

Introduction to 'R' Programming

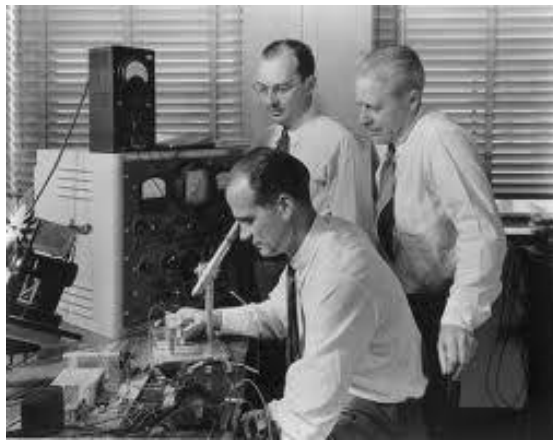
Interfaces: R console and R studio

AGENDA

- History and evolution of R
- Description of R Studio interface

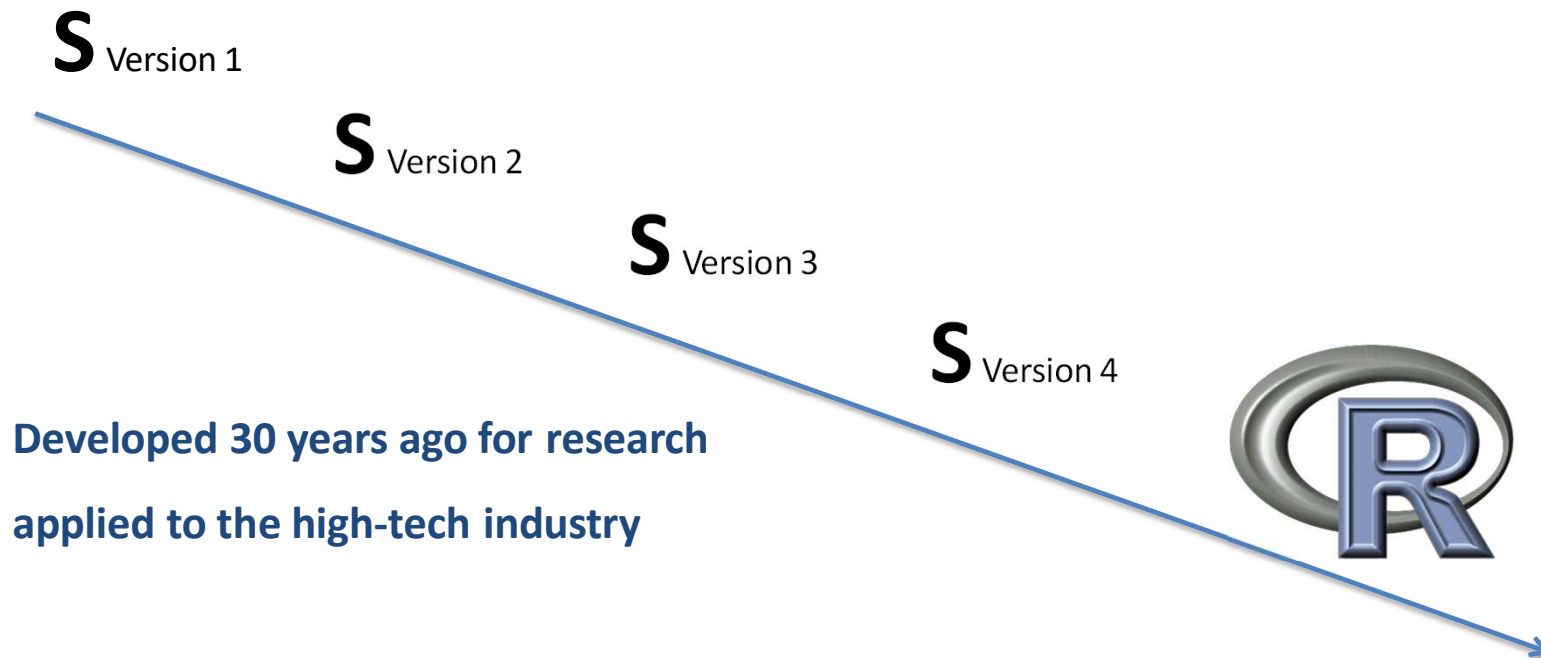
HISTORY AND EVOLUTION OF R

Origin in the Bell Labs in the 1970's



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R has developed from the S language



Installing R

- Download R Package from
 - <https://cran.r-project.org/>
 - Click on the Windows specific link and finally the download of an executable file R-3.x.x.exe.
 - <https://cran.r-project.org/bin/windows/base/R-3.5.3-win.exe>

How to get help in R

- R includes extensive facilities for accessing documentation and searching for help.
- R Help: `help()` and `?`
 - The `help()` function and `?` help operator in R provide access to the documentation pages
 - To access documentation for the standard `lm` (linear model) function, for example, enter the command `help(lm)` or `help("lm")`, or `?lm` or `? "lm"` (i.e., the quotes are optional).
 - You may also use the `help()` function to access information about a package in your library — for example, `help(package="MASS")` — which displays an index of available help pages for the package along with some other information.
- Help pages for functions usually include a section with executable examples illustrating how the functions work.
- You can execute these examples in the current R session via the `example()` command: e.g., `example(lm)`.

Installing R Studio

- Go on the official website of RStudio - <https://www.rstudio.com/>
- Go to www.rstudio.com and click on the "Download RStudio" button.
- Click on "Download RStudio Desktop."
- Windows: Click on the version recommended for your system, or the latest Windows version, and save the executable file. Run the .exe file and follow the installation instructions.
- <https://download1.rstudio.org/RStudio-1.1.463.exe>

R Studio Overview

- The RStudio open source and commercial Integrated Development Environment is the premier IDE for the R programming language.
- RStudio project already provides nearly all the desired features for an IDE, making it easier and more productive to use R.
- The main components of an IDE are all nicely integrated into a four-pane layout
 - Console for interactive R sessions. Location where commands are entered and the output is printed
 - A tabbed source-code editor. It's as built-in text editor.
 - Environment & History Tab. It's an interactive list of loaded R objects and shows list of key strokes entered into the Console
 - Files, Plots, Package, Help:
 - Files: File explorer to navigate folders
 - Plots: Output location for plots
 - Packages: List of installed packages
 - Help: Output location for help commands and help search window

