## Writing Scripts in R



Ultimately you will be writing scripts that will allow yourself and others to recreate your analysis just by running the script - the code at the start of the script will load the packages your analysis needs, then load your data, tidy, transform and visualise your data, and then code for your model...

You should write your code as a script, and use the Console window for single command instructions relatively rarely...

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Scripts should have lots of comments, indicated by a # symbol - this helps others read your code, and also yourself when you look back at it later.

Scripts can be saved and uploaded to (e.g.) OSF, GitHub, or submitted as an electronic supplement alongside your journal submission. Even when journals don't require you to adhere to Open Science practices, it's a good idea to make your code and data available during the reviewing process - and publicly available once your paper is published.

If you aren't sharing your data and code, you aren't engaged in generating reproducible or open research...