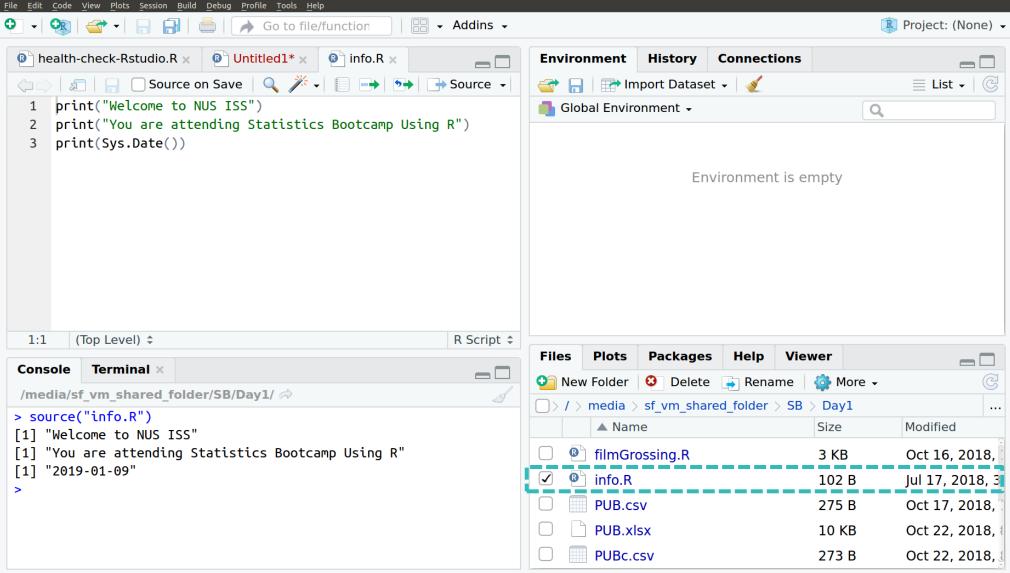


- •At times, we may want to run a groups of R commands at one go. In this case, we write R commands in a plain text file (with ".R" extension) and run the script.
- To run a script file named 'info.R', type:

> source("info.R")







Getting help



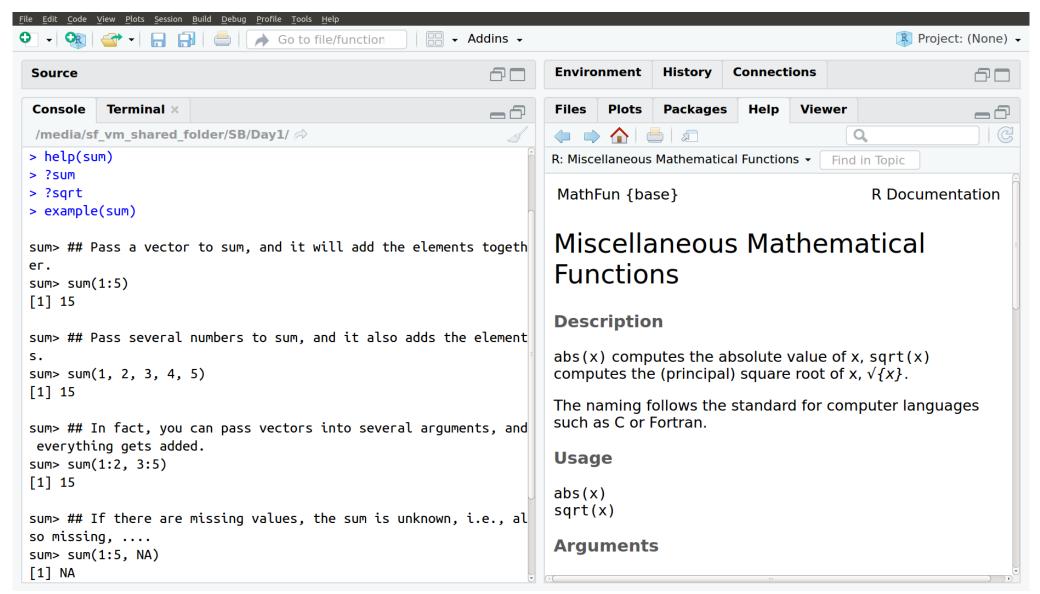


 General help (Menu > Help > R Help)
 To get a help on a particular function, type

- > help(sum)
- > ?sum
- > ?sqrt
- Run the examples of an R function if provided
 - > example(sum)







Common mistakes in R programming





	Example	
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Using the wrong case	help()	Help()
Forgetting to use quote marks	install.packages("lattice")	install.packages(lattice)
Forgetting to include the parentheses in a function call	help()	help
Using the \ in a pathname on Windows	c:/mydata c:\\mydata	c:\mydata
Using a function from a package that's not loaded	<pre>install.packages("lattice") contourplot()</pre>	contourplot()

Useful R functions





Function	Purpose
library()	Load add-on packages.
install.packages()	Download and install packages from CRAN-like repositories or from local files.
library(help="package_name")	Show documentation for a package.
sum()	Compute the sum of values.
sqrt()	Compute the square root.
rep()	Replicate a value.
help()	Access the primary interface to the R help systems.
??function	To find out which package carries this function.
example()	Run the examples of an R function
source()	Submit a script to the current R session

Useful tips





Tip	Purpose
Use arrow keys	To navigate between previously typed in commands
Control L	Clears the console
library(help="package_name")	Show documentation for a package.
Typing inside quotes	Both quotes are automatically added
Setting working directory	See screenshot on page 23
Keyboard shortcuts	Alt + Shift + K
Open a Terminal Window	Shift + Alt + r
If you see a "+" instead of a ">"	Your command is incomplete. Check your syntax.

Other resources

http://www.r-project.org

http://www.r-bloggers.com

http://www.rstudio.com

http://stackoverflow.com

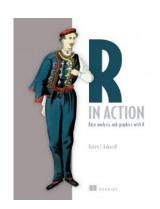
http://stats.stackexchange.com

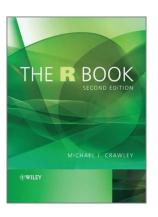
http://quora.com

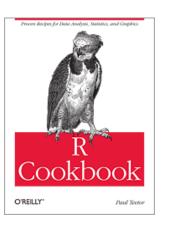
http://www.google.com

https://github.com/telescopeuser/S-SB-Workshop























< Data Science Wars: R vs Python >

https://www.datacamp.com/community/tutorials/r-or-python-for-data-analysis





End of Lecture Notes