RStudio

Working with R – RStudio

RStudio is an Integrated Development Environment (IDE) for R

- · It helps the user effectively use R
- Makes things easier
- Is NOT a dropdown statistical tool (such as Stata)
 - See Rcmdr or Radiant
- · All R Studio snapshots are taken from http://ayeimanol-r.net/2013/04/21/289/



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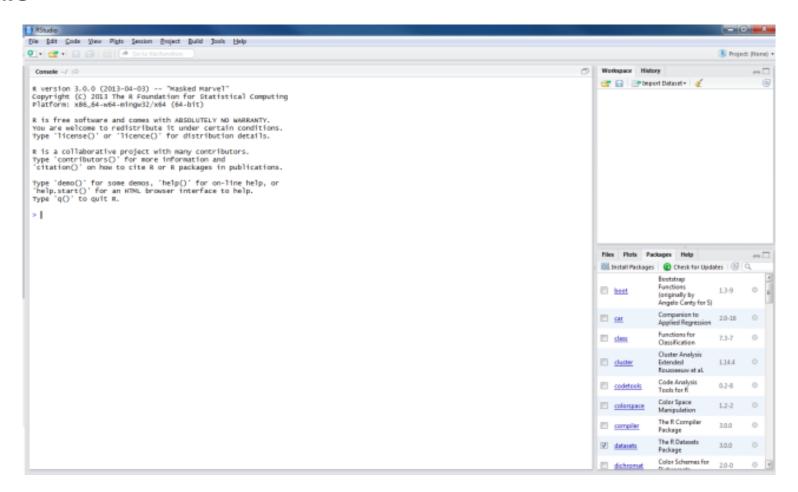
Easier working with R

- · Syntax highlighting, code completion, and smart indentation
- Easily manage multiple working directories and projects

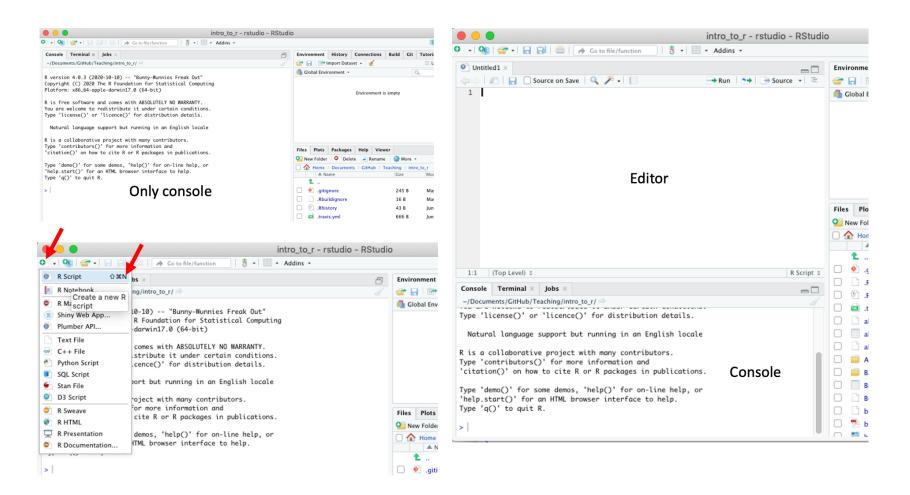
More information

- Workspace browser and data viewer
- Plot history, zooming, and flexible image and file export
- Integrated R help and documentation
- Searchable command history

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Getting the editor



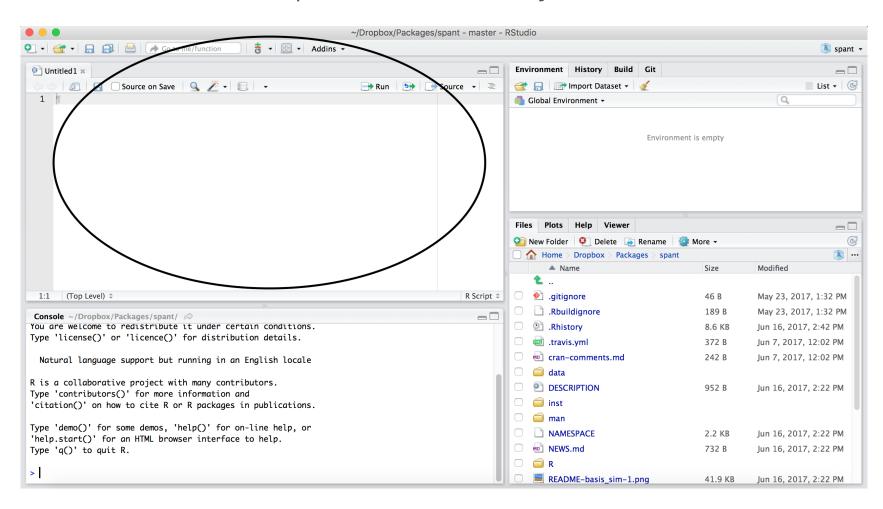
Working with R in R Studio - 2 major panes:

