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# Survey

knowledge survey to determine focus for this session

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## RStudio

The screenshot shows the RStudio environment with several annotations in red and orange text boxes:

- RUN CODE**: A red box pointing to the 'Run' button in the top toolbar.
- SCRIPTS**: An orange box pointing to the source editor containing R code.
- OBJECTS IN WORKSPACE**: An orange box pointing to the 'Environment' pane on the right, which lists objects like 'statlocsp' and 'statnames'.
- DOCUMENTATION**: A red box pointing to the 'Help' button in the bottom toolbar.
- PLOTS**: An orange box pointing to a scatter plot in the 'Plots' pane. The plot has 'Index' on the x-axis (0 to 150) and 'sort(as.Date(first))' on the y-axis (1850 to 1950).
- CODE EXECUTION**: An orange box pointing to the 'Console' pane at the bottom, which shows the output of the R script, including map coordinates and date ranges.

The R code in the source editor includes:

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country <- raster::shapefile("../RiverFiles/country_y.shp")
country <- sp::spTransform(country,
sp::plot(country, col="blue")

# draw rivers depending on (strahler
riverlines <- function(w1=2.5, w2=2, w3=1)
{
  lines(river[river@data$rhine=1,], col="blue", lwd=w1)
  lines(, col="blue", lwd=w2)
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library(OSMscale) # pointsMap, projectPoints
map <- pointsMap(yy.xx, statlocs@data, zoom=7, fx=0.3, type="maptoolkit-to
statlocsp <- projectPoints(yy.xx, statlocs@data, to=pozm())
map2 <- pointsMap(yy.xx, statlocs@data, map=map, proj=pl1())

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plot(sort(as.Date(first)))
range(as.Date(first))
rm(first)
last <- sapply(d, function(x) as.character(x$date[1]))

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The console output shows:

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139 11022200 NIEDALTDORF 6.592912 49.34216 4073457 2920089
8 1301 BAD ROTENFELS 8.296870 48.81876 4195899 2857609
130 13322200 LEBACH 6.906131 49.41035 4096511 2926661
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Downloading map with extend 4.594204, 13.009235, 45.982782, 53.363084 ...
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**ON:** Show margin (Margin column:80) *People hate horizontal scrolling!*

#### Tools - Global Options - Code - Saving

Line ending conversion: **Windows (CR/LF)**

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- ▶ comments: `# everything after a hashtag is not executed.`

## Exercise

- ▶ Open Rstudio, start new script. Write comments about what you do, save the file in a useful place.
- ▶ Calculate  $21+21$  ,  $7*6$  and  $\frac{0,3}{4} * \sqrt{313600}$
- ▶ Is  $0.5 - 0.2$  equal to  $0.3$ ? Is  $0.4 - 0.1$  equal to  $0.3$ ?
- ▶ With the `c` command, create a vector with body sizes of people around you. You can also use the values 1.75, 1.76, 1.83, 1.84, 1.77, 1.76, 1.77, 1.66, 1.86, 1.76
- ▶ What does `3:6` create? What does `YourObject[3:6]` do?
- ▶ What does `YourObject[-4]` do?
- ▶ BONUS (for fast people): Analyze the descriptive statistics: `mean(YourObject)`, `median`, `min`, `max`, `range`, `quantile`
- ▶ BONUS 2: Generate 150 random numbers from a normal distribution with  $\mu = 170cm$  and  $\sigma = 8cm$ . Perform a Kolmogorov-Smirnov test for normality of that sample.



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- ▶ To make sure your script is reproducible (you may rename objects, for example, and miss one occurrence):  
restart R (**CTRL** + **SHIFT** + **F10**) every once in a while (Make sure Rstudio settings are reproducible as shown on slide 4).

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(only needs to be executed once, works on user level, no admin rights required)  
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