# Linguistic Geocomputation with R

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# Introduction

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## Introduction to R language

Since this book includes a lot of R code examples, this chapter will describe some basics for those, who is not familiar with R. For purposes of understanding R code in this book you don't need any deep knowledge of R. In case you want to learn more, there are a lot of good books on it. I will list only few of them:

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#### 2.1 Instalation

### 2.1.1 R instalation

To download R, go to CRAN. Don't try to pick a mirror that's close to you, instead it is better to use the cloud mirror, https://cloud.r-project.org.

#### 2.1.2 RStudio

RStudio is an integrated development environment, or IDE, for R programming. There are two possibilities:

- type R code in the R console pane, and press enter to run it;
- type R code in the Code editor pane, and press Control/Command + Enter to run selected part. It is easier to correct and it is possible to save the result as a script.

When you first launch RStudio it is more likely, that you won't see the Code Editor pane. It is possible to decrease R Console pane on icons in the pane's right upper corner.

Everything from this book will be available without RStudio installation. There are a lot of possibilities to work with R not using RStudio such as R console, command line, Jupyter Notebook, some plugins for working in Sublime, Vim, Emacs, Atom, Notepad++ and other programming text editors.

#### 2.1.3 RStuio cloud

It is also possible not to install anything on your own PC, using RStudio Cloud, a web-based interface for Rstudio and R. In RStudio Cloud it is also possible to share your R projects and collaborate with a select group in a private space. RStudio Cloud is currently free to use, but soon there will be free and paid options.

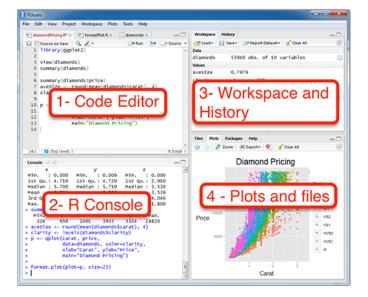


Figure 2.1: RStudio layout

## 2.2 Base elements, variables, vectors, dataframe

### 2.2.1 Base elements

```
7
[1] 7
-5.7
[1] -5.7
"bonjour"
[1] "bonjour"
"bon mot"
[1] "bon mot"
TRUE
[1] TRUE
[1] TRUE
[1] TRUE
```

### 2.2.2 Variables

```
my_var <- 7
my_var</pre>
```

[1] 7

```
my_var+7
[1] 14
my_var
[1] 7
my_var <- my_var + 7</pre>
```

#### 2.2.3 Vectors

```
5:9
[1] 5 6 7 8 9
11:4
[1] 11 10 9 8 7 6 5 4
numbers <- c(7, 9.9, 24)
multiple_strings <- c("the", "quick", "brown", "fox", "jumps", "over", "the", "lazy", "dog")
one_string <- c("the quick brown fox jumps over the lazy dog")
true_false <- c(TRUE, FALSE, FALSE, TRUE)
length(numbers)
[1] 3
length(multiple_strings)
[1] 9
length(one_string)
[1] 1</pre>
```

#### 2.2.4 Dataframes

```
my_df \leftarrow data.frame(latin = c("a", "b", "c"),
                    cyrillic = c("", "", ""),
                    greek = c("", "", ""),
                    numbers = c(1:3),
                    is.vowel = c(TRUE, FALSE, FALSE),
                    stringsAsFactors = FALSE)
my_df
 latin cyrillic greek numbers is.vowel
1
     a
                            1
                                 TRUE
2
     b
                            2 FALSE
3
                            3
                                 FALSE
      С
nrow(my_df)
[1] 3
ncol(my_df)
```

[1] 5

### 2.2.5 Indexing

## 2.3 Reading files

We can read to R a dataset about Numeral Classifiers from AUTOTYP database.

```
1 148
               0
                             FALSE
               0
2 65
                             FALSE
3 75
               0
                             FALSE
4 85
               0
                             FALSE
5 111
              NA
                                NA
6 163
                             FALSE
tail(new_df)
```

	LID	${\tt NumClass.n}$	NumClass.Presence
250	1397	0	FALSE
251	2994	5	TRUE
252	2779	0	FALSE
253	192	0	FALSE
254	551	0	FALSE
255	2564	2	TRUE

LID NumClass.n NumClass.Presence

It could be also a file on your computer, just provide a whole path to the file. Windows users need to change backslashes  $\setminus$  to slashes /.

```
new_df_2 <- read.csv("/home/agricolamz/my_file.csv")</pre>
```

### Writing files from R

```
write.csv(new_df_2, "/home/agricolamz/my_new_file.csv",
          row.names = FALSE)
```

#### 2.5 Missing data

In R, missing values are represented by the symbol NA (not available).

```
is.na(new df$NumClass.Presence)
 [1] FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE TRUE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE
 [12] FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE
 [23] FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE
 [34] FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE
 [45] FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE
 [56] FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE
 [67] FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE
 [78] FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE
 [89] FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE
[100] FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE TRUE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE
[111] FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE
[122] FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE
[133] FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE
[144] FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE
[155] FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE TRUE
[166] FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE
[177] TRUE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE TRUE FALSE FALSE
[188] FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE
[199] FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE
[210] FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE
[221] FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE
[232] FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE
[243] FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE
[254] FALSE FALSE
sum(is.na(new_df$NumClass.Presence))
[1] 5
sum(is.na(new_df))
```

## How to get help in R

[1] 22

```
?nchar
```

## Installing a package

install.packages('mypackage')



## Loading a package

library('mypackage')





Figure 2.2: Lamp metaphore

### 2.7 Packages

There are a lot of R packages for solving a lot of different problems. There are two way for install them (you need an internet connection):

• packages on CRAN are checked in multiple ways and should be stable

```
install.packages("lingtypology")
```

• packages on GitHub are NOT checked and could contain anything, but it is the place where all package developers keep the last vertion of they work.

```
install.packages("devtools")
devtools::install_github("ropensci/lingtypology")
```

or package file

After the package is installed you need to load the package using the following command:

```
library("lingtypology")
```

There is a nice picture from Phillips N. D. (2017) YaRrr! The Pirate's Guide to R:

# Map creation

# Linguistical databases

- 4.1 Linguistical databases APIs
- 4.2 Linguistical databases creation

Look 4.1 and 3

# Spatial statistics

Here will be a nice sections

# Conclusion