- 1. The Source/Editor: "Analysis" Script + Interactive Exploration
 - Static copy of what you did (reproducibility)
 - Top by default
- 2. The R Console: "interprets" whatever you type
 - Calculator
 - Try things out interactively, then add to your editor
 - Bottom by default

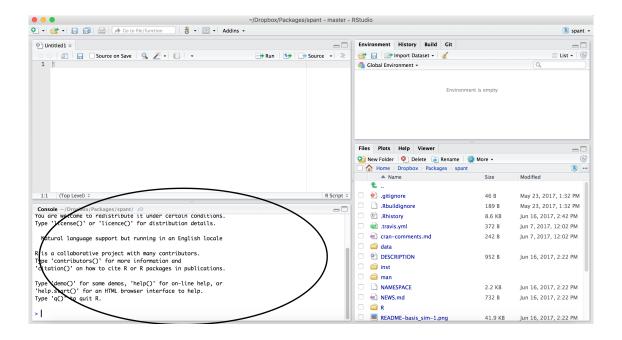
Source / Editor

- · Where files open to
- Have R code and comments in them
- Can highlight and press (CMD+Enter (Mac) or Ctrl+Enter (Windows)) to run the code

In a .R file (we call a script), code is saved on your disk



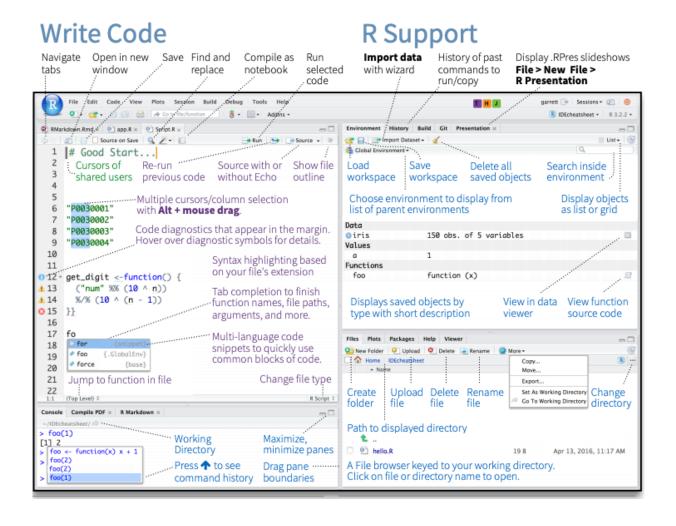
R Console



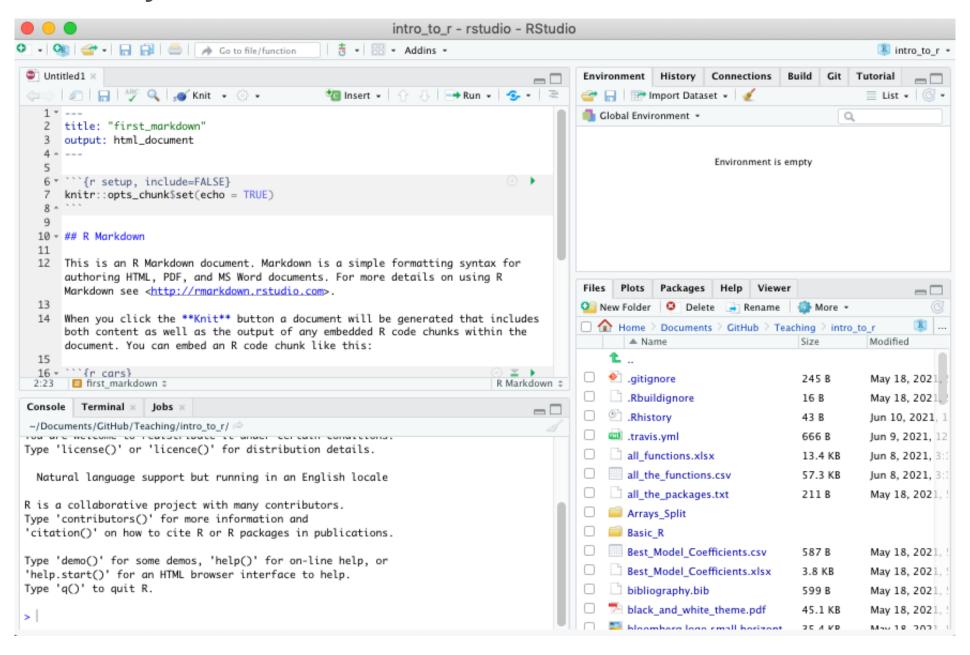
- Where code is executed (where things happen)
- You can type here for things interactively
- Code is **not saved** on your disk

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Super useful "cheat sheet": https://github.com/rstudio/cheatsheets/raw/master/rstudio-ide.pdf



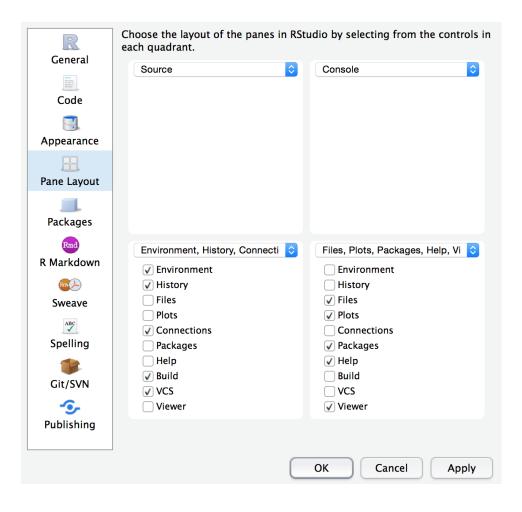
RStudio layout



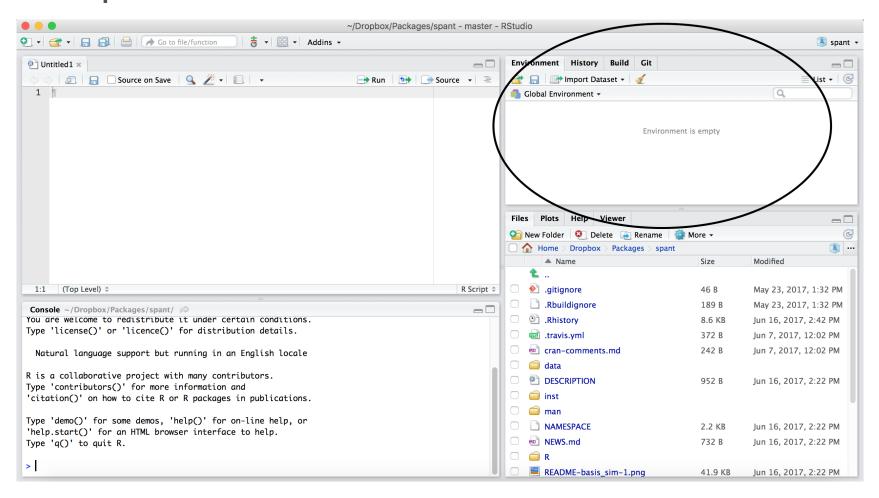
RStudio Layout

If RStudio doesn't look the way you want (or like our RStudio), then do:

RStudio -> Preferences -> Pane Layout



Workspace/Environment



Workspace/Environment

- Tells you what objects are in R
- What exists in memory/what is loaded?/what did I read in?

History

- Shows previous commands. Good to look at for debugging, but don't rely on it.
 - Instead use RMarkdown!
- · Also type the "up" key in the Console to scroll through previous commands

Other Panes

- · Files shows the files on your computer of the directory you are working in
- Viewer can view data or R objects
- **Help** shows help of R commands
- Plots pictures and figures
- Packages list of R packages that are loaded in memory

Let's take a look at R Studio ourselves!

Lab: Starting with R and RMarkdown

RStudio Lab

To do this lab we need to:

- 1. Download the file at the link above
- 2. Find the downloaded file
- 3. Open the file in RStudio.

This may require finding your downloads on your computer.

Recall that these videos can help:

If you have a PC: https://youtu.be/we6vwB7DsNU

If you have a Mac: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ao9e0cDzMrE

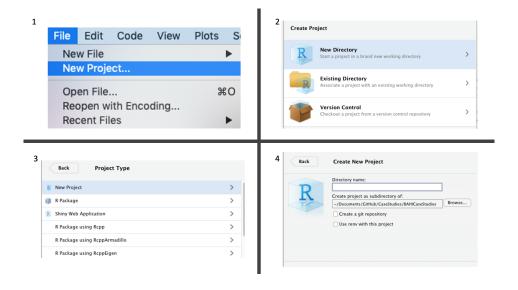
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Let's start by making an RStudio "Project".

- 1. Helps you organize your work.
- 2. Helps with working directories (discussed later).
- 3. Allows you to easily know which project you're on.

Go to File → New Project → New Directory → New Project

Call your Project "Intro_to_R"



R Markdown file

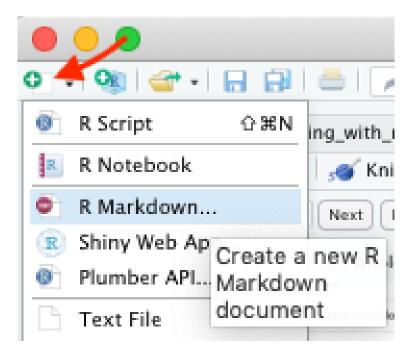
R Markdown files (.Rmd) help generate reports that include your code and output. Think of them as fancier scripts.

- 1. Helps you describe your code
- 2. Allows you to check the output
- 3. Can create many different file types

Create an R Markdown file

Go to File → New File → R Markdown

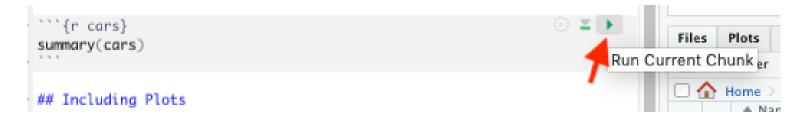
Call your file "first_markdown"



Code chunks

Within R Markdown files are code "chunks"

This is where you can type R code and run it!

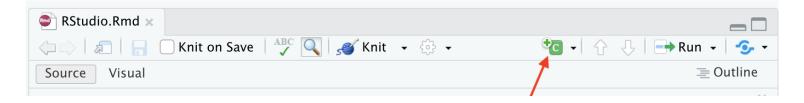


Create Chunks

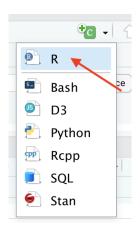
To create a new R code chunk:

Copy paste an existing chunk in the R Markdown file and replace the code **OR**

1. Use the insert code chunk button at the top of RStudio.



1. Select R as the language:

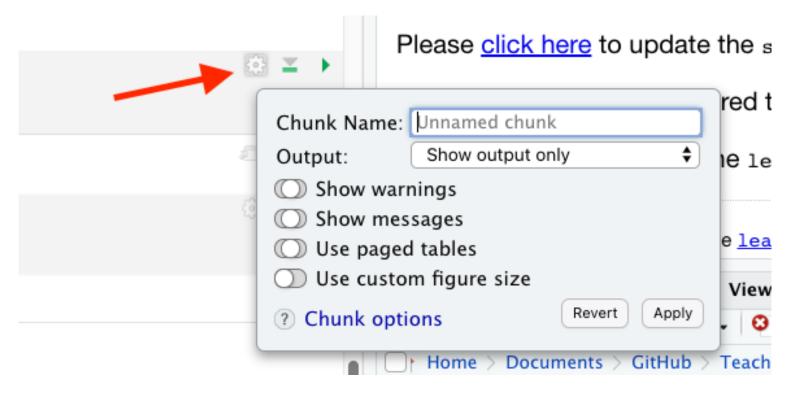


Run previous chunks button

You can run all chunks above a specific chunk using this button:

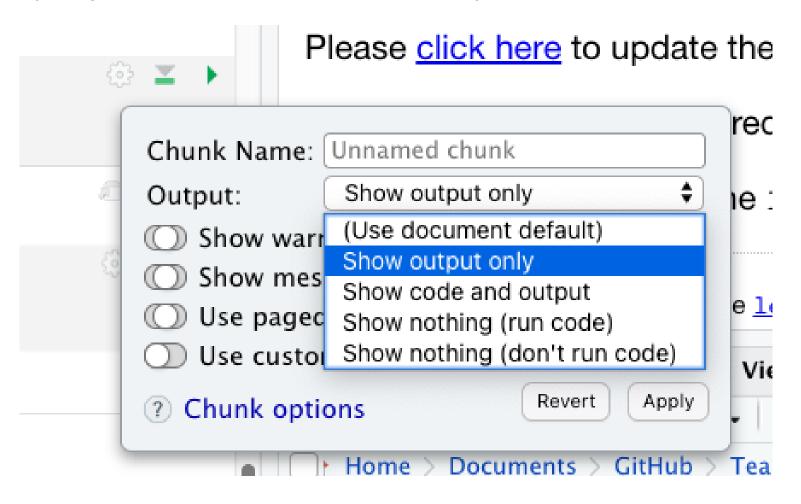
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```{r, out.width = "80%", echo = FALSE, fig.align='center'}
knitr::include_graphics("images/chunk.png")
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# Chunk settings



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You can specify if a chunk will be seen in the report or not.



# Knit file to html

This will create a report from the R Markdown document!

### **Useful R Studio Shortcuts**

- Ctrl + Enter in your script evaluates that line of code
  - It's like copying and pasting the code into the console for it to run.
- Ctrl+1 takes you to the script page
- Ctrl+2 takes you to the console
- http://www.rstudio.com/ide/docs/using/keyboard\_shortcuts

# Summary

- RStudio makes working in R easier
- the Editor is for static code like scripts or R Markdown documents
- The console is for testing code
- · R markdown documents are really helpful for lots of reasons!
- · R code goes within what is called a chunk
- · Code chunks can be modified so that they show differently in reports
- Class Website